HOK YAU CLUB

HONG KONG MOCK EXAMINATION 2016/17 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1

SUGGESTED ANSWER

Part A (compulsory section)

- 1. i) 5
- ii) 6
- 2. i) 8
 - ii) 2
 - iii) 4
- 3. C
- 4. A
- 5. Because of Chinese culture, Hong Kong people may openly discuss others' physical appearance and being fat will easily make someone a target of verbal abuse.
- 6. Fat / beefy / obese / oversized / overweight people
- 7. B
- 8. i) Her design ideas are bold and creative.
 - ii) She lives a healthy lifestyle.
- 9. mounting
- 10. B

$11.2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 3$

- 12. i) overweight // obese // oversized
 - ii) laughed // mocked
 - iii) appearance // size // weight // looks
 - iv) bias // prejudice // discrimination
 - v) owns // has // possesses // safeguards
- 13. i) They wear more different types of colours.
 - ii) They may choose items that are in vogue.
- 14. soaring
- 15. People show their 'A4 waists' to show off how thin they are.
- 16. i) NG
 - ii) T
 - iii) F
- 17. i) E
 - ii) G
 - iii) A
 - iv) D
 - v) B
- 18. He thinks the teenagers merely / only admire Cheng for her authenticity

- 19. i) encouraging
 - ii) merely // only // just // simply
 - iii) authenticity // truthfulness // positivity
 - iv) chubby // fat // obese // overweight // plump // plus-size // oversized
 - v) formally // professionally
- 20. D
- 21. A

Part B1 (easier section)

- 22. C
- 23. sharing a pear// fan lei
- 24. sounds like// is similar to
- 25. A
- 26. i) The pronunciation of shoes in Putonghua would mean passing on bad luck.
 - ii) The pronunciation of shoes in Cantonese resembles a frustrated sigh.
 - iii) It bears the connotation of making people walk away from you.
- 27. i) first off
 - ii) senior relatives
 - iii) nobility
 - iv) grief
- 28. i) puppets
 - ii) dolls
- 29. possessed
- 30. human-shaped object
- 31. It would give the receiver the impression that one wishes to end the relationship.
- 32. hemmed
- 33. D
- 34. i) death
 - ii) cuckold
 - iii) grief
 - iv) leaving
 - v) separation
- 35. farewell
- 36. to avoid the misfortune
- 37. B
- 38. Yes.

When one asks for money after giving a gift from the list, it would mean the receiver needs to pay for the gift and not just receive the gift without paying it.

39. i) NG

- ii) iii) iv) NG v)
- 40. i) culture
 - ii) curse
 - iii) pronunciation
 - homophone iv)

 T T

F

- numeral// other// many// different// plentiful// various// some// number// numerous v)
- carefully// twice vi)
- 41. D

Part B2 (more difficult section)

- 42. We should know the Cultural Revolution because it has posed irretrievable changes on Chinese culture.
- 43. prominent
- 44. i) В
 - C ii)
- 45. final stage
- 46. the Chinese cultural values
- 47. i) to rectify the Communist Party
 - ii) to make the system less elitist
- 48. They destroyed religious sites // They destroyed temples / shrines / monasteries / Koran writings / Islamic sites.

They attacked traditional values.

They criticized party officials.

- 49. i) NG
 - T ii)
 - F iii)
- 50. Mao Zedong soon mistrusted Lin Biao because of Lin's increasing domestic political influence.
- 51. i) foreign
 - ii) relations
 - iii) economy
 - country // nation iv)
 - resumed // rehabilitated v)
 - vi) power // control
 - under
- 52. Mao had advocated destroying Chinese culture.
- 53. D
- 54. (the) China's old culture ('s)

- 55. i) decided to initiate stronger "patriotic education"
 - ii) launched a policy to educate the citizens about the revolutionary past and to promote tourism in various provinces in China
- 56. They serve to emphasize Chinese identity, foster nationalism, and generate economic profit.
- 57. i) ✓
 - ii) ignore → emphasize
 - iii) economy → economic
 - iv) rapidly → slowly
- 58. to pick the best thing from a group
- 59. C
- 60. i) Art, books, newspapers and the Internet are subject to increasingly severe state censorship.
 - ii) Religious beliefs, traditions, and customs are allowed provided that they do not conflict with the principles of the Communist Party.
- 61. He encourages the revival of Confucianism.
- 62. notably
- 63. His act saved around 60,000 works of art from being destroyed during the Cultural Revolution.
- 64. A \rightarrow B \rightarrow D \rightarrow C \rightarrow E
- 65. B

Paper 3 (Listening and Integrated Skills)

Part A (compulsory section)

Task 1 (12 marks)

When is World Wetland Day? (1 mark)

(1) February 2nd //2nd February//2/2

What does it commemorate? (1 mark)

(2) (the) Convention of Wetlands (on February 2 1971).

