

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

LEVEL 1 FUNCTIONAL SKILLS ENGLISH

PRACTICE PAPER 5 – READING TASK AND ANSWER BOOKLET (AR05)

TIME: 50 MINUTES

Your surname or family name

Your first forename (if any)

Your second forename (if any)

Date of birth

Centre name

Centre number

Your OCR candidate number

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Question No	Mark
R1	/3
R2	/4
R3	/2
R4	/4
R5	/2
R6	/3
R7	/3
R8	/4
Total	/25

YOU NEED

- This task and answer booklet.
- A pen with black ink **OR** access to a computer and printer to print out your responses which should be firmly attached to this booklet.

You may use a dictionary and spell/grammar check facilities but you must not ask anyone to help you.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES

Do **NOT** open this booklet until you are told to do so by the supervisor.

Fill in all the boxes above. Make sure your personal details are entered correctly. Use **BLOCK LETTERS**.

- Write your answer to each question in the space provided in this answer booklet or attach your printouts to this booklet before handing in.
- Additional answer space can be found on page 15.
- If you use extra paper, make sure that it has your name, candidate number, centre number and question number(s) on it and is securely attached to this booklet.
- When you have finished, hand this booklet to the supervisor.

This document consists of 16 pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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RESOURCE DOCUMENTS

Document 1 (page 5) and Document 2 (page 7) contain information to help you answer the Reading task.

- The resource documents are perforated along the left hand side or can be separated from the question paper. You can remove them from the Reading task and answer booklet.
- If perforated, please fold page 5 and page 7 along the perforated strip before removing them from the Reading task and answer booklet.
- You have **50 minutes** to read the resource documents and answer questions 1 to 8. You should spend about **5 – 10** minutes of this time reading the resource documents.

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Document 1

Jay Mills
Queens of Leon
24 Bond Street
Brighton
BR1 3UP

The Music Box
4 Victoria Lane
Brighton
BR4 2TH

Date as postmark

Dear Jay,

We never thought your first gig at The Music Box would be such a success. The total ticket sales for last Saturday were an amazing £2,545 and the audience response was fantastic. You played such wonderful music. Well done to you guys for getting such a following of loyal fans for your rock band Queens of Leon.

We at The Music Box would like to contribute to your new band because we believe that everyone deserves a break and we want our customers to enjoy new music. We are prepared to pay half the money towards you getting a new sound system. This can cost between £1,500 and £3,000 and you would need to raise half of the money to match our contribution. In return, we would like you to have a regular slot on Saturday nights at The Music Box. This will be really good for you as it is the ideal opportunity for you to gain experience of performing to a large audience. The Music Box, as you know, is the best music club in the area, attracting over 500 people every Saturday night.

I have enclosed some adverts from local suppliers so you can start to have a look at sound systems. You will need to consider the following when choosing your sound system so that it creates the correct sound for the audience:

- the size of the venue
- the sound you want to create
- whether the sound system can be moved and transported easily
- expert advice when buying and using the system.

If you would like more advice about choosing a sound system, please contact Suzi Atro on 0271 958 2345 or email suzi-atro@musicbox.coz as Suzi is experienced in working with bands.

We hope that you will consider our offer and get back to us with your choice of sound system by early next month.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Foster

Manager
The Music Box

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Document 2

SOUNDS GOOD TO ME

We supply a wide range of professional equipment for rock bands!

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- ✓ fully trained advisors
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TASK AND ANSWER PAGES

READING TASK (25 marks)

INFORMATION

You have **50 minutes** to read the resource documents and answer the questions 1 to 8. You should spend about **5 – 10** minutes of this time reading the resource documents.

Answer **all** the questions using information from the resource documents.

You do **not** need to write in sentences.

Scenario

You are a member of a new band called Queens of Leon. You receive an exciting letter from The Music Box (Document 1), with some adverts for sound systems (Document 2).

- 1** Identify **three** things which show that the Queens of Leon’s first gig at The Music Box was a great success.

(3 marks)

2 a) How much is the cheapest sound system that the band will need to perform at The Music Box?

(1 mark)

b) Explain **three** kinds of support which The Music Box offers to the band.

