

**Key skills communication
Adult literacy
Level 1**

Practice Test Paper H

YOU NEED

- This test paper
- An answer sheet

You may **NOT** use a dictionary

Do NOT open this paper until you are told to do so by the supervisor

There are 40 questions in this test

Total marks available: 40

Try to answer ALL the questions

YOU HAVE 1 HOUR TO FINISH THE TEST


INSTRUCTIONS

- Make sure your personal details are entered correctly on the answer sheet
- Read each question carefully
- Follow the instructions on how to complete the answer sheet
- At the end of the test hand in the question paper, your answer sheet and all notes to the supervisor

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Note for learners and tutors. This is a practice test that has been put together using questions similar to those that you would find in a "live" Key skills communication or Adult literacy test. The layout of the test is also the same as that used for a live test.

Questions 1 to 5 are based on this draft document.

<p>Ken Tucker & Son, Plumbers</p> 	<p>line 1</p>
<p>How long has that leaky tap been getting on your nerves?</p>	<p>line 2</p>
<p>Are your radiators as warm as they should be?</p>	<p>line 3</p>
<p>Do your drains smell as sweet as they should.</p>	<p>line 4</p>
<p>Are you just too busy for all those DIY jobs?</p>	<p>line 5</p>
<p>No jobs, from putting in dishwashers to fixing a leaky tap, is too small for us.</p>	<p>line 6 line 7</p>
<p>Does your house need a complete plumbing system?</p>	<p>line 8</p>
<p>We also undertake larger Construction jobs.</p>	<p>line 9</p>
<p>We can build anything from drains to chimney pots.</p>	<p>line 10</p>
<p>We provide free estimates and all our work is fully enshured. Why not ring Ken now on 01359 336336?</p>	<p>line 11 line 12</p>

1. A question mark is missing or wrongly used on

- A line 2
- B line 3
- C line 4
- D line 12

2. There is a grammatical error on

- A line 5
- B line 6
- C line 9
- D line 10

3. The correct spelling of the word "radeators" on line 3 should be

- A radaitors
- B raediators
- C radiators
- D raidiators

4. A capital letter has been incorrectly used on

- A line 1
- B line 5
- C line 9
- D line 12

5. The correct spelling of the word "enshured" on line 12 should be

- A ensured
- B insured
- C insurade
- D innsured

Questions 6 to 10 are based on the following document.

DOGS DIE IN HOT CARS



The RSPCA recommends that you don't leave your dog alone **anywhere** for more than four hours, **especially** in a car. Dogs need companions and get lonely easily. They also need regular exercise.

In warm and sunny weather you should never leave a dog alone in a car. Even in the shade, temperatures can soon get very hot.

Each year the RSPCA deals with cases of dogs that have died after literally being cooked in a car.

- If an animal left in a car is panting for breath it may be on the way to suffering heat-stroke. It can die very quickly.
- Leaving windows open or putting a bowl of water in the car does not help.
- Owners who put their animals at risk in this way face a fine of £5000 and/or six months in prison.

Please help. If you see a distressed animal left in a parked car, please report it immediately to the police or the RSPCA.

6. The main purpose of this leaflet is to

- A prosecute cruel dog owners
- B reduce the workload of the RSPCA
- C save the lives of dogs
- D advertise the RSPCA

7. The RSPCA says that even in the shade temperatures get very hot, so dog owners should
- A leave the car windows open for the dog
 - B never take dogs in a car
 - C always carry water in the car
 - D never leave dogs in a car in warm weather
8. According to the leaflet, dog owners face a £5000 fine if they
- A do not leave the car window open
 - B put a dog at risk from heat-stroke
 - C leave a dog on its own for over four hours
 - D do not leave water in the car for a dog
9. According to the leaflet, if you see a dog left in a car on a hot day, you should
- A try and open one of the windows
 - B report it to the police or RSPCA
 - C try and give the dog some water
 - D attempt to move the car into the shade
10. Without changing the meaning, the word "recommends" in the first line could **best** be replaced with
- A orders
 - B requests
 - C forbids
 - D suggests

Questions 11 to 15 are based on the following draft document.

To: Theme Park Manager
From: Martin Sinclair
Date: 20/06/03
Subject: Death Wish Accident

During our holiday last week we had some really bad waether. We
couldn't go to the beach so we go to your theme park instead last
Wednesday. Your advertisement said, "20 Fun Rides for Kids". When
we arrived 6 rides were closed. The rest were very crowded and we had
to queue. Standing around in the rain for ages.

line 1

line 2

line 3

line 4

line 5

On one ride called "Death Wish", our son slipped on some loose
matting and fell down a slide. Luckily he wasn't hurt. I don't want to
report you formaly, but he did rip his coat very badly. Your staff said
you would pay for a new one, so I have enclosed the receipt

line 6

line 7

line 8

line 9

I hope to hear from you soon.

