



Level 2 Functional Skills English

Reading Question Paper

City & Guilds Practice Paper (Pass Functional Skills)

Question Paper

Hedgehogs

Instructions

- The duration of this paper is 1 hour.
- Answer all questions.
- The marks for each question are indicated.
- The maximum number of marks for the whole reading paper is 30.
- Read each question carefully.
- Writing in complete sentences is not necessary.
- Grammar, punctuation and spelling is not assessed but your answers must be clear.
- Dictionaries are **allowed**.

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Read Documents A and B and then answer the following questions.

Questions 1 to 7 refer to Document A. Make sure you refer to Document A when answering these questions.

1. According to Document A which of the following statements are true? (Tick 2) **2 marks**

- A) Hedgehogs are in decline in the UK
- B) The general public can assist with the welfare of hedgehogs
- C) Hedgehogs are not endangered in the UK
- D) Hedgehogs are viewed as pests
- E) Badgers have decreased in population by 250, 000 since the 1980s
- F) Badgers are the main reason for the decline in hedgehogs

2. How is the number of badgers in the UK relevant to the number of hedgehogs in the UK? **1 mark**

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3. From the text, identify 2 creatures which the hedgehog chiefly feeds upon. **2 marks**

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4. What is the main aim of the campaign *Hedgehog Street*? **1 mark**

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5. What is a “hedgehog highway”? **1 mark**

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6. The first page of Document A provides some information using statistics.
Find two examples of statistics and explain their effect. **4 marks**

Statistic 1

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Effect

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Statistic 2

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7. From Document A, find two examples A of dangers hedgehogs can face in gardens. **2 marks**

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8. Using the text, how can a reader learn more about the person who made a summer garden at the 2014 RHS Hampton Court Palace Flower Show? **1 mark**

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Questions 9 to 13 refer to Document B. Make sure you refer to Document B when answering these questions.

9. Document B states that “New Zealand has no native land-based mammals”. If this is the case how did hedgehogs come to be in New Zealand? **1 mark**

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10. According to Document B, how much does a hedgehog weigh? **1 mark**

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11. What is the “Beatrix Potter effect”? **1 mark**

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12. In Document B, the writer says that the hedgehog is a beloved creature. If this is the case why do many scientists want to “eradicate” the hedgehog from New Zealand? **1 mark**

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13. How does the writer of Document B use language to convey information about hedgehogs? Refer to two techniques or examples, and comment on their effects. **4 marks**

Technique 1/Example

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Effect

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Technique 2/Example

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Effect

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Question 14 and 15 refer to Source A and Source B. Make sure you refer to both documents when answering this question.

- 14.** The writers of Document A and Document B offer different views on hedgehogs. Use one piece of supporting evidence from each document to compare how these views differ. **4 marks**

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- 15.** In what ways do the writers of Document A and B agree? Use one piece of supporting evidence from each document to compare how their views are similar. **4 marks**

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