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**VCE VET ENGINEERING STUDIES**  
**Written examination**

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**QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK**

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- Question and answer book of 31 pages

**Instructions**

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### Instructions

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

All dimensions are in millimetres (mm) except where specified.

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#### Question 1 (4 marks)

Name one suitable engineering material to manufacture each of the products listed in the table below.

Manufactured product	Engineering material
a toolbox to be powder-coated	
surgical equipment	
the exterior panels of an aircraft	
the legs for a welding bench in a workshop	

#### Question 2 (4 marks)

Identify the most suitable machine or equipment for each of the processes listed in the table below. Give one specific practice that operators should implement in order to maintain the machine or equipment and ensure it operates safely.

Process	Machine or equipment	Specific practice
cutting large pieces of sheet metal		
deburring the ends of sawn mild steel rods		

#### Question 3 (2 marks)

Plastic has replaced many products made of metal. One example is the use of plastic for bumper bars on cars.

What are **two** advantages of using plastic instead of metal?




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**Question 4** (4 marks)

a. Identify each fastener shown in the table below and the tool that is used to apply the fastener. 3 marks

	<b>Fastener</b>	<b>Tool used to apply the fastener</b>
		
		
		

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b. High-performance adhesives provide an alternative to traditional joining methods such as welding and the use of fasteners.

Provide **one** advantage of using adhesives rather than welding or the use of fasteners as joining methods.

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**Question 5** (13 marks)

Technical drawings show how a product should be manufactured.

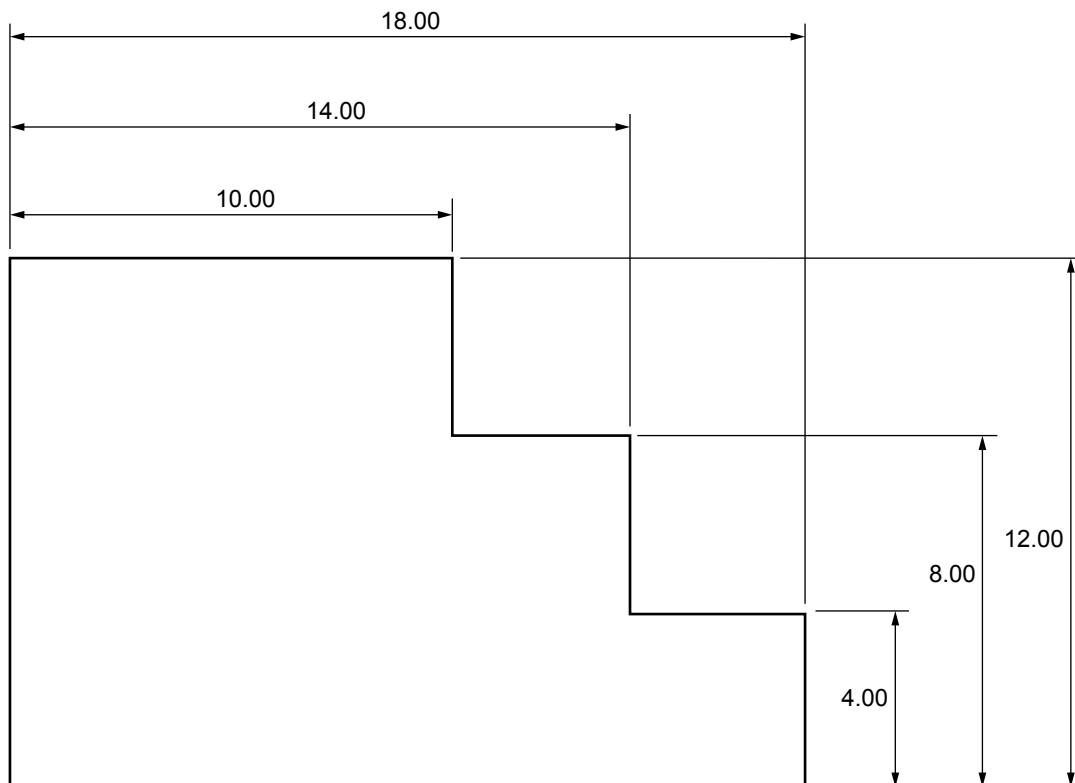
- a. There are four main line styles used in technical drawings. Two are listed in the table below.

Sketch each line style and explain when each line style would be used.

4 marks

Line style	Sketch of line style	When line style would be used
continuous thick		
chain		

- b. Figure 1 shows the top view of a block.



**Figure 1**

- i. Clearly label the edges of the block in Figure 1 with the two datums according to AS 1100 of the Australian Standards for technical drawings.

2 marks

- ii. Calculate the perimeter of the block in Figure 1.

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- c. Identify one advantage and one disadvantage of each drawing method listed in the table below. All four answers must be different. 4 marks

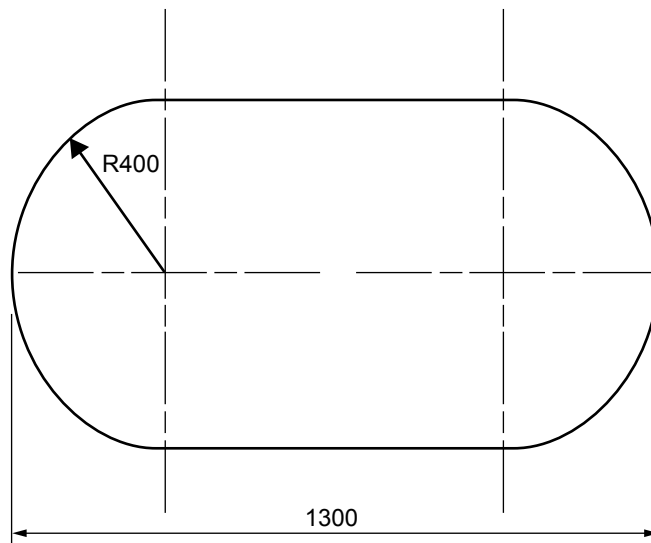
<b>Drawing method</b>	<b>Advantage</b>	<b>Disadvantage</b>
freehand sketch		
using CAD software		

- d. Explain the purpose of having completed technical drawings reviewed by a co-worker. 1 mark

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**Question 6** (2 marks)

Figure 2 shows a metal ring that will be made from a  $20 \times 3$  flat bar.



