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**Advanced Taxation  
(ATX-UK)  
(Finance Act 2024)**

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**EXAM KIT**

For June 2025 to March 2026 examination sittings

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Versions of some questions in this Exam Kit may also be available on the ACCA Practice Platform on the ACCA website. They are a very useful reference, in particular to attempt using ACCA's exam software. However, you should be aware that ACCA will decide when those questions will be amended for syllabus changes or replaced, so they may differ slightly from the versions in this Exam Kit.

# INDEX TO QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

## INTRODUCTION

The style of the ATX exam questions has changed over the years and significant changes have had to be made to questions in light of the legislative changes in recent Finance Acts.

Accordingly, many of the old ACCA questions within this kit have been adapted to reflect the new style of exam and the new rules. Therefore, some questions may not be worth 50 or 25 marks. If changed in any way from the original version, this is indicated in the end column of the index below with the mark (A).

Also included are the marking schemes for past ACCA real examination questions to assist you in understanding where marks are earned and the amount of time to spend on particular tasks. Note that if a question has been changed from the original version, it will have also been necessary to change the original ACCA marking scheme. Therefore, if a question is marked as adapted (A) you should assume that this also applies to the marking scheme.

Note that the majority of the questions within the kit are past ACCA exam questions, the more recent questions are labelled as such in the index.

## KEY TO THE INDEX

### ANSWER ENHANCEMENTS

We have added the following enhancements to the answers in this exam kit:



#### **Key answer tips**

All answers include key answer tips to help your understanding of each question.



#### **Tutorial note**

All answers include more tutorial notes to explain some of the technical points in more detail.



#### **Tutor's top tips**

For selected questions, we 'walk through the answer' giving guidance on how to approach the questions with helpful 'tips from a top tutor', together with technical tutor notes.

These answers are indicated with the 'footsteps' icon in the index.

## ONLINE ENHANCEMENTS



### *Answer debrief*

For selected questions, we recommend that they are to be completed in full exam conditions (i.e. properly timed in a closed book environment).

In addition to the examining team’s technical answer, enhanced with key answer tips and tutorial notes in this exam kit, online you can find an answer debrief by a top tutor that:

- works through the question in full
- explains key elements of the answer
- ensures that the easy marks are obtained as quickly as possible.

These questions are indicated with the ‘video’ icon in the index.










Answer debriefs will be available on MyKaplan at:

[www.mykaplan.co.uk](http://www.mykaplan.co.uk)

## SECTION A QUESTIONS

### TAXATION OF INDIVIDUALS

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			<i>Question</i>	<i>Answer</i>	<i>Past exam (Adapted)</i>
1	Gail and Brad		1	163	<i>Jun 13 and Mar/Jun 16 (A)</i>
2	Ziti		6	175	<i>Jun 14 (A)</i>
3	Jonny		9	191	<i>Sept/Dec 15 (A)</i>
4	Ray, Shanira and Kelly		12	200	<i>Mar/Jun 16 (A)</i>
5	Pippin		16	212	<i>Mar/Jun 17 (A)</i>
6	Joe and Fiona		19	222	<i>Mar/Jun 21 (A)</i>
7	Olma and Hogan		24	233	<i>Mar/Jun 22 (A)</i>
8	Hiromi		28	245	<i>Mar/Jun 23 (A)</i>
9	Jake		32	256	<i>Sept/Dec 23</i>

# EXAM SPECIFIC INFORMATION

## THE EXAM

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### FORMAT OF THE EXAM

	<b>Total marks</b>	<b>Technical marks</b>	<b>Professional skills marks</b>
<b>Section A:</b> One compulsory question There will be five marks on ethics in this question	50	40	10
<b>Section B:</b> Two compulsory questions	50 (25 per question)	40 (20 per question)	10 (5 per question)
<b>Overall</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>20</b>

Total time allowed: 3 hours and 15 minutes.

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Note that:

- The exam will be a computer-based examination (CBE).
- Candidates will be expected to undertake both calculation and narrative work. The questions will be scenario based and may involve consideration of more than one tax, some elements of planning and the interaction of taxes.
- Every ATX exam will include an ethical component for five marks in section A. The questions on ethics will be confined to the following areas:
  - prospective clients
  - conflicts of interest
  - disclosure of information to HM Revenue & Customs
  - money laundering
  - tax irregularities
  - the general anti abuse rule (GAAR)
  - tax avoidance
  - tax evasion.
- Apart from the above, any subject may be tested anywhere in the exam for any number of marks.
- The exam will not just test ATX knowledge: TX knowledge is still highly examinable, but will be tested in a more advanced way.

# TIME LIMITS AND ELECTION DATES

## Income tax

Election/claim	Time limit	For 2024/25
Agree the amount of trading losses to carry forward	4 years from the end of the tax year in which the loss arose	5 April 2029
Current and prior year set-off of trading losses against total income (and chargeable gains)	12 months from 31 January following the end of the tax year in which the loss arose	31 January 2027
Three year carry back of trading losses in the opening years	12 months from 31 January following the end of the tax year in which the loss arose	31 January 2027
Three year carry back of terminal trading losses in the closing years	4 years from the end of the last tax year of trading	5 April 2029
Set-off of loss on the disposal of unquoted trading company shares against income	12 months from 31 January following the end of the tax year in which the loss arose	31 January 2027
Transfer of assets eligible for capital allowances between connected parties at TWDV	2 years from the date of sale	

## National Insurance Contributions

Election/claim	Time limit	For 2024/25
Class 1 primary and secondary – pay days	17 days after the end of each tax month under PAYE system (14 days if not paid electronically)	22nd of each month
Class 1A NIC – pay day	22 July following end of tax year (19 July if not paid electronically)	22 July 2025
Class 4 NICs – pay days	Paid under self-assessment with income tax	

## Section 1

# PRACTICE QUESTIONS – SECTION A

## TAXATION OF INDIVIDUALS

### 1 GAIL AND BRAD (ADAPTED) *Walk in the footsteps of a top tutor*

You should assume that today's date is 1 June 2025.

Your manager has had a meeting with Gail and her father Brad, both of whom are clients of your firm. Gail owns the whole of the ordinary share capital of Aero Ltd.

Advice is required in respect of:

- the corporation tax issues in relation to disposals of a building and some shares,
- the extraction of funds from a company as either a bonus or a dividend,
- the consequences of non-disclosure of income, and
- the inheritance tax consequences of lifetime gifts.

The following **exhibits** provide information relevant to the question:

- 1 Gail – extract from a memorandum prepared by your manager
- 2 Schedule prepared by Mill, a junior member of your firm's tax department
- 3 Brad – extract from a memorandum prepared by your manager
- 4 Work to be carried out – email from your manager

This information should be used to answer the question **requirements**.

#### **Exhibit 1 – Gail**

##### **Extract from a memorandum prepared by your manager – dated 1 June 2025**

##### **Gail – background**

Gail was born in 1977 and is resident and domiciled in the UK. She owns the whole of the ordinary share capital of Aero Ltd (A Ltd) and works full-time as a director of the company. A Ltd owns the whole of the ordinary share capital of Zephyr Ltd (Z Ltd). A Ltd and Z Ltd are both UK resident trading companies. A Ltd and Z Ltd both pay corporation tax at the main rate.





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