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Past Paper 9

Time: 75 minutes | Paper Reference **PENR2/S09**

English
Component 2: Reading
Level 2

Use the correct Text Booklet provided.
You may use a dictionary.

Total Marks

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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 the questions in the spaces provided
  – *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is **35** marks.
- There is a total of **15** questions:
  – Questions 1 to 4 are based on Text A
  – Questions 5 to 8 are based on Text B
  – Questions 9 to 11 are based on Text C
  – Questions 12 to 15 are based on more than one text.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
- This paper assesses your reading skills, not your writing skills.
- You do not need to write in sentences.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

SECTION A

Read Text A and answer Questions 1 to 4.

1 Your friend wants to know about mountain bike trails.

Using Text A, give the names of **two** mountain bike trails.

1 ..... The Cormer to Felbrigg trail in Norfolk ....

.... **(1)**

2 ..... Lakeside Way in Kielder, Northumberland ....

.... **(1)**

(Total for Question 1 = 2 marks)

Answer Question 2 with a cross 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 cross ⊠.

2 Which word best describes the style of Text A?

⊠ **A** apologetic

⊠ **B** humorous

☒ **C** enthusiastic

⊠ **D** thoughtful

(Total for Question 2 = 1 mark)

Answer Question 3 with a cross in two boxes ⊠. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ⊠ and then mark your new answer with a cross ⊠.

3 Which **two** of these quotations from Text A are examples of informal language?

⊠ **A** 'to suit your ability level'

⊠ **B** 'sharp rises and descents'

⊠ **C** 'sufficient skill and confidence'

☒ **D** 'a super-tough challenge'

☒ **E** 'views with the wow factor'

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(Total for Question 3 = 2 marks)

4 You have been asked to add subheadings to each paragraph in Text A.

Number each subheading from 1 to 5 to show which best matches each paragraph.

Two have been done for you.

Subheading	Paragraph number
Town rides	5
Easy start	2
Give it a try	**1**
Hardest test	4
More demanding	**3**

(Total for Question 4 = 2 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 7 MARKS

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SECTION B

Read Text B and answer Questions 5 to 8.

5 What does each of these quotations from Text B suggest about mountain biking?

'a heads-up' ..... You can get prior warning in advance of biking events .....

..... **(1)**

'fully-fledged leader' ..... An experienced cyclist who can lead others .....

..... **(1)**

(Total for Question 5 = 2 marks)

Answer Question 6 with a cross 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 cross ⊠.

6 Text B includes both facts and opinions.

Which **one** of these statements is an opinion?

⊠ **A** It is possible to hire mountain bike equipment.

☒ **B** Mountain biking is less frightening than people think.

⊠ **C** You can explore the countryside by mountain biking.

⊠ **D** Mountain bike leaders guide groups of riders.

(Total for Question 6 = 1 mark)

7 (a) According to Text B, who does Chris Alston work for?

..... Cycling UK ..... **(1)**

(b) Which organisational feature in Text B shows this?

..... Text box ..... **(1)**

(Total for Question 7 = 2 marks)

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8 (a) Using Text B, identify **two** pieces of evidence that suggest mountain biking is exciting.

1 'the adrenaline rush it produces'

.... (1)

2 'some real adventure'

.... (1)

(b) Using Text B, identify **two** sources of help with mountain biking.

1 'Any bike shop'

.... (1)

2 The Cycling UK website

.... (1)

(Total for Question 8 = 4 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 9 MARKS

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SECTION C

Read Text C and answer Questions 9 to 11.

9 Using Text C, give **two** quotations that suggest mountain biking can be an expensive sport.

1 .... 'an overpriced bike' ....

.... **(1)**

2 .... 'splash out on equipment' ....

.... **(1)**

(Total for Question 9 = 2 marks)

10 Using Text C, identify **two** language features used to give people's opinions on mountain biking.

Give an example to support each answer.

Language feature .... Rhetorical question ....

.... **(1)**

Example .... 'Mountain biking, I ask you, what's it all about?' ....

.... **(1)**

Language feature .... Commands ....

.... **(1)**

Example .... 'get out in the fresh air and start participating' ....

.... **(1)**

(Total for Question 10 = 4 marks)

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Answer Question 11 with a cross 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 cross ☒.

11 Which **one** of these quotations from Text C shows a positive view of the countryside?

- ☒ **A** 'in the absolute middle of nowhere'

- ☒ **B** 'attracting more and more enthusiasts'

- ☒ **C** 'just sheep and cows grazing in fields'

- ☒ **D** 'some wonderful rural landscapes'

(Total for Question 11 = 1 mark)

TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 7 MARKS

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SECTION D

Questions 12 to 15 are based on more than one text.

12 You may use a dictionary to answer this question.

(a) 'gain sufficient skill'

Give **one** word or phrase to replace 'sufficient' that keeps the meaning of this quotation from Text A the same.

enough

(1)

(b) 'exasperating week at work'

Give **one** word or phrase to replace 'exasperating' that keeps the meaning of this quotation from Text C the same.

irritating

(1)

(Total for Question 12 = 2 marks)

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13 Compare similar ideas from Text A **and** Text C about the benefits of mountain biking.

In your answer you should:

- give **two** similarities from these texts about the benefits of mountain biking

(2)

- give **one** quotation from Text A and **one** quotation from Text C to support **each** similarity.

(4)

One benefit of mountain biking identified by both texts is that cycling helps you to stay fit. Text A says 'you can keep fit' and Text C similarly says 'it's a brilliant way of enhancing fitness'.

Another benefit identified by both texts is that mountain biking enables you to see impressive scenery. Text A says that you can 'cycle off-road in stunning countryside' and Text C says you can see 'some wonderful rural landscapes'.

(Total for Question 13 = 6 marks)

Answer Question 14 with a cross 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 cross ☒.

14 Which **one** of these statements about the language used in Text A and Text B is correct?

- ☒ **A** Both use first person to add interest.
- ☒ **B** Both use direct address to involve the reader.
- ☒ **C** Both use numbers to provide detail.
- ☒ **D** Both use rule of three to supply information.

(Total for Question 14 = 1 mark)

15 You are completing a project on mountain biking.

Identify **one** piece of evidence from **each** of the three texts which shows the popularity of mountain biking is increasing.

Text A   'growing number of people'

(1)

Text B   'the sport is booming'

(1)

Text C   'attracting more and more enthusiasts'

(1)

(Total for Question 15 = 3 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION D = 12 MARKS
TOTAL FOR PAPER = 35 MARKS

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