

FACT SHEET: FUNCTIONAL SKILLS - ENGLISH



Level 1 and Level 2

Age: Pre-16, 16-18, 18+ 19+

TQT: 60
GL: 55

Registration

- Centres receive a confirmation email upon learner registration.
- Learners can sit tests 24 hours after scheduling.
- Registration and Certification (£12.50) includes internal assessment and one external assessment attempt for reading and writing.

Assessment

- Three mandatory components: Reading, Writing and Speaking, Listening and Communicating (SLC).
- Online assessment through XAMS platform.
- Duration of external assessments: Level 1 and 2 Reading: 1 hour and Level 1 and 2 Writing: 1 hour.
- Total number of marks for Reading is 30 at Level 1 and 2.
- Total number of marks for Writing is 60 at Level 1 and 2.
- Assessment of Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar in each writing task at Level 1 and 2.

Results and Certification

- Results issued to centres within working 16 days.
- Formal certificate of achievement including the full qualification title and the title of the components achieved.
- Centres can download and print a statement of results.

External Quality Assurance

- SLC only – Centre receive at least 1 scheduled visit per year.
- DCS achievable.

Support

- High quality, valid and reliable assessment materials including sample assessment, resources and guidance materials.
- Dedicated Functional Skills web pages.
- Accessible and engaging on-screen assessment.
- On-demand assessment.
- Fast results.