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English

Level 2

Component 2: Reading

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Time: 60 minutes

Paper Reference

E202/01

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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 30.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- This question paper assesses your reading skills, not your writing skills.

Advice

- Read all three texts before you attempt to answer the questions.
- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Context

You overhear someone say that card games are a kind of sport. You decide to find out more about the topic.

Instructions

Read Text A, Text B and Text C, then answer questions 1 – 13.

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Text A

A Bridge Too Far?

by Khaleda Rahman

A High Court judge has said that Bridge, a card game where two pairs compete against each other to win points, is more physically challenging than rifle shooting. He has ruled that a bid for the card game to be recognised as a sport can go ahead. Mr Justice Mostyn said that Bridge could arguably be seen as a sport under English law, because it exercises the brain and 'the brain is a muscle'.

If Bridge is officially recognised as a sport, it will be able to apply to Sport England for grants and other public funding. Sport England has previously refused to recognise Bridge as a sport. Now, the judge has granted permission for the English Bridge Union to take forward its application for the game to be classified as a 'mind sport'.

At the moment, Bridge receives no funding from Sport England and players have to pay to take part in competitions.



If the English Bridge Union won, it could then apply for funding for tournaments. But Sport England, which controls lottery grants and other public money, is fighting the case. It insists Bridge is no more a sporting activity than sitting at home and reading a book.

Today, Mr Justice Mostyn granted the Union permission to challenge Sport England's position. He also said the World Chess Federation should be informed of his ruling, encouraging the body to 'get in on it' and attempt to be recognised as a sport as well.

Kate Gallofent, for Sport England, explained its definition of a qualifying sport to Mr Justice Mostyn. She said: 'Sport means all forms of physical activity aimed at improving physical fitness and gaining results in competition.' She added that the definition is based on a European Sports Charter, issued in 1992.

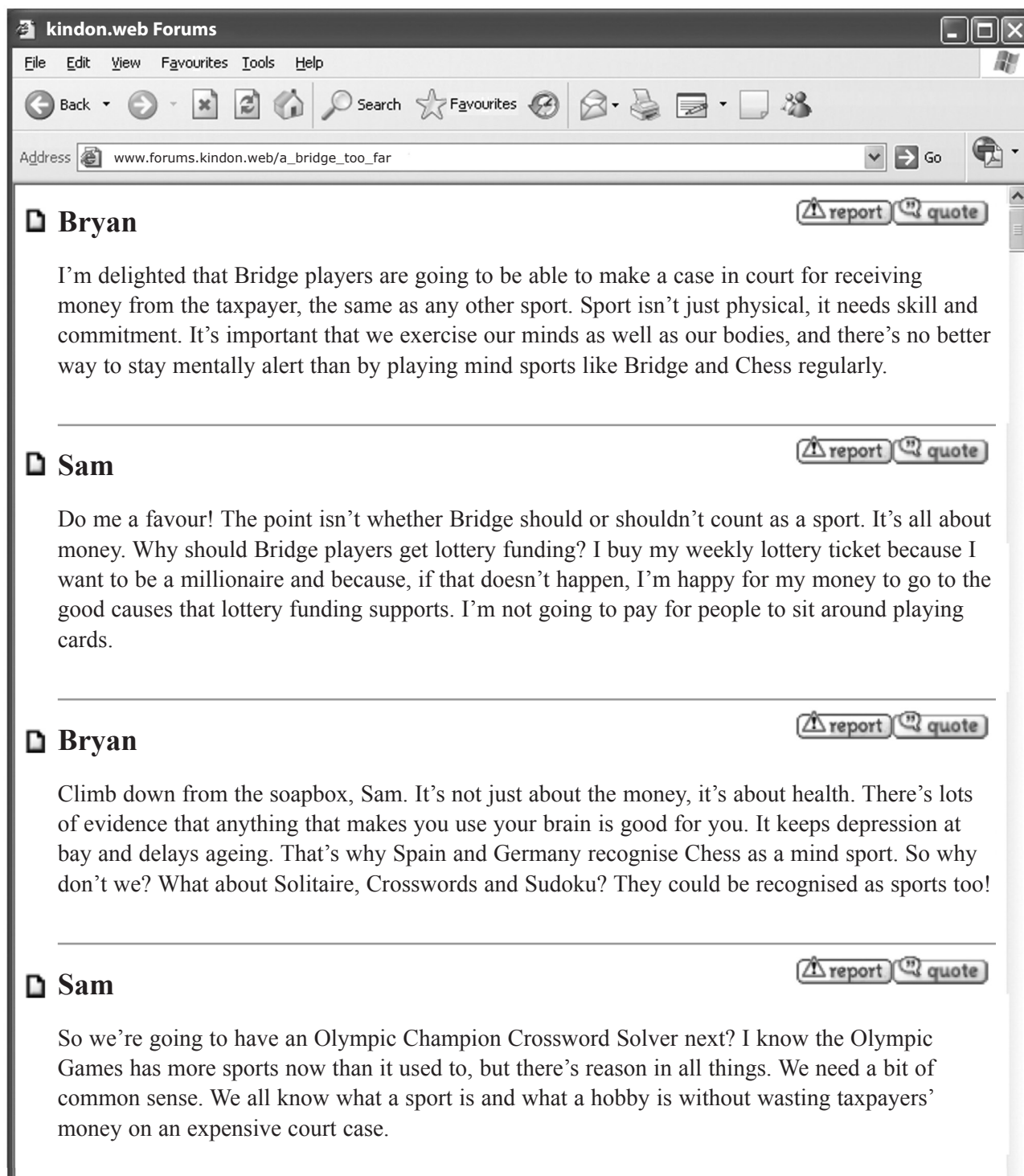
But the court also heard that other European countries, including the Netherlands, Ireland and Poland, do recognise Bridge as an official sport, and that the International Olympic Committee also ruled in 1999 that Bridge and Chess should be recognised as 'mind sports'.

