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English

Level 2

Component 2: Reading

21–25 March 2011

Time: 45 minutes

Paper Reference

E202/01

You may use a dictionary.
You do not need to write in sentences.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- Dictionaries may be used.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 25.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

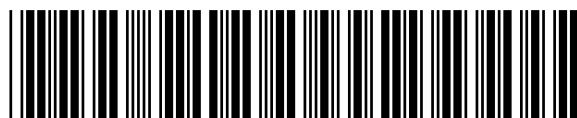
Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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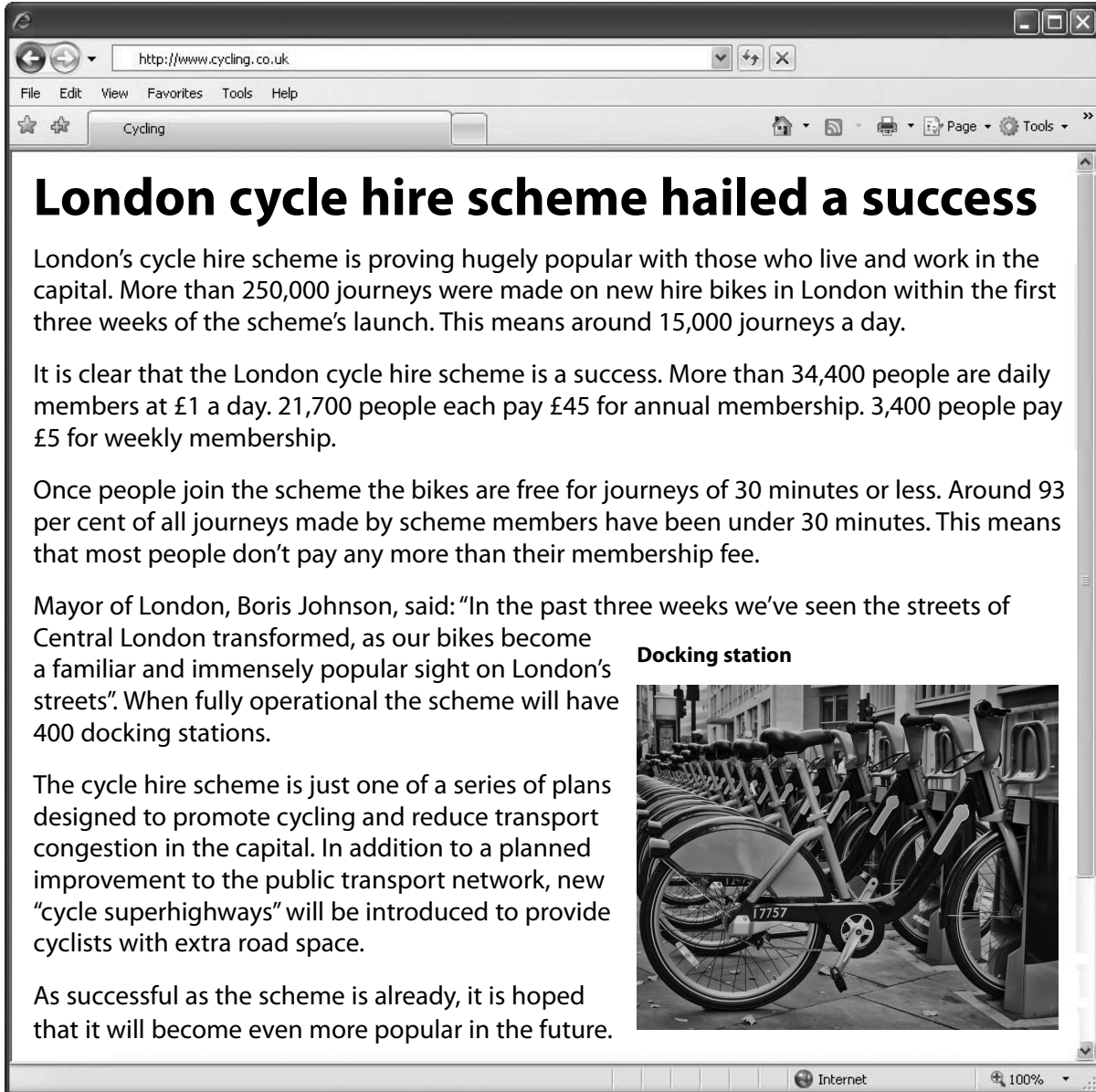
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SECTION A

Read Text A and answer questions 1–6.