What is the theme of World Wetland Day? (1 mark)

(3) Downstream: Wetlands Connect Us All

What does World Wetland Day aim to promote? (2 marks)

- (4) important river basin(s) are.
- (5) (The) ecology and management

What is a river basin? (1 mark)

(6) (The) area of land around a river.

Give 4 examples of ways to save water. (4 marks)

- (i) (7) <u>leave the tap / water running (unnecessarily).</u>
- (ii) (8) wash small amount(s) of clothes or dish(es) at a time.
- (iii) (9) a shower (instead of a bath).
- (iv) (10) Reuse water.

Name 2 activities that have a negative impact on our rivers. (2 marks)

- (i) (11) pump(ing) chemical(s) into river(s) (and streams)
- (ii) (12) <u>over(-)fish(ing)</u>

Task 2 (17 marks)

What were Lucy's reasons for becoming a volunteer? (3 marks)

- (13) Love (for/ of) wildlife// Interested in wildlife
- (14) are (all) volunteer(s)// volunteer
- (15) <u>learn (more) (about) (the) natural environment</u>

What were Freddy's reasons for becoming a volunteer? (4 marks)

- (16) Good thing(s) to put on a CV// It would look good on CV// Good for CV
- (17) in wildlife
- (18) improve self(-)confidence
- (19) Encouragement from a friend// encouraged by a friend

What qualities does a volunteer need? (4 marks)

- (20) (Good) communication
- (21) Patient// Patience
- (22) Good with children
- (23) humour/humor

What activities do the following groups of people enjoy at the Wetland Park? (6 marks)

Young families

- (24) Indoor exhibition(s)// exhibit(s)
- (25) Play area(s) (set out like a jungle)// slide(s) and thing(s) for children

Retired people

- (26) Bird watch(ing)// watch bird(s)
- (27) Photograph(ing) plant(s)

School children

- (28) Art(s) and craft (workshops)
- (29) Human culture (session)

Cooperation with Mainland Volunteer Group Name: Lucy Chan Date of commencement as volunteer at Hong Kong Wetland Park: (30) August 2012 Which of the following activities would you like to engage in? Put a cross in the relevant boxes. Circle the dates you will be available when appropriate. (31) Guiding mainland volunteers around HK Wetland Park Dates: April 11th - 12th; April 18th - 19th; May 2nd - 3rd; May 16th -17th Available on all dates listed Acting as host family to mainland volunteers Dates: April 11th - 12th; April 18th - 19th; May 2nd- 3rd; May 16th-17th X (33) Visiting site of Mainland Wetland Park Dates: April 25th - 26th; May 9th - 10th; May 23rd - 24th; May 30th - 31st X Preparation of a volunteer information pack In the space below please give any suggestions that you think might encourage more people to volunteer at the Hong Kong Wetland Park. (36) Send letter(s) to (the) principal(s) of (all) (the) secondary school(s) in (the) Yuen Long district.

Task 4 (10 marks)

Competition

Title: (37) <u>A Logo for China</u>

Task: (38) (the) Wetland Park in China// Mainland Wetland Park// China Wetland Park

Judges: (39) <u>Hong Kong Wetland Park</u>

(40) Mainland Wetland Park// (the) Wetland Park in China// China Wetland Park

(41) celebrity (guest)// famous person

First Prize: $(42) \underline{\text{Wii}}$

(43) (the) volunteer(s)

Runners-up Prize: (44) Wetland Park with (the) volunteer(s)

Publicity: (45) <u>secondary school(s)</u>

(46) an ad/advertisement in Young Post

Part B1 (easier section)

Task 5 (17 marks)

Task Completion = 14 marks

Note to markers: candidates must place the information in the correct section to be awarded a point.

