



Unit Number

U3051249/KC3T

Key Skills

Communication

Level 3 - First Time Buyers

Tuesday 17 January 2006

Total Marks: 50

No. of Questions: 5

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes (including reading time)

Materials required for examination

This question paper

The source booklet

An answer booklet

A pen with black or blue ink

You may NOT use a dictionary

Instructions to Candidates

Do NOT open this test paper until you are told to do so by the supervisor.

In the boxes on the answer book, write your centre number, registration number, surname and initials. The paper reference is shown above.

If you use extra paper, make sure it has your name and registration number on it and is securely attached to your answer booklet.

At the end of the test, hand the test paper, the Answer Booklet(s) and all notes to the supervisor.

Marks will be awarded for accuracy of spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Information for Candidates

There are two parts to this test.

Part A (total 25 marks) consists of 4 short-answer questions.

Part B (total 25 marks) consists of 1 extended-answer question.

Read each question carefully and try to answer ALL the questions.

Advice to Candidates

You are reminded of the importance of clear and orderly presentation in your answers.

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First-Time Buyers

Read documents 1 to 4 then answer the questions which follow.

- Document 1 *Adapted from First Time Buyers Factfile, Property Telegraph, 10/07/04, and UK Remains Optimistic about Housing Market, Yorkshire Bank, 14/07/03.*
- Document 2 *Adapted from First-time buyers suffer relationship troubles, Manchester Evening News, 06/09/04, and UK First-time buyers hit with £373m moving bill out of the blue, Yorkshire Bank, 11/10/04.*
- Document 3 *Have your say - How can the rural housing crisis be solved?, BBC News, 13/10/04.*
- Document 4 *Adapted from Housing statistics 2002 and 2003, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.*

Part A: Short-answer questions.

In this section you will be given marks for:

- identifying accurately, and comparing, the lines of reasoning and main points from the documents
 - synthesising the key information in a way that is relevant to the purpose.
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1 Using Documents 1 and 2, identify **three** reasons why young people may consider buying property.

4 marks

2 Identify one of the **main** points shown by **each** of the images in Document 4. To what extent is each of these points related to information about second home-owners in Document 3?

7 marks

3 Identify **four** ways of dealing with the shortage of affordable housing from the views expressed in Document 3. To what extent does Document 1 support these views?

8 marks

4 Using information from the documents, give **one** example of how the difficulties faced by first time buyers can affect their relationships with partners and **one** example of how they can affect their relationships with parents. How far are Dave's problems in Document 3 supported by information from Documents 1 and 2?

6 marks

Part A Total 25 marks

Part B: Extended-answer question.

In this section you will be given marks for:

- using a format and style of writing that is appropriate to the purpose
 - organising the relevant information from all four documents clearly and coherently
 - using your own words where appropriate
 - writing legibly using accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar.
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5 Write an article for a college or community newspaper highlighting the issues that first-time buyers should take into account when considering buying property. These should include:

- availability of affordable property
- alternatives to buying
- financial considerations
- personal considerations.

Base your article on information from the documents.

25 marks

End of test