## **Co-operative Education Trust Scotland Ltd.**

**Award Title: Certificate in Co-operative Studies** 

Unit Title: History and Development of the Co-operative Movement (SCQF level 5)

**Unit summary and entry requirements :** This unit gives candidates knowledge and understanding of how the co-operative movement began and how it developed from the 18<sup>th</sup> century until the present day.

There are no entry requirements.

Learning outcome 1:	Evidence
Investigate when, where and how co-operatives started and how they developed during the 18 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup> century.	
Performance Criteria: 1.1 Identify, with appropriate dates and places, the early pioneers of the co-operative movement.	Written and/or oral evidence which demonstrates knowledge of Robert Owen, the Fenwick Weavers and the Rochdale Society of Equitable Pioneers with appropriate dates and places.
1.2 Justify the claim that Robert Owen is 'the father of the co-operative movement.'	Written and/or oral evidence in the form of a clear explanation of Robert Owen's contribution to the co-operative movement.
Why the Fenwick Weavers Society was established     The principles on which the society was based.	Written and/or oral evidence in the form of one statement for each bullet point.
1.4 Explain clearly why the Fenwick Weavers Society became the founders of the co-operative movement.      Comment on the similarities between the Fenwick Weavers Society and co-operative enterprises today.	Written and/or oral evidence which demonstrates knowledge that the Fenwick Weavers Society  • was the first consumer co-operative  • provided a set of values and principles on which to base their operations.  Similarities identified should include reference to the co-operative values and principles and benefits to members.
Why the Rochdale Society of Equitable     Pioneers was established     What it's aims were.	One clear written and/or oral explanation for each bullet point.
1.6 Identify the main factors which contributed to the Rochdale Society becoming an inspiration and model for the worldwide modern co-operative movement.	Written and/or oral evidence which demonstrates a knowledge of the Rochdale Society and an understanding of the importance of its contribution to the co-operative movement.
1.7 Establish how the co-operative movement developed during the 19 <sup>th</sup> century and detail five significant developments.	Written and/or oral evidence which demonstrates knowledge of five significant developments with appropriate dates.

1.8 Comment on the diversity of co-operatives by the end of the 19 <sup>th</sup> century in terms of     • types of business     • geographical location throughout the world.  Learning outcome 2:	Written and/or oral evidence which clearly indicates knowledge of at least  three different types of co-operatives which existed  two areas of the world other than Britain where co-operatives existed by the late 19 <sup>th</sup> century.  Evidence
Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the context in which the early co-operatives were formed.	
<ul> <li>Performance Criteria: <ul> <li>2.1 Describe clearly working and living conditions in the early 18<sup>th</sup> century.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2.2 Explain clearly why working and living conditions began to change around the middle of the 18<sup>th</sup> century.</li> <li>2.3 Describe clearly working and living conditions in the first half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.</li> <li>2.4 Explain clearly how and why these changes led to a two tier system of capitalists and workers. Reference should be made to the 'truck' system.</li> <li>2.5 Discuss why the economic and social changes taking place at this time led to the development of the co-operative movement.</li> </ul> <li>Learning outcome 3:</li> <li>Investigate the diversity of co-operative</li>	Written and/or oral evidence in the form of a clear description of working and living conditions in the early 18 <sup>th</sup> century.  Written and/or oral evidence in the form of a clear explanation of why working and living conditions began to change around the middle of the 18 <sup>th</sup> century.  Written and/or oral evidence in the form of a clear description of working and living conditions in the first half of the 19 <sup>th</sup> century.  Written and/or oral evidence in the form of a clear description of  • how the changes affected where most people worked and who they worked for  • why this resulted in a two tier system, including an explanation of the 'truck' system.  Written and/or oral evidence in the form of two statements clearly describing  • why people formed co-operatives  • what they gained from being part of a co-operative.  Evidence
Performance Criteria 3.1 Identify three different economic sectors in which co-operative enterprises exist in Scotland today.  3.2 For each economic sector identified in 3.1, explain clearly the purpose of such a co-operative.  3.3 Give an example of an existing co-operative in each of the sectors identified in 3.1.	The same evidence may be used for 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3.  Written and/or oral evidence in the form of three statements each  • naming an economic sector where co-operative enterprises exist in Scotland today eg. Retail, Housing, Agriculture, Finance  • explaining clearly the purpose of such a co-operative  • giving an example of an existing co-operative in that sector.

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3.4 Investigate one of the examples identified in 3.3	Portfolio of evidence of investigation carried out
from a sector other than retail.	by candidate using presented sources.
Describe clearly	Written and/or oral evidence of the result of the
<ul> <li>who its members are</li> </ul>	investigation which includes:
<ul> <li>the nature of it's business</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>who its members are</li> </ul>
it's purpose	<ul> <li>the nature of it's business</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>the scale of the operation</li> </ul>	<ul><li>it's purpose</li></ul>
<ul> <li>the benefits it offers to members.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>the scale of its operation</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the benefits it offers to members.</li> </ul>
3.5 Outline the essential characteristics of	Written and/or oral evidence in the form of
'consumer,' 'producer' and 'worker'	three statements, one for 'consumer,' one for
co-operatives in terms of	'producer' and one for 'worker,' each describing
who the members are	who the members are
the benefits to members.	<ul> <li>the benefits to members.</li> </ul>
3.6 Compare 'consumer,' 'producer' and 'worker'	Written and/or oral evidence commenting on
co-operatives and comment on the differences.	the differences between 'consumer,' 'producer'
·	and 'worker' co-operatives.
3.7 Give an existing example of a 'consumer,'	Written and/or oral evidence giving an example
'producer' and 'worker' co-operative.	of a 'consumer,' 'producer' and 'worker'
	co-operative.
3.8 Classify the example studied in 3.4 as	Written or oral evidence for 3.8 may be
'consumer,' 'producer' or 'worker.'	included in the portfolio of evidence for 3.2.
Learning outcome 4:	Evidence
Investigate and report on a co-operative	
enterprise in the <u>local area</u> .	
4.1 Identify a co-operative enterprise in your local	The same evidence may be used for all
area. Classify it as 'consumer,' 'producer' or	Performance Criteria in this Learning Outcome.
'worker.' Justify your answer.	Written and/or video evidence in the form of a
4.2 Specify the business sector in which it operates.	case study of a local co-operative enterprise,
4.3 Investigate and produce a report which clearly	which clearly addresses 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3.
describes	
<ul> <li>why it was set up</li> </ul>	
I water the manufacture of	
<ul> <li>who its members are</li> </ul>	
<ul><li>who its members are</li><li>the nature of it's business</li></ul>	
<ul><li>the nature of it's business</li><li>it's purpose</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>the nature of it's business</li> </ul>	