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LL Drinks is a public limited company which produces a variety of fruit drinks. The drinks are produced and sold in many different countries across the world. LL Drinks is a successful company, but the directors want to increase its share of the fruit drinks market around the world.

The following two ways of increasing market share have been identified.

Option 1:

Increase sales of its most popular brand of drinks by starting to sell it in 10 more countries. The investment required to launch the drinks into these new markets is estimated to be \$50m. This includes market research, marketing campaigns and building factories to produce the fruit drinks in these countries.

Option 2:

Take over a competitor which sells a different range of drinks. The cost of buying all the shares to take over this competitor is estimated to be \$100m.

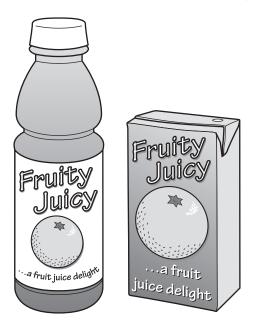
Appendix 1

Summary of financial information

| LL Drinks existing business 2010 | \$m |
|---|--------------|
| Capital employed | 400 |
| Sales revenue | 800 |
| Gross profit | 600 |
| Net profit | 100 |
| Option 1 forecasts | \$m per year |
| Sales revenue from 10 more countries | 200 |
| Cost of sales | 80 |
| Operating expenses | 110 |
| Option 2 forecasts | \$m per year |
| Sales revenue from taking over the competitor | 400 |
| Cost of sales | 120 |
| Operating expenses | 220 |

Appendix 2

Advert of competitor's carton and bottle of fruit juice drink



Appendix 3

Information on Country A and Country B

| | Country A | Country B |
|----------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Average income per person | \$3000 | \$20000 |
| Population | 10m | 10m |
| Size of fruit juice market | \$10m per year | \$100 000 per year |
| Climate | Seasons (hot in summer and cold in winter) | Hot all year round |
| Average wages | \$1 per hour | \$10 per hour |
| Unemployment rate | 20% | 5% |
| Rents | Low | High |

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