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# Functional Skills Level 2

## ENGLISH

### Paper 1 Reading

Wednesday 28 February 2024

Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour

#### Materials

For this paper you must have:

- **Sources A, B and C** which are provided in a separate Insert Booklet.

#### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.
- Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this answer book.
- Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- You must refer to the Insert Booklet provided.

#### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 30.
- There are 10 marks for each section.
- You may use a dictionary.

#### Advice

- You are advised to check your work carefully.

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**Section A**Read **Source A** and answer **Questions 1 to 6**.**0 1**

According to **Source A**, what was the name of the project to promote lawns being left to grow wild?

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

**[1 mark]****0 2**

You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

**Source A** states: 'This is exasperating!'

What does the word 'exasperating' mean in this quotation?

- A** upsetting
- B** annoying
- C** insulting
- D** disappointing

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer

**[1 mark]****0 3**

The text implies that

- A** the environmental group has influenced the local council's decisions.
- B** the meadow will be allowed to grow there again in future.
- C** insects and birds have already returned to that area.
- D** the council may have done damage to the environment in the area.

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer

**[1 mark]**

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Use the information in **Source A** to decide whether each statement is **true** or **false**. Put a tick (✓) in the correct box.

|  | True | False |
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| Not all of the wildflower meadow had been mowed.           |      |       |
| The environmental group is full of praise for the council. |      |       |
| The council were trying to display the wildlife area.      |      |       |
| The grass is usually mowed by the council before June.     |      |       |

[2 marks]

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The writer of **Source A** presents both facts and opinions.

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Identify **two** facts about the meadow area that was mowed by the council.

Fact 1 \_\_\_\_\_

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Fact 2 \_\_\_\_\_

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[1 mark]

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Identify **two** opinions about the actions of the council.

Opinion 1 \_\_\_\_\_

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Opinion 2 \_\_\_\_\_

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[1 mark]

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The writer of **Source A** presents an argument about the mowing of a wildflower meadow.

Explain how the words and language techniques in the **last two paragraphs** show criticism of the council.

You should include quotations from the **last two paragraphs** of **Source A** in your answer.

[3 marks]

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**Section B**Read **Source B** and answer **Questions 7 to 11**.**0 7**

You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

**Source B** states: 'Some plants are rife in their environment.'

What does the word 'rife' mean in this quotation?

- A** widespread
- B** isolated
- C** successful
- D** struggling

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer

**[1 mark]****0 8**According to **Source B**,

- A** all wild plants are safe for people to pick and eat.
- B** humankind has foraged for food for thousands of years.
- C** only some areas of the country have edible plants growing.
- D** living in towns and cities prevents people from foraging.

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer

**[1 mark]****Turn over for the next question****Turn over ►**

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Use the information in **Source B** to decide whether each statement is **true** or **false**. Put a tick (✓) in the correct box.

|  | True | False |
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| Nettles and roses can only be picked to eat in the summer.     |      |       |
| Plants that can be picked and eaten grow in parks.             |      |       |
| Guided walks can help people who want to start foraging.       |      |       |
| Local experts will know the best things to pick in their area. |      |       |

[2 marks]

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From **Source B**, list **the names of three** different edible plants that can be found by the coast.

[3 marks]

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From **Source B**, list **three instructions** for safe foraging.

[3 marks]

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**Section C**

Read **Source C** and answer **Questions 12** and **13**.

You will need to use both **Source A** and **Source C** to answer **Question 14**.

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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

**Source C** states: '...they're naturally tenacious and require minimal care.'

What does the word 'tenacious' mean in this quotation?

- A** resistant
- B** compliant
- C** consistent
- D** persistent

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer

**[1 mark]**

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From **Source C**, list **three ways** that a wildflower garden can **benefit the environment**.

**[3 marks]**

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Compare **Source A** and **Source C**. Write about what they say and how the material is conveyed.

**[6 marks]**

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**END OF QUESTIONS**





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