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Level 2

Component 2: Reading

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Text Booklet

Paper Reference

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Information

- This Text Booklet contains the three texts required for the Level 2 Component 2: Reading examination.
- This Text Booklet must be securely destroyed by the centre immediately after the exam has been completed.
- Learners must not therefore write any responses to questions in this Text Booklet.
- Only answers given in the answer paper booklet will be marked.

Advice

- Read all three texts before you attempt to answer the questions.

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Text A

Come And Join Us!

Looking to make new friends? Interested in history? Enjoy fresh air and exercise?

Then why not join Bridge Street Metal Detecting Club?

We meet every Wednesday at 7.30 pm in the Civic Centre on Bridge Street and would be delighted to welcome new members.

Our hobby involves scanning land with a detector to see if there are metal objects beneath the surface. It is suitable for all ages and offers a great way to relax.

By taking part in one of our monthly events, you could discover an object which has been buried for centuries. And, you never know, you may hit the jackpot by finding something special!



Metal detecting is not an expensive hobby. A basic detector can cost as little as £100. The club can lend detectors to new members to get them started straight away.

Over the past year, club highlights have included:

- a beach event where we raised £450 for local charities from finds including coins and jewellery
- finding the wedding ring lost by a bride on her big day – she was over the moon!
- helping the makers of a popular TV archaeology show by searching for finds before filming started
- the discovery of a rare bracelet, valued at over £5,000, which is now on display in the town museum
- a well-attended open day where lots of people enjoyed the display of our finds.

In this area there are some great places to go detecting. Items can often be found on our local beaches, especially after stormy weather. The gardens of old houses and fields, where the soil has been disturbed by ploughing, can yield super discoveries. Of course, we always get the permission of the owner of the land before we start detecting.

We are a friendly club united by our love of the past. We enjoy getting out and making discoveries. To join us ring 01781 68065.



Text B

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying 'www.metaldetectingtips.web'. The browser's menu bar includes 'File', 'Edit', 'View', 'Favourites', 'Tools', and 'Help'. Below the menu bar is a navigation menu with five buttons: 'Home', 'Sites', 'Services', 'Reviews', and 'Contact Us'. The main content area features a heading 'Seven sites to search' followed by an introductory paragraph: 'You now have your metal detector and want to start enjoying the great outdoors, visiting interesting places, meeting fellow enthusiasts and learning more about the past. So, where best to begin?'. Below this are seven numbered sections, each with a title and a paragraph of text:

- 1 Gardens**

The garden of a modern house is not a good place to use your detector. The garden of an old house provides a better chance of finding valuable, long-lost items such as jewellery and coins.
- 2 Parks**

Popular public places can be great for making finds. If there are old trees, search around them as this is where people seeking shade from the sun may have left something behind. Always check that you are allowed to use your detector in public places.
- 3 Farmland**

Farmland can be a good place to search, though getting the permission of the farmer is essential. Fields that are used to grow crops offer the best chance of making a find worth thousands and are the most popular sites for metal detecting. As the soil is turned over by regular ploughing, everyday metal objects such as tools, buckles, bowls and buttons are brought to the surface. Fields that are used for animals are also worth a visit and can usually be searched at any time of year. Be wary of cattle, especially cows with calves.
- 4 Footpaths**

People often drop items when travelling from place to place. This means footpaths can be a great source of finds.
- 5 Rivers**

You can make great discoveries on riverbanks. Try these sites in the summer when they are drier and always be very careful next to water.
- 6 Windmills**

The sites of old, disused windmills can offer rich pickings as many people visited these places in past times.
- 7 Beaches**

Beaches provide metal detecting opportunities all year round, as long as you are aware of the dangers of tides. The best time is when the tide is out and after storms which can churn up the beaches to reveal hidden objects.

The browser's status bar at the bottom right shows '100 %'.

(Source: adapted from <http://www.treasurehunting.co.uk/introduction.html>)



Text C

Hoard up no more!

A metal detecting enthusiast has found an amazing £1 million hoard of coins. Paul Coleman, whose bank account was in the red, almost stayed at home and missed out because he was barely able to afford petrol for his car!

But hours later he unearthed more than 5,000 Anglo-Saxon silver coins – one of the biggest finds ever made in Britain. Experts believe the hoard may have been buried after the Battle of Hastings in 1066 to protect it from the Norman invaders.