Activity	Likes	Dislikes
Guided walk around wetlands	 (5.1a) Good to be outdoors/ away from city life (5.1b) Learned a lot from experienced volunteers (5.1c) Great to see children getting excited when they see the birds and other wildlife in their natural habitat 	 (5.1d) Lots of mosquitoes// Got bitten by mosquitoes (5.1e) Not so fun if it is hot or raining
Assisting with indoor exhibits	 (5.2a) Lots to learn from touch screens (5.2b) Get to see some animals which might be hard to spot outside (5.2c) Get to see animals that are not in the outdoor reserve 	 (5.2d) Too many people in galleries when it was raining (5.2e) Some visitors disobey the rules and take flash photographs (5.2f) A bit stuffy inside// hard to breathe
Educational workshops	 (5.3a) learn new skills (5.3b) Fun to play with kids while doing craft activities 	• (5.3c) Can be difficult to control large groups of children
Habitat Conservation	 (5.4a) Worthwhile activity (5.4b) actively involved in preserving the environment 	• (5.4c) Can get a bit dirty

Mark Allocation Grid

Note to markers: The table below indicates the number of marks to be awarded for each section of the task.

Section	No. of correct points	Mark to be awarded
5.1	5	4
	3-4	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
5.2	6	4
	4-5	3
	2-3	2
	1	1
	0	0
5.3	3	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
5.4	3	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0

Task 5 Language = 3 marks

Marks	Accuracy
3	Simple and more complex phrases are generally accurately constructed.
	Generally comprehensible.
	Most common words are spelt correctly.
2	Most sentences are accurately constructed.
	Generally comprehensible with some minor errors
	Accurate spelling of most common words
1	Accurate simple sentence structures
	Some grammatical mistakes affect understanding
	Accurate spelling of most simple words
0	Incomprehensible language
	Errors are made throughout the work
	Wrong spelling
	Inaccurate word choice

Task 6 (13 marks)

Task Completion = 10 marks

Purpose of sending volunteers to Hong Kong

- (6.1a) Hong Kong Wetland Park has a very successful volunteer programme
- (6.1b) Successful exchange between student group in Singapore and Hong Kong Wetland Park has already taken place

Costs incurred per person

- (6.2a) Travelling: cross border bus journey (both ways) \$120
 - (6.2b) bus journey to Tin Shui Wai and return trip \$16
 - (6.2c) LRT journeys \$16
 - (6.2d) Total travelling costs \$152
- (6.2e) Contribution to home stay family \$300

Advantages of home stay arrangements

- (6.3a) Cheaper than the local hotel
- (6.3b) Convenient as cheaper hotels are too far away

Views of volunteers regarding the home stay arrangements

- (6.4a) Young children expected volunteers to play with them when they were tired
- (6.4b) Those staying with other volunteers found it an enjoyable experience as they had something in common
- (6.4c) Hong Kong flats are small
- (6.4d) Not enough privacy

Mark Allocation Grid

<u>Note to markers</u>: The table below indicates the number of marks to be awarded for each section of the task.

Section	No. of correct points	Mark to be awarded
6.1	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
6.2	4-5	3
	2-3	2
	1	1
	0	0
6.3	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
6.4	3-4	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0

Task 6 Language = 3 marks

Marks	Accuracy
3	Simple and more complex phrases are generally accurately constructed.
	Generally comprehensible.
	Most common words are spelt correctly.
2	Most sentences are accurately constructed.
	Generally comprehensible with some minor errors
	Accurate spelling of most common words
1	Accurate simple sentence structures
	Some grammatical mistakes affect understanding
	Accurate spelling of most simple words
0	Incomprehensible language
	Errors are made throughout the work
	Wrong spelling
	Inaccurate word choice