**Figure 2**

Calculate the length of steel required to make one metal ring. Round your answer to the closest millimetre.

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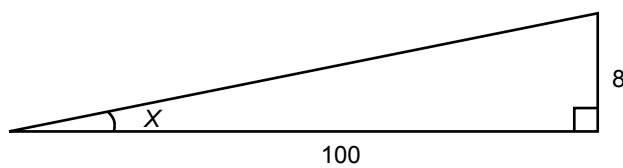


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**Question 7** (2 marks)



**Figure 3**

Calculate the value of angle  $X$  in Figure 3. Give your answer correct to two decimal places.

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**Question 8 (15 marks)**

A student has produced a design brief for a school project. Part of the design brief is shown below.

**Design brief**

**Standard box made from sheet metal (mild steel)**

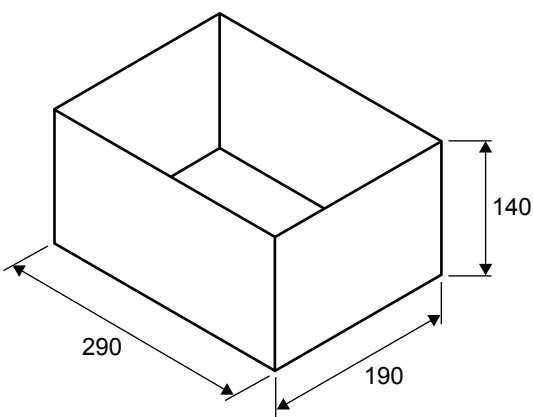
**Description**

A standard box is to be constructed from mild steel sheet metal as shown in Figure 4.  
The standard box will be constructed using the outline pattern shown in Figure 5.

Materials	Equipment	Personal protective equipment (PPE)	Time taken to construct
20-gauge sheet metal (mild steel)	shearing machine	safety eyewear	1½ hours
	sheet metal brake	welding mask	
	welder	overalls	
	welding rods	safety boots	
		welding gloves	

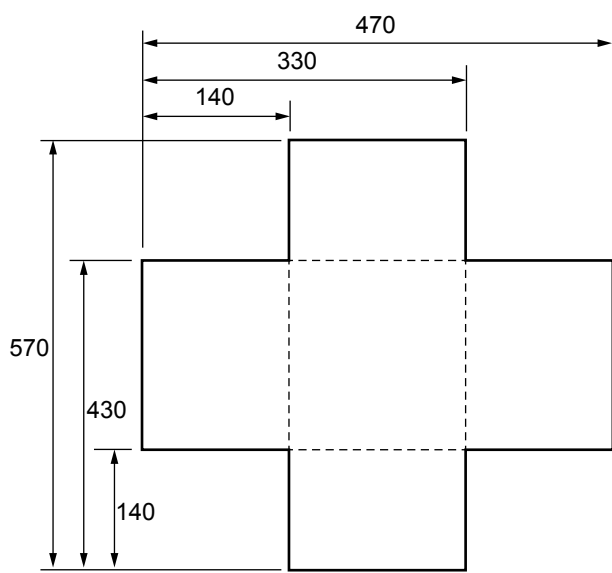
**Drawing**

Standard box made from mild steel sheet metal  
Four sides and a bottom, but no top



**Figure 4**

Outline pattern of the standard box



**Figure 5**

**Procedure**

1. Shear a rectangular piece of sheet metal measuring \_\_\_\_\_ mm × \_\_\_\_\_ mm.
2. Use snips to cut the desired outline pattern as shown in Figure 5.
3. Fold the pattern as shown by the \_\_\_\_\_ lines in Figure 5, using the \_\_\_\_\_ machine.
4. Weld the folded-up edges together (check with the teacher that the welder setting is correct).

a. There are missing components in the ‘Procedure’ section of the design brief on page 7.

Use the design brief to fill in the missing components in the box below.

4 marks

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**Table 1**

Gauge	Galvanised steel		Mild Steel	
	Thickness (mm)	Weight per area (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	Thickness (mm)	Weight per area (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )
20	1.006	7.888	0.912	7.151
22	0.853	6.692	0.759	5.955
24	0.701	5.497	0.607	4.760
26	0.551	4.322	0.455	3.565
28	0.475	3.725	0.378	2.968
30	0.399	3.127	0.305	2.390

b. Based on Table 1, what is the weight per area (kg/m<sup>2</sup>) for 20-gauge sheet metal (mild steel)?

1 mark

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c. Calculate the surface area of the outline pattern.

3 marks

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**d.** Calculate the total weight of the standard box. Give your answer correct to two decimal places.

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**e.** What is the maximum number of outline patterns that can be cut from  $1200 \times 3000$  sheet metal? Show your working.

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**f.** The student submitted the design brief for final endorsement and it was returned to them for refinement as there were a number of potential problems that needed to be addressed. One problem was that each cutting of the sheet metal would produce rough and sharp edges that could cause cuts.

**i.** What step should be added to the procedure to remove the rough and sharp edges? 1 mark

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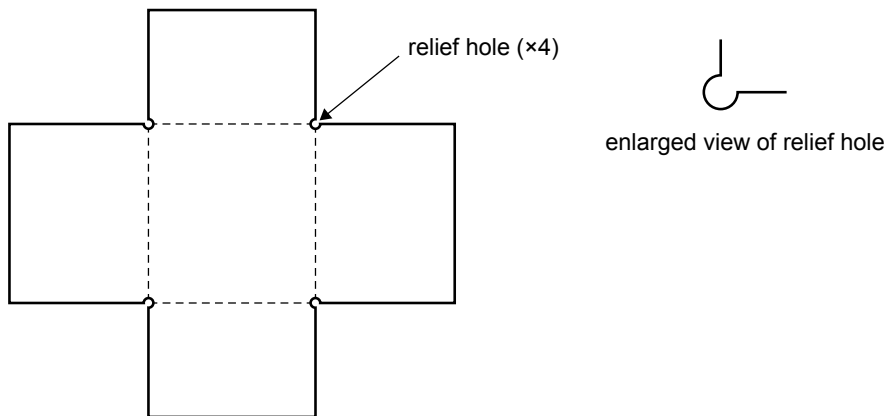
**ii.** What change should be made to the drawing to limit the occurrence of rough and sharp edges? Include a sketch in the space provided below to show the change. 2 marks

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**iii.** The student decided to use thicker material. The teacher said it could be advantageous to drill relief holes at the point where the two bend lines meet in a piece of sheet metal, as shown in Figure 6.



