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## General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

## Section A

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(a)	<p><b>The only correct answer is B – two days.</b></p> <p><b>A</b> is not correct because the examinations take place next Monday and Tuesday, for two days.</p> <p><b>C</b> is not correct because the examinations will last for two days.</p> <p><b>D</b> is not correct because the examinations will last for two days, not a week.</p>	(1)
1(b)	<p><b>The only correct answer is D – do homework.</b></p> <p><b>A</b> is not correct because doing housework is not mentioned in the text. It is a plausible answer but not present in the text.</p> <p><b>B</b> is not correct because it is a distractor. The school will provide breakfast next week.</p> <p><b>C</b> is not correct because Dongdong and Feifei are suggested to read books.</p>	(1)
1(c)	<p><b>The only correct answer is C – in the park.</b></p> <p><b>A</b> is not correct because it is a plausible answer but not present in the text.</p> <p><b>B</b> is not correct because students will go to school next week.</p> <p><b>D</b> is not correct because it is a distractor. They might play football in the park, not in the garden.</p>	(1)
1(d)	<p><b>The only correct answer is A – at most one hour a day.</b></p> <p><b>B</b> is not correct because students are expected to study one hour a day only.</p> <p><b>C</b> is not correct because it is a plausible answer but not present in the text.</p> <p><b>D</b> is not correct because it is a distractor. Students are expected to have a relaxing weekend.</p>	(1)
1(e)	<p><b>The only correct answer is D – is free of charge.</b></p> <p><b>A</b> is not correct because the school breakfast starts at 8am.</p> <p><b>B</b> is not correct because it is a plausible answer but not present in the text.</p> <p><b>C</b> is not correct because the school provide breakfast every day next week.</p>	(1)
1(f)	<p><b>The only correct answer is A – in the school canteen.</b></p> <p><b>B</b> is not correct because it is a plausible answer but not present in the text.</p> <p><b>C</b> is not correct because Feifei is going to school by car, The bus stop is not mentioned.</p> <p><b>D</b> is not correct because it is a distractor.</p>	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(a)	K	(1)
2(b)	C	(1)
2(c)	M	(1)
2(d)	J	(1)
2(e)	B	(1)
2(f)	H	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3	Dawei B	(1)
	Dawei E	(1)
	Mumu A	(1)
	Mumu D	(1)
	Mumu F	(1)
	Lee C	(1)
	Lee E	(1)
	Lee G	(1)

Question number	Answer	Accept	Reject	Mark
4(a)	novels			(1)
4(b)	three months	3 months		(1)
4(c)	the cinema			(1)
4(d)	after dinner	in the evening		(1)
4(e)	basketball			(1)
4(f)	all (ages)			(1)
4(g)	180 cm	1.8 m / metres	180	(1)
4(h)	blue			(1)
4(i)	young people			(1)
4(j)	a school captain			(1)

Question number	Answer	Accept	Reject	Mark
5(a)	history			(1)
5(b)	downstairs (of his block of flats)			(1)
5(c)	9000			(1)
5(d)	a (big) church			(1)
5(e)	a year ago	one/1 year ago		(1)
5(f)	Any <b>one</b> of: won't be rusty; won't hurt people			(1)
5(g)	no enough red (bottle) caps		no enough (bottle) caps	(1)
5(h)	collecting (bottle) caps	finding (bottle) caps		(1)
5(i)	very beautiful			(1)
5(j)	the interesting people			(1)

## Section B

Question number	Communication and content	
6	<p><b>Traditional character version</b> The candidate should have used the following terms in Chinese:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 是……</li> <li>• 健康的</li> <li>• 家</li> <li>• 希望</li> </ul> <p><b>Simplified character version</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 是……</li> <li>• 健康的</li> <li>• 家</li> <li>• 希望</li> </ul> <p>Maximum of Level 4 if one bullet is missing. Maximum of Level 3 if two bullets are missing. Maximum of Level 2 if three bullets are missing. Candidate scores 0 if no bullets have been addressed.</p>	
Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
<b>Level 1</b>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Isolated examples of relevant information.</li> <li>• Only isolated words and phrases are communicated, as appropriate to the task.</li> <li>• Only isolated items are comprehensible.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 2</b>	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The response contains little relevant information, with limited use of detail. There may be repetition.</li> <li>• Expresses simple ideas and opinions, as appropriate to the task.</li> <li>• Just about comprehensible overall but with sentences that are mostly unconnected.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 3</b>	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The response contains some relevant information with occasional use of detail.</li> <li>• Begins to show ability to express ideas and opinions and to inform, as appropriate to the task.</li> <li>• Coherent overall but logical flow and sequence of ideas is intermittent, which impedes clarity.</li> </ul>

<b>Level 4</b>	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some detail and mostly relevant response to the task.</li> <li>• Shows some evidence of ability to express ideas and opinions and to describe, or inform, as appropriate to the task.</li> <li>• Coherent with logical flow and sequence of ideas, though there may be some lapses.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 5</b>	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detailed and fully relevant response to the task.</li> <li>• Shows a clear ability to express ideas and opinions and to describe or inform, as appropriate to the task.</li> <li>• Coherent with logical flow and sequence of ideas.</li> </ul>

