

Functional Skills English Reading Level 1 Sample Paper 3



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Key

Any words in brackets are not essential for the answer, eg, good (news).

A slash indicates an alternative answer, eg, paragraphs / sections.

(Accept similar wording) allows for paraphrasing and alternative wording.

Reading	Maximum marks	Criteria
<p>1</p> <p>What is the main purpose of Document 1?</p> <p>To instruct / instructions / to teach / to tell how / to explain / to inform / to advise</p> <p>(accept similar wording)</p>	1 mark	16
<p>2</p> <p>What are two layout features that have been used to help the reader quickly find out what items they will need to paint their walls?</p> <p>Two from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subheading • Bold font • Bullet points • Dashes • List • Section • Indentation <p>(accept similar wording)</p> <p>(1 mark for each – maximum 2 marks)</p>	2 marks	14
<p>3</p> <p>According to Document 1, what is the most important step to take before beginning painting?</p> <p>Prepare walls / step 2 / walls in good state / walls should be clean, smooth and dry / fill in any cracks</p> <p>(accept similar wording)</p>	1 mark	9
<p>4</p> <p>In the first paragraph, why has 'Proud Homes' been written with capital letters at the beginning of the words?</p> <p>Name (of shop/website) / proper noun / to reflect the logo</p> <p>(accept similar wording)</p>	1 mark	18

<p>5</p> <p>Look at the first paragraph of Document 1. What does the word 'renovate' mean?</p> <p>Refresh / improve / change / make better / fix / repair / decorate / paint</p> <p>(accept similar wording)</p>	1 mark	17
<p>6</p> <p>Give two examples of words or phrases in the first paragraph of Document 1 that have been used to make Proud Homes sound trustworthy.</p> <p>Any two from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (We're the) experts • All the know-how • Everything you need to know <p>(1 mark for each – maximum 2 marks)</p>	2 marks	12
<p>7</p> <p>What is the main message of the image?</p> <p>b) Do not throw away unused or old paint</p>	1 mark	15
<p>8</p> <p>How many coats of wall paint would be needed for the dark colours suggested in <i>Step 1: Choose the colour?</i></p> <p>3 / three</p>	1 mark	13
<p>9</p> <p>Select the two phrases that are facts from the list below.</p> <p>c) Primer stops paint soaking into the walls</p> <p>e) We sell pots of tester colours</p> <p>(1 mark for each – maximum 2 marks)</p>	2 marks	11
<p>10</p> <p>What is the main topic of Document 2?</p> <p>b) How Nick painted his kitchen walls</p>	1 mark	9
<p>11</p> <p>The author of Document 2 says that he will prevent hyperextension in future. What does he mean?</p> <p>d) He will avoid stretching further than he should</p>	1 mark	17

<p>12</p> <p>What are two things the author of Document 2 says that show he did not like the way his kitchen was decorated before he painted it?</p> <p>Two from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My kitchen needed an update • Sickly • I don't want my kitchen to look like a bee decorated it • I got straight to work trying to strip the wallpaper • Ugly • I had a kitchen I could be proud of at last! <p>(1 mark for each – maximum 2 marks)</p> <p>(accept similar wording)</p>	2 marks	11
<p>13</p> <p>Look at the second paragraph. What does the apostrophe in the word <i>friend's</i> tell the reader?</p> <p>d) The painting gear belongs to Nick's friend</p>	1 mark	18
<p>14</p> <p>What link could the reader click on to find out more information about decorating their home?</p> <p>How I painted my bathroom cabinets / third link</p>	1 mark	14
<p>15</p> <p>What are two possible solutions given in Document 2 if someone does not like their wallpaper?</p> <p>Remove it / strip it Paint over it</p> <p>(accept similar wording)</p>	2 marks	9
<p>16</p> <p>What do the images in Document 2 suggest about painting a wall?</p> <p>a) It is advisable to wear safety goggles and a mask</p>	1 mark	15

<p>17</p> <p>What are two specific painting tools that the author of Document 2 thinks are useful?</p> <p>Two from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cutting-in brush • Roller • Stepladder <p>(1 mark for each, maximum 2 marks)</p>	2 marks	9																				
<p>18</p> <p>How has the author of Document 2 used language to appeal to the reader?</p> <p>d) He writes in a chatty style</p>	1 mark	12																				
<p>19</p> <p>Tick the box to show whether the following ideas are found in Document 1, Document 2, or both documents.</p> <p>Dark blue is a calming colour – Doc 1 It looks good when walls and skirting boards contrast – Doc 1 Choosing a paint colour is difficult – both Edges and corners should be painted first – both</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="188 1059 1042 1603"> <thead> <tr> <th>Statement</th> <th>Document 1 only</th> <th>Document 2 only</th> <th>Both documents</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Dark blue is a calming colour</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>It looks good when walls and skirting boards contrast</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Choosing a paint colour is difficult</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Edges and corners should be painted first</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Statement	Document 1 only	Document 2 only	Both documents	Dark blue is a calming colour	✓			It looks good when walls and skirting boards contrast	✓			Choosing a paint colour is difficult			✓	Edges and corners should be painted first			✓	4 marks	10
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<p>20</p> <p>In Document 2, Nick asks: <i>What did I do wrong?</i> Give two steps listed in Document 1 that Nick missed.</p> <p>Protect floors (and furniture) / put dust sheets down / step 3 (Use) primer / step 4</p> <p>(accept similar wording)</p>	2 marks	10
Total marks available for Reading assessment	30	
Indicative pass mark	20	

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