Functional Skills Mark Scheme



English – Writing

Entry Level 1

Sample Assessment

General Marking Guidance

- Markers should apply the mark scheme consistently across all papers marked. Standardisation will take place at the beginning, middle and end of the marking window to ensure this takes place.
- Marks should be applied on the learners' assessment paper along with all associated feedback. It is recommended that marking is carried out using a different coloured pen to that of the learner.
- If a learner has crossed out a response to a question, the work should still be marked unless the learner has replaced it with an alternative answer.
- Markers should mark according to the mark scheme and should apply it positively awarding full marks where the answer meets the mark scheme.
- Where the answers do not meet the mark scheme, markers should be prepared to award zero marks.
- The mark scheme gives guidance as to how to allocate marks where an answer is graded according to learner performance. Where the response does not meet the requirements of the minimum mark, zero marks should be awarded.
- Where the mark scheme allows a mark for 'any (other) valid response', the marker should judge the response's merits based on the information provided in the assessment materials.
- Where the marker is unsure of how to apply the mark scheme, guidance from the team leader must be sought.
- Assessment papers and mark schemes must be kept secure at all times.
- Should any issues or irregular practice arise that may put at risk the security of assessment papers
 of mark schemes these will be reported to Open Awards <u>immediately</u>.

Pass Mark: 19

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E1 Writing Mark scheme – Sample Assessment

Question Number	Question	Accepted Responses	Mark Allocated	Scope of Study Reference	
1	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.	When	1	SoS15	
2	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.	Miss	1	SoS15	
3	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.	Done	1	SoS15	
4	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.	Person	1	SoS15	
5	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.	Walk	1	SoS15	
6	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.	After	1	SoS15	
7	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.	Head	1	SoS15	
8	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.	Follow	1	SoS15	
9	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.	Number	1	SoS15	
10	Write the word with the correct spelling to fit in each sentence.		1	SoS15	

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E1 Writing Mark scheme – Sample Assessment

	Entry 1 - Writing Task 2 and 3 (total marks available 18)		Assessor please note that the mark grid below should be used to allocate up to 9 marks for Q1, and then again to allocate up to 9 marks for Q2				
	SoS	11. Punctuate simple sentences with a capital letter and a full stop	12. Use a capital letter for the personal pronoun 'l' and the first letter of proper nouns	13. Use lower- case letters when there is no reason to use capital letters	15. Spell correctly words designated for Entry Level 1	16a. Communicate information	16b. Use of words, phrases and sentences
Marks availa							
3		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	All words, phrases and sentences make sense and aid meaning / understanding.
2		NA	NA	NA	All words spelt correctly (including those from designated spelling lists when used)	Overall communicated information clearly and accurately.	Most words, phrases and sentences make sense and aid meaning / understanding.
1		More than one simple sentence punctuated accurately with capital letters and full stops.	Used capital letters and consistently all of the pronoun 'l' and all propall lower-case letters appropriately when the use capital letters.	time for the personal oper nouns used and formed/used	Most words spelt correctly (including those from designated spelling lists when used)	Mostly communicated information clearly and accurately.	At least one word, phrase and sentence make sense and aids meaning / understanding.

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E1 Writing Mark scheme – Sample Assessment

0	Simple sentence	No accurate use of capital letters for the	Limited or no	Do not	No examples of words,
	punctuation absent or	personal pronoun 'I' or for proper nouns OR	words spelt	communicate	phrases and sentences
	incorrectly used, or very	several different errors in the formation/use	correctly	information clearly	make sense and aid
	limited simple sentence	of lower-case letters when there is no	(including those	and accurately at	meaning / understanding.
	punctuation; errors may be	reason to use capital letters.	from designated	all.	
	inconsistent.		spelling lists when		
			used)		
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Entry 1 – Writing Task 4 (total marks available 2) Question Question Accepted Responses Mark Allocated Scope of S					
Number				Reference	
Task 3	1.Put the following letters in alphabetical order.	Correct order of lower-case letters (a, b, c, d, e, f, g) – 1 mark	1 mark	SoS14	
	2.Put the following letters in alphabetical order.	Correct order of upper-case letters (H, I, J, K, L, M, N) – 1 mark	1 mark	SoS14	

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