**Figure 6**

What is the purpose of the relief holes shown in Figure 6? 1 mark

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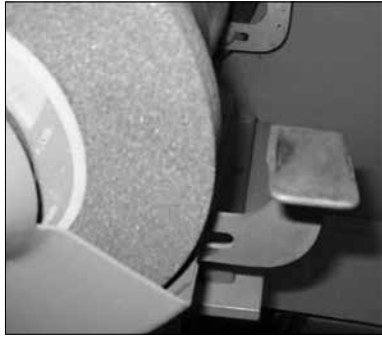
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**Question 9** (5 marks)

A pedestal grinder is shown in Figure 7.

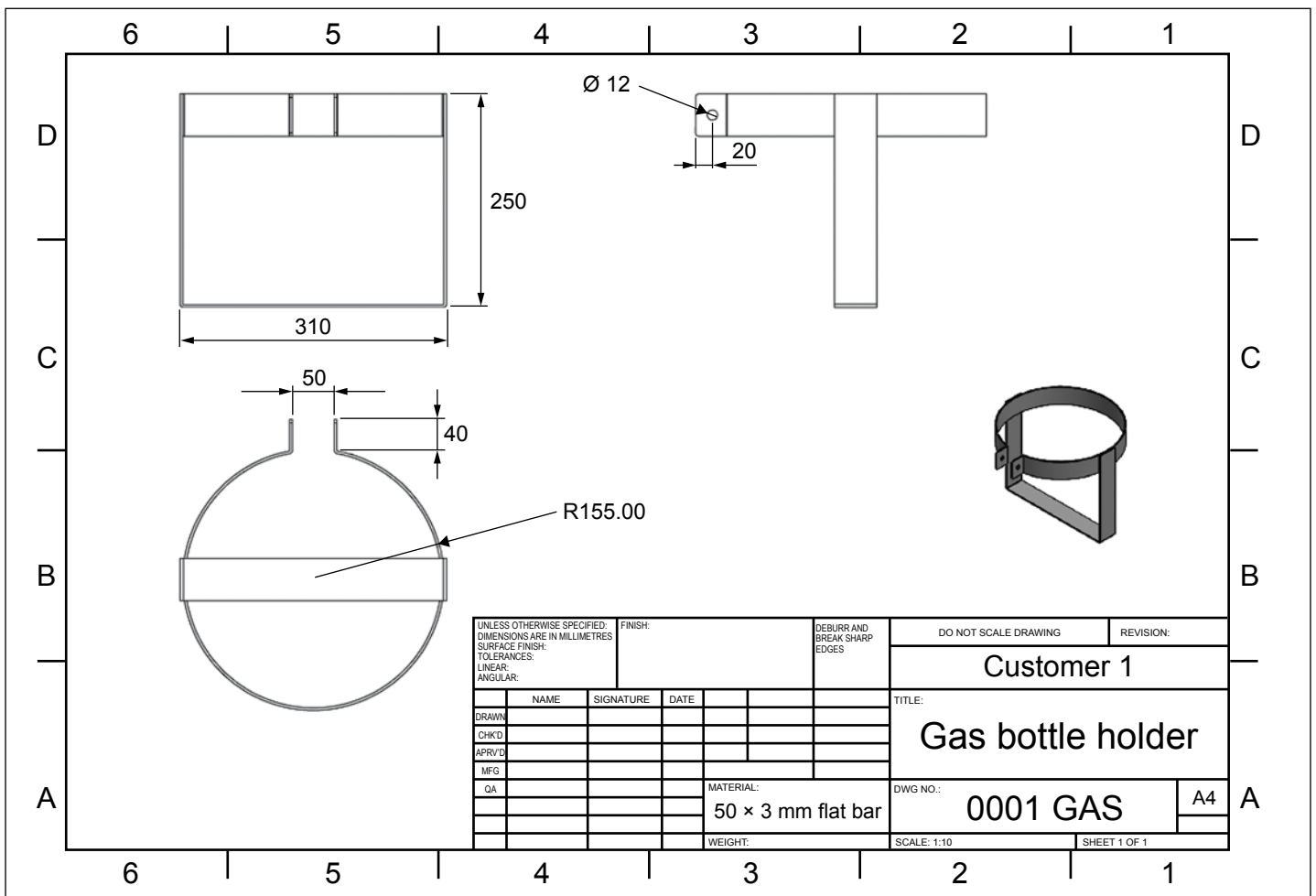


**Figure 7**

- a. Why is the pedestal grinder shown in Figure 7 unsafe to use? 1 mark
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- b. Explain **one** problem that could arise if the pedestal grinder shown in Figure 7 were to be used? 1 mark
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- c. Gloves are a common item of PPE. However, sometimes gloves can be a safety hazard. Provide a specific task for which gloves should **not** be used. Explain your answer. 1 mark
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- d. Provide two practical reasons why a work area should be kept clean, with all tools organised. 2 marks
1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 10** (15 marks)

A customer requested a holder for a 9 kg gas bottle, as shown in the technical drawing in Figure 8.



**Figure 8**

- a. Technical drawings have a section where important details, such as the scaling and material required for a job, are recorded.

What is the name given to this section of a technical drawing?

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**Figure 9**

- b.** Calculate the total length of material needed to make the U-shaped support bracket and the adjustable clamp ring as shown in Figure 9. Give your answer correct to the nearest millimetre.

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- c.** How many linear metres of flat steel bar would be required to make 10 gas bottle holders?

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- d. A hardware store sells flat steel bars at a standard 6 m length as shown in Table 2.

**Table 2**

Flat steel bar		
Size	\$/Length	Length
50 × 3	\$23.00	6.0 m
50 × 5	\$38.00	6.0 m
50 × 6	\$45.00	6.0 m
Flat galvanised steel bar		
Size	\$/Length	Length
25 × 3	\$22.00	6.0 m
50 × 3	\$34.00	6.0 m
40 × 5	\$53.00	6.0 m
50 × 6	\$78.50	6.0 m

- i. From Table 2, select the most durable material for making the gas bottle holders. State the reason for your selection. 2 marks

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- ii. Using the material selected in **part d.i.**, calculate the minimum number of flat bar lengths required to make 10 gas bottle holders. 1 mark

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- iii. What would be the cost of purchasing the minimum number of flat bar lengths calculated in **part d.ii.**? Show your working. 1 mark

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- e. Waste is produced during the manufacture of gas bottle holders.

