
AQA Functional Skills English Level 2 Writing November 2021**Sample Answers**

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You have read the following on the Bramby.com website:



Here at the Bramby Community Forum, we'd love to know what inspired you during lockdown.

Was it that box set that had you gripped? Or that new album that you couldn't stop listening to? Did you get heavily involved in a compelling book?

Did you watch a special film that worked its magic? Was it a sporting event that captured your imagination?



We want others to share your experience and we hope to post an anthology of the best reports so that others can benefit.

Go online to [Bramby.com](https://www.bramby.com) and submit your report.

You want to take part in the Bramby.com forum.

Write a report about something that inspired you during lockdown.

Your report should be between **150** and **200** words.

Remember to:

- plan your answer
- use correct spelling, punctuation and grammar
- write clearly and effectively.

[6 marks]**[+ 3 marks for SPaG]**

Green highlighting - key points from the mark scheme



FUNCTIONAL SKILLS ONLINE COURSES

- ✓ Your answers are analysed to determine your Current Level
- ✓ Suggested courses for you to enrol on based on your calculated level
- ✓ Always know the level you are currently working at
- ✓ Determine when you are ready to sit your exam

Functional Skills English Initial Assessment
English
13 Questions No Time Limit
Start Initial Assessment

Functional Skills Maths Initial Assessment
Maths
25 Questions Mixed Calculator No Time Limit
Start Initial Assessment

Recommendations
Based on your results from this initial assessment, we estimate you are currently at **Level 1.5**. From this diagnostic, we think one of the following courses would be suitable:

Functional Skills Maths Level 2
35 Topic Count 105 Tests 43 Mock Exams
Enrol Now
Pick my own

- ✓ Explainer videos on every topic
- ✓ Quick-fire style multiple choice questions
- ✓ Test your knowledge with exam-style questions
- ✓ Written solutions for all questions

Why do we write

Practice Question 1 of 5
Calculation
 $76 + 113 = 189$

Question 2 of 5
Select the correct answer from the list below:
129
183
189
194

Written Solution
The area of a trapezium is given by the formula: $\frac{1}{2} \times (a + b) \times h$
In this case, $a = 10$, $b = 14$, and $h = 4$.
Total Area = $\frac{1}{2} \times (10 + 14) \times 4 = 48 \text{ cm}^2$

Course Completion %
View the completion percentage for the course.
6.44%

Using Numbers
16 TOPICS
27.08% Complete
Start Learning

Previous Results for Addition and Subtraction (including

| ATTEMPT DATE | DIFFICULTY | RESULT |
|------------------|------------|--------|
| 25/04/2022 15:39 | Easy | 80% |
| 18/01/2022 14:01 | Medium | 20% |

- ✓ See your progress through as you progress through each topic area
- ✓ Get your average scores for practice questions, topic tests and mock exams
- ✓ View all practice question, topic test and mock exam attempts over time
- ✓ View historical attempts to analyse your progress over time

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Sample answer: Pass

The Book that Made Lockdown Bearable: *War and Peace*

During lockdown, I listened to the *War and Peace* audiobook while completing everyday chores.

A very long book...

Before I started listening, I knew very little about the book aside from the fact that it is incredibly long. Trawling through a physical copy of it seemed like a chore, but listening to it while completing other activities **filled each day with inspiration**.

A gripping story

Although there are parts of the book that feel very dated (it is filled with aristocratic parties and hunting trips), there were many highs and lows to enjoy. From a bear attending a party to a sweet girl becoming sick almost to the point of death, **the book made me reflect on humanity, and was gripping throughout. There were also interesting insights into the way that history is written that would intrigue any philosopher.**

Conclusion

The book inspired me to think about people and the way they live their lives in a whole new way. As a history enthusiast, I was captivated by the writer's ideas about historical narratives, and **it inspired me to learn more about the period** in which the book is set.

Word count: 199

Examiner comments:

- Appropriate tone used throughout.
- Spelling and punctuation is consistently effective and accurate.
- Appropriate formatting and length.
- Clear and logical sequencing of points in text.



