

# Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life Entry 3—Reading August 2005



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Time allowed: 60 minutes

Please answer **all** questions. Write your answers in pen **not** pencil.  
You may **not** use dictionaries. You may **not** use correction fluid.

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#### Task one

Read the following text and answer the questions on page 3.

### The Wild Girl of Champagne



One evening in September 1731, the inhabitants of Songy (a village in the Champagne region of France) were alarmed when a wild-looking girl appeared in the village. She was only about ten years old, but looked so strange the villagers ran into their houses and locked their doors.

The next morning, feeling braver, they went to look for her. They found her in the woods nearby and caught her. It soon became evident that she had been living in the woods for years on her own. She was unable to use human language and had no social skills. At first, she was frightened of human contact and screamed if anyone went near her. She also had an unusual diet, which consisted of raw meat, fish, roots, fruit and leaves. She also developed impressive physical abilities. She could run very fast, climb trees with great skill, swim and catch fish with her bare teeth.

The *Wild Girl of Champagne* never adapted to eating cooked food—it always made her seriously ill. However, she did acquire social skills and learned to speak. She named herself Marie-Angélique Memmie Le Blanc and told her new friends that she was shipwrecked when she was very young. Somehow she had made it to the shore and learned how to survive in the woods.

Eventually, Marie-Angélique went to live in a convent in Paris. Everybody always treated her with great kindness and she had a happy life.

Source: adapted from [www.feralchildren.com](http://www.feralchildren.com) 2005

**Questions**

1. The title and first sentence tells you the text is about: *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

**A** the Champagne region of France  
**B** an unusual child  
**C** the inhabitants of Songy

- 2–5. Put these events in the story in the order in which they happened. The first one has been done for you.

	Event
	Marie-Angélique was shipwrecked.
2	She moved to Paris.
3	She learned how to catch fish with her bare teeth.
4	She named herself Marie-Angélique Memmie Le Blanc.
5	She was caught.

6. Complete the sentence using one of the words in the box.

Because      Since      Therefore      When      So      Although

..... the villagers were afraid of the girl, they still caught her.

7. What two things did Marie-Angélique learn to do after she left the woods?

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8. Which of the following foods could Marie-Angélique **never** eat? *(Please circle the correct word or words)*

**apples      salad      roast beef      nuts      French fries**

**Task two**

This text is part of the index to the Yellow Pages. It shows which pages you must look on to find the telephone numbers for different services. Read the text and then answer the questions on page 5.

<b>M 1684</b>	<b>CLASSIFIED A–Z INDEX</b>
<b>MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS</b>	
See: Doctors (medical practitioners)	<b>515</b>
<b>MEDICAL SUPPLIES</b>	<b>1048</b>
<b>MEDITATION</b>	
See: Complementary therapies	<b>391</b>
Health clubs and fitness centres	<b>812</b>
Stress management	<b>1497</b>
Therapists	<b>1533</b>
Yoga	<b>1669</b>
<b>MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT</b>	
See: Political Organisations and Representatives	<b>1246</b>
<b>MENTAL HEALTH</b>	
See: Counselling and advice	<b>438</b>
Doctors (medical practitioners)	<b>515</b>
Psychologists	<b>1265</b>
<b>MINI CABS</b>	<b>1518</b>

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**Questions**

9. What is the main purpose of this text? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** To give information
- B** To describe something
- C** To sell something

10. Where would you find this text? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** On a hospital noticeboard
- B** In an A–Z
- C** At the back of the Yellow Pages

11. Which entry can be found under two different headings?

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12. You need to get a taxi to the railway station. Which heading could help you?

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13. You want the number of your local fitness centre. Which page do you look on?

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14. Which heading would come after 'Members of Parliament'?  
*(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** Men's clothing
- B** Medical supplies
- C** Meat markets






**Task three**

Look at the following three texts and then answer the questions on page 7.

**Text one**

Do you receive:			
1) Income Support	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Please provide a recent letter of entitlement/payment book issued by Benefits Agency.
2) Income Based Jobseekers' Allowance	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Please provide a recent letter of entitlement/payment book issued by Benefits Agency.
3) Child Tax Credit* Please read note	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	*Please provide a recent Inland Revenue tax credit award notice (TC602) showing you are entitled to Working Tax Credit and your annual income does not exceed £13,230 (as assessed by the Inland Revenue).
4) Are you an Asylum Seeker?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Please provide Home Office letter confirming your status.

**Text two**

Weather for Manchester:					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>5 Day Forecast.</b>					
Temperature (°C)	max 3 min 0	max 4 min 2	max 5 min 2	max 5 min -2	max 4 min 3

**Text three****SAFETY FIRST!**

- Think carefully about the message you put on your answering machine.
- Do not say that you are out, on holiday or away on business.
- Just say that you cannot answer the phone at the moment.
- Use a male voice to record the message—this can help to stop malicious or nuisance calls.

**Questions**

15. Which text contains only instructions?

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16. Mr Begum wants to fill in the form in text one. He receives income support. What is the way to complete the first question? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** Delete the box marked No
- B** Underline the word Yes
- C** Put a tick in the box marked Yes

17. What must Mr Begum send with his form? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** A bank statement
- B** A benefit book
- C** A passport

18. What is the main purpose of text two? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** To persuade
- B** To give information
- C** To request action

19. On which three days can you hope for sunshine in Manchester?

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20. Which sentence is true for text three? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** It is better to have a male voice on your answering machine.
- B** Most malicious calls are made by men.
- C** If you use a male voice, you will never have a nuisance call.