Identify one waste product produced in the manufacture of gas bottle holders and one action that can be taken to minimise the production of this waste product.

2 marks

Waste product \_\_\_\_\_

Action \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- f. Gas bottles filled with gas are to be supplied with each gas bottle holder. The gas bottles are not manufactured. They are bought and stored until distribution with the gas bottle holders.

Provide **one** safety feature that should be considered when storing the gas bottles.

1 mark

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- g. Heavy machinery uses exceedingly large amounts of power from the electricity grid.

Suggest **two** ways an engineering business can implement sustainable work practices to reduce the amount of energy it uses.

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**Question 11** (8 marks)

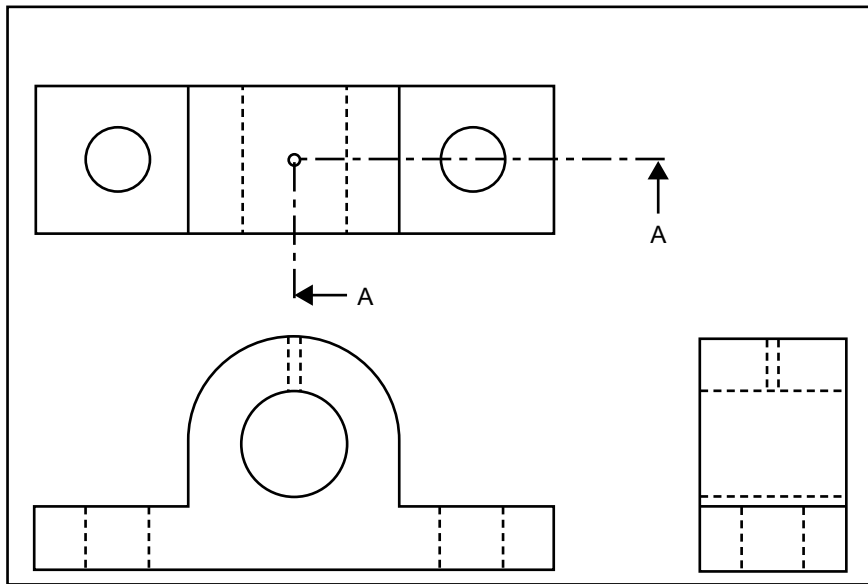
- a. Bearings have two main classifications: friction bearings and anti-friction bearings.

List one advantage and one disadvantage of each classification of bearing in the table below. 4 marks

<b>Classification of bearing</b>	<b>Advantage</b>	<b>Disadvantage</b>
friction bearings		
anti-friction bearings		



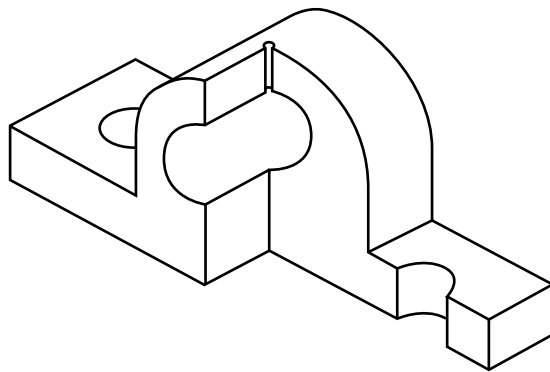
b. Figure 10 shows a third-angle projection of a solid bearing casing.



**Figure 10**

The diagram below shows the offset sectional isometric view of A-A.

Complete the diagram to show the cross-section A-A using technical drawing techniques. 2 marks



- c. A bicycle contains bearings for various moving parts. The bearing used where an axle connects the two pedal cranks together commonly has an angular cup and cone bearing. An example of this type of bearing is shown in Figure 11.



**Figure 11**

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Explain why an angular cup and cone bearing is most suitable for this application.