Jobless Paul will split the money from his find with the farmer who owns the land on which it was found. He made the discovery just before Christmas and now has plans to buy a new house.

Paul said: 'I found a piece of lead and thought it was junk. But then I looked in the hole and saw one shiny coin. Then I lifted a larger piece of lead and saw row upon row of coins neatly stacked. By that point the excitement had built up and I was grinning from ear to ear. This find means I will never have to work again – it's a massive weight off my mind.'

Paul made his find at an event organised by the Weekend Wanderers Detecting Club. Around 100 enthusiasts had turned up to search farmland near Aylesbury in Buckinghamshire.

The 5,251 coins were in a lead box buried two feet underground. Experts say they are in such good condition they will fetch around £250 each, giving a total of more than £1.3 million.

It took an hour and a half for Paul and three others to count the coins, which have now been taken to the British Museum for full identification. Paul hopes that museums will soon be able to bid for the hoard. People will want to see the coins and his family's financial future will be secure.

(Source: adapted from: <http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/real-life-stories/i-just-coined-1m-skint-4906903>)



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**You MUST have the correct Text Booklet.
You may use a dictionary.**

Total Marks

My signature confirms that I will not discuss the content of the test with anyone until the end of the 5 day test window.

Signature: _____

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.
- Sign the declaration.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 30.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- This question paper assesses your reading skills, not your writing skills.

Advice

- Read all three texts before you attempt to answer the questions.
- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Context

You are interested in metal detecting. You decide to find out more.

Instructions

Read Text A, Text B and Text C in the Text Booklet, then answer questions 1 – 13.

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Answer question 1 with a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

1 The writer of Text A conveys the view that metal detecting:

- A only happens at weekends
- B is suitable for beginners
- C is an expensive pastime
- D is only about making money

(Total for Question 1 = 1 mark)

2 In Text A, what do the following quotations suggest about the writer's attitude to making finds?

'hit the jackpot'

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'over the moon!'

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(Total for Question 2 = 2 marks)

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

(Total for Question 3 = 1 mark)



4 Give **one** piece of advice from Text B on how to stay safe when metal detecting.

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(Total for Question 4 = 1 mark)

Answer questions 5 and 6 with a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

5 In Text B, the paragraph beginning 'Farmland can be a good place...' suggests that:

- A farmers do not allow metal detecting on their land
- B fields used by animals are best for metal detecting
- C farmers plough their land to stop metal detecting
- D fields used for crops are good for metal detecting

(Total for Question 5 = 1 mark)

6 In Text B, 'Popular public places' is an example of:

- A alliteration
- B rhetorical question
- C slogan
- D rule of three

(Total for Question 6 = 1 mark)

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7 Identify **two** language and/or layout features used by the writer of Text C to present ideas.

Give an example to support each answer.

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(Total for Question 7 = 4 marks)

8 Your friend thinks that people only go metal detecting to make money.

Using Text A and Text B, give other reasons why people go metal detecting.

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(Total for Question 8 = 5 marks)



9 Give **one** quotation from Text A and **one** quotation from Text C that suggest people like to go and see metal detecting finds.

Quotation from Text A

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Quotation from Text C

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(Total for Question 9 = 2 marks)

10 Use Text A and Text B to answer this question.

Explain how these texts have similar ideas about the best places to go metal detecting.

Give examples from **both** texts to support your answer.

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(Total for Question 10 = 5 marks)

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11 You are doing a project on how making a big find can change your life.

Which text is the **most** useful when doing your project?

Give **one** reason for your choice and **one** example to support your answer.

Text (1)

Reason (1)

Example (1)

(Total for Question 11 = 3 marks)

12 You are interested in how much metal detecting finds can be worth.

Identify **one** piece of evidence from **each** of the three texts that tells you about the value of finds.

Text A (1)

Text B (1)

Text C (1)

(Total for Question 12 = 3 marks)



Answer question 13 with a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

13 Which statement below is an accurate summary of points made in the texts?

- A Texts A and B both show the varied items found when metal detecting.
- B Texts A and C both say that metal detecting is only possible in fields.
- C Texts B and C both suggest that metal detecting can change your life.
- D Texts B and C both state you must be in a club to go metal detecting.

(Total for Question 13 = 1 mark)

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