

2010 HSC Korean Continuers Sample Answers — Written Examination

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- (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 and Responding Part A

Question 1

Sample answer:

She got a concert ticket from her friend that she desperately wanted to get.

Question 2

Sample answer:

To inform students that the excursion has been postponed till next Friday, the exchange students from Seoul will be joining the excursion, and the entrance fee to the art gallery is due this Friday.

Question 3 (a)

Sample answer:

Her/his age is 25, and income is \$35 000 per year.

Question 4

Sample answer:

She was irritated at the beginning of the conversation. Every year he made decisions where to go but they turned out to be bad choices. Now she has had enough. She was very assertive, insisting that she would make decisions this time and she wouldn't bend at all. She became argumentative when he resisted, reminding him of the promise he had made last year that it would be her turn to make decisions this year. When he finally gave in, she was very pleased and was nice to him.

Question 5 (a)

Sample answer:

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Question 5 (b)

Sample answer:

She (Hena) is so upset because of the broken friendship. Although the conversation is about who is going to pick up her (Hena's) brother at the beginning of the conversation, it eventually developed into an argument about their friendship. His excuse to refuse her request was so poor that it cannot convince her at all. She (Hena) eventually became so upset because he (Minsu) is so selfish and ignorant of what a good friendship is about. She believes that friends must help each other when the need arises.

Section I — Listening and Responding Part B

Question 6

Sample answer:

1. Newspaper 2. Apple

Question 7

Sample answer:

- Singer
- From Friday to Sunday next week
- Olympic Park
- Gold and travel
- Thai food
- There are a lot of golf courses in Sydney
- There are a lot of nice beaches in Sydney
- He has a younger sister/brother attending a high school in Sydney

Section II — Reading and Responding Part A

Question 8 (a)

Sample answer:

New Year's Day is very important to Koreans because it is the day they show their respect to their ancestors, their gratitude to their parents, and all the family members reunite to celebrate the new year.

3. Banana

Question 8 (b)

Sample answer:

- Parents in the hometown visit their children to celebrate New Year's Day
- People visit their hometown before or after New Year's Day to avoid the heavy traffic
- Family members meet up online to have an ancestor memorial service and give a SEBAE to their parents
- Some people go on a holiday instead of visiting their hometown. They value their own family's welfare more than the 'ancestors' or 'hometown'.



Question 9 (a)

Sample answer:

She enjoyed the trip to Seorak mountain the most, although she enjoyed all the three destinations. She saw real snow for the first time in her life at the mountain. She also mentioned that she would never forget the experience.

Question 9 (b)

Sample answer:

She wanted to be close to the kids to whom she was teaching English. She employed a number of different methods to achieve that. Firstly, she used pictures or cartoons that the kids loved. Secondly, she used English songs that the kids enjoyed and learned easily. Thirdly, she played with them after class to build up friendships with the kids. Finally, she sometimes gave them small presents to reward their efforts to study English.

Question 9 (c)

Sample answer:

At the beginning, she found that living in Korea wasn't attractive to her at all. However, I think she is very likely to visit Korea again. Firstly, she likes travelling and her last travel experience in Korea was very enjoyable. Secondly, she has a good job prospect as an English teacher in Korea. Through her teaching, she built up skills on how to teach English to kids who have no English language skill at all. Thirdly, she has a strong emotional attachment to the kids. Especially when she was ill, the kids were very kind and sweet to her and she was touched by this.