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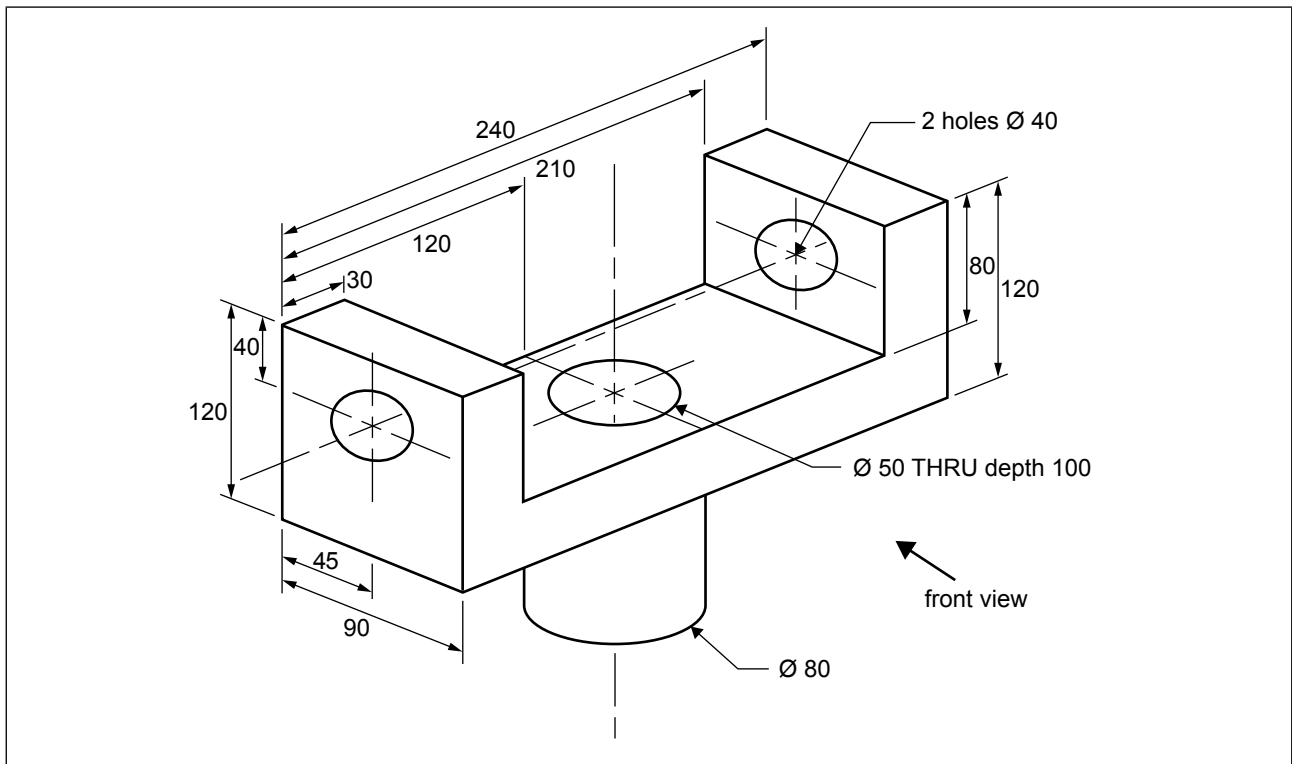
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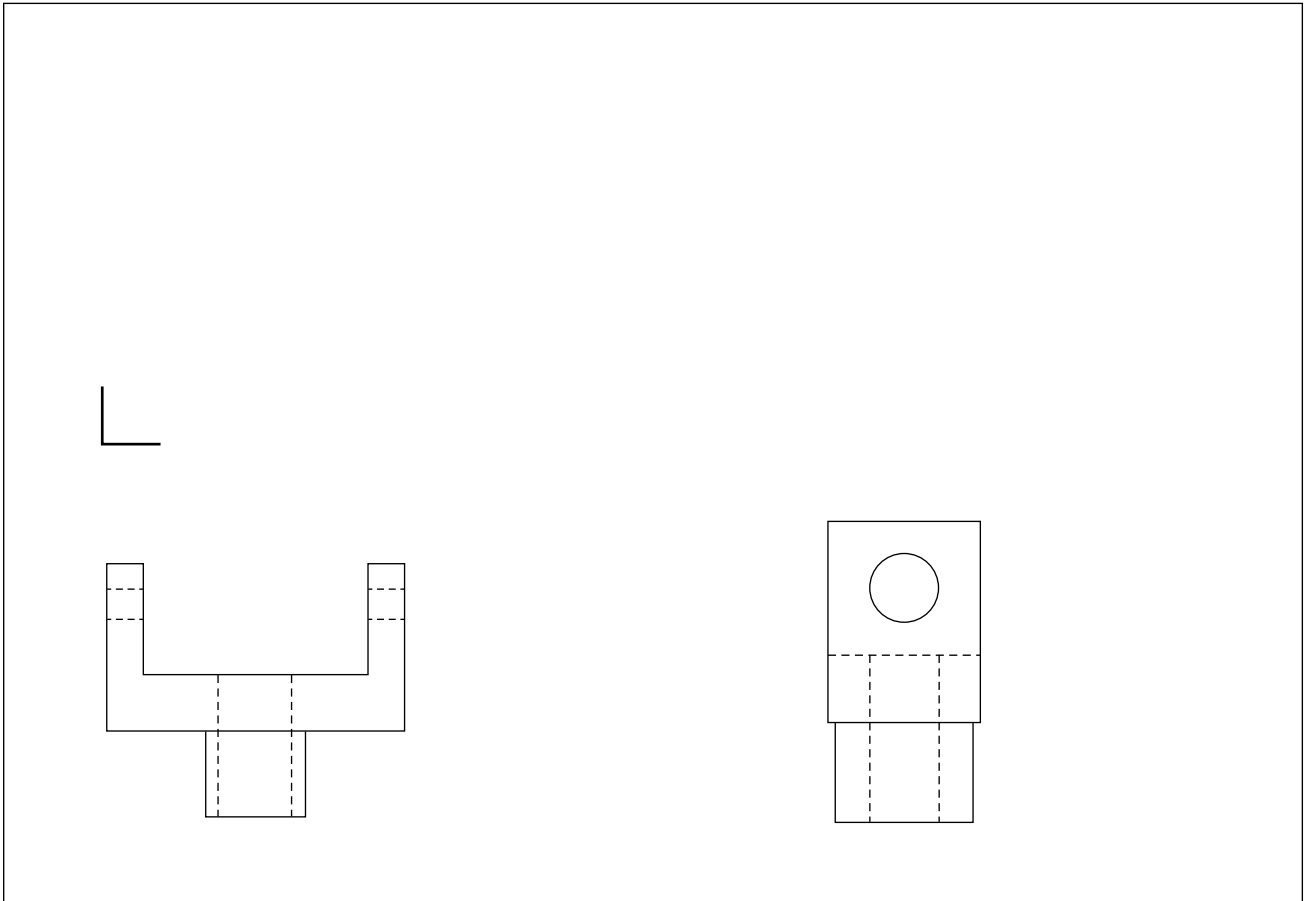
Figure 12 shows an isometric diagram of a metal component.



**Figure 12**

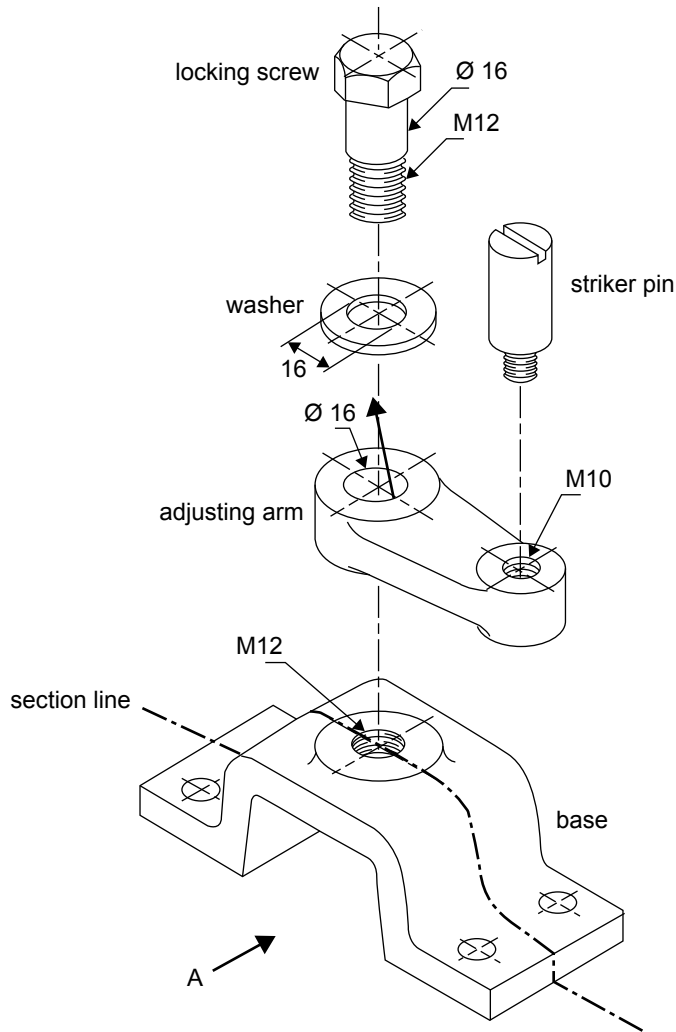
The front and side views of the metal component are shown on the diagram below.