Adapted from: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-3057633/Judge-says-card-game-bridge-physical-rifle-shooting-rules-bid-recognised-sport-lottery-funding-ahead.html#ixzz3eLyMVG0>



Text B

Comments on *A Bridge Too Far?* by Khaleda Rahman



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Bryan [report](#) [quote](#)

I'm delighted that Bridge players are going to be able to make a case in court for receiving money from the taxpayer, the same as any other sport. Sport isn't just physical, it needs skill and commitment. It's important that we exercise our minds as well as our bodies, and there's no better way to stay mentally alert than by playing mind sports like Bridge and Chess regularly.

Sam [report](#) [quote](#)

Do me a favour! The point isn't whether Bridge should or shouldn't count as a sport. It's all about money. Why should Bridge players get lottery funding? I buy my weekly lottery ticket because I want to be a millionaire and because, if that doesn't happen, I'm happy for my money to go to the good causes that lottery funding supports. I'm not going to pay for people to sit around playing cards.

Bryan [report](#) [quote](#)

Climb down from the soapbox, Sam. It's not just about the money, it's about health. There's lots of evidence that anything that makes you use your brain is good for you. It keeps depression at bay and delays ageing. That's why Spain and Germany recognise Chess as a mind sport. So why don't we? What about Solitaire, Crosswords and Sudoku? They could be recognised as sports too!

Sam [report](#) [quote](#)

So we're going to have an Olympic Champion Crossword Solver next? I know the Olympic Games has more sports now than it used to, but there's reason in all things. We need a bit of common sense. We all know what a sport is and what a hobby is without wasting taxpayers' money on an expensive court case.

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Text C

What is Sport?



Definition

There are various definitions of sport. They agree that sport must:

1. involve people
2. involve skill and physical effort
3. have rules
4. involve competition
5. produce a result.

Problem sports

There is often debate about whether activities such as fishing, dancing, cheerleading, golf, horse riding and motorsports should be defined as sports. Based on the five criteria above, are these sports?

