

Solutions

Each answer shows the steps, then the **result**.

2.1

- the writer thinks the centre is designed for **drivers**, not walkers or cyclists
- evidence: **three cycle racks** vs a car park for **two hundred vehicles**, and the fact that the writer counted them

2.2

- quotation marks **distance** the writer from the manager's phrase — he does not believe it
- “which he has said before” implies the promise is **repeated and never acted on**

2.3

- **no** — the view is not entirely negative
- he praises the equipment: “genuinely good”, the pool the club asked for, coaches delighted

3.1 D

- the mayor's word “**deserved**” is quoted, then undercut by counting the cycle racks
- accept C with a strong justification about “roughly” implying carelessness with money

3.2

- it places the **delay and the overspend** before any of the centre's merits
- the reader judges everything that follows against that failure

3.3

- one mark for a correctly chosen phrase, one for the attitude, one for how the words create it
- e.g. “a discount scheme is ‘under consideration’” shows **scepticism**, because reporting an official phrase in the manager's own words invites the reader to **doubt** it