Literacy and Numeracy for Adults Assessment Tool

Reading

2024 Q3 Literacy

Today's date: [   ]

Given name: [   ]

Family name: [   ]

Organisation: [   ]

Course: [   ]

Gender: ○ Female   ○ Male   ○ Diverse

Date of birth: [   ]

Is English your first language?   ○ Yes   ○ No

If No, what is your first language? [   ]

What ethnic group(s) do you belong to?
(For example, New Zealand European, Māori, Samoan, Tongan.)

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Learner Identification (optional)

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1   What is in the picture?

      A ◯   a car
      B ◯   a boat
      C ◯   a house
      D ◯   a caravan

2   When was the car made?
Underline the year in the text.

3   According to the text, are the following statements correct?
Circle True or False for each statement.

    A There are 2 doors.   True   False
    B The price is $4000.   True   False

4   Who is selling the car?
Circle the name of the company.

END OF PRACTICE QUESTIONS

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Reduce Water Usage

Do you want to reduce your water usage?
The following small steps will help you to achieve this goal.

1. Fix leaking taps
A leaky tap that drips every second can waste 10,000 litres of water a year. A leaky tap can usually be fixed by changing a washer. For a hot water tap, this can also save $20 - $30 per year on your power bill.

2. Turn off the tap when you brush your teeth
A tap can discharge up to 10 litres of water per minute. That's the equivalent of a bucket of water if you leave the tap running while brushing your teeth for just one minute. Try using a glass of water to rinse and use the tap just when needed.

3. Keep track of your shower time; try to shower for 5 minutes or less
Keeping track of your shower time can have a big impact on water use. Even a low flow shower head can use about 35 litres of water every 5 minutes.

4. Consider taking a shower instead of a bath
Short showers use less energy and water than baths. You can save even more by fitting a low flow shower head.

5. Put a brick in the toilet cistern and reduce its water capacity
Put a brick in your toilet cistern to reduce the amount of water in the cistern. This will cut the amount of water used for each flush.

6. Use a bucket to wash your car
If possible, wash the car on the lawn. This waters the grass at the same time and stops the detergent going down stormwater drains.

7. Use your dishwasher and/or washing machine on full loads
A full load uses less water and energy per kilogram than a partial one. Try to only use these appliances when they're full to save overall water use. Visit the WELS and appliance rating systems pages for more information.

1   Why are the steps in this text called "small steps"?

    A ◯   One step alone will not save any water.
    B ◯   The steps are easy for most people to do.
    C ◯   The steps must be followed exactly in order.

2   Why is it helpful to place a brick in your toilet cistern?

    A ◯   It will stop the cistern leaking.
    B ◯   The cistern will hold less water.
    C ◯   The toilet won't need to be flushed as often.
    D ◯   It will improve the toilet's flushing capacity.

3   "Consider taking a shower instead of a bath."
    What kind of advice is this?

    A ◯   an order
    B ◯   a criticism
    C ◯   a restriction
    D ◯   a suggestion

4   "appliance rating systems pages"
    What would this website link give information about?

    A ◯   tap washers
    B ◯   toilet cisterns
    C ◯   washing machines
    D ◯   low flow shower heads

CLEANING SPECIFICATION
for Level 3/240 Motuhora Road *

Location	Item	Daily	Weekly	Monthly
General office space	Floor covering	Spot vacuum & spot clean	Full vacuum	
	Furniture (if free of paper or clutter)	Dust & wipe		
	Rubbish Bins	Empty bins. Replace liners.		
	Wall finishes & doors	Spot clean		Dust
	Window ledges		Dust	
Tea Room/ Kitchen	Floor	Wash with disinfectant		
	Doors	Spot clean	Wipe	
	Benches, sink	Wash & dry		
	Cupboards	Spot clean	Wipe	
	Rubbish bins	Empty bins. Replace liners.		
	Walls	Spot clean		
Toilets	Floors	Wash with disinfectant		
	Bowls, pans, urinal & toilet seats	Wash with disinfectant		
	Hand basins, bench tops & taps	Wash with disinfectant		
	Partitions & doors	Spot clean	Wipe	
	Walls	Spot clean (full clean around urinals)	Wipe	
	Mirrors	Clean		
	Toilet requisites	Replace, as required		

*There are fish tanks in this office. Do not use aerosols.

