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# IGCSE ECONOMICS

# MERGER OF FIRMS

1. EXPLAIN TWO REASONS WHY FIRMS MERGE

Note: Every reason is followed by an explanation.

Reason1: To take advantage of economies of scale Explanation: A merged firm will be larger and due to economies of scale, average cost may be lower Reason 2: To prevent one from going out of business Explanation: A combined larger firm will be able to survive Reason 3: To grow/expand or become larger Explanation: Growth is one of the key business goals Reason: Diversify Explanation: A conglomerate merger will increase the range of products.

Also note: All material provided in the LMR section is purely based on past papers. The material are guidelines around which you need to elaborate your answers.