2024 ESOL

Reading

National 5

Question Paper Finalised Marking Instructions

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General marking principles for National 5 ESOL Reading

This information is provided to help you understand the general principles you must apply when marking candidate responses to questions in this paper. These principles must be read in conjunction with the specific marking instructions for each question. The marking schemes are written to assist in determining the 'minimal acceptable answer' rather than listing every possible correct and incorrect answer.

(a)   Marks for each candidate response must **always** be assigned in line with these general marking principles and the specific marking instructions for the relevant question.

(b)   Marking should always be positive. This means that, for each candidate response, marks are accumulated for the demonstration of relevant skills, knowledge and understanding: they are not deducted from a maximum on the basis of errors or omissions.

(c)   The marking instructions indicate the essential idea that a candidate should provide for each answer.

(d)   The answers for each question must come from the original text.

(e)   Where there is a multiple choice question, award 0 marks where a candidate ticks all boxes.

(f)   In addition, markers should use their professional judgement, subject knowledge and experience, and understanding to mark candidate responses.

Marking instructions for each question

Text 1

Question			Expected response(s)	Max mark	Additional guidance
1.			mobile phones	1	**No more than two words**
2.			private collectors	1	**No more than two words**
3.			emergency services	1	**No more than two words**
4.			rural communities	1	**No more than two words**
5.			(unlimited/free) access	1	**No more than two words**
6.			(to) spruce up (the shelves)	1	must contain 'up'
7.		(i)	D	1	
		(ii)	E	1	
8.			D	1	
9.			D	1	
10.			B	1	

Text 2

Question			Expected response(s)	Max mark	Additional guidance
11.			(complementary) family trip	1	**No more than three words** Must include 'family'
12.			hang (out)	1	**No more than three words** **Not:** get/be
13.			ingredients	1	**No more than three words** **Not:** trendy offices/company culture
14.			(business) ideas	1	**No more than three words**
15.			end goal	1	Requires **both** words
16.			diverse	1	One word answer only **Not:** mixture
17.			D	1	
18.			C	1	
19.			A	1	
20.			E	1	
21.			B	1	
22.			A	1	

Text 3

Question			Expected response(s)	Max mark	Additional guidance
23.			develop	**1**	**No more than two words** **Accept:** better **Not:** shaping/process
24.			puzzles	**1**	**No more than two words** accept: games
25.			false data	**1**	**No more than two words**
26.			live up to (the hype)	**1**	Must be full 3-word phrasal verb
27.			D	**1**	
28.			A	**1**	
29.			D	**1**	
30.			C	**1**	
31.	(i)		memory (function)	**1**	either order
	(ii)		literacy (skills)	**1**	
32.	(i)		which instrument	**1**	either order/accept any reasonable gloss of the text containing these key words
	(ii)		intensity	**1**	either order/accept any reasonable gloss of the text containing these key words

[END OF MARKING INSTRUCTIONS]