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# **Functional Skills Level 1**

## **ENGLISH**

**Paper 1 Reading**

**8720R**

**Time allowed: 1 hour**

**At the top of the page, write your surname and other names, your centre number, your candidate number and add your signature.**

**[Turn over]**



**For this paper you must have:**

- **SOURCES A, B and C which are provided in a separate Insert Booklet.**

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- **Use black ink or black ball-point pen.**
- **Answer ALL questions.**
- **You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.**
- **Do not write on blank pages.**
- **If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).**
- **Do all rough work in this answer book.**
- **Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.**
- **You must refer to the Insert Booklet provided.**



## **INFORMATION**

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 26.
- You may use a dictionary.

## **ADVICE**

- You are advised to check your work carefully.

**DO NOT TURN OVER UNTIL TOLD TO DO SO**



## SECTION A

Read **SOURCE A** and answer **QUESTIONS 1 to 6**.

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Using the information in **SOURCE A**, put a tick (✓) in the correct box to show whether each statement is **TRUE** or **FALSE**. [2 marks]

	TRUE	FALSE
People were trying to escape in their cars.		
The 2008 fire destroyed more than 200 buildings.		
Lynn Pitman saw the fire at midnight.		
Paradise has had at least four fires in the past twenty years.		



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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

**SOURCE A** says: 'Paradise is a quiet rural town.'

In this quotation, the word 'rural' means

- A pretty.
- B little.
- C hidden.
- D country.

Write the correct letter in the box. [1 mark]

Answer

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In SOURCE A, Ken Lowe said: 'It looked like amber snowflakes falling from the sky!'

The exclamation mark (!) at the end of this sentence shows that Ken Lowe

- A was amazed at the idea of snow falling in a hot fire.
- B was amused by what was falling from the sky.
- C was trying to hide how frightened he was.
- D thought the amber snowflakes were beautiful.

Write the correct letter in the box. [1 mark]

Answer



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Using the information in **SOURCE A**, put a tick (✓) in the correct box to show whether each statement is **TRUE** or **FALSE**. [2 marks]

	TRUE	FALSE
Lynn Pitman is a school teacher.		
Ken Lowe said there were lights on the trees.		
Most of the homes in Paradise were destroyed by this fire.		
It took 17 firefighters to bring the fire under control.		

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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

**SOURCE A** says: 'Wildfires are rife in Californian forests.'

In this quotation, the word 'rife' means

**A** dangerous.

**B** common.

**C** feared.

**D** rare.

Write the correct letter in the box. [1 mark]

Answer





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**What is the MAIN purpose of the writing in SOURCE A?**

- A To advise people not to live in California.**
- B To inform people about the Paradise wildfire.**
- C To explain how wildfires are started.**

**Write the correct letter in the box. [1 mark]**

**Answer**

**[Turn over]**



Read **SOURCE B** and answer **QUESTIONS 7 to 9**.

**07**

From **SOURCE B**, identify **ONE** positive thing and **ONE** negative thing about working as a firefighter.

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**Positive thing** \_\_\_\_\_

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**[1 mark]**

**07.2**

**Negative thing** \_\_\_\_\_

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**[1 mark]**



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In **SOURCE B**, Helen says: ‘No two days are the same.’

This means that firefighters

- A** work two days per week.
- B** get two days off every week.
- C** each have their own special job every day.
- D** carry out different tasks every day.

Write the correct letter in the box. [1 mark]

Answer 

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**SOURCE B contains text and a picture.**

**What EXTRA information does the picture suggest?**

- A Women can work as firefighters.**
- B Firefighters must wear a uniform.**
- C Firefighters deal with floods.**
- D Firefighters like to have barbecues.**

**Write the correct letter in the box. [1 mark]**

**Answer**



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**QUESTIONS 10 and 11 refer to SOURCE A and SOURCE B.**

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**Compare SOURCE A and SOURCE B.**

**Identify TWO ways these sources are SIMILAR TO EACH OTHER.**

**You could write about:**

- what they look like
- how they are written
- what they are about.

**[2 marks]**

**1. Both sources** \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. Both sources** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Compare SOURCE A and SOURCE B.**

**Identify TWO ways these sources are DIFFERENT FROM EACH OTHER.**

**You could write about:**

- what they look like
- how they are written
- what they say.

**[2 marks]**

**Difference 1** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Difference 2** \_\_\_\_\_

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**SECTION B**

Read **SOURCE C** and answer **QUESTIONS 12 to 17**.

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Look at the language and structure used in **SOURCE C**.

The main purpose of **SOURCE C** is to

- A** persuade landlords to carry out fire safety checks.
- B** explain how people renting a home can check that it's safe.
- C** advise people looking for a new home to buy rather than rent.

Write the correct letter in the box. [1 mark]

Answer





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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

**SOURCE C** says: ‘...there are over 50 000 fires in dwellings in the UK.’

In this quotation the word ‘dwellings’ means

- A homes.
- B shops.
- C buildings.
- D offices.

Write the correct letter in the box. [1 mark]

Answer

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**What does 'Furniture must be fire-resistant' mean?**

- A Furniture must not be placed near a fire.**
- B Furniture must not be allowed to block exits and escape routes.**
- C Furniture must be made of materials which won't catch fire.**
- D People should not smoke cigarettes near furniture.**

**Write the correct letter in the box. [1 mark]**

**Answer**

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Using the information in **SOURCE C**, put a tick (✓) in the correct box to show whether each statement is **TRUE** or **FALSE**. [2 marks]

	TRUE	FALSE
People who own their own home are less likely to have a fire.		
Smoke alarms should be installed on the floor.		
Fire safety checks will prevent fires from happening.		
The law says landlords must fit a carbon monoxide detector.		

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Using the information in **SOURCE C**, put a tick (✓) in the correct box to show whether each statement is **FACT** or **OPINION**. [2 marks]

	<b>FACT</b>	<b>OPINION</b>
<b>Each year around 300 people die in fires in homes.</b>		
<b>Moving into your own home is a wonderful experience.</b>		
<b>Your landlord must ensure that there is a safe way out of the property.</b>		
<b>Fire in their home may well be the thing people fear most.</b>		



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**You are going to rent your first home. You have been advised to make sure your new home is safe from fire.**

**From SOURCE C, make a list of QUESTIONS to ask your landlord to ensure all the fire safety requirements have been met. [3 marks]**

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**END OF QUESTIONS**

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