Text A

You are interested in cycling. You find the following article on the internet.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar containing <http://www.cycling.co.uk>. The browser's menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools, and Help. The address bar also shows a search icon, a home icon, a print icon, a page icon, and a tools icon. The main content area displays the article title "London cycle hire scheme hailed a success" in a large, bold font. Below the title, the text describes the popularity of the scheme, mentioning over 250,000 journeys in the first three weeks and around 15,000 journeys per day. It also states that more than 34,400 people are daily members at £1 a day, 21,700 pay £45 for annual membership, and 3,400 pay £5 for weekly membership. The text further explains that bikes are free for 30 minutes or less, and that 93% of journeys are under 30 minutes. A quote from Mayor Boris Johnson is included, along with a photograph of a docking station with several bicycles. The browser's status bar at the bottom shows "Internet" and "100%".

London cycle hire scheme hailed a success

London's cycle hire scheme is proving hugely popular with those who live and work in the capital. More than 250,000 journeys were made on new hire bikes in London within the first three weeks of the scheme's launch. This means around 15,000 journeys a day.

It is clear that the London cycle hire scheme is a success. More than 34,400 people are daily members at £1 a day. 21,700 people each pay £45 for annual membership. 3,400 people pay £5 for weekly membership.


Once people join the scheme the bikes are free for journeys of 30 minutes or less. Around 93 per cent of all journeys made by scheme members have been under 30 minutes. This means that most people don't pay any more than their membership fee.

Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, said: "In the past three weeks we've seen the streets of Central London transformed, as our bikes become a familiar and immensely popular sight on London's streets". When fully operational the scheme will have 400 docking stations.

The cycle hire scheme is just one of a series of plans designed to promote cycling and reduce transport congestion in the capital. In addition to a planned improvement to the public transport network, new "cycle superhighways" will be introduced to provide cyclists with extra road space.

As successful as the scheme is already, it is hoped that it will become even more popular in the future.

Docking station



(Source: © 2010 Evening Standard)



1 What is the **main** purpose of Text A?

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

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(Total for Question 1 = 1 mark)

Answer questions 2 and 3 with a cross in the box you think is correct. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box and then mark your new answer with a cross .

2 According to the article how many people are currently weekly members of the scheme?

- A 3,400
- B 15,000
- C 21,000
- D 34,400

(Total for Question 2 = 1 mark)

3 According to Text A, which **one** of the following statements is **true**?

- A There are more than 250,000 members of the cycle hire scheme.
- B It costs a minimum of £5 to join the scheme.
- C Most people who joined the scheme have paid for annual membership.
- D Over 90 per cent of journeys using the hire bikes have been under 30 minutes.

(Total for Question 3 = 1 mark)



4 Identify **two** plans mentioned in the article designed to reduce traffic congestion in London's city centre.

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

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(Total for Question 4 = 2 marks)

5 For **each** of the six points, identify which are presented in the article as facts and which are presented as opinions. Place a tick in the relevant column.

| | Fact | Opinion |
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| When fully operational the scheme will have 400 docking stations across the capital. | | |
| The scheme is proving hugely popular with people who live and work in the capital. | | |
| The bikes have become a familiar and immensely popular sight on London's streets. | | |
| People pay £45 for annual membership. | | |
| Bikes are free for the first 30 minutes for members. | | |
| Most people don't pay more than their membership fee. | | |

(Total for Question 5 = 3 marks)



6 From your reading of Text A, give **two examples** of how this text might be biased.

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

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(Total for Question 6 = 2 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 10 MARKS