Task 7 (23 marks) Task Completion = 14 marks

7.1a	provided strict guidelines to volunteers before they left home
7.1b	obeying the house rules of hosts is important
7.1c	displaying good manners at all times
7.1d	Michael was so disrespectful to you and your wife, and returned home at 1 am when
	asked to be home before 11 pm is <mark>unacceptable</mark>
7.1e	sorry that you found <mark>him</mark> to be a <mark>bad example</mark>
7.1f	had not thought it is necessary to tell volunteers that getting drunk was inappropriate
7.1g	should have been more specific in our instructions
7.2a	have spoken to Michael and he will be sending you a letter of apology
7.2b	have informed him that his services will not be required as a volunteer
7.3a	introducing measures to ensure that this will not happen again
7.3b	volunteers have to be recommended by two professional people
7.3c	Those volunteers still at school need a recommendation from the Principal
7.3d	will hold a seminar before the visit with instructions regarding acceptable behaviour
7.4a	deserve compensation for the inconvenience and would like you to accept HK\$3,000
7.4b	hope that your bad experience will not discourage you from offering home to volunteers

Task 7: Sample (Just For Reference)

Dear Mr. Chau,

I have been informed by my boss about the behaviour of one of our volunteers for whom you so

kindly provided accommodation last weekend.

We provided strict guidelines to our volunteers before they left home (7.1a). They were told that

obeying the house rules of their hosts is very important (7.1b); as is displaying good manners at all

times (7.1c). The fact that Michael was so disrespectful to you and your wife and that he returned

home at 1am when asked to be home before 11pm is obviously completely unacceptable (7.1d). We

are also sorry that you found him to be a bad example to your children (7.1e). We had not thought it

is necessary to tell our volunteers that getting drunk was an inappropriate behaviour (7.1f). We

should have been more specific in our instructions (7.1g).

We have spoken to Michael about the matter and he will be sending you a letter of apology himself

(7.2a). We have also informed him that his services will not be required as a volunteer at our Wetland

Park (7.2b).

We are introducing measures to ensure that this type of thing will not happen again (7.3a). Each of

our volunteers now has to be personally recommended by two professional people (7.3b). Those

volunteers still at school will also need a recommendation from the Principal of the school (7.3c). We

will also be holding a seminar before the visit with instructions regarding acceptable behaviour

(7.3d).

We feel that you deserve some compensation for the inconvenience that you experienced and would

like you to accept the accompanying HK\$3,000 (7.4a). We hope that your bad experience will not

discourage you from offering your home to volunteers in the future (7.4b).

Yours sincerely,

Winnie

Winnie Li

Project Coordinator

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Mark Allocation Grid

<u>Note to markers</u>: The table below indicates the number of marks to be awarded for each section of the task.

Section	No. of correct points	Mark to be awarded
7.1	6-7	6
	5	5
	4	4
	3	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
7.2	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
7.3	4	4
	3	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
7.4	2	2
	1	1
	0	0

Task 7: Language = 5 marks

Marks	Language
5	Use of Language in the Data File
	Effective and sufficient adaptation of the information from the data file to the task
	Candidates' own language
	Wide variety of sentence structures including complex ones
	Only a few minor grammatical mistakes
	Close attention paid to the use of different tenses
	Accurate spelling and punctuation
4	Use of Language in the Data File
	Well over half of the information is successfully adapted from the data file to the task.
	Candidates' own language
	Wide variety of sentence structures with attempts to use complex ones
	Some grammatical mistakes that do not affect understanding
	Minor errors in the use of tenses
	 Very few spelling and punctuation mistakes
3	Use of Language in the Data File
	About half of the information is successfully adapted from the data file to the task.
	Candidates' own language
	Accurate simple sentence structures
	Grammatical mistakes that occasionally affect understanding
	Obvious and careless errors in the use of tenses
	A few spelling and punctuation mistakes
2	Use of Language in the Data File
	Copy some chunks from the data file directly
	Candidates' own language
	Accurate short sentences
	Grammatical mistakes that often affect understanding
	• Frequent errors in the use of tenses
	Plenty of spelling and punctuation mistakes
1	Use of Language in the Data File
	Copy large chunks from the data file directly
	Candidates' own language
	Accurate short sentences
	Grammatical mistakes that often affect understanding
	Poor attention paid to the use of tenses
	Plenty of basic spelling and punctuation mistakes

0	•	Indiscriminately direct copying from the data file
	•	Incomprehensible language
	•	Wrong word choice that makes understanding impossible

Task 7: Coherence and Organization = 2 marks

Marks	Coherence and Organization
2	Good coherence
	Show clear understanding of the writing purpose
	Precise topic sentences with relevant support
	A good range of transition signals
1	Reasonable coherence
	Enough understanding of the writing purpose
	Clear topic sentences with some relevant support
	Correct use of transition signals
0	Weak coherence
	Absence of topic sentences
	Irrelevant details as support
	Wrong use of transition signals