5   "Furniture (if free of paper or clutter)"
          What does "clutter" mean?

          A ○   fish
          B ○   dust
          C ○   mess
          D ○   spots

6   According to the text, how often should the doors be fully wiped in the kitchen and the
          toilets?

          A ○   daily
          B ○   weekly
          C ○   monthly

7   According to the text, how often should the furniture be dusted?

          A ○   daily
          B ○   weekly
          C ○   monthly

8   According to the text, will the cleaners need to use the following products?
          Circle Yes or No for each product.

          A bin liners   Yes   No
          B fly spray   Yes   No
          C disinfectant   Yes   No

9   "3/240 Motuhora Road *"
          What does the star (*) mean here?

          A ○   This is a new address.
          B ○   This location will be updated.
          C ○   This information is important.
          D ○   There is more information provided.

Spring Strut Stride

Join us in our community challenge to walk around the world!

Spring Strut Stride (SSS) is a joint initiative of the Heart Foundation and Way2Go and is all about encouraging the community to get active so they can feel good, stay healthy and have fun while doing it. This year it runs from 27 September through to 7 November and embraces the Push Play message of exercising for 30 minutes a day.

SSS is a "game" where family, neighbours or workmates, or anyone else form a group up to ten people and spring ... strut ... and stride – this year around the Equator! What does it take to walk that far? Just 500 people walking 2 kilometres a day for the duration of SSS.

In 2006, 87 teams (more than 700 walkers) were out pounding the pavement. So the challenge is … can we do better this year?

How it works
Teams choose a leader and a name. Each team member receives a personal record card so distances can be recorded daily, and the team receives a Team Chart. Once a week you combine team members' distances (times or step count) onto the team chart for the weekly team tally.

Register early and you go in the draw to win one of several prizes on offer.

Fees and donations
There is no entry fee; however, a donation can be made to the Heart Foundation.

Registration forms
Registration forms can be downloaded from way2go.org.nz or collected from Nelson City Council.

10 This text is from a Council website.
What is the main purpose of the text?

    A ⭘   to encourage people to join SSS
    B ⭘   to explain the benefits of exercise
    C ⭘   to encourage people to donate money
    D ⭘   to explain how SSS has grown over the years

11 What is the maximum number of people who can be in a team for SSS?

    A ⭘   3
    B ⭘   10
    C ⭘   87
    D ⭘   no limit

12 You have a chance to win a prize in SSS if you

    A ⭘   donate money.
    B ⭘   register early.
    C ⭘   form a large team.
    D ⭘   walk the longest distance.

13 What is the purpose of SSS?

    A ⭘   to keep people fit
    B ⭘   to raise money for charity
    C ⭘   to help people make friends
    D ⭘   to encourage people to travel

14 In this text, what is a "joint initiative"? (paragraph 1)

    A ⭘   a method of improving fitness
    B ⭘   a group of friends working together
    C ⭘   a game that requires community support
    D ⭘   an activity that involves more than one organisation

Movie reviews

Reviewer A

Die Trying

Rating: ★☆☆☆☆

IF ONLY THEY *HAD* DIED TRYING

Does the world really need another sharply dressed spy with a penchant for gadgets and an eye for the ladies? Or a spy with amnesia, on the run from strangers trying to kill him for reasons he doesn't understand? Apparently so. The makers of Die Trying spent $USD 600 million on this tired formula and the results are, predictably, awful.

The script seems to have been generated by a computer which has analysed ten scripts and come out with a statistically generated composite. Characterisation, plot, dialogue, and even the action scenes, are all fed out in horribly familiar and robotic fashion. There is a long fight sequence on top of a moving... wait for it... bullet train! The relatively unknown Arthur Green, starring as secret agent Jeremy Bradford, is square-jawed and silent (what a surprise!) as he beds a bevy of incidental and two-dimensional beauties (what a surprise!), all the while struggling with an incident from his past which he can't quite recall (Oh, stop! I can't bear the shocks!).

The task of directing this dud fell to Bud Sherman, the director of Black Tuesday, who has diligently followed his brief without so much as a grain of self-consciousness or humour. The result is a tediously slick and formulaic turkey which succeeds only in looking expensive. Avoid.

