

## Signs (Reading)

**Description:** Understanding the meaning of signs.

**Use with or after:** *English Network Certificate Skills, Unit 7.*

**Skill:** Reading.

**Focus:** Practice for *Reading part 1* of the PET exam.

**Time:** 5 minutes

**Preparation:**

- Print out the second page of this file.
- Make a copy for each student and cut on the dotted line to remove the key.

**Procedure:**

- Make sure the students understand the instructions at the top of the worksheet.
- Students work individually and silently to complete the text.
- Alternatively, you could assign this as homework.
- Distribute the key when they are finished.

- Look at the sign in each question.
- Someone asks you what it means.
- Mark the letter next to the correct explanation – A, B, C or D.

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**Smoking is  
dangerous for  
your health.**

- A Smoking is forbidden in this building.
- B It would be better for you if you didn't smoke.
- C You won't become ill unless you smoke.
- D Smoking is safe as long as you are healthy.

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**Do not leave  
medicines within  
reach of children.**

- A Teach your children not to take this medicine.
- B Do not take this medicine while children are present.
- C Keep this medicine on a high shelf.
- D Avoid giving children unnecessary medication.

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**MIND THE GAP**

- A Be careful of the space between the train and the platform.
- B Stop here to enjoy the view.
- C Write the answers on the numbered lines.
- D Park as close to the curb as you can.

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**EMERGENCY EXIT.  
KEEP CLEAR.**

- A Remain calm if something goes wrong.
- B Pull off to the side if a fire truck is coming.
- C Do not put up any signs in this window.
- D Do not put anything in front of this door.

5

**This is your park.  
Keep it clean.**

- A Do not leave any trash in this parking lot.
- B You are the owner of this property.
- C Do not leave any trash in this public park.
- D It is your job to clean up after other people.

**Key:** 1 B, 2 C, 3 A, 4 D, 5 C