Task 7: Appropriateness = 2 marks

Marks	Appropriateness	
2	The candidate has produced a text appropriately informative and positive	
	Appropriate writing style and formality	
1	Approach reasonably appropriate to the text through own language and	
	paraphrasing of the information in the data file	
	Inconsistent tone and style due to parts directly copied	
0	Improper approach	
	• Inappropriate writing style and formality, e.g. in point form or being too informal	

End of Part B1

Part B2 (more difficult section)

Task 8 (18 marks)

Task Completion = 9 marks

	Guided walk around wetlands	
8.1a	experience the enjoyment of children as they see birds and wildlife in their natural habitats	
8.1b	the trainees benefit greatly from working with experienced volunteers	
8.1c	enjoy being outdoors and away from city life	
8.1d	trainee volunteers will be provided with appropriate outdoor clothing	
8.1e	supplied with mosquito repellent which should be carried at all times	
	Assisting with indoor exhibits	
8.2a	the opportunity to learn a lot of new things from the various touch screen displays	
8.2b	see some animals that would be hard to spot outside	
8.2c	other animals that cannot be found in the outdoor reserve	
8.2d	measures will be taken to ensure that each volunteer does not spend more than 1 hour at a	
	time in the indoor galleries	
	Educational workshops	
8.3a	enjoy working with young children at craft activities	
8.3b	picking up new skills	
8.3c	the number of children per group will be limited to 6	
	Habitat conservation	
8.4a	trainees find this activity to be worthwhile	
8.4b	an opportunity to take an active part in environmental protection	

Task 8: Sample (Just For Reference)

Guided walk around wetlands

This activity allows volunteers to experience the enjoyment of children as they see birds and wildlife in their natural habitats (8.1a). The trainees benefit greatly from working with experienced volunteers (8.1b). An added bonus is being able to enjoy being outdoors and away from city life (8.1c).

As this is an outdoor activity, trainee volunteers will be provided with appropriate outdoor clothing to protect them from intense heat and rain (8.1d). In addition they will be supplied with mosquito repellent which should be carried at all times (8.1e).

Assisting with indoor exhibits

This activity provides trainees with the opportunity to learn a lot of new things from the various touch screen displays (8.2a). They also get to see some animals that would be hard to spot outside (8.2b), and others that cannot be found in the outdoor reserve (8.2c).

Measures will be taken to ensure that each volunteer does not spend more than 1 hour at a time in the indoor galleries as they can be rather stuffy (8.2d).

Educational workshops

Trainees enjoy working with young children at craft activities (8.3a) while picking up new skills themselves (8.3b).

As it can be difficult to control large groups of small children, the number of children per group will be limited to 6 (8.3c).

Habitat conservation

Trainees find this activity to be worthwhile (8.4a) and an opportunity to take an active part in environmental protection (8.4b).

Mark Allocation Grid

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Section	No. of correct points	Mark to be awarded
8.1	5	3
	3-4	2
	1-2	1
	0	0
8.2	3-4	2
	1-2	1
	0	0
8.3	3	2
	1-2	1
	0	0
8.4	2	2
	1	1
	0	0

Task 8: Language = 5 marks

Marks	Language
5	Use of Language in the Data File
	Effective and sufficient adaptation of the information from the data file to the task
	Candidates' own language
	Wide variety of sentence structures including complex ones
	Only a few minor grammatical mistakes
	Careful attention paid to the use of tenses
	Accurate spelling and punctuation
4	Use of Language in the Data File
	Well over half of the information is successfully adapted from the data file to the task.
	Candidates' own language
	Wide variety of sentence structures with attempts to use complex ones
	Some grammatical mistakes that do not affect understanding
	Minor errors in the use of tenses for each content item
	Very few spelling and punctuation mistakes
3	Use of Language in the Data File
	About half of the information is successfully adapted from the data file to the task.
	Candidates' own language
	Accurate simple sentence structures
	Grammatical mistakes that occasionally affect understanding
	Obvious and careless errors in the use of tenses for each content item
	A few spelling and punctuation mistakes
2	Use of Language in the Data File
	Copy some chunks from the data file directly
	Candidates' own language
	Accurate short sentences
	Grammatical mistakes that often affect understanding
	• Frequent errors in the use of tenses and verb forms, e.g. the omission of the third
	person singular "s"
	Plenty of spelling and punctuation mistakes
1	Use of Language in the Data File
	Copy large chunks from the data file directly
	Candidates' own language
	Accurate short sentences
	Grammatical mistakes that often affect understanding
	No attention paid to the use of tenses observed

