

Dictionary Skills

Functional Skills English Entry 3 - Worksheet

Name	Date

Task A - Alphabetical order

Put the words in the correct dictionary order.

1. purpose / particular / popular / position / possible

2. receive / recent / regular / rough / reason

Task B - Guide words

A dictionary page has these guide words at the top: receive - regular. Which words below could be on this page? Tick them.

Word	Tick if it could be on the page
recent	
rough	
regular	
position	
receive	

Task C - Read the dictionary entry

support verb

1. to help someone or something

2. to agree with an idea, plan or person

Example: My family support me with my course.

Answer the questions.

1. What is the headword?

2. What word type is support in this entry?

3. Which meaning fits this sentence? "I support the new class rules."

Task D - Choose the correct meaning

Choose A, B or C. Then write the clue word or words.

Sentence	Meanings	Answer + clue words
The service is regular, so the bus comes every 10 minutes.	A. repeated B. not special C. a customer	
Measure the table before you buy a cover.	A. a size B. to find the size C. a rule	
The centre is temporarily closed until Monday.	A. for a short time B. forever C. very quickly	

Task E - Exam-style reading

Read the text.

Community Centre Notice

The centre is temporarily closed while builders complete essential repairs. All evening classes are postponed until Monday. Learners should check the website for recent updates before travelling.

1. What does temporarily mean?

A. for a short time B. forever C. very quickly

2. Which word in the text means delayed?

3. Why should learners check the website?

Task F - Speaking and Listening link

Explain to a partner how to find the meaning of an unfamiliar word. Use these words: first, next, then, finally.