

Assessment schedule: Task - Antarctica

| Unit standard 2986, version 7 | | |
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| Read information texts in familiar contexts (ESOL) | | |
| Level 2 | 4 credits | |
| Element 1: Read information texts in familiar contexts (ESOL). Range: two texts, each from a separate familiar context. | | |
| PC | Evidence | Judgement |
| 1.1 | <p>1a. Answer is: ii) Information about where Antarctica is and what it is like.</p> <p>1b. Answers show that layout, headings, illustrations and diagrams have been used to identify the main idea of the overall text e.g.</p> <p><i>The headings are to do with facts/information.</i></p> <p><i>The map showed me it was going to be about Antarctica.</i></p> | <p>The main idea of the overall text is identified.</p> <p>1a. Answer is correct.</p> <p>1b. Any reasonable answer that uses text, layout, illustrations or diagrams to support answer to 1a.</p> |
| 1.2 | <p>2. Answers similar to:</p> <p>a) It is not owned by any country.</p> <p>b) Antarctica is located at the South Pole (and is surrounded by the Southern Ocean).</p> <p>c) Antarctica is the coldest continent in the world.</p> <p>d) The centre of Antarctica is a desert (with less than 50mm of rain or snow each year).</p> <p>e) Only a few plants like algae, lichen and moss can survive.</p> <p>f) On the coast there are many kinds of penguins and seals and a snow petrel.</p> <p>g) No-one lives permanently in Antarctica.</p> <p>h) Then many places where people live will be under the sea.</p> | <p>Main points and supporting details are identified.</p> <p>6 out of 8 answers are correct.</p> |

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| <p>1.3</p> | <p>3a. i) but ii) when iii) then iv) and v) if</p> <p>3b. i) Antarctica ii) Plants (like algae, lichen and moss) iii) Antarctica or the weather</p> <p>3c. i) (Ross) Ice Shelf ii) thick ice iii) (West Antarctic) Ice Sheet</p> | <p>The effect on meaning of cohesive devices in the text is identified.</p> <p>3a. 4 out of 5 answers are correct. Q ii) and iii) in any order</p> <p>3b. 2 out of 3 answers are correct.</p> <p>3b. 2 out of 3 answers are correct.</p> |
| <p>1.4</p> | <p>Correct answers are</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. permanently i. concerned ii. melt iii. a researcher iv. the sea-level v. the record vi. coast vii. to survive viii. a continent ix. vegetation x. global warming xi. adapted | <p>The meaning of essential vocabulary as used in the text is given.</p> <p>10 out of 12 answers are correct.</p> |