	•	 Plenty of basic spelling and punctuation mistakes 	
0	•	Indiscriminately direct copying from the data file	
	•	Incomprehensible language	
	•	Wrong word choice that makes understanding impossible	

Task 8: Coherence and Organization = 2 marks

Marks	Coherence and Organization	
2	Good coherence under each sub-heading	
	Show clear understanding of the writing purpose	
	Precise topic sentences with relevant support	
	A good range of transition signals	
1	Reasonable coherence under each sub-heading	
	Enough understanding of the writing purpose	
	Clear topic sentences with some relevant support	
	Correct use of transition signals	
0	Weak coherence within paragraphs	
	Absence of topic sentences	
	Irrelevant details as support	
	Wrong use of transition signals	

Task 8: Appropriateness = 2 marks

Marks	Appropriateness	
2	The candidate has produced a text appropriate and concise	
	Appropriate writing style and formality without being too chatty	
1	Approach reasonably appropriate to the text through own language and	
	paraphrasing of the information in the data file	
	Inconsistent tone and style due to parts directly copied from the data file	
0	Improper approach, e.g. a text too detailed and lengthy as a brief description	
	• Inappropriate writing style and formality, e.g. in point form or being too informal	

Task 9 (19 marks)

Task Completion = 10 marks

	Purpose of sending volunteers to Hong Kong	
9.1a	Hong Kong was considered a good training ground because of the culture of volunteering	
9.1b	has already enjoyed a successful exchange with students from Singapore	
	Costs incurred	
9.2a	not expensive	
9.2b	public transport proved to be a sensible and cheap option	
9.2c	accommodation and meals were also inexpensive due to the home stay arrangement	
9.2d	the cost per person of the visit was a mere \$452 per person	
	Advantages of home stay arrangements	
9.3a	home stay arrangement was satisfactory	
9.3b	one reason for choosing this option was financial	
9.3c	the price of room of a hotel close to the Wetland Park was too high	
9.3d	cheaper accommodation was too far away from the Wetland Park	
	Views of volunteers regarding the home stay arrangements	
9.4a	volunteers who stayed with other volunteers found it an enjoyable experience	
9.4b	Hong Kong flats are very small	
9.4c	lacked privacy	
9.4d	the children of the host families expected them to play with them when they were tired	
9.4e	an interesting cultural experience for volunteers and helped appreciate their living	
	environment	

Task 9: Sample (Just For Reference)

Purpose of sending volunteers to Hong Kong

Hong Kong was considered a good training ground for our volunteers rather than similar venues in mainland China because of Hong Kong's culture of volunteering (9.1a). In addition, the Wetland Park in Hong Kong has a very successful volunteer programme and has already enjoyed a successful exchange with students from Singapore (9.1b).

Costs incurred

The visit was not that expensive (9.2a). Use of public transport proved to be a sensible and cheap option (9.2b). Accommodation and meals were also inexpensive due to the home stay arrangement (9.2c). The cost per person of the visit was a mere \$452 per person (9.2d).

Advantages of home stay arrangements

Overall the home stay arrangement was satisfactory (9.3a). One reason for choosing this option was financial (9.3b) – the price of room of a hotel close to the Wetland Park was too high (9.3c). Cheaper accommodation was too far away from the Wetland Park (9.3d).

Views of volunteers regarding the home stay arrangements

The volunteers who stayed with other volunteers found it a particularly enjoyable experience as they had something in common (9.4a). Many, however, found Hong Kong flats to be very small compared to those here on the mainland (9.4b) and as a result found they lacked privacy (9.4c). A few complained that the children of the host families expected them to play with them when they were tired and needed a rest (9.4d). Despite some of the inconveniences, it was an interesting cultural experience for our volunteers and helped them appreciate their own living environment (9.4e).