line 10

11. The correct spelling of the word "waether" on line 1 should be

- A wether
- B weather
- C whether
- D wheather

12. There is a spelling mistake on

- A line 3
- B line 4
- C line 7
- D line 8

13. One of the sentences contains a grammatical error. It is on

- A line 1
- B line 2
- C line 6
- D line 9

14. Which word from the document should always be spelt with a capital letter?

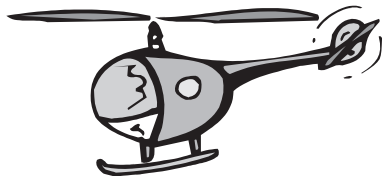
- A Manager
- B Accident
- C Wednesday
- D Fun

15. Which of these statements from the document is not a complete sentence?

- A Your advertisement said, "20 Fun Rides for Kids".
- B When we arrived 6 rides were closed.
- C The rest were very crowded and we had to queue.
- D Standing around in the rain for ages.

Questions 16 to 20 are based on the following document.

DISCOVER THE ISLES OF SCILLY



Our free bus service leaves Penzance and can take you the twenty miles to Land's End Airport. Flights leave from the airport to the islands all day, beginning at 9.00am (duration 15 minutes) Monday-Saturday. Land's End Airport is easy to find on the B3306 near St. Just.

line 1
line 2
line 3
line 4

All the treasures of the islands await you. We are only twenty-eight miles from Land's End. The islands are separate from Cornwall and promise a real hint of the tropics.

line 5
line 6
line 7

Flying by Skybus couldn't be easier. Your flight includes spectacular views of the Cornish countryside. On arrival at St. Mary's Airport, a bus will run you to Hugh Town, capital of the islands.

line 8
line 9
line 10

16. The airport at Land's End is near

- A St. Mary's
- B Penzance
- C Hugh Town
- D St. Just

17. Flights to the Scilly Isles arrive at

- A Penzance
- B St. Mary's
- C Hugh Town
- D Land's End

18. The Scilly Isles are

- A twenty-eight miles from Land's End
- B within the county of Cornwall
- C within sight of the tropics
- D twenty miles from Penzance

19. The main purpose of the document is to

- A provide instructions on how to get to the airport
- B explain that there is a free bus service
- C persuade people to fly to the Scilly Isles
- D describe the treasures of the islands

20. According to the document, which of these statements is true?

- A Flights leave from Penzance all day, every day.
- B The Scilly Isles are a part of Cornwall.
- C A bus is provided from Land's End to Hugh Town
- D The flight to the Scilly Isles takes fifteen minutes.

Questions 21 to 25 are based on the following document.



NOISY, SMELLY AND DANGEROUS

A group of local people are fighting to have rubbish bins removed from outside their houses. The bins recycle household waste and are very popular with the public.

line 1
line 2
line 3

Woodland Grove residents claim their lives are being made miserable since the bins arrived in the Stars Lane Car Park near the town centre. They are woken at all hours with the sound of bottles breaking as they are put into the bottle bank. They have had their views overlooking Nine Springs beauty spot blocked. The bins are the responsibility of the District Council. Council officers say the building of the new leisure complex is responsible for making it necessary to move the bins from their old site at Town Station Yard.

line 4
line 5
line 6
line 7
line 8
line 9
line 10

Paul Bradley, a local resident, said, "Children used to play around here, but with all the broken glass and rats in the rubbish, it's just not safe."

line 11
line 12

21. According to the document the bins are located at

- A the Council Offices
- B Stars Lane
- C Nine Springs
- D Town Station yard

22. Who claims their lives are being made miserable?

- A Woodland Grove residents
- B the District Council
- C the general public
- D Town Station

23. According to the article, residents are woken at all hours by

- A bottles being put in the bottle bank
- B children playing around the bins
- C cars driving into the car park
- D rats scavenging in the rubbish

24. The document could **best** be described as

- A an essay on recycling problems
- B a local newspaper article
- C a memo to local residents
- D a letter of complaint to the Council

25. The **main** point made in the document is that

- A local people are against recycling schemes
- B the Council will not accept responsibility for the bins
- C residents want these recycling bins to be moved
- D views of a local beauty spot have been blocked

Questions 26 to 30 are based on the following draft document.

