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Functional Skills Level 1

ENGLISH

Paper 1 Reading

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Time allowed: 1 hour

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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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**Use the information in SOURCE A to
decide whether each statement about
what visitors to Sealife can do is TRUE
or FALSE. Put a tick (✓) in the correct
box, on the opposite page. [2 marks]**



	TRUE	FALSE
Visitors can go diving in the Underwater 4-D experience.		
Visitors learn about where penguins live.		
Visitors can stroke the Asian short-clawed otters.		
Visitors walk through a tunnel surrounded by seawater.		

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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

SOURCE A says: ‘Laugh at their cheeky antics’.

What does the word ‘antics’ mean in this quotation?

- A faces**
- B noises**
- C actions**
- D expressions**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**



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SOURCE A says: ‘...you won’t want to dip your hand in!’

Why is there an exclamation mark (!) at the end of this sentence?

- A To warn visitors that jellyfish sting.**
- B To show that the writer thinks the slime is dangerous.**
- C To show that the writer thinks the name ‘Jelly Invaders’ is funny.**
- D To remind visitors that they are not allowed to touch any fish.**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**

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Use the information in **SOURCE A** to decide whether each statement is **TRUE** or **FALSE**. Put a tick (✓) in the correct box. [2 marks]

	TRUE	FALSE
The piranhas poison the dart frogs.		
The penguin-feeding experience lasts for 60 minutes.		
A jellyfish does not have a skeleton.		
Teachers pay for the lesson plans at Sealife Birmingham.		



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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

SOURCE A states: ‘...step into the rainforest to encounter deadly piranhas’.

What does the word ‘encounter’ mean in this quotation?

- A observe**
- B meet**
- C learn about**
- D count up**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**

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

- A To inform teachers about school trips to Sealife Birmingham.**
- B To warn visitors about the dangers of jellyfish and piranhas.**
- C To persuade schools and families to visit Sealife Birmingham.**
- D To describe to people the beautiful creatures at Sealife Birmingham.**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**



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

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**From SOURCE B, identify ONE positive
thing and ONE negative thing about
keeping a fish as a pet.**

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Positive thing _____

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Negative thing _____

[1 mark]

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SOURCE B says: ‘...fish are fairly undemanding’.

What does this mean?

- A Fish don’t cost very much.**
- B Fish don’t need much to eat.**
- C Fish can be won at fairs.**
- D Fish are easy to look after.**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**



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SOURCE B contains text and two pictures.

What EXTRA information about keeping a pet fish does Picture 2 suggest?

- A It teaches children responsibility.**
- B The fish tank needs cleaning out.**
- C Different types of fish can live together.**
- D Fish are fascinating and beautiful.**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**

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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 _____



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]



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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.**

What is the main purpose of SOURCE C?

- A To describe different fish tanks.**
- B To instruct people how to look after fish.**
- C To explain the equipment needed to keep fish.**
- D To persuade people to keep fish as pets.**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**



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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

SOURCE C says: ‘Putting rocks and ornaments in your tank can enhance this fish playground’.

What does the word ‘enhance’ mean in this quotation?

- A damage**
- B improve**
- C conceal**
- D show off**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**

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What does ‘The bigger the tank or aquarium the better’ mean?

- A Your fish would be better off in a big tank than an aquarium.**
- B An aquarium is a better choice for your fish than a big tank.**
- C A fish tank is much bigger and better than an aquarium.**
- D Your fish should have the biggest tank or aquarium possible.**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**



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Use the information in SOURCE C to decide whether each statement is TRUE or FALSE. Put a tick (✓) in the correct box. [2 marks]

	TRUE	FALSE
Lighting in the tank will help plants to grow.		
Bacteria live in the gravel in fish tanks.		
Only big fish need plenty of room to swim.		
Fish need oxygen in their tank water.		

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Use the information in **SOURCE C** to decide whether each statement is **FACT** or **OPINION**. Put a tick (✓) in the correct box. [2 marks]

	FACT	OPINION
Fish are beautiful.		
If your fish are tropical you will need a heater.		
Fish benefit from moving water.		
A goldfish bowl is a good way to start.		



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You want to start keeping pet fish and need to think about what to buy.

Use SOURCE C to make a LIST of what you might use to set up a home for your fish. [3 marks]

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END OF QUESTIONS

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