Mark Allocation Grid

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Section	No. of correct points	Mark to be awarded
9.1	1-2	1
	0	0
9.2	4	3
	3	2
	1-2	1
	0	0
9.3	4	3
	3	2
	1-2	1
	0	0
9.4	4-5	3
	3	2
	1-2	1
	0	0

Task 9: Language = 5 marks

Marks	Language		
5	Use of Language in the Data File		
	Effective and sufficient adaptation of the information from the data file to the task		
	Candidates' own language		
	Wide variety of sentence structures including complex ones		
	Only a few minor grammatical mistakes		
	Accurate spelling and punctuation		
4	Use of Language in the Data File		
	Well over half of the information is successfully adapted from the data file to the task.		
	Candidates' own language		
	Wide variety of sentence structures with attempts to use complex ones		
	Some grammatical mistakes that do not affect understanding		
	Very few spelling and punctuation mistakes		
3	Use of Language in the Data File		
	About half of the information is successfully adapted from the data file to the task.		
	Candidates' own language		
	Accurate simple sentence structures		
	Grammatical mistakes that occasionally affect understanding		
	A few spelling and punctuation mistakes		
2	Use of Language in the Data File		
	Copy some chunks from the data file directly		
	Candidates' own language		
	Accurate short sentences		
	Grammatical mistakes that often affect understanding		
	Plenty of spelling and punctuation mistakes		
1	Use of Language in the Data File		
	Copy large chunks from the data file directly		
	Candidates' own language		
	Accurate short sentences		
	Grammatical mistakes that often affect understanding		
	Plenty of basic spelling and punctuation mistakes		
0	Indiscriminately direct copying from the data file		
	Incomprehensible language		
	Wrong word choice that makes understanding impossible		

Task 9: Coherence and Organization = 2 marks

Marks	Coherence and Organization	
2	Good coherence under each sub-heading	
	Show clear understanding of the writing purpose	
	 Precise topic sentences with relevant support 	
	A good range of transition signals	
1	Reasonable coherence	
	• Enough understanding of the writing purpose	
	Clear topic sentences with some relevant support	
	• Correct use of transition signals	
0	Weak coherence	
	Absence of topic sentences	
	• Irrelevant details as support	
	Wrong use of transition signals	

Task 9: Appropriateness = 2 marks

Marks	Appropriateness	
2	• The candidate has produced a text appropriate and concise as a brief report	
	 Appropriate writing style and formality without being too casual 	
1	• Approach reasonably appropriate to the text through own language and the use of	
	the note page	
	 Inconsistent tone and style due to parts directly copied from the candidate's 	
	scattered notes made on the note page	
0	• Improper approach, e.g. a text too detailed and lengthy as a brief report	
	Inappropriate writing style and formality, e.g. in point form or being too informal	

Task 10 (24 marks)

Task Completion = 15 marks

	Justification for the trip	
10.1a	Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve in Singapore is not a man-made reserve	
10.1b	visit to Sungei Buloh allows a person to feel at one with nature	
10.1c	a feeling we want to encourage in our volunteers	
10.1d	the Wetlands in Singapore is also larger than that in Hong Kong	
10.1e	87 hectares compared to 61	
10.1f	the tours in Sugei Buloh are offered in English	
10.1g	introduce English tours at our Wetland Park	
	Selection of volunteers to take part in the trip	
10.2a	not be open to all our volunteers	
10.2b	positive and enthusiastic	
10.2c	a willingness to be of assistance to visitors	
10.2d	readiness to learn new things	
10.2e	a good level of English	
	Expenses per person	
10.3a	flight: around HK\$3,500	
10.3b	travel to and from Hong Kong – HK\$200	
10.3c	accommodation and meals: home stay arrangement	
10.3d	a contribution equivalent to 800 RMB for a week	
	Suggestions for raising money needed	
10.4a	plan to hold a concert	
10.4b	contribution boxes could be placed near the information desk	
10.4c	a corporate sponsor would be useful	
10.4d	plan to ask HSBC for a contribution	

Task 10: Sample (Just For Reference)

Proposal to take a trip to Singapore

Justification for the trip

Unlike the Hong Kong Wetland Park, Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve in Singapore is not a man-made

reserve (10.1a). A visit to Sungei Buloh really allows a person to feel at one with nature (10.1b), which

is a feeling we want to encourage in our volunteers (10.1c). The Wetlands in Singapore is also larger

than that in Hong Kong (10.1d) - 87 hectares compared to 61(10.1e). Unlike the Hong Kong Wetland

Park, the tours in Sugei Buloh are offered in English (10.1f). This would be a useful activity for our

volunteers, as we are hoping to introduce English tours at our Wetland Park (10.1g).

