

Functional Skills Mark Scheme

English – Reading
Entry Level 3
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.
- Learners should not be penalised for spelling, punctuation and grammar errors providing the answer is comprehensible.
- 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 or mark schemes – these will be reported to Open Awards immediately.

Pass Mark: 12

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Question Number	Question	Accepted Responses	Mark Allocated	Scope of Study Reference
Task 1 Q1.	What is the purpose of the text?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To inform To persuade To emphasise the importance of exercise/physical activity/keeping fit for good health Accept similar wording.	(1 mark)	SC10
Q2	Give two ways you can increase your daily physical activity.	Award 1 mark for any of the listed indicative content points, up to a maximum of 2 marks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk upstairs instead of using the lift Walking Cycling Home exercise Accept similar wording.	(2 marks)	SC9
Q3	Give two benefits of physical exercise.	Award 1 mark for any of the listed indicative content points, up to a maximum of 2 marks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lose weight Become healthier Improves self-esteem Improves mood Improves sleep quality Less prone to stress Accept similar wording.	(2 marks)	SC9

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Q4	Give two reasons why so many people are unfit.	Award 1 mark for any of the listed indicative content points, up to a maximum of 2 marks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Never walk up stairs • They use the lift • Ready meals • Internet shopping • TV box sets Accept similar wording.	(2 marks)	SC9
Q5	Using a dictionary, find the words 'campaign' and 'ignore' and write down their meanings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campaign – a planned set of actions aimed at achieving a particular result • Ignore – dictionary definition of ignore Accept similar wording in each case.	(2 marks)	SC11
Q6	List two places where you can find more information about keeping fit and healthy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Nuffield Health Annual Report 2015 – Transforming the nation's health and wellbeing</i> • www.nhs/change4life/ • www.nhs.uk/ 	(2 marks)	SC12
Task 2 Q7	What is the main purpose of Text 2?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To promote / advertise / encourage people to join Gym4All Accept similar wording.	(1 mark)	SC10

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Q8	List two facilities you can use at Gym4All.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming pool • Sauna • Training equipment • Coffee bar • Crèche • Soft play area • Trampoline • Climbing wall 	(2 marks)	SC9
Q9	When can you visit Gym 4 All?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekdays/Monday to Friday 0800-2200 • Weekends/Saturday and Sunday 0900-2100 <p>Accept specific valid times, e.g. Tuesday at 1030</p>	(2 marks)	SC9
Q10	Give two ways to find out more information about Gym4All?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click on web page tabs (accept specific tab) • Phone (01932 661792) • Email (gym4all@gmail.com) • Drop in <p>Accept similar wording</p>	(2 marks)	SC12
10 Questions			18 marks	