- a. Complete the sketches of the front and side views by adding the missing centre lines on the diagram below. 1 mark
- b. Sketch the top view of the metal component in third-angle projection on the diagram below. Include all hidden and centre lines. 2 marks



**Question 13** (9 marks)

Figure 13 is an exploded isometric drawing of a striker unit.

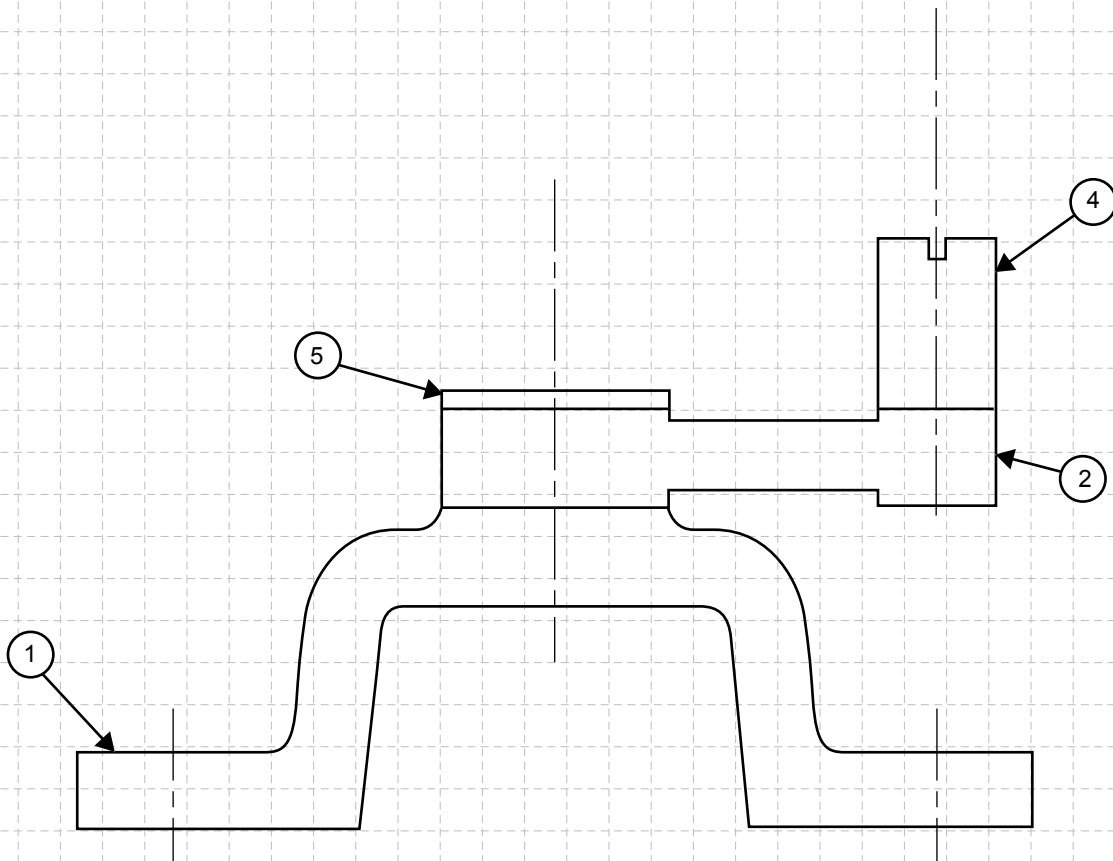


**Figure 13**

- a. The diagram below is an incomplete front view assembly drawing of Figure 13 taken from the direction labelled A.

Complete the diagram with the missing details for the locking screw. The locking screw must be drawn using proportioned scaling and the appropriate centre line.

2 marks



**ITEM**

1	BASE	1	C.I.
2	ADJUSTING ARM	1	C.I.
3	LOCKING SCREW	1	M.S.
4	STRIKER PIN	1	M.S.
5	WASHER	1	M.S.
	DESCRIPTION	QTY	MAT'L
STRIKER UNIT			

- b.** Assembly drawings normally do not contain dimensions.

Explain why dimensions are not normally included in assembly drawings.

1 mark

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- c.** Material lists for different parts of a job can become long and complex, and should be saved on a computer.

Suggest a software program, other than CAD software, that will enable material requirements to be recorded.

1 mark

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- d.** Changes are often made to assembly drawings. Sometimes only one component of an assembly drawing needs to be modified.

How is a modification of one component indicated on a pre-existing assembly drawing?

1 mark

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- e.** A customer requires 50 of the striker units in a week. All of the parts will be designed in a workshop.

List **two** things that need to be considered to determine if the job can be completed in the required time.

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- f.** Conformance to requirements should be constantly monitored throughout the manufacturing process for the striker units.

Explain why it is important to constantly monitor conformance to requirements.