Reviewer B

Die Trying   ★★★★★

BUCKLE YOURSELF IN FOR THE RIDE!

Die Trying cost a whopping $USD 600 million to make, but for once the money was worth every cent. The action scenes are amazing and simply must not be missed on the big screen. The swordfight on the roof of the bullet train and the helicopter battle at the wind farm are sure to become cinema classics.

The man at the centre of action is the ice-cool English spy Jeremy Bradford, played to perfection by newcomer Arthur Green. Green seems to have been born for the part. His cold and deadly efficiency makes every other action star I can think of look like a wimp. But he's no muscle-bound ape. His Armani suits, sports car and upper class sophistication make him irresistible to the female agents ordered to kill him.

But Agent Bradford has a weakness. He suffers from amnesia due to a mysterious incident from his past. Some of his nightmarish flashbacks are genuinely scary and are the main reason for the film's R13 rating.

Die Trying is a white-knuckle roller coaster ride. Strap yourself and your teenage kids in and enjoy the ride. We can't wait for the sequel.

15 Which of the following statements about the film would Reviewer A most likely agree with?

A ○   It lacks originality.
B ○   The actors are inexperienced.
C ○   Parents and teenagers will enjoy it.
D ○   There are a lot of violent surprises.

16 Which of the following statements about the film would Reviewer B most likely agree with?

A ○   The flashbacks are too scary.
B ○   The locations are spectacular.
C ○   The film cost too much to make.
D ○   The action scenes are incredible.

17 "(Oh, stop! I can't bear the shocks!)"
What idea does Reviewer A aim to express by writing this in brackets ( )?

A ○   shock
B ○   sarcasm
C ○   empathy
D ○   confusion
E ○   excitement

18 "Die Trying is a white-knuckle roller coaster ride."
What does Reviewer B mean by this?

A ○   The movie is scary and exciting.
B ○   The movie is short and fast paced.
C ○   The movie has a rollercoaster scene.
D ○   The movie ends with a surprising twist.

19 Which of the following do both reviewers agree on?

A ○   The co-star is beautiful.
B ○   The director is well known.
C ○   Agent Bradford dresses well.
D ○   The train scene is a highlight.

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Numeracy

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1 How many cakes are in the cake tray?

A ◯ 10
B ◯ 11
C ◯ 12
D ◯ 13

2 How many trays do you need to bake **24** cakes at the same time?

_____ trays

3 You have 3 of these trays. How many cakes could you bake altogether?

_____ cakes

Show your calculations below.

| 12 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 11 |

4 Write these five numbers in order from **smallest** to **largest**.

Smallest _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ **Largest**

5 Are the numbers below larger than 20?

Circle Yes or No for **each one**.

A 7   Yes   No
B 23   Yes   No
C 31   Yes   No
D 18   Yes   No

END OF PRACTICE QUESTIONS

Decimal groupings 2

1 Which decimal sum is equal to **one?**

    A ◯   0.08 + 0.02
    B ◯   0.08 + 0.2
    C ◯   0.8 + 0.2
    D ◯   0.8 + 0.02

Job share

A job is shared equally between **3** people.

2   What fraction of the job does each person do?

A ○ $^1/_2$

B ○ $^2/_1$

C ○ $^1/_3$

D ○ $^3/_1$

E ○ $^3/_2$

F ○ $^2/_3$

House auction 2

Hohepa is bidding for a house at an auction. The current bid is $308,250.

3 What will the bid increase to if Hohepa offers another $1,000?

A ◯ $308,260
B ◯ $308,350
C ◯ $309,250
D ◯ $319,250
E ◯ $409,250

Towels in a hotel room

The hotel storeroom stores **450** towels when full. **287** have been taken out for use.

4   How many towels are left in the storeroom?

_____ towels

Stock inventory

Product	Quantity (boxes)
PN	110
RL	256
EX	34
DF	57

Shelley is counting stock in a warehouse. When there are less than 50 boxes of a product left, Shelley needs to restock it.

5 Which products from the table need to be restocked?

Circle Yes or No for each product.

A	PN	Yes	No
B	RL	Yes	No
C	EX	Yes	No
D	DF	Yes	No

Overtime

Employee	Ariana	
Day	**Overtime**	
	Hours	Minutes
Monday	2	
Tuesday		45
Wednesday	1	45
Thursday		30
Friday	1	15
Total	**4**	**135**

6   Ariana worked a total of 4 hours and 135 minutes overtime.

This is equal to **6 hours** and _____ minute(s).

