The original objectives

- We firstly need to show that the model does what we wanted it to do.
- We should refer to the problem identified at several times throughout the work. It is useful that they contained a set of objectives that we can check against.

How well has the model performed

- Focus on 3 main areas:
- Accuracy
  - Technically there should be nothing wrong with the model and it should do what it says its going to. It is reliable in its calculations.
- Ease of use
  - Can the user enter data in one place without constantly moving around? If no refinement may be suggested.
- Sufficiency of the data
  - Is the data used accurate? Are there any issues with the data that may need to be taken into account and does the model do that? It is impossible to build every eventuality into a model but you need to demonstrate you are aware of that.

To what extent has the model helped you to make a decision?

- This is where you need to explain any other data or sources you have used to make your decisions.
- An understanding of the nature of the problem in someway helps answer this.. A model forecasting weather or designing an aircraft needs to be a lot more accurate for obvious reasons!
- Generally the model will help you but not be definitive!

What else would you like the model to do?

- You have finite time to complete the task and may not be able to do everything you would like with the model.
- What else would be useful?
- Think about the task in the e-book- the model after refinement made more sense!

Does the model need extending and if so how?

- If you would like it to do more you need to state what that it is and give some idea of how you would achieve it. This may involve maths and formulas!
- Consider:
  - What extra output would be useful
  - What extra input would therefore be needed
  - What extra processing will that generate?
  - Will you need a new worksheet etc.

Other issues

- It is unlikely but possible that they may ask you to evaluate:
- Your performance- you would need to include what you did and how you did it.
- How easy the model will be for the staff to use.
- The process you went through.
- **Make sure you read the question carefully**!