<b>Question number</b>	<b>Linguistic knowledge and accuracy</b>	
<b>6</b>	Candidate scores 0 if no bullets have been addressed.	
<b>Level</b>	<b>Mark</b>	<b>Descriptor</b>
	0	No rewardable material.
<b>Level 1</b>	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Isolated examples of target language vocabulary and structures.</li> <li>• Uses very basic language to write words and phrases.</li> <li>• Isolated examples of accurate language.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 2</b>	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uses very familiar and predictable vocabulary and structures, often repetitive.</li> <li>• Uses simple, familiar and predictable language to write short sentences or phrases.</li> <li>• Occasional correct phrases but more complex characters may be missing, frequent errors in character formation even for easier characters; frequent errors in word order.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 3</b>	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uses familiar and predictable vocabulary and structures.</li> <li>• Some evidence of manipulation of language to produce sentences but this is not sustained.</li> <li>• Sometimes accurate in using straightforward language but some errors in character formation and some significant errors in word order.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 4</b>	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tends towards use of familiar and predictable vocabulary and structures.</li> <li>• Some evidence of manipulation of language to produce sentences.</li> <li>• Mostly accurate with some minor errors, e.g. errors in character formation and measure words. Occasional errors in word order.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 5</b>	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uses a range of vocabulary and grammatical structures.</li> <li>• Language manipulated to produce fluent sentences.</li> <li>• Very accurate with only isolated minor errors, e.g. errors in character formation and measure words.</li> </ul>

Question number	Communication and content
7(a)	<p>Traditional character version</p> <p>The candidate should have referred to the following bullet points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 介紹這個慶祝活動 Introduce the celebration</li> <li>• 你在活動上做了什麼 What you did at the celebration</li> <li>• 你對慶祝傳統節日的看法 Your opinion about celebrating traditional festivals</li> <li>• 說說年輕人怎樣可以更多地認識外國的文化 How young people can know more about the culture of other countries</li> </ul>
(b)	<p>The candidate should have referred to the following bullet points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 你最近和好朋友一起做了什麼事 What you have recently done with a good friend</li> <li>• 你常常怎麼和你的朋友聯繫 How you usually make contact with your friends</li> <li>• 你對年輕人在網上說自己的事情有什麼看法 Your opinion on young people talking about themselves online</li> <li>• 年輕人可以怎樣交到更多新朋友 How young people can make more new friends</li> </ul>
(c)	<p>The candidate should have referred to the following bullet points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 上一個假期你做了什麼 What you did last holiday</li> <li>• 你喜歡去什麼地方度假 Where you like to spend your holiday</li> <li>• 你對有的中學生在假期兼職的看法 Your opinion on some secondary school students doing part-time jobs during their holidays</li> <li>• 年輕人應該怎樣更好地用空閑時間 How young people should make better use of their free time</li> </ul>

	<p>Simplified character version</p> <p>(a) The candidate should have referred to the following bullet points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 介绍这个庆祝活动 Introduce the celebration</li> <li>• 你在活动上做了什么 What you did at the celebration</li> <li>• 你对庆祝传统节日的看法 Your opinion about celebrating traditional festivals</li> <li>• 说说年轻人怎样可以更多地认识外国的文化 How young people can know more about the culture of other countries</li> </ul> <p>(b) The candidate should have referred to the following bullet points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 你最近和好朋友一起做了什么事 What you have recently done with a good friend</li> <li>• 你常常怎么和你的朋友联系 How you usually make contact with your friends</li> <li>• 你对年轻人在网上说自己的事情有什么看法 Your opinion on young people talking about themselves online</li> <li>• 年轻人可以怎样交到更多新朋友 How young people can make more new friends</li> </ul> <p>(c) The candidate should have referred to the following bullet points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 上一个假期你做了什么 What you did last holiday</li> <li>• 你喜欢去什么地方度假 Where you like to spend your holiday</li> <li>• 你对有的中学生在假期兼职的看法 Your opinion on some secondary school students doing part-time jobs during their holidays</li> <li>• 年轻人应该怎样更好地用空闲时间 How young people should make better use of their free time</li> </ul> <p>Maximum of Level 4 if one bullet is missing. Maximum of Level 3 if two bullets are missing. Maximum of Level 2 if three bullets are missing. Candidate scores 0 if no bullets have been addressed.</p>
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Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
<b>Level 1</b>	1-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The response shows minimal ability to express ideas relevant to the narrative, report or description required, and ideas hardly follow a logical sequence.</li> <li>• The response is rarely coherent and there is so much digression that the overall theme or purpose of the piece is greatly obscured.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 2</b>	3-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The response shows some basic ability to express ideas in a form that would be comprehensible to a sympathetic native reader, with only occasional evidence of ideas following a logical sequence.</li> <li>• The response is occasionally coherent and, while there is some digression, the theme or purpose is generally clear.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 3</b>	5-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The response shows a moderate ability to express ideas in a form that would be comprehensible to a sympathetic native reader, and some evidence of ideas following a logical sequence.</li> <li>• The response is sometimes coherent and there is digression from the topic but the overall theme or purpose is clear.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 4</b>	7-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The response shows a good ability to express ideas in a form that would be comprehensible to a sympathetic native reader, with much evidence of ideas following a logical sequence.</li> <li>• The response is mostly coherent and while there may be occasional ambiguity or digression from the theme, these appear to be aberrations in an otherwise pertinent response.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 5</b>	9-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The response shows an excellent ability to express ideas in a logical sequence and errors do not interfere with comprehension for a sympathetic native speaker.</li> <li>• The response is entirely coherent and, while there may be minor ambiguities or digression from the theme, the response is confident, fluent, pertinent and purposeful.</li> </ul>

