

2011 Chinese Continuers HSC Examination 'Sample Answers'

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Section I — Listening and Responding

Question 1

Sample answer:

He is upset because Lanlan is always late for dinner.

Question 2

Sample answer:

Chemistry and Computer Studies

Question 3

Sample answer:

David,

Please call me after you get up. We will just wander around Beijing city today and go to the Great Wall tomorrow instead.

Xiao Li

Question 4

Sample answer:

Xiaoyun wants her father's permission to attend a dance party organised by the most beautiful and popular girl in her school. She states the reasons she wants to go and lets her father know what the young people think.

Question 5

Sample answer:

Xiaoli persuades David to attend the event by:

- stating the importance of the festival
- using their friendship to influence him
- drawing his attention to the presence of Meiling, whom he is interested in.



Question 6

Sample answer:

- A lot of new sports have been introduced into China by Chinese returning from overseas.
- Cricket, the new foreign sport, is taking off in China.
- The main problems confronting the popularisation of cricket are both the availability of venues and sporting equipment.

Question 7

Sample answer:

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Question 8

Sample answer:

Mr Bingbing agreed to be interviewed as his flight was postponed. He wanted to express his gratitude to his fans for purchasing his new release and to clear up some public misunderstandings about him. He also wanted to discuss his future intentions.

Question 9

Sample answer:

From the speech, we can tell that the speaker is responsible, patient, helpful, friendly, self-conscious and capable of self-reflection.

[Candidates' responses should include textual references.]

Section II — Reading and Responding Part A

Question 10 (a)

Sample answer:

Wang Ming was impressed by the talent he saw in the children's performances at a school concert in the previous week. His conversation with his wife stirred up a lot of mixed feelings, which prompted him to write the letter.

Question 10 (b)

Sample answer:

Mr Wang's views are that children should broaden their interests and acquire as many skills as possible so that they can enjoy their lives in adulthood.



Question 10 (c)

Sample answer:

Mr Li demonstrates his contentment in life without all the acquired skills. He pities the children for not having time to enjoy their childhood. He uses many examples of activities the children are involved in to demonstrate how busy their life is and how useless all these acquired skills can be without real-life skills as well. He also uses a rhetorical question to provoke thought in the reader.

Question 11 (a)

Sample answer:

He was serious with his study and came first in every subject.

Question 11 (b)

Sample answer:

Zhang Shan's father came to the school to take Zhang Shan home because his business partner had taken all his money. Because of this, Zhang Shan's family moved away and he stopped attending the school.

Question 11 (c)

Sample answer:

Mark demonstrated his artistic talent when he was at school and is now a famous Australian artist. He is sociable. He has been a good friend of Zhang Shan since they were young and is a person who values friendship. However, he can be easily influenced by others.

Question 11 (d)

Sample answer:

When Mark lost interest in study, Zhang Shan encouraged him to keep on painting. He helped Mark to find a purpose in life and to redirect his energy into what he was talented at. Zhang Shan also helped Mark focus on his studies. As a result, he has become a famous artist in Australia.

Mark has been Zhang Shan's only friend at school and has brought a lot of laughter and happiness to Zhang Shan's school life. He has also inspired Zhang Shan to make friends with other people, which is a very important element in his profession as a specialist. Moreover, learning how to paint from Mark has become a way of relaxation in Zhang Shan's busy life.