

# ESOL Skills for Life

## Entry 2 – Reading

### Sample paper 4

Time allowed: 60 minutes

- ▶ Please answer **all** questions.
- ▶ Circle your answers in pen, **not** pencil, **on the separate answer sheet**.
- ▶ You may **not** use dictionaries.
- ▶ You may **not** use correction fluid.

**Task 1**

Hi Jill

How are you? Thanks for your email. You asked about my holiday to Barchester. It was great!

My best friend Caroline came with me and we stayed with my cousin Jenny. We arrived on Friday afternoon and went to the city centre. It was **fantastic** for shopping. There were so many **huge** stores with a lot of floors and different departments and things to buy. That evening we went out to eat dinner. I had Japanese food for the first time and I enjoyed it.

Jenny's friend had her birthday on Saturday. In the evening, we went to her party and had a barbecue in the garden. On Sunday we went to the beach. It was so hot and sunny. Caroline swam in the sea, but I didn't. The water wasn't warm. We were **exhausted** on Sunday night. We stayed at home!

I didn't want to come home! When are you going to visit me?

Love

Sandra

**Questions 1-3**

Choose the correct ending to complete the sentences. There is one answer you don't need. Circle the letter of your answer **on your answer sheet**.

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|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| A the seaside     | C a restaurant      | E a birthday party |
| B the city centre | D <i>Barchester</i> |                    |

Example: On Friday, they went to .....D.....

1. First, they went to .....
2. The next day, they went to .....
3. Finally, they went to .....

**Questions 4-6**

Choose the letter of the best meaning for each word. Look at the text carefully to help you choose the answer. Circle the letter **on your answer sheet**.

**4. fantastic**

- A very old
- B very good
- C very boring

**5. huge**

- A big
- B small
- C funny

**6. exhausted**

- A tired
- B happy
- C hungry

**Questions 7-9**

Choose the letter of the best answer and circle it **on your answer sheet**.

**7.** What did Sandra think about Japanese food?

- A she didn't like it
- B it was better last time
- C she was happy about it

**8.** Why didn't Sandra go in the sea?

- A the weather was bad
- B the sea was too cold
- C she can't swim

**9.** At the birthday party, Sandra

- A saw Caroline's cousin
- B went to the beach
- C ate outside

**Task 2**

**Text A**

**Sunrise Supermarket**  
*Jobs for delivery drivers,  
cashiers and cleaners*

Full and part-time hours available  
Please send an application form to:  
manager@sunrisesupermarket.co.uk  
Send applications by 5 July  
Interviews are going to be on 23/24 July

**Text B**

**Application Form**  
**Sunrise Supermarket**

Name of job:

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**Personal details**

Title:

Full name:

Address:

Telephone number:

National Insurance number:

Full driving licence? (please circle)    Yes    No

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**When are you available to work?**

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**How did you hear about the job?**

**Text C**

**Contract of Employment**

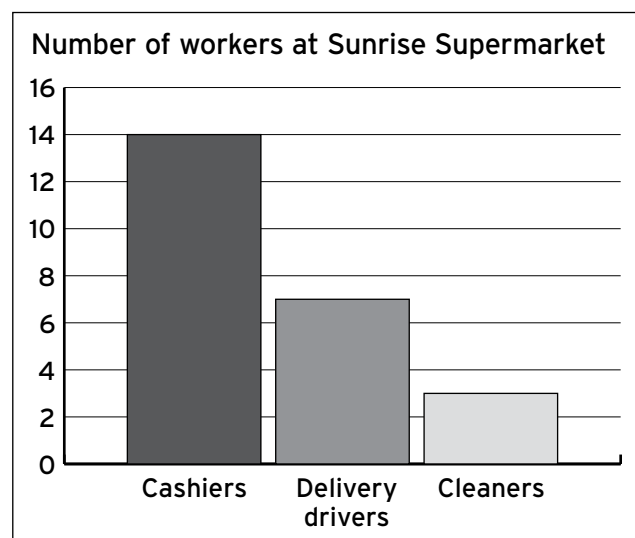
- Between Sunrise Supermarket (employer) and Marta Jones (employee)
- Starting Date: 19.8.17
- Job Title: Cashier
- Full or Part-time: Full-time
- Pay: £7.50 per hour
- Working Hours: Monday to Friday 9am-5pm
- Holidays: 20 days per year
- Sickness: After 7 days of sickness you must show your manager a note from your doctor.

