

Industrial design

Part One: An industrial designer

Research what an industrial designer does and what skills he/she needs to perform his/her job. Write your answer in a series of point form notes.

[10 marks]

Part Two: Design a desktop stationery holder

You are a well-known industrial designer. A large manufacturing company has approached you to design and create a new concept for a desktop stationery holder to reduce clutter on desks of business men, secretaries, teachers – anyone using a desk.

1. Before you begin designing and making your prototype, you need to consider a number of things that will influence your design. Complete a pre-design brief by considering the following and offering reasons for your decisions:

Target market, cost of product, where it will be sold, value/message your product will communicate, packaging of product, any tourism opportunities, slogan, advertising, colours of product, materials used and any other information it is worth knowing before you even begin the design.

[20 marks]

2. Research and planning: Remember that your desktop stationery holder must be functional as well as aesthetically pleasing. In this part of the task, you must research other examples of desktop stationery holders that are already on the market. You need to have pictures of these and critically analyse them. Now you need to draw sketches to illustrate your intentions for your design. Label fully with annotations and show all workings and descriptions.

[40 marks]



Rubric to assess design brief

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Design brief is well	Outstanding,	Good, meeting	Satisfies	Does not
written, attention paid to	exceeds	expectations	expectations.	meet
grammar, spelling and	expectations.	well.		expectations.
presentation				
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illustrates and explains	exceeds	expectations	expectations.	meet
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creation, fully labelled	expectations.	well.		expectations.
with annotations				
Design brief is a workable	Outstanding,	Good, meeting	Satisfies	Does not
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the designer make the	expectations.	well.		expectations.
actual article				
Design shows promise	Outstanding,	Good, meeting	Satisfies	Does not
and potential	exceeds	expectations	expectations.	meet
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3. Production: Now you need to use your 2D design brief as a reference to actually make the 3D prototype.

Pay attention to the medium you will use to create the prototype. Carefully craft the item using all you have learned about elements of art, as well as your design brief and research.

Just as you are finishing the product, the manufacturer asks you to package the product suitably for sale. Submit your desktop stationery holder to your teacher for assessment, inside this packaging.

[48 marks]



Rubric to assess production of prototype

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	expectations.	well.		expectations.
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Use of elements of art	Outstanding,	Good, meeting	Satisfies	Does not
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Packaging is suitable and	Outstanding,	Good, meeting	Satisfies	Does not
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Suggested Solutions

Question number	Possible marks	Solution
1	10	Learner answers will differ. Award marks for the list of functions of an industrial designer, as well as for neatly organised point form notes. ✓ ✓ Industrial designers design a variety of items that are used every day — utilitarian items. ✓ ✓ Needs imagination, ✓ creativity, ✓ analytical mind for problem solving, ✓ knowledge of technology, ✓ good taste, artistic feeling for colour, shape, texture, ✓ etc. The designer creates the prototype and the manufacturer copies it to make thousands of the item. ✓
2.1	20	Learner answers will differ, but allocate marks for explanation and reasoning for each of the following: Target market, $\checkmark \checkmark$ cost of product, $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$ where it will be sold, $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$ value/message your product will communicate, $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$ packaging of product, $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$ any tourism opportunities, $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$ slogan, $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$ advertising, $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$
2.2	40	See rubric in Appendix of Assessment Tools.
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