Unit 109: Plastering and interior systems

# Worksheet 1: Plastering materials (tutor)

1.a) State **one** **benefit** of the following materials used for plastering:

1. Traditional lime mortar mixes.

Used in restoration

Allows moisture to egress through solid walls.

2. Sand and cement plastering mixes.

Provides a strong surface

Can be used on damp effected surface which have been treated.

3. Gypsum backing and finishing plaster.

A range of plasters for different backgrounds

Can be mixed in tubs with a drill and whisk.

4. Factory-batched mortars.

Ready mixed to the required strength

No mixing area required.

1.b) State **one** **disadvantage** of each:

1. Traditional lime mortar mixes.

Sets very slowly compared to any other backing plaster

2. Sand and cement plastering mixes.

Very brittle material that shrinks and cracks

3. Gypsum backing and finishing plaster.

Must be used by its shelf life

4. Factory-batched mortars.

Expensive

Must be used within three days.