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ESOL Skills for Life

Reading - Level 1

Candidate Paper ESOLRL1AC/P

Time limit: 1 hour 15 minutes

Number of tasks: 4

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Instructions

- Use a pen.
- You have 1 hour 15 minutes to complete four tasks.
- Some questions must be answered with one tick in a box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a tick ☒.

Information

- This paper has 40 marks.
- The marks for **each** task are shown at the bottom of the page.
- You may use a monolingual dictionary.

Advice

- You should spend about 15-20 minutes on each task.
- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
- You do not need to write in full sentences.

Task 1

Read the text and answer the questions that follow.

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www.findagoodnursery.biz

Looking for the right nursery for your child? The best nursery for your child depends on what you and your child need. You need to decide which one will best meet your needs.



Balfour Day Nursery

This is located in a modernised Victorian building with a refurbished garden containing play space and equipment. Entry to the Nursery is by buzzer and the area has full CCTV coverage. A cosy baby room has sensory and stimulating activities and there is a separate sleeping room. The spacious nursery room explores all areas of the curriculum, including French, with a book corner and messy area.

Carrington Nursery

This nursery is located close to Taurus Retail Park, giving many working parents a useful and versatile childcare option around which to arrange their day-to-day lives. Carrington Nursery has an excellent outdoor play area, with all-weather surfaces, while the facility itself is spacious and hygienic. Staff are fully qualified, professional and dedicated to achieving the best for children in their care. It is also open longer than other local nurseries.

First Learning

First Learning is a modern, purpose built nursery. It has big windows to maximise the feeling of light and space within the building. It has a large garden at the rear and a park just a short walk up the hill. There are also specialist studios for drama, general dance, ballet, music, yoga, and an Art Studio. The IT suite contains interactive whiteboards, individual computer terminals as well as pre-school Science lab equipment. For younger babies, they have their own special haven in the form of an Active Senses room. First Learning prides itself on being different!

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1. What does each of the underlined words mean in the context of this text?
Choose from the words below and write the correct number in the box.

a) refurbished

b) versatile

c) maximise

1. adaptable	2. revamped	3. redecorated	4. exploit
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(3 marks)

2. The following words appear in the text. Use a dictionary to find out what they mean in this context.

a) stimulating

b) haven

(2 marks)

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Choose which nursery. Answer questions 3 to 6 with the letter A, B or C.

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A. Balfour Day Nursery

B. Carrington Nursery

C. First Learning

3. Which nursery has the best computer equipment?

☐

(1 mark)

4. Which nursery has the best security?

☐

(1 mark)

5. Which nursery would appeal to working parents?

☐

(1 mark)

6. Which nursery offers learning a foreign language?

☐

(1 mark)

7. The text has a number of purposes.

Put a ☒ tick in the **three** boxes that apply.

a) to advise

☐

b) to invite

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c) to warn

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d) to inform

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e) to instruct

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f) to describe

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(3 marks)

Total marks for Task 1: 12 Marks

Task 2

Read the text below and then answer the questions that follow.

Renew or replace your adult passport

You can renew or replace your passport at any time. It costs £72.50, or £82.25 through the Post Office's Passport Check and Send service.

Time left on an existing passport is added to your new one, up to a maximum of 9 months.

How long it takes

It should take 3 weeks to get the passport. It can take longer if more information is needed or your application hasn't been filled out correctly.

Don't book travel until you have a valid passport - doing so is at your own risk.
You must renew your expired passport before you can travel.

Lost or stolen passports

If you are replacing a lost or stolen passport, you may have to attend an interview and your application may take longer.

Apply for a passport

If you are in the UK, you can:

- apply online
- request an application form online
- get one from a Post Office that offers the Passport Check and Send service
- ask the Passport Adviceline (0300 222 0000) to post you one

Photos

Include 2 identical new photos of yourself. Your application can be delayed if you do not follow the rules about passport photos.

Counter signatories

Get your application form and 1 of your photos signed by someone else to prove your identity if either:

- you cannot be recognised from the photo in your existing passport
- you are replacing a lost, stolen or damaged passport

Changing your name or personal details

If you have changed your name (eg through marriage, changed the spelling or added a middle name), you must send extra documents with your application.

Receiving your new passport

Your new passport will be sent to you either by courier or Royal Mail Recorded Delivery.

(taken from <https://www.gov.uk/renew-adult-passport>)

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Put a ☒ tick in the correct box

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1. existing

a) new

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b) future

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c) current

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d) additional

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(1 mark)

2. expired

a) old

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b) dead

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c) new

☐

d) child

☐

(1 mark)

3. replacing

a) stealing

☐

b) paying for

☐

c) looking at

☐

d) substituting

☐

(1 mark)

4. request

a) demand

☐

b) ask for

☐

c) record

☐

d) ask about

☐

(1 mark)

5. identical

a) large

☐

b) recent

☐

c) matching

☐

d) new

☐

(1 mark)

6. delayed

a) held up

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b) rejected

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c) put down

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d) charged

☐

(1 mark)

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7. identity

a) what you want

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b) worth

☐

c) value

☐

d) who you are

☐

(1 mark)

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Put a tick in the correct box ☒.

