

Guidance for assessors

Choice of tasks

Learners must complete **two** tasks. They may complete any two of the six tasks provided (A, B, C, D, E and F). Each task contains two texts, e.g. Text A1 and Text A2, and both must be completed. All questions must be completed.

Adaptation

Six tasks are provided to enable centres to choose tasks appropriate for their learners. Learners must complete **two** different tasks. Centres must **not** change the tasks, this includes the texts and questions.

Interpretation

A medium level of control for task taking means that assessors may use methods to assist learners with their reading skills. This may include the use of artefacts or prop cards to supplement the set reading texts. Assessors must not interpret the words for learners. Assessors may read/explain the rubric but not the texts or questions.

Use of a dictionary

Learners must have access to a dictionary in order to complete the dictionary questions as part of this assessment. These questions are designed to assess learners' ability to use organisational features such as alphabetical order to locate information.

Timing

Learners must complete **two** tasks in 45 minutes – these need not be taken in one sitting, and time may be split up at the centre's discretion. For further details refer to the *Instructions for the Conduct of Controlled Assessment* (ICCA/formerly ICE) document available on qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-functional-skills.html

Marking

Marks should be awarded for each task according to the appropriate mark scheme. The total number of marks that can be awarded across the two tasks is 20. The pass percentage for the reading component is 75 per cent. In order to achieve 75 per cent learners must achieve at least 15 marks out of the available 20 across the two completed tasks.

When applying the mark schemes, the words in brackets are optional. Obliques (/) indicate alternative accepted answers.

Record Sheet

A completed *Assessment Record and Authentication Sheet* with the recorded marks must be attached to the learners' completed tasks.

(Turn over)

Specific requirements

Before learners undertake the controlled assessment tasks for the Entry Level 3 reading assessment, it is advisable that tutors help them to become familiar with the words and phrases listed below (and any other words and phrases tutors consider relevant and necessary). Tutors should ensure that learners understand the implications that these words and phrases might have on how they respond.

Read Text x and answer questions x to x	Put a tick in the correct box	Write your answer on the line below
According to Text x	Using Text x, list...	Write down what it means
Which one of these statements is true?	Weigh	Energy
Vitamins	Raisins	Sultanas
Cinnamon	Attract	Voucher
Documents	Brand	Caravan
Vehicle(s)	Goods	Self-catering
Quad biking	Platform	

Use of a dictionary is permitted.

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