Selection of volunteers to take part in the trip

The trip will not be open to all our volunteers (10.2a). We are looking for positive and enthusiastic

individuals (10.2b) who demonstrated a willingness to be of assistance to visitors to the Wetland Park

(10.2c). Another factor which we will consider is a person's readiness to learn new things (10.2d). We

will also choose people with a good level of English (10.2e).

Expenses per person

Flight: around HK\$3,500 (10.3a)

Travel to and from Hong Kong – HK\$200 (10.3b)

Accommodation and meals: home stay arrangement (10.3c). A contribution equivalent to 800 RMB for

a week has been suggested (10.3d).

Suggestions for raising money needed

We plan to hold a concert (10.4a). Contribution boxes could be placed near the information desk

(10.4b). A corporate sponsor would be useful (10.4c). As Sungei Buloh is sponsored by HSBC, we are

planning to ask them for a contribution (10.4d).

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Mark Allocation Grid

Note to markers: The table below indicates the number of marks to be awarded for each section of the task.

Section	No. of correct points	Mark to be awarded
10.1	6-7	5
	4-5	4
	3	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
10.2	4-5	4
	3	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
10.3	3-4	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0
10.4	3-4	3
	2	2
	1	1
	0	0

Task 10: Language = 5 marks

Marks	Language
5	Use of Language in the Data File
	Effective and sufficient adaptation of the information from the data file to the task
	Candidates' own language
	Wide variety of sentence structures including complex ones
	Only a few minor grammatical mistakes
	• Careful attention paid to the use of the present tense or future tense throughout the
	proposal
	Accurate spelling and punctuation
4	Use of Language in the Data File
	Well over half of the information is successfully adapted from the data file to the task.
	Candidates' own language
	Wide variety of sentence structures with attempts to use complex ones
	Some grammatical mistakes that do not affect understanding
	Minor errors in the use of tenses for each content item
	Very few spelling and punctuation mistakes
3	Use of Language in the Data File
	About half of the information is successfully adapted from the data file to the task.
	Candidates' own language
	Accurate simple sentence structures
	Grammatical mistakes that occasionally affect understanding
	Obvious and careless errors in the use of tenses for each content item
	A few spelling and punctuation mistakes
2	Use of Language in the Data File
	Copy some chunks from the data file directly
	Candidates' own language
	Accurate short sentences
	Grammatical mistakes that often affect understanding
	• Frequent errors in the use of tenses and verb forms, e.g. the omission of the third
	person singular "s"
	 Plenty of spelling and punctuation mistakes
1	Use of Language in the Data File
	Copy large chunks from the data file directly
	Candidates' own language
	Accurate short sentences
	Grammatical mistakes that often affect understanding

	•	No attention paid to the use of tenses observed
	•	Plenty of basic spelling and punctuation mistakes
0	•	Indiscriminately direct copying from the data file
	•	Incomprehensible language
	•	Wrong word choice that makes understanding impossible

Task 10: Coherence and Organization = 2 marks

Marks	Coherence and Organization
2	Good coherence under each sub-heading
	Show clear understanding of the writing purpose
	Precise topic sentences with relevant support
	A good range of transition signals
1	Reasonable coherence under each sub-heading
	Enough understanding of the writing purpose
	Clear topic sentences with some relevant support
	Correct use of transition signals
0	Weak coherence within paragraphs
	Absence of topic sentences
	Irrelevant details as support
	Wrong use of transition signals

Task 10: Appropriateness = 2 marks

Marks	Appropriateness
2	The candidate has produced a text appropriate and concise as a proposal
	Appropriate writing style and formality without being too chatty
1	Approach reasonably appropriate to the text through own language and
	paraphrasing of the information in the data file
	Inconsistent tone and style due to parts directly copied from the data file
0	Improper approach, e.g. a text too detailed and lengthy as a proposal
	• Inappropriate writing style and formality, e.g. in point form or being too informal