

2009 HSC Chinese Beginners

Sample Answers

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- (a) as part of the development of the examination paper to ensure the questions will effectively assess students’ knowledge and skills, and
- (b) in order to provide some advice to the Supervisor of Marking about the nature and scope of the responses expected of students.

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Section I — Listening

Question 1

Sample answer:

The mother made the boystay home and do his homework.

Question 2 (a)

Sample answer:

This Friday

Question 2 (b)

Sample answer:

Telephone number: 9674–3311

Question 3*Sample answer:*

(C)

Question 4*Sample answer:*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Activities</i>
Mary	Swim
Peter	Play tennis
Mike	Sing
Me	Play guitar
Tom	Dance

Question 5*Sample answer:*

He needs to earn money quickly to help his parents, and he has got a full-time job from next month, so he hasn't got the time to study.

Question 6*Sample answer:*

Wang Ming has been persuaded by Lily who suggests they go by car. All of them can drive, have a rest, and not get tired at all. By driving the car it will be very convenient to go everywhere and also cheaper. Lanlan has a car, they can drive Lanlan's car.

Question 7*Sample answer:*

(A)

Question 8***Sample answer:***

Firstly she expresses to welcome everyone, thank her parents for allowing her to have birthday party at home. Then she thanks them to prepare all food for the party and to buy a beautiful dress for her. Lastly she tells the friends to enjoy themselves but don't make too much noise.

Question 9 (a)***Sample answer:***

(D)

Question 9 (b)***Sample answer:***

The principal has received complaints from her two teachers that she was often late for school and did not complete homework. She has too many commitments obviously causing her lateness and delays. The principal wants her to keep up with other schoolmates' pace otherwise parents will be informed.

Question 10***Sample answer:***

Reminds listener that Chinese New Year is coming. The clothes in our shop are all on sale, they are all beautiful and fashionable and they come in all sizes. The shop is not far away from the school, only take 5 minutes on foot. One-week sale only, have to be in a hurry, otherwise miss out.

Section II — Reading

Question 11

Sample answer:

Directly invites Year 11, has the subjects listed. The books are in good condition and half price and the sale is at lunch time.

Question 12 (a)

Sample answer:

Male speaker's father does not like him having a part-time job.

Question 12 (b)

Sample answer:

He won't follow his dad's advice, because he needs money to buy a new mobile, to take his girlfriend out for movies and dinners. His Chinese has improved since he works in Chinese restaurant.

Question 13 (a)

Sample answer:

The writer states he is happy even though he is tired from moving.

Question 13 (b)

Sample answer:

It's close to the school and city plaza. The mother does not like cooking and there are cheap restaurants nearby. His/her father likes reading since there is a bookshop. The whole family likes it.

Question 14 (a)**Sample answer:**

Zhongming wants to tell his friend about this holiday and to ask what plans his friend has.

Question 14 (b)**Sample answer:**

Zhongming doesn't like to go to Xian, and Zhongming does not know why his father wants him to go to meet his father's friend.

Question 14 (c)**Sample answer:**

	Zhongming	Xiaotian
<i>Destination</i>	Overseas	Interstate
<i>Purpose</i>	Visiting relatives and friends	Family outing for fun
<i>Transportation</i>	Plane	Bicycle exercise
<i>Features</i>	Local cuisine	Scenery road

Question 15 (a)**Sample answer:**

Wen and Hua missed out Chinese class today.

Question 15 (b)**Sample answer:**

Shan didn't mark off Hua's name in Chinese class when she was absent. Hua has helped him before.

Question 15 (c)**Sample answer:**

Shan — Could be seen as honest – willing to help if being asked to do so.

Hua — She is dishonest, willing to cheat by asking someone else to mark her name off in class when she is absent. She is not a conscientious student, went out with a boyfriend instead of going to class.

Wen — Only concerns about himself not others.