(3 marks)

3 In your opinion, should The Music Box support new bands? Give **two** reasons for your answer.

(2 marks)

8 From the adverts in Document 2:

a) Identify **one** layout feature and state how it helps the reader.

(2 marks)

b) Give an example of a word or phrase that is used to persuade the reader.
Say why you think this word or phrase is effective.

(2 marks)



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PRACTICE PAPER 5 – READING TASKS (AR05)

Mark Scheme

The maximum mark for the Reading paper is 25

This document consists of 4 printed pages

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Functional Skills English Level 1 Mark Scheme – Reading Task (25 marks)

Reading

Q	M/S Ref	Accepted Response	Type of Response	Marks	Total marks
1	1R2	<p>Candidate has identified reasons for success:</p> <p>a) raised an amazing amount/£2545.00</p> <p>b) audience response was fantastic</p> <p>c) Music Box want them to play regularly</p> <p>d) Music Box thought they play wonderful music.</p>	Closed	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>(Max 3)</p>	3
2a	1R1	Candidate has identified cheapest sound system costing £1,500.	Closed	1	
2b	1R2	<p>Candidate explains the support the Music Box has offered:</p> <p>a) having them as resident band/play each week</p> <p>b) contributing half the money to the sound system</p> <p>c) advice from Suzi Atro</p> <p>d) giving them experience.</p>	Closed	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>(Max 3)</p>	4
3	1R3	<p>Candidate has given own opinion:</p> <p>If Yes:</p> <p>a) brings in new customers</p> <p>b) busy so therefore make more money</p> <p>c) everyone deserves a break</p> <p>d) customers can enjoy new music.</p> <p>If No:</p> <p>e) costs club a lot</p> <p>f) band might not be very good</p> <p>g) customers could get bored.</p> <p>Accept any justifiable answer.</p>	Open	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>(Max 2)</p>	2

Q	M/S Ref	Accepted Response	Type of Response	Marks	Total marks
4	1R1	Candidate has identified considerations when selecting a sound system: a) size of venue b) sound to be created c) moved and transported easily d) expert advice before and after e) price.	Closed	1 1 1 1 1 (Max 2)	4
	1R2	Because: f) people can hear the music g) can create right sound for audience h) can transport it to other venues i) so buy correct system and don't waste money.	Open	1 1 1 1 (Max 2)	
5	1R4	Candidate has identified ways to contact the Music Box: a) phone Suzi on 0271 958 2345 b) or email suzi-atro@musicbox.coz	Closed	1 1 (Max 2)	2
6	1R2	Candidate has identified a suitable supplier: a) Sounds good to me b) George's Gig Suppliers	Open	1 1 (Max 1)	3
	1R2	Because: c) fully trained advisors d) meets all needs e) specialists in helping new bands f) 30 years' experience g) friendly, family service h) will beat any price quoted i) members of national institute for sound j) sole stockists of Pose sound systems k) expert advice l) because the other two are for Jazz bands and for home use.	Closed	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 (Max 2)	
7	1R2	Candidate has given reasons why the regulator slot is a good or a bad idea: If good: a) ideal opportunity to gain experience b) perform to large audience c) financial support/better equipment d) advice. If bad: e) tied to one venue f) working every Saturday night g) already popular/loyal fans.	Open	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 (Max 3)	3

Q	M/S Ref	Accepted Response	Type of Response	Marks	Total marks
8a	1R4	Candidate has identified a layout feature used in Document 2: a) bold titles/type b) different fonts c) images. and	Open	1 1 1	
8b		commented on its effectiveness a) attractiveness b) setting scene c) ease/difficulty of reading.	Open	1 1 1 (Max 2)	
	1R3	Candidate has given an example of language used and comments on it's effectiveness: a) we are proud b) meet all needs c) will beat any price d) treat yourself to the best. Accept any reasonable explanation based on information from Document 2.		1 1 1 1 1 (Max 2)	4
		Total available for Reading			25

Note to markers:

- Where a candidate does not meet the minimum required for the award of 1 mark, 0 marks should be awarded. This applies to all mark scheme references.
- Accept other valid points not identified in the mark scheme but which occur within the resource documents.