	John Simmonds, Manager	line 1
	The Sports Centre	line 2
	Canterbury	line 3
	Kent, CT8 7PE	line 4
Mrs Sue Hedges		line 5
32 Cathedral Lane		line 6
Canterbury		line 7
Kent CT5 2HP		line 8
Dear Sue		line 9
Unfortunately, as you are aware, there has been problems with some		line 10
customers at the centre. These problems include:		line 11
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The drinks machine has been vandalised.		line 12
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shouting and swearing in the coffee bar.		line 13
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fighting outside the centre.		line 14
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Using the sports facilities without paying.		line 15
All staff are reminded that security is the responsibility of everyone.		line 16
If you see anyone acting in a manner which causes you concern, you		line 17
must report this to the security office immediately.		line 18
There is no doubt that disruptive behaviour must be dealt with		line 19
immediately. This type of behaviour puts people off using our centre and		line 20
undermines all the hard work done by the staff in the last year.		line 21
I know I can count on your support, can't I.		line 22
Please come and see me if you have any questions.		line 23
Yours sincerely		line 24
John Simmonds		line 25

26. A question mark is missing on

- A line 11
- B line 19
- C line 22
- D line 23

27. There is a grammatical error on

- A line 10
- B line 15
- C line 17
- D line 18

28. There is a spelling mistake on

- A line 10
- B line 13
- C line 15
- D line 19

29. The correct spelling of the word "immedietely" on line 20 should be

- A immedietly
- B immediateley
- C immediately
- D imediately

30. Which of these statements from the document is a complete sentence?

- A The drinks machine has been vandalised
- B Shouting and swearing in the coffee bar.
- C Fighting outside the centre.
- D Using the sports facilities without paying.

Questions 31 to 35 are based on the following document.

Through to midnight with Channel 4



6:30	The Hoobs.
7:00	The Big Breakfast. Entertainment.
9:00	Bewitched. Spooky sitcom.
9:30	I Dream of Jeannie.
10:00	ER. Hospital drama on the Maternity Ward.
11:45	Icons. Profile on a boxer. Muhammad Ali alias the great Cassius Clay.
12:00	News.
12:05	Powerhouse. Politics today.
12:30	Montel. Studio debate on education. From Bristol.
1:05	Roseanne. Darlene is pregnant.
1:30	Body Story. Brave New World. The first four months of human life.
2:00	Racing. From Wincanton.
4:00	Fifteen to One
4:30	Countdown.
5:00	Pet Rescue. From Taunton.
6:00	The Priory. Entertainment.
7:00	Channel 4 News. Weather.
8:00	Brookside.
8:30	Cheers! Boston bar room comedy. Is George overdoing the beer?
9:00	Faking it. Documentary. Brian George tries to pass himself off as a boxer turned bouncer in London.
10:00	Ally McBeal.
11:00	Film. Raging Bull. Story of champion boxer Jake La Motta played by Robert De Niro in Martin Scorsese's violent 1980s classic.
12:55	News.

31. At what time does the programme from Bristol begin?

- A 12:30
- B 2:00
- C 5:00
- D 10:00

32. In which programme is George drinking too much beer?

- A ER
- B Cheers
- C Roseanne
- D Montel

33. Which person tries to pass himself off as a boxer?

- A Brian George
- B Martin Scorsese
- C Jake La Motta
- D Robert De Niro

34. Which topic do 2 of the programmes have in common?

- A medical matters
- B boxing
- C racing
- D pets

35. Where does the programme 'Pet Rescue' come from?

- A Bristol
- B London
- C Boston
- D Taunton

Questions 36 to 40 are based on the following document.

TWO FOR ONE HEALTH BREAKS

Now you can take a friend for free when you book a two-night break at one of these health farms:

Beech Mansion

Located in the heart of Somerset countryside and surrounded by 105 acres of private grounds.

Sandy Grange

A 200-year-old mansion, set on the Dorset coast with spectacular sea views. A recent addition is a stable so that guests can go horse-riding (£20 extra). Wind surfing lessons also available at £25 per half day.

Woodland Hotel

A modern, purpose-built health resort nestling in a quiet part of the Cumbrian Lake District. This centre also offers the chance to go sailing (£30 per day) and free use of mountain bikes.

Cedar Hall

The newest health farm in Scotland, this centre is actually set in an old Scottish castle close to the historic city of Inverness.

Hidcote Manor

Famous for its rare trees and shrubs from around the world

All centres offer luxury accommodation and superb facilities. The offer includes free use of the pool, sauna, gym and tennis courts. There is a range of fitness classes to suit all abilities.

Book now to avoid disappointment. The price of £145 for a two-night break includes breakfast, lunch and dinner. Offer available until June 30th.

36. The offer made in the advertisement is for a

- A 'two for the price of one' health farm break
- B free two-night break for you and a friend
- C stay in a two hundred year-old mansion
- D free horse riding for two people

37. The best health farm for people who enjoy being by the sea is

- A Beech Mansion
- B Sandy Grange
- C Woodland Hotel
- D Cedar Hall

38. The best health farm for people who enjoy gardens with unusual plants is

- A Beech Mansion
- B Hidcote Manor
- C Woodland Hotel
- D Cedar Hall

39. All the centres offer fitness classes. They are

- A only for people who have a low level of fitness
- B for people who do a lot of exercise
- C not for people who want to lose lots of weight
- D for everyone whatever their level of fitness

40. People who stay at Sandy Grange have to pay extra for

- A mountain biking
- B wind surfing
- C playing tennis
- D lunch and dinner

End of test