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**Level 2**

**Component 2: Reading**

19–23 March 2012

**Time: 45 minutes**

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### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Sign the declaration.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 25.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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## SECTION A

Read Text A and answer questions 1 – 6.

### Text A

You read this article.

#### Not a good read?

More than half of the UK population hold a library membership card and statistics show the number of people using libraries is on the increase. Yet, unbelievably, there are plans to close libraries all over the UK despite thousands of people signing petitions to keep our libraries open.

According to figures released by LibrariesUK there were 4,517 public libraries in 2009. Since that date more than 100 libraries have closed and 405 are under threat of closure.

Many reasons are given for why libraries should be closed: they are too expensive to run; they are not well used or they offer outdated services. Others claim that libraries are no longer the main source of information for people as they get the information they need from the internet. Also, electronic books are replacing traditional books.

But what about all those people who don't have access to a computer? Statistics show that 27 per cent of the population don't own a computer. Libraries provide computers, free internet access and a great deal more. As David Carey, a well-known campaigner for keeping libraries open, explains: "Libraries are the heart of every community. Libraries offer parent and child reading groups, coffee mornings, programmes of talks, teenage-friendly areas, quiet places to study and they remain a home for knowledge and information."

David Carey goes on to say: "Libraries are precious. Everybody can join. They are free. We must fight to save them." In fact, people in many areas in the UK have already started to fight the closures, for example launching campaigns on local TV to save their libraries.

It is difficult to imagine a town existing without a library. We have had public libraries for over 150 years. Those who say we don't need libraries don't realise just how important they are. They must be saved at all costs.



1 What is the **main** purpose of Text A?

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

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(Total for Question 1 = 1 mark)

**Answer questions 2 and 3 with a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.**

2 According to Text A, how many libraries are facing closure?

- A 100
- B 150
- C 405
- D 517

(Total for Question 2 = 1 mark)

3 According to Text A, which **one** of the following statements is true?

- A People can use the internet for free in the library.
- B People have to be 16 or over to use the library.
- C People have to pay a membership fee to join the library.
- D People can download electronic books in the library.

(Total for Question 3 = 1 mark)



4 Identify **two** ways in which people are fighting to keep libraries open, according to Text A.

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

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2 .....

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**(Total for Question 4 = 2 marks)**

5 Place a tick in the correct column for **each** of the six statements to show which are presented in Text A as facts and which are presented as opinions.

	<b>Fact</b>	<b>Opinion</b>
More than half the population hold a library membership card		
27 per cent of people do not have a computer		
100 libraries have already closed		
Libraries are no longer the main source of information		
More people are using public libraries		
Libraries offer outdated services		

**(Total for Question 5 = 3 marks)**



6 From Text A identify **one way** the writer tries to influence the reader and give **one supporting** example.

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

Way

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Example

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**(Total for Question 6 = 2 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 10 MARKS**



## SECTION B

Read Text B and answer questions 7 – 11.

### Text B

You read this article on the Dintone Community website.

The Dintone Community

http://www.thedintonecommunity.com

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

### A good read!

At a time when many libraries are under the threat of closure, *Dintone is one of the few towns in the UK to be opening a new library.* We want it to be a welcoming community space. The new Dintone Library is more than a collection of books. It is a modern cultural venue. Light open spaces, vibrant colours and wide expanses of glass offering spectacular views across the town. An exciting environment to read, listen to music, to learn or to just relax and enjoy.

Dintone Library opens on Friday 27 April at 10am. For more information follow the link below.

[See the official opening with special guests the Sagar Family](#)

#### Dintone Library Factfile

- a modern space 40,000 sq ft
- a choice of 60,000 books, including 10,000 children's books
- WiFi
- custom-designed learning zone for the visually impaired
- a dedicated floor for children
- 80+ PCs for public use
- reading and relaxation area
- a choice of three great eating places for all tastes

#### Events and facilities

There'll be special seasonal events – look out for our calendar. Our weekly programme will include junior storytimes and, for adults, we offer book clubs and creative writing courses. We will also organise workshops to help you with writing your CV and role-play workshops to improve your interview skills.

In Dintone Library everyone's a VIP, so if we haven't thought of a group that could share our space and you have, get in touch. But don't let us tell you how to use it – come along and show us. Bring your library card, bring your laptop, bring your friends, bring your curiosity, but most of all, bring your imagination!

Opening hours					
<b>Monday</b>	9.00am – 10.00pm	<b>Wednesday</b>	9.00am – 6.00pm	<b>Friday</b>	9.00am – 6.00pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.00am – 10.00pm	<b>Thursday</b>	9.00am – 7.00pm	<b>Saturday</b>	9.00am – 5.30pm

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7 What is the **main** purpose of Text B?

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

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**(Total for Question 7 = 1 mark)**

8 Give **three** ways in which the writer conveys information in Text B.

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

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3 .....

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**(Total for Question 8 = 3 marks)**

9 According to Text B, give **two** ways Dintone Library can help you improve your chances of getting a job.

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2 .....

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**(Total for Question 9 = 2 marks)**



**10** According to Text B, how can you find out more about the Dintone Library opening day?

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

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**(Total for Question 10 = 1 mark)**

**11** Your friend has two children and she wants them to join a library.

Using Text B, give **three** reasons why Dintone Library is a good choice for her children.

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

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**(Total for Question 11 = 3 marks)**

**TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 10 MARKS**





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## SECTION C

Read Text C and answer questions 12 – 14.

### Text C

You find three adverts for reading groups.

#### **Whodunnit reading group**

**Friday evening 6pm – 7.30pm**

**What we do:** introduce you to the genre of detective, thriller and suspense novels. Question and answer sessions with guest authors. Opportunities to discuss your own writing. Book signing.

Location: Dintone Bookshop.

Books supplied for free

#### **Locating books reading group**

**Sunday 3pm – 5pm**

**What we do:** introduce you to the genre of historical fiction, biography and romance. Organised trips to historical sites mentioned in the books. Presentations given each week by group members.

Location: Dintone Arts Centre (refreshments available and encouraged!)

Bring your own copy of the book

#### **Books and films reading group**

**Saturday 2pm – 6pm**

**What we do:** read a book that has been made into a film. Then we watch the film and discuss both versions of the story. We choose the film from our extensive DVD collection so you don't have to pay!

Location: Dintone Library Lecture Theatre.

Bring your own copy of the book



**12** Your friend has started writing a novel and would like the opinion of others.

Which reading group should she attend?

Remember to give the **name** of the reading group in your answer.

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

Name of reading group.

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**(Total for Question 12 = 1 mark)**

**13** Your friend likes to visit places described in books.

Which reading group should he attend?

Remember to give the **name** of the reading group in your answer.

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

Name of reading group.

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**(Total for Question 13 = 1 mark)**

**Question 14 begins on the next page.**



**14** Consider the information about the three reading groups in Text C. Based on the information which reading group would you choose to attend?

Give **three** reasons. Your reasons **must** refer **only** to the reading group you choose.

Remember to give the name of the reading group in your answer.

You do **not** need to write in complete sentences.

Name of reading group .....

Reason 1

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Reason 2

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Reason 3

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**(Total for Question 14 = 3 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 5 MARKS**  
**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 25 MARKS**

