



EDEXCEL FUNCTIONAL SKILLS LEVEL 2 ENGLISH

Exam board: Edexcel

Unit structure: Three components:

- **Speaking, Listening and Communication** – make a range of contributions to discussions in a range of contexts, including those that are unfamiliar, and make effective presentations.
- **Reading** – select, read, understand and compare texts and use them to gather information, ideas, arguments and opinions.
- **Writing** – write a range of texts, including extended written documents communication information, ideas and opinions, effectively and persuasively.

Assessment structure:

Component 1: Speaking, listening and communication	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internally assessed • Availability: throughout the academic year 	33.3% of the total qualification
<p>Overview of content</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The assessment will cover all the level 2 speaking, listening and communication skill standard. • Pearson will provide guidance on devising activities to meet the skill standard to centres. • Learners must complete two activities. • Learners must achieve all level 2 criteria across the two activities at least once. 	

Component 2: Reading	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Externally assessed • Assessment is available either onscreen or paper based • Availability: please see the our website for details • First assessment: November 2010 	33.3% of the total qualification
<p>Overview of content</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The assessment will cover all the level 2 reading skill standard. • Overview of paper based assessment • This component is assessed through a 60-minute examination paper, set and marked by Pearson. • There will be three texts based on a single context and learners will answer all questions on each text. • The total number of marks available is 30. • Overview of onscreen assessment • This component is assessed through a 60-minute examination paper, set and marked by Pearson. • There will be three texts based on a single context and learners will answer all questions on each text. • The total number of marks available is 30. 	

Component 3: Writing	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Externally assessed Assessment is available either onscreen or paper based Availability: please see the our website for details First assessment: November 2010 	33.3% of the total qualification
Overview of content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The assessment will cover all the level 2 writing skill standard. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of paper based assessment This component is assessed through a 60-minute examination paper, set and marked by Pearson. There will be two writing tasks with contexts and learners will answer both tasks. The total number of marks available is 30. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of onscreen assessment This component is assessed through a 60-minute examination paper, set and marked by Pearson. There will be two writing tasks with contexts and learners will answer both tasks. The total number of marks available is 30. 	

There must be a lead internal verifier for the speaking, listening and communication element. This person must be trained in carrying out that role.

Learners can re-sit elements that they have not passed. They must take different versions of the task to that originally taken.