I agree to the information above.

Signature: ..... (employer)

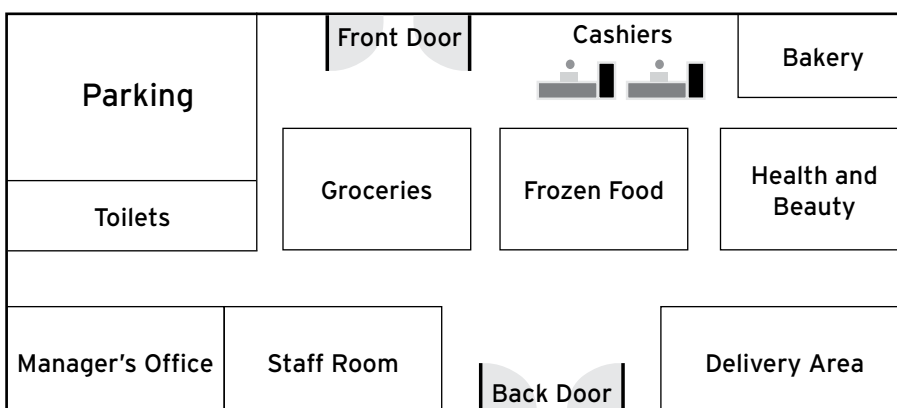
Signature: ..... (employee)

**Text D**



**Text E**

**Map of the supermarket**



Marta is applying for a job at Sunrise Supermarket. Use the texts on page 4 to answer the questions.

### Questions 10-12

What is each text for? Circle the letter of the text **on your answer sheet**. There is one text you don't need and an example.

*Example: to apply for a job*

   **B**   

**10.** to give information about how many people work at the company

**11.** to explain where places are in the supermarket

**12.** to tell people about some new jobs at a supermarket

### Questions 13-15

Look at the texts. Choose the letter of the best answer and circle it **on your answer sheet**.

**13.** In text A, Marta needs to apply for the job by

A 5 July

B 23 July

C 24 July

**14.** In text B, Marta needs to write

A the name of her employer

B when she can work

C her email address

**15.** Text C says that after a week of illness, Marta must

A have a holiday

B write to her manager

C send a letter from a doctor

### Questions 16-18

Look at texts D and E. Choose the letter of the best answer and circle it **on your answer sheet**.

**16.** At Sunrise Supermarket there are more

A delivery drivers

B cashiers

C cleaners

**17.** Where is the frozen food?

A between the bakery and the cashiers

B in the middle of the supermarket

C next to the manager's office

**18.** What can you buy at Sunrise Supermarket?

A a loaf of bread

B a mobile phone

C a child's toy

**Turn over page**

**Task 3****Did you know?****Fascinating fact file of the week**

Wild cats are very interesting and unusual animals. They are similar to cats in a town, but there are some differences.

Wild cats come from Africa, but you can find them in some European countries too. They are bigger than town cats. They have longer legs and they are stronger. In many ways wild cats are more advanced than humans. For example, they are very good at climbing and they can see more detail than us in the dark. Cats are very good at catching small animals like mice. This is because they have very good hearing. They can hear a mouse more easily than we can.

Wild cats make many different sounds. These interesting sounds mean different things. They show their feelings with their body, for example angry cats put their ears back.

Wild cats are different to town cats, but both are beautiful.

**Questions 19-21**

Choose the letter of the best answer according to the text and circle it **on your answer sheet**.

**19.** Wild cats

- A only live in Africa
- B only live in Europe
- C live in Africa and Europe

**20.** Wild cats are

- A larger than town cats
- B smaller than town cats
- C the same size as town cats

**21.** Wild cats

- A can hear very well
- B cannot climb very well
- C cannot see well at night

**Questions 22-24**

Look at the list of words. They are in alphabetical order.  
Circle the letter of the best answer **on your answer sheet**.

**22.** Which word comes first in the list, before **elephant**?

- A turtle
- B lion
- C bird

**23.** Where does **goat** come in the list?

- A between elephant and fish
- B between fish and horse
- C between horse and lizard

**24.** Which word comes last in the list, after **rabbit**?

- A tortoise
- B parrot
- C deer

**Animals**

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**elephant**.....  
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**fish**.....  
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**horse**.....  
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**lizard**.....  
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**monkey**.....  
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**rabbit**.....  
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**End of exam**