

# ESOL Skills for Life

## Reading - Level 1

### Assessor Pack

The following documents are included in this assessment pack:

- Guidance on the conduct of the assessment
- General marking guidance and assessment principles
- Mark schemes and guidance

**Sample Assessment Code: ESOLRL1AA/P**

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## Guidance on conduct of the assessment

- The tasks are designed to be completed during normal class time but must be taken under supervised conditions. This means that all tasks must be completed with a tutor/assessor and/or other designated supervisor present.
- This assessment is composed of four tasks. Candidates must complete all four tasks.
- All tasks must be completed in a single assessment session.
- The time allocated to the assessment is 1 hour and 15 minutes. You should advise candidates to spend about 15-20 minutes on each task.
- Candidates should be briefed on the tasks to be completed. The tasks each focus on reading skills.
- Candidates may be assisted with aspects that are not being assessed (e.g. the assessor may tell the candidate what to do if he/she cannot read the written instructions adequately) but must not read out any of the texts or related questions. Please refer to the qualification specification for special arrangements and reasonable adjustments.
- Candidates must complete the tasks independently without any further support according to the guide time allowed.
- At the end of the assessment the candidates' work must be collected and stored securely.

**NB** - The paper has been designed to be printed in a double-sided format.

## General marking guidance and assessment principles

- Assessors should apply the mark schemes positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do.
- Assessors should mark according to the mark scheme.
- Assessors should always award full marks if these are deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Half marks may not be awarded.
- If a response is not worthy of credit it should be awarded 0.
- Where assessors are required to make a judgement for example in short answer questions, examples will be provided of possible answers that may be credited.
- Responses that are correct but written outside the box must be credited.
- Candidates should not be penalised for incorrect spelling as long as meaning is clear.

## Mark scheme and guidance

### Task 1

<b>Assessment Criteria</b>	1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2
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<b>Question</b>	<b>Correct Answer</b>	<b>Marks Available</b>
1.	1 mark for each of the following: cease = B stop reduce = C lessen located = A situated	3 marks
2.	Any plausible dictionary definition accepted that reflects the text. 1 mark for each definition	2 marks
3.	Accept: escalator or lift	1 mark
4.	Ask a receptionist	1 mark
5.	(People who are) hard of hearing	1 mark
6.	1 mark for any one of the following: - (People) awaiting surgery - (People) having treatment - (People who have) had an operation - (People who are) recovering from surgery/an operation - (People) afraid of complications from surgery - (People) afraid of complications during treatment	1 mark
7.	1 mark for each of the following: a) Instruct b) to explain f) to warn	3 marks

<b>Total Marks Available</b>	<b>12 marks</b>
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## Task 2

<b>Assessment Criteria</b>	1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2
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Question	Correct Answer	Marks Available
1.	b) services	1 mark
2.	a) try	1 mark
3.	c) aim	1 mark
4.	d) usual	1 mark
5.	a) amazing	1 mark
6.	c) treat	1 mark
7.	b) look around	1 mark
8.	c) Play centre	1 mark
9.	d) Children cannot stay in the play centre all day.	1 mark
10.	a) To persuade you to visit the shopping centre.	1 mark

<b>Total Marks Available</b>	<b>10 marks</b>
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## Task 3

<b>Assessment Criteria</b>	1.1, 1.2, 2.2, 3.2
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Question	Correct Answer	Marks Available
1.	1 mark each for any two of the following: - (mentions) Winter (weather) - (Yesterday was the busiest day of the) Christmas getaway - (Mentions) New Year - Accept any other reasonable answer from the text	2 marks
2.	Get ready/prepare Accept any other reasonable answer that suggests this	1 mark
3.	1 mark for each of the following: - Signal failure (outside Paddington Station) - Trees blocked railway lines - Parts of the track washed away	3 marks
4.	Delay travel (until Sunday)	1 mark
5.	1 mark for each of the following: - Not to use flooded roads - Watch weather forecasts - Prepare (carefully before travelling)	3 marks

<b>Total Marks Available</b>	<b>10 marks</b>
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## Task 4

<b>Assessment Criteria</b>	1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2
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Question	Answer	Marks Available
1.	1 mark for each of the following: a) Rana thinks there are not enough litter bins. d) Lucia says that street cleaning services are not very good. f) Maya thinks it is acceptable to drop litter.	3 marks
2.	Ali	1 mark
3.	Accept any response which indicates the maximum the village is tidied up is once a year	1 mark
4.	Lucia	1 mark
5.	Accept any plausible dictionary definition. 1 mark for each definition	2 marks

<b>Total Marks Available</b>	<b>8 marks</b>
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<b>Total Marks Available for Tasks 1, 2, 3 and 4</b>	<b>40 Marks</b>
<b>Pass Mark</b>	<b>26 Marks</b>