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Functional Skills Certificate FUNCTIONAL ENGLISH

Component 1 Reading Level 1

Tuesday 12 January 2016

Morning

Time allowed: 45 minutes

Materials

You will need no other materials.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer all questions.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 18. There are 6 marks for Section A and 12 marks for Section B.
- You may use a dictionary.

Advice

You are advised to check your work carefully.



For this exam you are going to read two texts to do with the police force.

Answer **all** questions.

Section A

Read **Source A**. You have been asked to find out how successful this webpage is in getting information across by answering the questions which follow.

Source A

SPEAKOUT AND HELP YOUR COMMUNITY



Dominic Rogers, the Youth Ambassador for Cheshire, would like young people to join his SpeakOut group. The group will allow young people all across Cheshire, to give Dominic their views and opinions on policing and crime in their area.

"It is my job to listen and represent young people's views to the Police & Crime Commissioner. By setting up this group I'm providing youngsters with a new way to give me their opinions. This will help me to do my job well when it comes to developing policing services."

Mentors will give help and advice to young people on a variety of subjects and meet with Dominic to discuss topics and the concerns of young people.

If you join the SpeakOut group, you can become involved with policing events in your community and developing the policing needs for young people. There will be group discussions to explore opinions and ideas in more detail. You might enjoy arranging young people's celebration events or helping with social media.

Above all, you will be helping others in the community.

At the first SpeakOut conference, the following points were raised.

- Most young people do not misbehave. They wish to be treated and spoken to as young adults by police officers.
- Young people should be told more clearly about the best way to contact the police.
- Young people who behave badly should be seen to be punished.
- Young people want to have a say in how the police work.
- Positive behaviour should be rewarded.

If you'd like to register your interest for the SpeakOut group, fill in the SpeakOut form or go to www.cheshire-pcc.gov.uk.



		For Questions 1 to 6, write the letter for each answer in	the box given.	
1	Th	e main point of the webpage is to		
	A B C D	advise people to join the police force. describe the work of the Police & Crime Commissioner. persuade young people to join the SpeakOut group. explain what the Youth Ambassador does.	Answer	[1 mark]
2	Th	e webpage says that Dominic Rogers		
	A B C D	runs the SpeakOut group. listens to the Police & Crime Commissioner. allows young people to travel across Cheshire. cannot do his job well.	Answer	[1 mark]
3	Th	e webpage explains that		
	A B C D	police officers arrange celebration events. mentors will provide advice for young people. young people who behave badly should be seen. police officers treat young people as young adults.	Answer	[1 mark]
4	Th	e main point being made about the SpeakOut group is that it		
	A B C D	allows young people to join the police force. is only for people aged over 25. is for young people in Lancashire. is about helping others in the community.	Answer	[1 mark]
5	Th	e webpage informs us that young people		
	A B C D	know the best way to contact police. want to be involved in developing police services. study a variety of subjects. should not be rewarded.	Answer	[1 mark]
6	Th	e writers of the webpage would like young people living in Che	shire to	
	A B C D	apply to join the police force. enrol on a course in public speaking. register to join the SpeakOut group. email Dominic Rogers to complain about the police.	Answer	[1 mark]



Section B

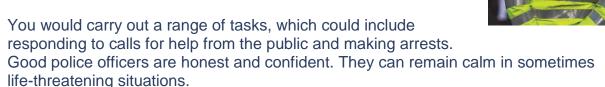
Read **Source B** then answer the questions that follow.

Source B

A Career as a Police Officer

If you enjoy challenges and like the idea of helping to make communities safer, this could be an ideal career for you. As a police officer you would work to keep order. You would help prevent and investigate crime. You would also find and prosecute offenders. You would need social awareness and a responsible attitude.

You could work as a uniformed officer on foot (known as on the beat), or in a patrol car, and you need to be physically fit. You will have some duties indoors, for example at the police station or courts.





Interested in Joining?

Police officer recruitment is handled by individual police forces, and their requirements can vary. In general you will need to have lived in the UK for 3 years. You must be over 18. You will have to pass background and security checks.

You would normally work 40 hours a week on a shift system. Overtime is often available. You can also apply to work part-time. You would spend the first two years as a trainee police officer. After successfully completing your training, you would be awarded the rank of police constable. Then you could specialise in an area like dog handling, drugs or firearms.

The current starting salary is between £19,000 and £22,000 a year. Inspectors can earn up to around £50,000. There may be extra pay for working overtime. Salaries can vary between police forces. Police officers working in the London area may receive an additional cost of living payment.



		understood about the text. The questions are not testing your writing.
		Your school or college is holding a Law & Order Day. You have been asked to prepare a handout giving information about a career in the police force.
		Use the information and ideas in Source B to help you choose what to put in your handout.
		You should include:
	(a)	four qualities someone needs to be a good police officer. [4 marks]
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7 (b)	(b)	four pieces of information about the pay and hours of work. [4 marks]
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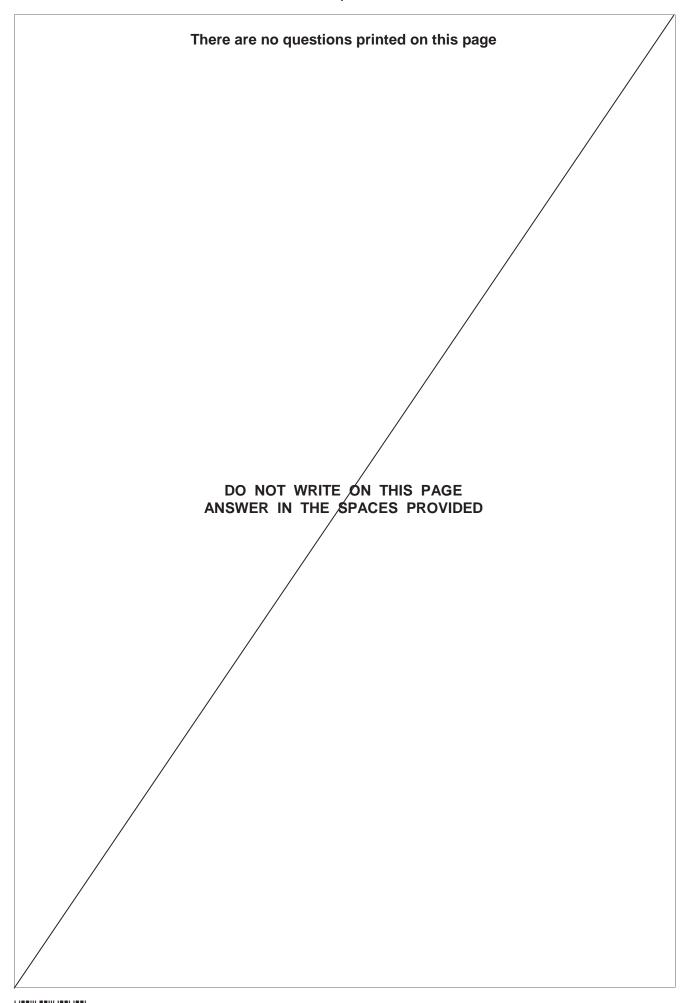
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