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NEW SOUTH WALES

2011 Chinese Beginners HSC Examination 'Sample Answers'

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Section I — Listening

Question 1

Sample answer:

They are talking about Xiaohong's move from the country and how she likes her new life in the city.

Question 2

Sample answer:

Bus numbers 605 and 23

Question 3 (a)

Sample answer:

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Question 3 (b)

Sample answer:

He is offering advice to the Year 12 students on their future plans and letting them know where to find him.

Question 4

Sample answer:

The female speaker may not go to France next year. She may go to China and practise her Chinese.

Question 5

Sample answer:

- The female football team needs more players.
- The benefits of joining the team are playing weekly, which is good for your health.
- It's fun.
- It gives you a better chance of being accepted by universities.

Question 6

Sample answer:

At first, Xiao Mei was happy to go to the movies with Sam. Then she heard that Xiaoyin was going too and Sam asked her to pay for her own movie ticket. As a result, she changed her attitude towards Sam and decided not to go with him.

Question 7***Sample answer:***

The son suggested they get a new car. His mother told him that his brothers and sisters were still young and that he needed a lot of money to study at university the following year. The son understood the difficulty. The mother suggested that he buy a used car from his uncle, which solved the problem.

Question 8***Sample answer:*****Question 9*****Sample answer:***

To discuss David's performance at school. David has not been doing well at school. He had a bad result in a Maths test. He doesn't hand in his homework, because he works after school. He also uses other students' mobile phones without asking their permission, to ask his girlfriend to go out with him.

Question 10***Sample answer:***

Mr Liu praised Miss Juan's good deeds and thinks highly of her. Mr Liu also agreed that people should visit the nursing home occasionally rather than just helping their own parents at home. Miss Juan said that it only required one or two days of his time to visit the nursing home to help them with their housework, and that it was also a good chance to chat with them and learn from one's elders.

Section II — Reading**Question 11*****Sample answer:***

The SRC offers Year 12 students the opportunity to make friends through sports such as basketball, study periods and singing classes throughout the week. It starts the following week.

Question 12 (a)***Sample answer:***

After the exam, Dari thinks they should go somewhere to relax. His girlfriend suggests they can go to the 'Grand Park'.

Question 12 (b)***Sample answer:***

He tells them he can drive his father's car and that it only takes two hours to get there. They could do a lot of activities there. The scenery is beautiful and the air is fresh.

Question 13 (a)***Sample answer:***

Jack noticed that Xiaoming is unhappy in class.

Question 13 (b)***Sample answer:***

Peter saw Mark approaching Xiaomei (Xiaoming's girlfriend). Mark told Peter that he has a lot of beautiful friends. Jack asked if they were attending Lanlan's birthday party.

Question 13 (c)***Sample answer:***

They will all go to the birthday party on Saturday. Peter suggests they all go to find out whether Mark really likes Xiaomei or not. Xiaoming wants to find out whether he can get Xiaomei back, and Jack is just interested in the other girls at the party.

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

There are a lot of Chinese people living there. It is very busy at night. Living in the city also provides a good opportunity to become involved in Chinese cultural activities, such as the Chinese New Year festival.

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

He recognised the date of Chinese New Year. He also learns Chinese Tai Chi. He enjoyed the get-together at Wong's place with Chinese people around. He found them friendly and also enjoyed Chinese cooking and dancing. At the end, he invited his readers to join the activity the following weekend.

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

Wang Bai wrote the diary entry because he was very happy. He got an ATAR of 95, but his father thought he could get full marks and was not happy. Wang Bai's father thinks he didn't try hard enough, and that he played too many computer games and went to too many school parties.

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

Wang Bai is very angry at his father who took his diary, read it and commented on its content. He is also surprised that his father didn't just speak to him, but he does understand that his father loves him very much. His father's attitude also sums up the cultural differences between the expectations that Australian and Chinese families have of their children.