



NCFE Level 1 Functional Skills Qualification in English (603/5058/1)

Reading

Paper number: Practice paper 01

Mark Scheme v1.0

Section 1

1	According to Text 1, how many calls did the emergency services receive? [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: (almost) 200 / two hundred. (1)	1	2.09

2	What is the main purpose of Text 1? Select one of the following: A To advise readers of what to do in an extreme hailstorm B To describe the damage caused by an extreme hailstorm C To explain why there was an extreme hailstorm D To persuade readers to make an insurance claim [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for:		
	Answer: B To describe the damage caused by an extreme hailstorm. (1)	1	2.16

3	Using Text 1, identify whether each of the following statements is true or false . [2 marks]								
	Maximum two marks from:								
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4	Identify the language feature used in this quotation from Text 1: 'complete and utter devastation'. [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: exaggeration. (1)	1	2.12

5	In Text 1, the writer describes the car as being 'lodged under the footbridge'. What does the word 'lodged' mean as used in this context? You may use a dictionary to help you answer this question. [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: stuck / wedged. (1) Accept any valid dictionary definition in context.	1	2.13

6	Use Text 1. (a) What organisational feature is used to show what to do in an emergency? [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: numbered list. (1)	1	2.14
	(b) Which section mentions insurance claims? [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: The aftermath. (1)	1	2.14

7	Text 1 contains two photographs. What information can you infer from each photograph that is not written in the text? (a) Image 1: The hailstones [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: that the hailstones were extremely large / bigger than the writer might have you think. (1)	1	2.15
	(b) Image 2: Crops in the field [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: that crops / farms / gardens were also damaged by the storm. (1)	1	2.15

8	The writer uses the phrase ‘flash flood’ in the second paragraph of Text 1. What does the word ‘flash’ mean in this context? [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: sudden / unexpected. (1) Accept similar wording. Do not accept ‘fast’.	1	2.17

9	Using Text 1, name two places other than Newton that have also been affected by hailstorms. [2 marks]		
	Maximum two marks for: - Dinbury (1) - Falton. (1)	2	2.09

10	According to Text 1, who should residents contact in case of a gas leak? [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: National Grid / national grid. (1)	1	2.09

Section 2

11	Identify one effect of the storm on Naomi.	[1 mark]	
	Maximum one mark from: - her garden was ruined (1) - hailstones trashed her garden shed / flowers (1) - she has been busy at work. (1) Accept similar wording.	1	2.09

12	Using Text 2, state two things that Naomi is grateful for in her job.	[2 marks]	
	Maximum two marks from: - doing extra training / learning how to do PDR (1) - being busy (1) - having an easy-going boss. (1) Accept any other valid answer.	2	2.09

13	Using Text 2, identify whether each of the following statements is a fact or an opinion .	[2 marks]							
	Maximum two marks from:								
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14	Using Text 2, identify two adjectives that Naomi uses to describe her work and skills. [2 marks]		
	Maximum two marks from: • patient (1) • fine (1) • excellent (1) • busy (1) • perfect. (1) Accept any other valid response. Do not accept adjectives which do not describe Naomi's work or skills.	2	2.12

15	In Text 2 the writer says, 'the whole town was gridlocked with extreme flooding'. Give one word to replace 'extreme' as used in this context. You may use a dictionary to help you answer this question. [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for: • severe / intense / exceptional. (1) Accept similar wording.	1	2.13

16	Read these two statements from Text 2.								
	Identify whether each one is an example of persuasive or explanatory language.								
	[2 marks]								
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17	Look at the second paragraph. Why is PDR in brackets? Select one of the following: A It is short for 'paintless dent repair' B It shows the title of Naomi's course C To show Naomi enjoyed the course D To show the meaning of 'paintless dent repair' [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for:		
	Answer: A It is short for 'paintless dent repair'. (1)	1	2.18

18	Use Text 2. What organisational feature is used to explain how paintless dent repair can save people money? [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for:		
	bullet points. (1)	1	2.14

19	Look at the paragraph that starts, 'I know you specialised...' Which word means 'dents'? [1 mark]		
	Maximum one mark for:		
	dings. (1)	1	2.17

20	Which one of these statements is true about both Text 1 and Text 2?								
	[1 mark]								
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	Accept any other clear indication of the correct answer.								

21	Both texts mention damage to cars. Which two things relating to cars are mentioned in both Text 1 and Text 2? Select two answers. A Carpets B Doors C Electronics D Roofs E Windscreens	[2 marks]	
	Maximum one mark for:		
	Answers: B Doors (1) D Roofs (1)	2	2.10

[Total: 30 marks]