0 2

You received the following leaflet through your letterbox:

| BRAMBY COSMO FOODS | |
|---|--|
| The best takeaway service in town | Download the APP!! Manager: Carla McLeod cmcleod@email.com 02753 676 443 |
| Pizzas, curries, kebabs, burgers, fish | |
| Over 150 dishes to choose from | 16 High St Bramby Cross Bramby BY6 9NN |
| Superfast service | |
| Polite staff | |
| Reasonable prices | |

You used Bramby Cosmo Foods for a takeaway but were unhappy with the service.

Write an email to Carla McLeod, giving a full account of your experience and why you were not happy.

Remember to:

- plan your answer
- use correct spelling, punctuation and grammar
- write accurately in sentences and paragraphs.

[12 marks]
[+ 9 marks for SPaG]

Sample Answer - Pass

To: cmcleod@email.com

Subject: Incorrect pizza delivery

Dear Ms McLeod,

I am emailing regarding an incorrect recent order with Bramby Cosmo Foods. I ordered a 14-inch 'cheeky chicken' pizza via the Eataroo app to celebrate my mother's birthday on 12th June.

Although the delivery was quick, the pizza that arrived contained spicy pepperoni rather than the chicken and sweetcorn that my family were expecting. My two younger siblings were unable to eat the spicy food, and I was left incredibly disappointed as the birthday celebration was ruined.

I tried to call Bramby Cosmo Foods twice to tell them about the issue, but both times, I was greeted by a cold, automated message informing me that the line was busy. This made me feel unheard, and in my opinion, employing more staff to answer the phones would increase the professionalism of your company and the satisfaction of your customers.

As the pizza was relatively expensive, I would appreciate either a refund or a free pizza in the future as compensation for **our negative experience**.

Yours sincerely,

Jacob Mountbatten.

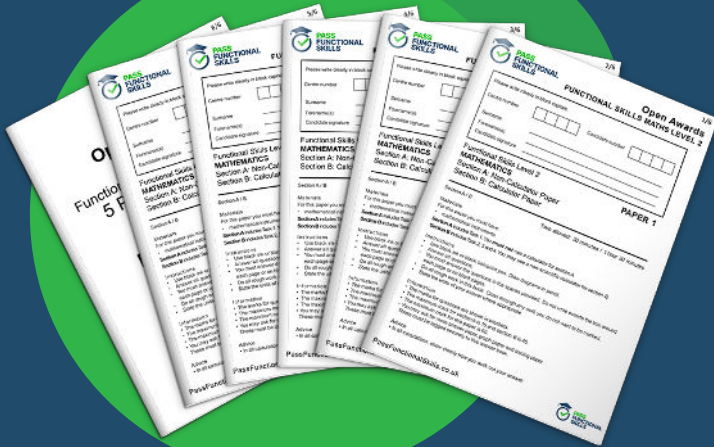
Word count:173

Examiner comments:

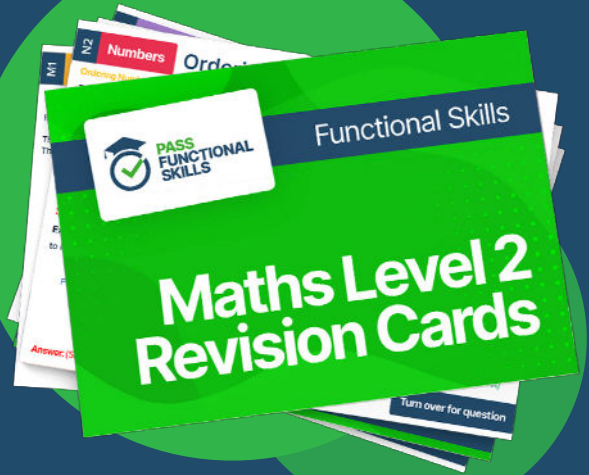
- Clearly fit-for-purpose and audience.
- Precisely uses a range of sentence structures, including complex sentences.
- Precisely uses a range of appropriate words and phrases, including specialist ones.
- Sufficiently detailed to give the reader the information he/she needs, whilst maintaining the reader's attention.



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