



Functional Skills English Assessment

Level 2 - Pre-release material
(release date [date 4 weeks prior to assessment])

'Brighton'

Note to candidates

The **pre-release material** will help you to become familiar with the theme and carry out the tasks in the English assessment.

It will give you ideas, facts or opinions that you can use in your answers.

- Read the pre-release material carefully.
- Discuss the contents with your tutor before the assessment.
- You may make notes or highlight anything on this pre-release material.
- Take this pre-release material into your Speaking, Listening and Communication assessment.
- You may take this pre-release material into the Reading and Writing assessment.

Things to Do in Brighton

From iconic Brighton tourist attractions to beachfront cool, Brighton is a treasure trove of things to do and places to go. Vibrant, colourful, fun and free, Brighton offers the energy of the city and freedom of the sea. It really is unique.

From the stunning heritage of the [Royal Pavilion](#) and Victorian aquariums to the traditional seaside fun of the famous [Brighton Pier](#) and pebble [beach](#), Brighton offers something for every walk of life.



Explore the exciting range of things to do in Brighton

Bursting with beachfront sports and events, tranquil [green spaces](#) within the city limits, plus Brighton tourist attractions and activities for all the family, there's so much in store just waiting to be explored.



You'll also find a world of beautiful [Sussex countryside](#), castles, country houses, parks, forts and gardens just moments from the city too!

Source: <http://www.visitbrighton.com>

The 'city by the sea' claims to be Britain's festival capital - outside of London and Edinburgh it is

The curtain has come down on another superb Brighton Festival which takes place throughout May each year.

Bringing together some of the best art, including sculptures by Anish Kapoor, street entertainment, classical music and theatre, the 2009 event benefited from unseasonably fine weather.

Also taking place during that time was *The Great Escape*, one of Britain's finest multi-venue rock, pop and indie festivals, which was held over the weekend of May 14-16.

This year there was a secret *Levis Ones to Watch* gig outside the Audio bar featuring *Babyshambles* that attracted hundreds of revellers, with those not lucky enough to get into the tiny venue clinging to the pavements, neighbouring bars and flats to try and get a view of Pete Doherty and his cohorts from any possible vantage point.

Highlights of the gigs proper included *Kasabian*, *The Charlatans*, *Gang Of Four*, *Metric* and local favourites *British Sea Power*, as well as a couple of hundred up-and-coming acts of varying degree of fame.

Next year's event is on May 13-15, and early bird tickets are available now.

Source: <http://www.timesonline.co.uk>

Crime figures for 2008/09 in Brighton

Crime is tackled locally by Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnerships (CDRPs). These are a partnership of the police, local authorities and other organisations whose aim is to tackle crime and disorder on a local level.

See how your local authority's crime rate measures against the national average.

	BRIGHTON AND HOVE COUNCIL	ENGLISH AVERAGE
Population	253,000	-
Households	118,000	-
Violence against the person	20.6	15.0
Sexual offences	1.3	0.9
Robbery offences	1.7	1.0
Burglary dwelling offences	4.6	4.3
Theft of a motor vehicle offences	2.4	2.3
Theft from a vehicle offences	6.6	6.3

Crime statistics are per 1,000 of the population within the local authority area.

Source: <http://www.upmystreet.com/local/crime-in-brighton.html>

Dealing with crime



Everyone in Brighton & Hove has a right to feel safe in the city.

The Partnership Community Safety Team can support you in dealing with crime and community safety issues. We have dedicated staff working in the areas of racial harassment, LGBT hate crime, disability hate crime, domestic violence and anti-social behaviour. Where appropriate, we will also signpost and refer to other services.

You can contact the Partnership Community Safety Team on (01273) 291099.

(LGBT – Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transsexual)

Source: <http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/index.cfm?request=c1114111>



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The Brighton Marathon | London by the Sea

Welcome to the official website of the inaugural Brighton Marathon, due to take place at **9am on Sunday 18th April 2010**. Yes, it is going to happen!

The route around the city and along the coast will be generally fast and reasonably flat. We have worked hard with the city council to come up with an event that tours much of the city of Brighton & Hove, takes in glorious coastal views, but which keeps disruption to a minimum.

Entry Information

Entries for the inaugural Brighton Marathon are now **CLOSED**. There will be no more 'standard' places available for the 2010 event.

After opening on June 23rd, entries were open for 13 weeks, till initially closing on October 1st, and the re-release of a few hundred entries at 10am on November 2nd was always a bonus. This second batch of entries was snapped up in a remarkably few minutes, and we know that this has left thousands of would-be entrants disappointed.

If you missed out, it is still possible to be involved in the first ever Brighton Marathon, by running for one of our charity partners. There are over 100 charities holding guaranteed places for the race and all of them are very keen to hear from you. And don't be scared off by the thought of raising money for charity - the sponsorship figures being requested by many of them are relatively modest; follow the charity entry tab above in order to get a look at them and to help you make your mind up.

As an alternative, you could help by becoming a Volunteer on the day. We need over 1,000 people to be involved in the race day activity and in assisting us in making the first ever Brighton Marathon a success. Please follow the Volunteer tab for more information.

Run for Charity

The Course

Kit & Shoes

Source: <http://brightonmarathon.co.uk>



Race for Life 2009

More than 7,500 women and girls did their bit for charity by taking part in the Cancer Research Race for Life in Brighton on July 4 and 5. This year was the first time runners had the chance to opt for the 10km route around Stanmer Park on Saturday, or take part in the 5km runs on Saturday and Sunday. Despite the course being vandalised on both Friday and Saturday night, runners raised more than £550,000 in sponsorship.

Source: <http://www.theargus.co.uk>