Question number	<b>Linguistic knowledge and accuracy</b>	
7		
Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
<b>Level 1</b>	1-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very limited range and variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures, use of only one timeframe, with a high degree of repetition.</li> <li>• Very little evidence of correct character formation and word order.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 2</b>	3-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narrow range of vocabulary and grammatical structures, and a possible attempt at a second timeframe, though with a significant amount of repetition.</li> <li>• Occasional evidence of correct character formation and word order.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 3</b>	5-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Satisfactory range of vocabulary and grammatical structures, and unsteady use of two timeframes, though with some noticeable repetition.</li> <li>• Some evidence of correct character formation and word order.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 4</b>	7-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good range of vocabulary and grammatical structures, and secure use of at least two timeframes, with little noticeable repetition.</li> <li>• Significant evidence of correct character formation and word order.</li> </ul>
<b>Level 5</b>	9-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excellent range of vocabulary and grammatical structures, and secure use of at least three timeframes, including some complex lexical items and no noticeable repetition.</li> <li>• Very strong evidence of correct character formation and word order.</li> </ul>

### **Additional guidance**

**Complex lexical items** are considered to be:

- lexical items that express abstract ideas/convey justified arguments
- conceptually more challenging language.

Question number	Translation mark grids and example responses
8(a), 8(b)	Mark grid for sentences (a) and (b), which are worth 2 marks each. The mark grid will be applied to each individual sentence.
Mark	Descriptor
0	No rewardable material.
1	Meaning partially communicated with errors that hinder clarity or prevent meaning being conveyed.
2	Meaning fully communicated with occasional errors that do not hinder clarity.
Question number	Example response - Traditional characters
8(a)	我有一個小花園。
8(b)	它在我的房子的後邊/面/頭。
Question number	Example response - Simplified characters
8(a)	我有一个小花园。
8(b)	它在我的房子的后边/面/头。

Question number	Translation mark grids and example responses
Mark	Descriptor
8(c), 8(d)	Mark grid for sentences (a) and (b), which are worth 2 marks each. The mark grid will be applied to each individual sentence.
0	No rewardable material.
1	• Some words are communicated but the overall meaning of the sentence is not communicated.
2	• The meaning of the sentence is partially communicated. • Linguistic structures and vocabulary are mostly accurate with some errors that hinder clarity or prevent meaning being conveyed.
3	• The meaning of the sentence is fully communicated. • Linguistic structures and vocabulary are accurate with only occasional errors that do not hinder clarity.
Question number	Example response - Traditional characters
8(c)	去年媽媽買了一棵果樹。
8(d)	我很高興/開心它長(得更)高了。/它長高了,我很高興、開心。
Question number	Example response - Simplified characters
8(c)	去年妈妈买了一棵果树。
8(d)	我很高兴/开心它长(得更)高了。/它长高了,我很高兴、开心。

## **Additional guidance**

**Errors:** students are not expected to produce perfect, error-free writing in order to access the top band as errors are also made by native speakers. The mark grid describes the frequency of errors and the impact that errors have on coherence.

Errors that **do not hinder clarity:**

- errors that do not affect meaning, for example missing measure words
- infrequent errors that do not distract the reader from the content and which result in coherent writing
- minor errors in characters such as a mis-formed stroke in a character, or errors of proportion/balance/alignment between the radicals within a character.

Errors that **hinder clarity:**

- errors that make writing difficult to understand immediately (even if the meaning is eventually understood)/errors that force readers to re-read in order to understand what is meant, for example incorrect timeframes
- frequent errors hinder clarity as they will distract the reader from the content of the writing
- errors in forming a character such as characters with an extra or missing stroke.

Errors that **prevent meaning being conveyed:**

- errors that mean the reader cannot understand the message
- errors that convey the wrong message
- errors that make it unclear who is carrying out the action, for example incorrect word order
- using the wrong character with the same sound or major errors in forming a character, such as characters with an incorrect radical
- mother-tongue interference.

**NB:** these are examples only and do not constitute a finite list.