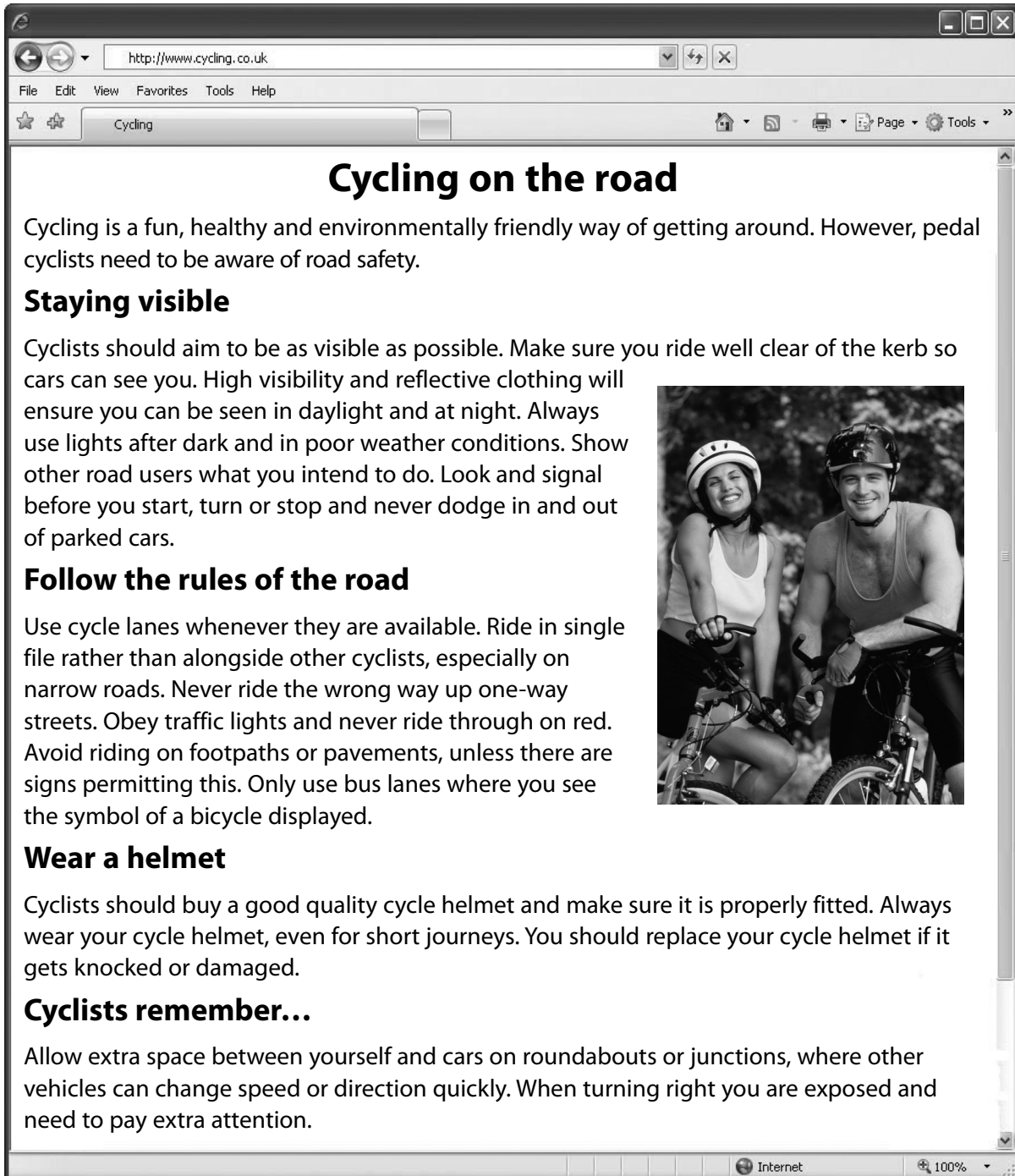


SECTION B

Read Text B and answer questions 7–11.

Text B

You are keen to start commuting to school/college/work by bike and find this article on the internet.




Cycling on the road

Cycling is a fun, healthy and environmentally friendly way of getting around. However, pedal cyclists need to be aware of road safety.

Staying visible

Cyclists should aim to be as visible as possible. Make sure you ride well clear of the kerb so cars can see you. High visibility and reflective clothing will ensure you can be seen in daylight and at night. Always use lights after dark and in poor weather conditions. Show other road users what you intend to do. Look and signal before you start, turn or stop and never dodge in and out of parked cars.