The examples of golf and cheerleading easily fit the definition of sports when they are competitive: think about the British Open Golf tournament or cheerleading contests. Fishing and dancing are pastimes and not sports for many people, but there are fishing competitions and lots of competitions in the dance world.

In the case of sports like horse racing, show jumping and motorsports, there is physical effort by the riders and drivers, although the horse and the car are doing most of the work. On the other hand, there is plenty of skill involved and these sports meet all the other criteria. There will always be activities where there is debate about whether they are sports or not.

Olympic sports

In February 2013, the International Olympic Committee, which governs and funds the Olympic Games, met to discuss which sports should be added to the Summer Games from 2020. Wrestling will remain (there were plans to drop it). Other sports being considered are baseball, softball, climbing, karate, roller sport, squash, wakeboard (a combination of water skiing, snowboarding and surfing) and wushu (a martial art).

Sports come in and out of fashion around the world and, in order to continue to be relevant to the world of sport, the Olympic Games adapts to these changes. The number of Olympic sports has grown from nine at the first modern Olympics in Athens in 1896, to 28 to be contested at the 2016 Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.



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Answer question 1 with a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

1 In Text A, Sport England believes that:

- A mind sports should receive lottery funding
- B Bridge does not involve physical exercise
- C sport should not involve competition
- D Chess should be recognised as a sport

(Total for Question 1 = 1 mark)

2 In Text A, what do the following quotations suggest about the card game Bridge?

'mind sport'

(1)

'no more a sporting activity than sitting at home and reading a book'

(1)

(Total for Question 2 = 2 marks)

3 What is the **main** purpose of Text A?

(Total for Question 3 = 1 mark)

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4 Give **one** reason why Text B is the most suitable for someone who is interested in the link between health and sport.

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(Total for Question 4 = 1 mark)

Answer questions 5 and 6 with a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

5 In Text B, the paragraph beginning 'So we're going to have an Olympic Champion...'
suggests that:

- A there should be more sports at the Olympic Games
- B we should ask the courts to decide if Bridge is a sport
- C crossword solving is now a sport at the Olympic Games
- D it is easy to tell the difference between a sport and a hobby

(Total for Question 5 = 1 mark)

6 In Text B, 'Do me a favour!' is an example of:

- A an exaggeration
- B a slogan
- C an exclamation
- D a simile

(Total for Question 6 = 1 mark)



7 Explain **two** ways the writer of Text C presents views on sport.

Give an example to support each answer.

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(Total for Question 7 = 4 marks)

8 Your friend thinks Chess is not a sport.

Using Text A and Text B, convince your friend that Chess should be considered a sport.

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9 Give **one** quotation from Text A and **one** quotation from Text B which refer to how mind sports are viewed in countries other than the UK.

Quotation from Text A

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(1)

Quotation from Text B

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(1)

(Total for Question 9 = 2 marks)

10 Use Text A and Text C to answer this question.

Explain how these texts have similar ideas about how you can decide when an activity is a sport.

Give examples from **both** texts to support your answer.

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(Total for Question 10 = 5 marks)



11 You are preparing a talk on the history of the Olympic Games.

Which text is the **most** useful when preparing your report?

Give **one** reason for your choice and **one** example to support your answer.

Text (1)

Reason (1)

Example (1)

(Total for Question 11 = 3 marks)

12 You are interested in the different ways that sport is funded.

Identify **one** piece of evidence from **each** of the three texts that tells you about how sport is funded.

Text A (1)

Text B (1)

Text C (1)

(Total for Question 12 = 3 marks)

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Answer question 13 with a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

13 Which statement below is an accurate summary of points made in the texts?

- A Texts A and B both state which sports are included in the Olympic Games.
- B Texts A and C both give information about the European Sports Charter.
- C Texts A and C both promote the value of physical and mental health.
- D Texts B and C both suggest that skill is an essential part of sport.

(Total for Question 13 = 1 mark)

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