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ESOL Skills for Life Reading - Level 1

Sample 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

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Guidance on conduct of the assessment

- The tasks are designed to 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.

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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

Assessment Criteria	1.4, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2
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Question	Correct Answer	Marks Available
1.	a) give	1 mark
2.	1 mark for each detail:	2 marks
	- How difficult the exam is	
	- How much time is left	
3.	Help you remember	1 mark
4.	To find or extract (information)	1 mark
5.	c) Exercise helps you to concentrate while	1 mark
	studying	
6.	when you can teach it to your family (clearly)	1 mark
7.	Brain functions better	1 mark
	Or	
	has a positive effect on learning	
8.	Manage your time OR sleep better	1 mark
9.	c) To advise students how to revise well for	1 mark
	exams	

Total Marks Available	10 marks
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Task 2

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Question	Correct Answer	Marks Available
1.	d) To give information about the hospital	1 mark
2.	6000 staff OR 850 beds/number of staff/number of beds	1 mark
3.	Eye clinic	1 mark
4.	a) small	1 mark
5.	Travelling long distances	1 mark
6.	c) The tram is not suitable for those who find walking difficult	1 mark
7.	By public transport	1 mark
8.	b) Pay for	1 mark
9.	1 mark each for: - New scan machine - Art	2 marks

Total Marks Available	10 marks



Task 3

Assessment Criteria	1.1, 1.2, 3.2

Question	Correct Answer	Marks Available
1.	17	1 mark
2.	1967	1 mark
3.	c) You will receive training	1 mark
4.	1 mark each for:	2 marks
	 Good communication skills 	
	- Imagination	
5.	(have) no resources	1 mark
6.	People with mental disabilities	1 mark
	People with physical disabilities (only one	
	needed for the mark, but accept both answers if	
	given for 1 mark)	
7.	Take people out for activities	1 mark
8.	Improve self-confidence OR encourage	1 mark
	teamwork	
9.	Qualification (in first aid)	1 mark

Total Marks Available	10 marks



Task 4

Assessment Criteria	1.1, 1.2, 3.2

Question	Correct Answer	Marks Available
1.	university	1 mark
2a.	College room	1 mark
2b.	When the students are away	1 mark
2c.	It helps maintain the buildings	1 mark
3a.	Boat ride	1 mark
3b.	1 mark each for:	2 marks
	- Relaxing	
	- Take great pictures	
4.	b) Cambridge city centre is not so big	1 mark
5.	(You can buy) arts and crafts	1 mark
6.	Ride bikes	1 mark

Total Marks Available	10 mark
Total Marks Available for Tasks 1, 2, 3 and 4	40 Marks
Pass Mark	26 Marks