

SAMPLE ASSESSMENT TASKS

Certificate I in Spoken and Written English

Module I – Comprehending and composing written descriptions

Accredited course module code: SWEDES109A

Learning outcome 1

Demonstrate understanding of a short written description

Preparation

- 1 Photocopy the description and questions.

Assessment procedure

- 1 Explain to the learners that they will be reading a short description and answering eight questions about the description.
- 2 Explain to the learners that they can use dictionaries.
- 3 Give the learners the description and question sheet and allow time to read.
- 4 Collect all copies of description and question sheets for marking.

Assessment conditions

- The learner must answer six questions correctly. Question 1 must be correct.
- Learner responses need not be grammatically correct or in sentence form but errors must not interfere with meaning.
- Learner responses must:
 - Describe at least 4 features of a person, place or thing
 - Construct simple independent clauses
 - Use high frequency conjunctions to join independent clauses
 - Use verb forms in the present tense
 - Construct noun groups with adjectives
 - Use personal pronoun/s appropriately
 - Use vocabulary appropriate to the topic
 - Spell highly familiar words correctly
 - Use punctuation to support meaning
 - Produce legible text either typed or handwritten
- When marking you should adhere to the answer key. However, if you find a legitimate response that has been overlooked, you can mark it as correct.
- When assessing, adhere to the assessment criteria, conditions of assessment and methods of assessment as detailed in Section C of the course document.
- All documents related to this CSWE assessment task must be kept secure. Do not hand out the answer key or return marked question sheets to learners. Do not tell learners the correct answers.

Description

Name: _____

Read the description and answer the questions.

DESCRIPTION

My oldest daughter, Ellen, is twelve now. Her birthday is in September.

She's in primary school. She goes to school in Altona.

She's very tall. She's 170 centimetres tall and has a medium build. She has long, light brown hair. She has very fair skin and some freckles on her nose. She has big blue eyes.

She likes to wear shorts and T-shirts.

She is very good at sport and likes to be active.

QUESTIONS

1 What is this description about? (Tick one only)

☐ A boy

☐ A girl

☐ A woman

☐ A man

2 How old is Ellen? _____ years old

3 Where does Ellen go to school? _____

4 How tall is Ellen? _____ cms

5 What colour is Ellen's skin? (Tick one only)

☐ Dark

☐ Brown

☐ Fair

☐ Olive

6 What colour are Ellen's eyes? _____

7 What does Ellen like to wear? _____

8 What is Ellen good at? _____

Answer key

- 1 Girl
- 2 Twelve years old
- 3 Altona
- 4 170cm
- 5 Fair
- 6 Blue
- 7 Shorts and T-shirts
- 8 Sport