8. When would you have to send additional documents with your passport application?

a) when your passport has been stolen

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b) if your application is not completed correctly

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c) when your name changes after marriage

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c) if your photos are not acceptable

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(1 mark)

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Put a tick in the correct box ☒.

9. Which of the following statements is true?

- a) all applications must go through the 'Check and Send Service'
- b) passports can be renewed before the date they expire
- c) passports will always be delivered by Royal Mail
- c) one photo must be signed by yourself

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(1 mark)

10. Which section contains a warning?

- a) how long it takes
- b) apply for a passport
- c) counter signatories
- d) receiving your new passport

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(1 mark)

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Total marks for Task 2: 10 Marks

Task 3

Read the text and answer the questions that follow.

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The death of the weekly supermarket shop

"I tend to avoid the big supermarkets as there's too much choice and they're always very busy," says 37 year old Gaynor Francis. She does an online shop once a month, which she supplements with weekly top-up shops for essentials such as fresh fruit, vegetables and milk.

Today she's doing a rare top-up shop at her local Sainsbury's superstore, but she has not enjoyed it. "I want to go in and out quickly, but I get distracted by the choice, it's just overwhelming," she adds. Sainsbury's would, of course, say the choice available, their competitive pricing and their loyalty card scheme are reasons why they have so many customers.

Like many urban areas, other supermarkets are not far away. Just five minutes away on foot there's a Lidl and a Tesco Express, both of which are open 24 hours a day. It's this kind of closeness to rivals that has caused the dramatic change in shopping habits.

These changes, experienced by all the big supermarkets, suggest that the era of the once-a-week big shop is nearing an end. People are tending to buy less but are shopping more frequently. They buy items from different places based on either price or convenience, forcing the supermarkets to discount everyday products.

Shoppers now visit a variety of grocery shops every week, or even daily. One customer, Tony Middleton, has arrived at Sainsbury's via Lidl, where he goes every day. "I go to Lidl first, and then if they haven't got the right stuff I come here," he says. He does a weekly essentials shop at Sainsbury's, but says the food in Lidl is "cheaper and tastes better", particularly the meat, bread, fruit and vegetables.

It all means that supermarkets are having to adapt quickly to these new shopping habits.

(taken from <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-29442383>)

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1. Why does Gaynor Francis not like shopping in supermarkets?
Give **two** reasons.

i)

ii)

(2 marks)

2. At which supermarket does Tony Middleton prefer to do his shopping and why?

i)

ii)

(2 marks)

3. Name **three** food items according to the text that Tony Middleton tends to buy in Lidl.

i)

ii)

iii)

(3 marks)

4. According to the article, give **three** advantages of shopping at supermarkets.

i)

ii)

iii)

(3 marks)

Total marks for Task 3: 10 Marks

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Task 4

Read the text and answer the questions that follow.

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WESTSHIRE LEISURE CENTRE (WLC)

WLC – fitness for all the family!

"I started working at WLC when it was built over 20 years ago and it is still the only council-run leisure facility in Westshire with the cheapest prices and membership. As part of our continual effort to meet the needs of local people we have two special offers this month." Lea Jones (Manager)

Swimming

20% discount on all week for day and evening swimming sessions, including lessons for all age groups.

"Although I was a non-swimmer, I was keen for my toddler to learn to swim. I never thought about myself, but after a few lessons not only was my 3 year old able to keep afloat but I was able to swim a length of the pool. Sadiq, who's been here for 10 years, is extremely patient and all the staff are great. I'm so proud of what I've achieved." (Melanie M)

You're never too old to learn to swim. It may save your life one day.

For further information on swimming lessons or membership go to the WLC website or email Sadiq on sadiq@wlc.biz.uk

Indoor Bowls

WLC boast a 30 metre-long indoor bowls rink that has been used for regional championships. If you are over 12, you too can enjoy this increasingly popular sport that is not weather dependent. Oh, and it's not just for oldies!

"I'm Joe Leyton and I'm the Westshire under-18 indoor bowls champion. Bowls is great fun for all ages and abilities. The rink at WLC has certainly helped me to reach national finals. I've been working part-time at WLC for a year now and practice bowls every day. Give it a try; you'll love it!"

Join the WLC Bowling Club this month and receive free tuition and 30% off your first ten sessions.

Contact Rita on 07700 900887 or pop in on Tuesday evenings for a chat.

For general enquiries (not membership details) telephone 01632 960713

For all other enquiries visit www.wlc.bizuk

Or just call in anytime!

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Put a ☒ tick in the **three** correct boxes.

1. How can you find out more information about the offers featured in the leaflet?

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a) You can pop in on Thursday evenings to speak to Rita.

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b) You can ring Sadiq about swimming lessons on 01632 960713.

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c) You can call into the Leisure Centre at any time.

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d) You can find out about membership at www.wlc.bizuk

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e) You can find out about indoor bowls by ringing 07700 900887.

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f) You can email Lea Jones to find out more about both activities.

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(3 marks)

2. Who has competed competitively in their sport?

(1 mark)

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3. Who has worked the longest at WLC?

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(1 mark)

4. Who praises the staff working at the centre?

(1 mark)

5. The following words are underlined in the text. What do they mean in this context? You may use a dictionary.

a) continual

b) patient

(2 marks)

Total marks for Task 4: 8 Marks

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