

**Pearson Edexcel
Functional Skills**

English

Level 2

Component 2: Reading

10 – 14 October 2016

Text Booklet

Paper Reference

E202/01

Return the Text Booklet with the question paper.

Information

- This Text Booklet contains the three texts required for the Level 2 Component 2: Reading examination.

Advice

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

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Text A

Hunter Davies's guide to becoming a collector

Never collect as an investment

I collected stamps as a boy and came back to it as an adult. I broke all my rules and began buying stamps not out of love, but because people said they would go up in value. They didn't. When I came to sell them, I only got a quarter of what I paid. Once you buy for financial reasons, you're not a collector any more.



Collect things you love

The value to you is simply pleasure. One of my biggest collections is Beatles memorabilia. I've got around 2,000 items including lyrics, letters, posters and magazines. The second big collection is football stuff – again, around 2,000 items ranging from postcards to programmes.

Buy directly

I much prefer buying in person from a dealer or stall than buying on the internet. I like holding stuff, turning it over and deciding if it is genuine. Half the fun is getting the price down. A lot of the stuff I already have, but if I see something and think I can get a really good price, I'll buy it. I have lots and lots of doubles and triples. I don't know why I want them – it's a sickness, a madness, an obsession.

Don't sell your collection on – give it away

The great thing about buying duplicates is giving them out as presents. If I hear that someone is a Chelsea fan, or if you were born in 1979 and your birthday is coming up, I'll go through my collection and find something for you as a present.

Put as much as you can on display

I have the biggest room in the house and it's crammed – there is stuff on all the shelves, and things all over the walls. The hallway is covered with my collection, and the cupboards are full of it. Your house can become a mini-museum. Invite people over and show them your treasure.

(Source: 'Hunter Davies' guide to becoming a collector' © 2016 Guardian News and Media Limited)



Text B

Force Friday: Star Wars fans flock to buy The Force Awakens toys

Star Wars fans flocked outside London's Disney store late on Thursday evening in order to be the first to get their hands on the new line of toys related to the upcoming Star Wars Episode VII: The Force Awakens. The global Force Friday event takes place every year on 4 September, and the London store opened at midnight.

Selected retailers across the world were opening at midnight to mark Force Friday with a simultaneous social media campaign, involving the unveiling of Star Wars merchandise on YouTube. These items will soon occupy pride of place in collectors' display cabinets across the country.

It's not only film fans who want to buy the latest movie's action figures – they are also popular with collectors, who spend large sums purchasing the figures they need to complete their sets. Original, rare, mint-condition toys have sold for thousands at auctions across the world.

Mother and son Jean and Neil Smith have been avidly collecting Star Wars merchandise since Neil first watched the original trilogy as a child. 'We started collecting all these toys, so we have the complete set of the first lot of toys that came out. The Millennium Falcon – you name it, I think we've got it,' said dedicated collector Jean, while queuing for the midnight launch dressed as a Jedi. The whole family has a passion for collecting and the hobby gives them a lot of pleasure.

There are many toy collector fairs and clubs. Collectors enjoy seeking out rare figures and are delighted when they find a figure they need. To display their priceless collections, some people use whole rooms in their houses, an attic, a garage or even a garden shed. Some collections are so big a building as large as a toy shop might soon be needed!

(Source: 'Star Wars fans flock to buy The Force Awakens toys at Disney Store in London', Alfred Joyner, © Copyright 2016 IBTimes Co., Ltd)



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Text C

Join us ON LOCATION!

Location collecting is the exciting new hobby that is sweeping the nation. On Location is the new online club for everyone who is serious about this great hobby.

Our members don't collect old stamps or books – they collect places. We are all totally committed to visiting every example of one kind of place. Setting foot in all 96 counties in the UK or watching a match at every county cricket ground, are just two of the challenges set by our members.



Our hobby is ideal for both individuals and families. One family is visiting all 106 gold postboxes placed in the home towns of each of the London 2012 gold medal winners. This family-friendly challenge involves visiting some fascinating places and maybe meeting a medal winner or two. Completing a set of this kind is so much more rewarding than filling an album with stickers bought from a shop.

Others are trying to visit all 270 stations on the London Underground, but to make this a real challenge they must do it in one day! Think of the satisfaction of meeting this challenge. Collecting locations isn't a hobby for the stay-at-home type; it is for people who like to get out and about, see places and meet people.

We don't collect to make money but some of us can end up spending a fortune on our hobby! You don't have to spend big though. Newcomers can start by walking around their home town to visit every street beginning with the first letter of their name.

Location collectors are united by the desire to complete a challenge. It is this that counts. Why not join us and make friends with people like yourself?

On Location is FREE to join. Just email us at onlocation@netmesh.web. You will become part of a growing group of over 500 dedicated enthusiasts. Swap stories of your location collecting adventures, read members' blogs and maybe join them to complete a challenge.

Join NOW – it's a great move to make!



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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 in the Text Booklet 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 enjoy collecting things. To help you become a more serious collector 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 . 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 believes that:
- A stamps are not worth buying
 - B it is best to buy in person
 - C you should collect to make money
 - D collections should be hidden away

(Total for Question 1 = 1 mark)

- 2 In Text A, what do the following phrases suggest about Hunter Davies's attitude to collecting?

'lots and lots of doubles and triples'

(1)

'show them your treasure'

(1)

(Total for Question 2 = 2 marks)

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

(Total for Question 3 = 1 mark)



4 Give **one** reason why Text B is the most suitable for finding out about collecting items that are brand new.

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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 'Star Wars fans flocked outside...' suggests that:

- A fans were queuing to see the latest Star Wars film
- B fans prefer to buy toys rather than watch the film
- C fans were queuing to buy the latest Star Wars toys
- D fans demanded that every toy shop opened at midnight

(Total for Question 5 = 1 mark)

6 In Text B, 'Original, rare, mint-condition toys' is an example of:

- A the rule of three
- B a rhetorical question
- C a slogan
- D a quotation

(Total for Question 6 = 1 mark)

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11 You are preparing a talk on using collecting as a challenge.

Which text is the **most** useful when preparing your talk?

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 the financial aspects of collecting.

Identify **one** piece of evidence from **each** of the three texts that tell you about the financial aspects of collecting.

Text A (1)

Text B (1)

Text C (1)

(Total for Question 12 = 3 marks)



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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 C both describe how money can be made from collecting.
- B Texts A and B both say that collectors should always bargain for items.
- C Texts B and C both explain how a collection can be displayed.
- D Texts B and C both show that collecting can be a family activity.

(Total for Question 13 = 1 mark)

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