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# Key skills communication Level 3 - The future of farming

Tuesday 19 November, 2002

## Question Paper

### YOU NEED

- This question paper
- The source booklet
- An answer booklet
- A pen with black or blue ink

You may **NOT** use a dictionary

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

### 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**

**Total marks available: 50**

**Try to answer ALL the questions**

**YOU HAVE 1 HOUR AND 30 MINUTES INCLUDING READING TIME**

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### INSTRUCTIONS

- Make sure your personal details are entered correctly in the answer booklet
- Read each question carefully
- If you use extra paper, make sure that it has your name and candidate number on it and is securely attached to your answer booklet
- At the end of the test, hand your answer booklet, the question paper, the source booklet and all notes to the supervisor

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**REMEMBER: YOU HAVE 1 HOUR AND 30 MINUTES TO FINISH THE TEST**

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## **Part A - Short-answer questions**

Read documents 1 to 3 and answer the questions that follow

Document 1      The future of farming

Document 2      Countryside Agency report

Document 3      Cash deal will help farmers to retire

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 form that is relevant to the purpose

1 Using documents 1 and 2:

- a) identify three reasons for the decline in farming;
- b) briefly assess in your own words, the effect that this decline is having on the farming economy, giving three examples from the documents to support your answer.

**7 marks**

2 Using information from **all three** documents, identify and explain in your own words, four reasons why the farmers' situation might be considered not entirely gloomy.

**6 marks**

3 What messages do the pictures of animals in document 1 suggest about farming and life in the countryside? Refer to four points, giving reasons to support your answer.

**6 marks**

4 Using document 3:

- a) identify and explain in your own words, three measures put forward by the government as part of the 'incentives offered to farmers in return for a re-structuring of the industry';
- b) assess the claim that these measures will 'form part of the national recovery plan for farming' by indicating three possible positive outcomes.

**6 marks**

## **Part B - Extended-answer questions**

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 three documents clearly and coherently
- using your own words and specialist vocabulary where appropriate
- writing legibly using accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar

- 5 Write an article for a farming magazine, explaining the arguments for and against the government's policy of reducing the number of farmers. You should base your article on information from the documents.

**25 marks**

**END OF TEST**