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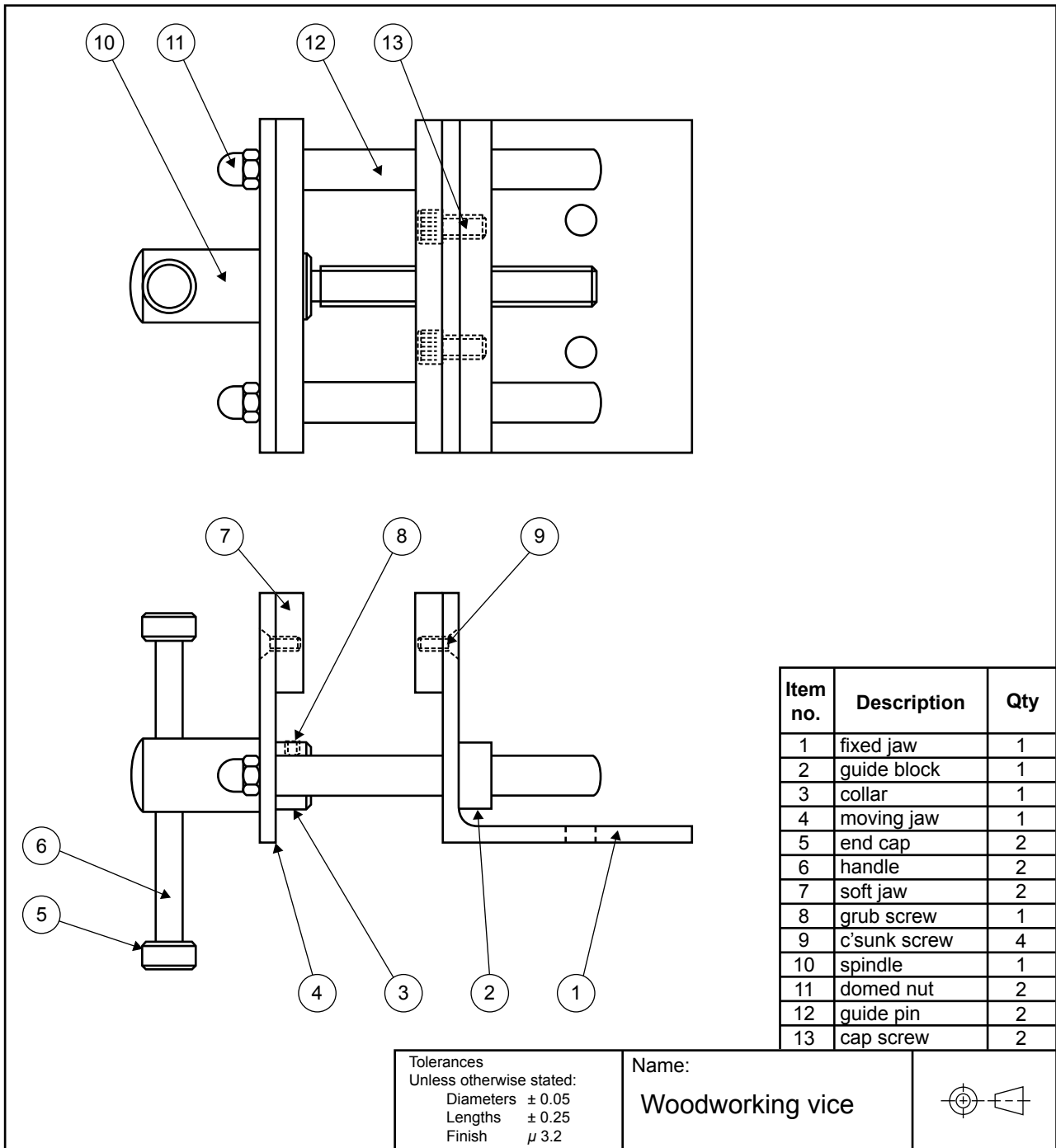
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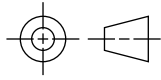
**Question 14** (14 marks)

Figure 14 shows a drawing of a vice used for woodworking.



**Figure 14**

- a. The symbol below is commonly found on technical drawings.



What does the symbol represent?

1 mark

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- b. List **one** material that would be suitable to use for the soft jaws of the woodworking vice (Item no. 7 on Figure 14). Justify your answer.

2 marks

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- c. Figure 15a shows a detailed drawing of the collar (Item no. 3 on Figure 14) of the woodworking vice. Figure 15b shows the shape of the raw material that will be used to make the collar. The collar will be made from a piece of  $\text{Ø } 22 \times 300 \text{ mm}$  bright mild steel bar.

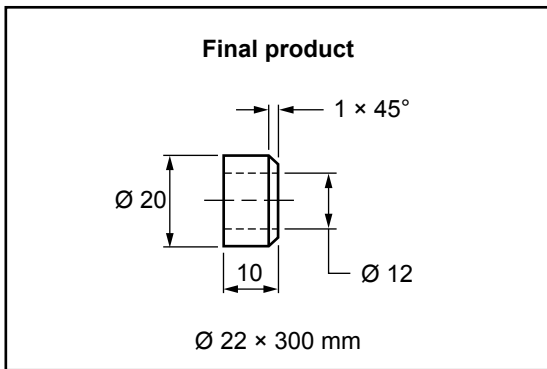


Figure 15a

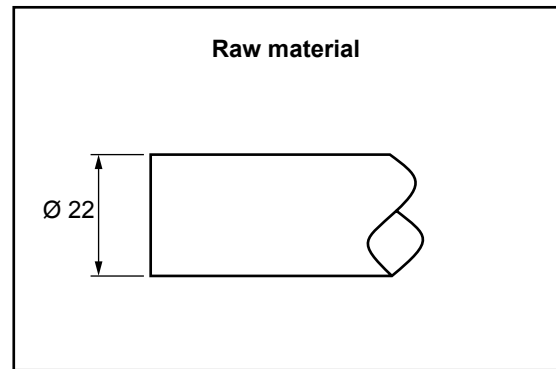


Figure 15b

- i. Name the machine that will be used to make the collar shown in Figure 15a. 1 mark

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- ii. Name two tools required to make the collar shown in Figure 15a. 2 marks

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

- iii. The collar will be finished turned on the bar before being parted off.

Complete the table below to show the correct procedure for making the collar. 3 marks

Step	Procedure
1	Face off the end.

Figure 16 shows a detailed drawing of the guide block (Item no. 2 on Figure 14) on the woodworking vice.