Follow the rules of the road

Use cycle lanes whenever they are available. Ride in single file rather than alongside other cyclists, especially on narrow roads. Never ride the wrong way up one-way streets. Obey traffic lights and never ride through on red. Avoid riding on footpaths or pavements, unless there are signs permitting this. Only use bus lanes where you see the symbol of a bicycle displayed.

Wear a helmet

Cyclists should buy a good quality cycle helmet and make sure it is properly fitted. Always wear your cycle helmet, even for short journeys. You should replace your cycle helmet if it gets knocked or damaged.

Cyclists remember...

Allow extra space between yourself and cars on roundabouts or junctions, where other vehicles can change speed or direction quickly. When turning right you are exposed and need to pay extra attention.

(Source: © West Mercia Police. All rights reserved)



7 What is the **main** purpose of Text B?

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

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(Total for Question 7 = 1 mark)

8 Give **three** features used in Text B that help to convey the information.

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

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(Total for Question 8 = 3 marks)

9 From the article, name **two** actions cyclists should never do when riding on public roads.

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(Total for Question 9 = 2 marks)



10 According to Text B, give **one** reason why cyclists should pay special attention on roundabouts and at road junctions.

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

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(Total for Question 10 = 1 mark)

11 You are discussing cycling with a friend.
Using Text B, identify **three** positive steps a cyclist can take to improve their safety when cycling in traffic.

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

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(Total for Question 11 = 3 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 10 MARKS



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SECTION C

Read Text C and answer questions 12–14.

Text C

You find a website which gives details of organised cycling events. The following events are listed.

Advert 1 Beach to Beach Bike Ride (on-road)

Asthma UK is looking for cyclists to take part in this team event, which is planned to start May 11th 2011. Over two days, cyclists will travel the 140 mile route from Bournemouth to Brighton, cycling through the beautiful New Forest.

You must be over 18 years old to take part. This event is not suitable for novice cyclists.

Costs: Registration costs £49 and participants are expected to raise a minimum of £250 in sponsorship.

To register contact info@asthma.org.uk

Advert 2 Annual Estrick Sponsored Cycle Ride

The annual Estrick cycle ride takes place on 3rd April 2011 with a choice of three start points and 6 routes across 12 or 24 miles. The ride is ideal for families as most of the routes take you by the river avoiding busy roads. Free bike safety checks will be available and a mobile workshop will be on hand to help cyclists with mechanical problems.

Registration costs: £10 adults (16 years or over) £5 for children.

info@estrickmbc.org.uk

Advert 3 The Great Western Sponsored Cycle Day

Temwa UK* is organising a sponsored cycle ride taking place on 18th September 2011. The circular route covers roughly 65 miles, starting in Bristol and taking in the delights of South Gloucestershire and Somerset.

The ride starts and finishes at Temple Meads Station. Evening entertainment is provided after the ride.

Cost: No registration fee but participants must obtain sponsorship for the charity.
info@temwa.org.uk

Cyclists must be at least 16 years of age at the time of the event.

*Temwa is a registered charity supporting sustainable community development in Southern Africa

(Source: Asthma UK 2010 - © Clayton Brook House - © Temwa 2010)



12 Your 17 year old friend is an experienced cyclist and wants to take part in a sponsored cycle ride of at least 50 miles. Which of the three events would you recommend your friend takes part in?

Remember to give the number of the advert in your answer.

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

(Total for Question 12 = 1 mark)

13 A group of friends would all like to take part in the same event. They have different levels of cycling experience and fitness. Which event would you recommend they register for?

Remember to give the number of the advert in your answer.

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

(Total for Question 13 = 1 mark)

Question 14 is on the next page.



14 Consider the information provided in the three adverts within Text C. Based on the information which event would you choose to take part in?

Give **three** reasons.

Remember to give the number of the advert in your answer.

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

Advert

Reason 1

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Reason 2

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Reason 3

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(Total for Question 14 = 3 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 5 MARKS
TOTAL FOR PAPER = 25 MARKS