Missing points 1

Mary is 165 metres tall.
She drinks a 375 litre can of drink.

This information is incorrect. The decimal points are missing from the numbers.

7 The decimal point is missing from Mary's height.

How tall is Mary?

A ○   .165 metres
B ○   1.65 metres
C ○   16.5 metres
D ○   165.0 metres

8 The decimal point is missing for the volume of the can of drink.

What is the volume of the can of drink?

A ○   .375 litres
B ○   3.75 litres
C ○   37.5 litres
D ○   375.0 litres

Necklace profit 1

Emma makes a profit of **$8** when she sells one necklace.

9   How many necklaces must Emma sell to make a profit of $200?
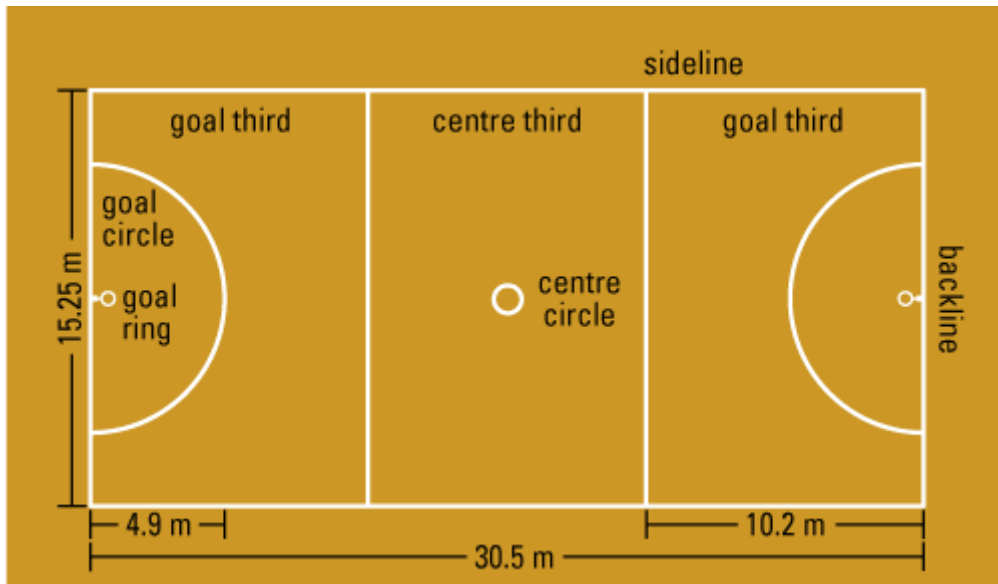
_____ necklaces

Export quality avocados

The Kingi Farm produces 10,000 avocados. Three-quarters of these avocados are export quality.

10 How many avocados are export quality?

A ○ 750
B ○ 2,500
C ○ 3,400
D ○ 7,500
E ○ 8,000

Perimeter of netball court

11 What is the distance around the outside (perimeter) of this netball court?

A ○   45.75 m
B ○   60.85 m
C ○   91.5 m
D ○   465.125 m
E ○   930.25 m

Weight measurements 2

Date	Weight
June 2nd	81 kg
June 16th	79.5 kg
June 30th	80 kg
July 14th	78 kg
July 28th	77 kg
August 11th	76.5 kg

The weight of a patient is recorded once a fortnight.

12   What is the difference in weight between June 2nd and August 11th?

_____ kg

Wine bottling 3

This wine bottling machine fills **1,800** bottles each hour.

13 How many bottles will the machine fill in **1 minute**?
(note: 1 hour = 60 minutes)

_____ bottles

Pricing washing powder

$6.90 $10.20 $17.20

Tui Stores sold different-sized packs of washing powder at the prices shown above.

14   Which pack of washing powder is the cheapest per kilogram (kg)?

    A ◯   the 2 kg pack
    B ◯   the 3 kg pack
    C ◯   the 5 kg pack
    D ◯   both the 3 kg and the 5 kg packs
    E ◯   Each pack is the same cost per kilogram (kg).

Percents and decimals 5

15   What is 250% written as a decimal?

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