



Functional Skills Certificate
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Functional English

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Component 1 Reading

Level 2

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The three sources that follow are:

- **Source A:** a webpage about RED Driving School
- **Source B:** a news report about young drivers
- **Source C:** a leaflet about a junior driving experience

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to see all three sources**

For this exam you are going to read **three** texts. They are all to do with driving.

Source A

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About RED

Welcome to **RED**.




Learning to drive is not just about getting a driving licence but is an essential skill for life. At **RED**, we love cars, teaching and road safety! **RED** is the largest Driving School in the UK and is arguably the most progressive. The reason why our School has become so successful is because we deliver great value for our customers. Most of our instructors undertook their training with us (we are also the largest training school for instructors in the UK).

Lessons can be booked online or through our UK-based call centre. You can call us six days a week but we prefer online booking and with "**MyRED**", you can book lessons and manage appointments 24/7. If for any reason, you decide to cancel pre-paid lessons, we will refund you for all lessons not yet taken.

We are certainly not trying to be the cheapest Driving School! We believe the old saying, "You get what you pay for" and we are determined to ensure all our customers receive value for money. The Driving Standards Agency recommends 47 hours of professional tuition to pass your test. Today's roads and the driving test are very different from a few years ago (parents please note!). Proper, structured training prepares you for the test in the most efficient way and **RED** will give you safe driving skills for life.

We also offer state-of-the-art online training via **RED's** Road Brain Trainer which is proven to boost your chance of passing the practical test by 14%. Check it out! It's free when you learn with **RED**.



 **Book & pay online**

 **Make an enquiry**

 **Call us**
0800 111 111

Source B

New drivers face curfew

Proposals aim to cut accidents among teenagers

Newly-qualified drivers face a night-time curfew and restrictions on the number of young passengers they can carry under proposals being considered by ministers.

The age at which teenagers can legally begin to drive may also be reduced to 16½, with a minimum period of a year imposed before holders of a provisional licence can take their driving test.

The Government hopes the moves will reduce the number of serious accidents involving teenage drivers and help to bring down soaring insurance costs, which have almost doubled in the past two years.

A change in the law to let learners drive on the motorway was among other measures discussed. The Government also suggested extending to three years the probationary period, during which a young driver's licence can be revoked if they receive six penalty points.



Official accident figures show a rise in the number of people killed or seriously injured in crashes involving young drivers aged 17 to 24. One in five people killed or seriously injured on the roads is involved in a crash where at least one of the drivers is classified as young.

The Association of British Insurers has suggested banning young drivers from the road between 11pm and 4am; restricting them to one passenger under the age of 20 and enforcing a zero drink-drive limit. This could reduce young driver premiums by 20%.

But road safety professionals argue that the focus should be on better training rather than curfew and temporary restrictions. Edmund King, President of the Automobile Association said: “We would prefer to get drivers better trained and safer before they take to the road rather than giving them a licence and restricting them”. Mr King added that restricting the number of young passengers could penalise college students for giving classmates a ride home after lessons.

The Department for Transport claims that a tougher driving test, better training and temporary restrictions should reduce the risk of young drivers being involved in a crash. Letting learners practise on the motorway, at night or during bad weather, would make drivers better equipped.

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Source C

JUNIOR FERRARI EXPERIENCE £99.99

Taste the life of the rich and famous with this exciting Junior Ferrari driving experience. If you are aged 12-16, you can get behind the wheel of a real Ferrari for an exhilarating drive on a purpose-built track. Your height must be between 4ft 10in and 6ft 4in and a maximum weight of 18 stone 7lb applies.



On arrival at the centre, you will be greeted by your qualified instructor and given a full introduction including safety procedures. You will learn how to use the controls of this spectacular supercar, considered to be one of the most desirable vehicles ever built. Then it's time for you to take the wheel and head out onto the track for an adrenaline-pumping drive. You'll be looking and feeling like a 'pro' in no time as you whizz around the circuit, learning when to break and when to accelerate through corners and down straights.

This experience is available on selected days throughout the school holidays. We recommend you book at least four to six weeks in advance. Please allow approximately two hours for the whole experience.

You will receive a Junior Ferrari Experience gift pack including personalised voucher and message card. At the end of your driving session, you'll be presented with a driving certificate to take away with you – the perfect memento of an incredible driving taster experience.

All participants must be accompanied by a parent/guardian who must sign an insurance form on behalf of the child participating in this experience. The child's parent/guardian must remain on site for the duration of the experience. Spectators are welcome.

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Source B and Source C**