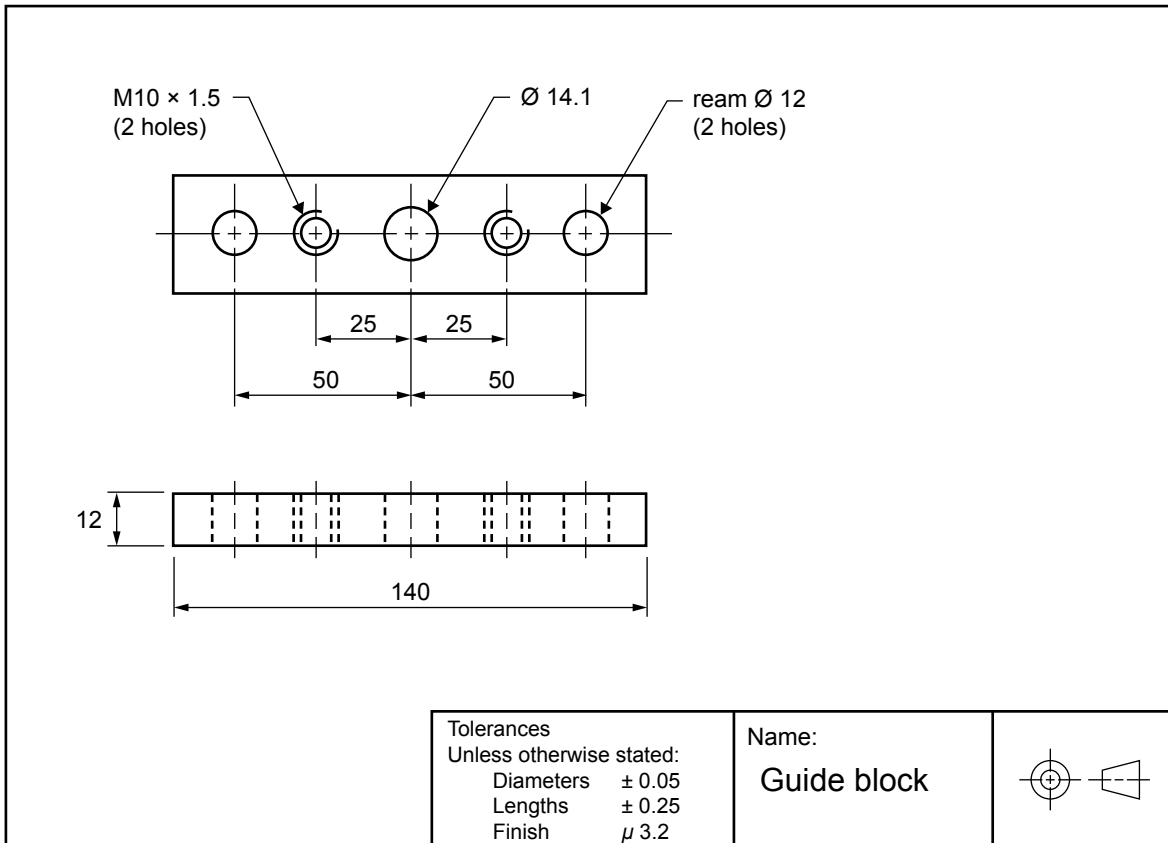


Figure 16

- d. The guide block is made by drilling five holes into a piece of bright mild steel. Marking out the position of the holes with a ruler and scribe would not provide enough accuracy.

Describe how it would affect the operation of the woodworking vice if the holes are not accurately drilled into their correct positions.

1 mark

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- e. What are the minimum and maximum lengths of the guide block?

2 marks

Minimum length \_\_\_\_\_

Maximum length \_\_\_\_\_

Table 3 shows a tapping chart.

**Table 3**

Metric – ISO Threads Coarse Pitch							
Nominal diameter <b>M</b> (mm)	Pitch (mm)	Basic major diameter (mm)	Basic effective diameter (mm)	Basic minor diameter of internal thread (mm)	Basic minor diameter of external thread (mm)	Tapping drill size (mm)	Clearance drill size (mm)
M1.0 × 0.25		1.00	0.838	0.693	0.729	0.75	1.05
M1.1 × 0.25		1.10	0.938	0.793	0.829	0.85	1.15
M1.2 × 0.25		1.20	1.038	0.893	0.929	0.95	1.25
M1.4 × 0.30		1.40	1.205	1.032	1.076	1.10	1.45
M1.6 × 0.35		1.60	1.373	1.170	1.221	1.25	1.65
M1.8 × 0.35		1.80	1.573	1.370	1.421	1.45	1.85
M2.0 × 0.40		2.00	1.740	1.509	1.567	1.60	2.05
M2.2 × 0.45		2.20	1.908	1.648	1.713	1.75	2.25
M2.5 × 0.45		2.50	2.208	1.948	2.013	2.05	2.60
M3.0 × 0.50		3.00	2.675	2.387	2.459	2.50	3.10
M3.5 × 0.60		3.50	3.110	2.764	2.850	2.90	3.60
M4.0 × 0.70		4.00	3.545	3.141	3.242	3.30	4.10
M4.5 × 0.75		4.50	4.013	3.580	3.688	3.70	4.60
M5.0 × 0.80		5.00	4.480	4.019	4.134	4.20	5.10
M6.0 × 1.00		6.00	5.350	4.773	4.917	5.00	6.10
M7.0 × 1.00		7.00	6.350	5.773	5.917	6.00	7.20
M8.0 × 1.25		8.00	7.188	6.466	6.647	6.80	8.20
M9.0 × 1.25		9.00	8.188	7.466	7.647	7.80	9.20
M10.0 × 1.50		10.00	9.020	8.160	8.376	8.50	10.20
M11.0 × 1.50		11.00	10.026	9.160	9.376	9.50	11.20
M12.0 × 1.75		12.00	10.863	9.853	10.106	10.20	12.20
M14.0 × 2.00		14.00	12.701	11.546	11.835	12.00	11.25
M16.0 × 2.00		16.00	14.701	13.546	13.835	14.00	16.25
M18.0 × 2.00		18.00	16.376	14.933	15.294	15.50	18.25

- f. Use the tapping chart to select the tapping drill size required for M10 threads.

1 mark

- g.** Holes are required to be drilled.

Calculate the revolutions per minute (RPM) for a Ø 10 mm drill using a cutting speed of 30 m/min.

1 mark

$$\text{RPM} = \frac{300v}{d}, \text{ where } v = \text{cutting speed and } d = \text{diameter}$$

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