

Textiles and Design

Section II

25 marks

Attempt Questions 11–13

Allow about 45 minutes for this section

Answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Marks

Question 11 — Australian Textiles, Clothing, Footwear and Allied Industries (5 marks)

- (a) Explain one way the Australian government has attempted to make the Australian Textiles, Clothing, Footwear and Allied Industries more competitive internationally. 2

through funding, more
Encourage the training of, and train, skilled
Australian Textiles, Clothing, Footwear and Allied
Industries workers so that the industries
have increased skill and expertise levels.

- (b) Discuss why many Australian textiles, clothing and footwear companies have chosen to manufacture their goods overseas. 3

Many Australian textiles, clothing and footwear
companies have chosen to manufacture their
goods overseas because in countries such as
China labour costs are much lower. This
means the overall cost to manufacture their goods
is also lower. As well as this, the government
has put a low tariff protection ~~on~~ ^{on} imported
goods. The ~~low~~ low labour costs and low tariffs
mean it is cheaper for goods to be manufactured
overseas and then be imported back into Australia.