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NEW SOUTH WALES

2011 Vietnamese Continuers HSC Examination 'Sample Answers'

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Section I – Listening and Responding

Part A

Question 1 (b)

Sample answer:

Mr Nguyen's room is in Building C; Room 23.

Question 1 (c)

Sample answer:

Enter the back gate, turn left and you will find the parking area.

Question 2

Sample answer:

The purposes of the announcement are:

- to inform the Vietnamese community about the Food Festival
- to encourage people to bring along others who are not familiar with Vietnamese food
- to encourage people to buy more food in order to raise more money for flood relief

Question 3

Sample answer:

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Question 4 (a)

Sample answer:

Young people should have the right to choose their partners.

Question 4 (b)

Answers could include:

Thu resembles her character in the following ways:

- same hairstyle, the way she dresses
- same circumstances
- same attitude towards the issue
- same good friendships

Question 5 (a)***Sample answer:***

Anh had to stay in Vietnam longer than she had planned.

Question 5 (b)***Sample answer:***

The Manager sacked Anh because the company has lost customers, so the staffing has to be reduced. In fact, he is jealous of Anh because Anh is smart and more popular than he is. He blames Anh for losing customers, even though he knows the global economic crisis is the real cause.

The Manager doesn't like Anh because she criticises his decision to reduce the number of working days. As Union Representative, Anh speaks up to protect workers' rights and interests; however, in such a situation, she is against the good strategy that could prevent workers from losing their jobs.

The Manager doesn't like the fact that Anh is working as his assistant so he speeds up the process of terminating her contract.

**Section I — Listening and Responding
Part B****Question 6*****Sample answer:***

Yen is giving up her singing career because she:

- realises that she hasn't been as successful as she had hoped
- has started a new job which suits her abilities
- knows that her husband doesn't like her being away

Question 7***Answer should include:***

The content of the speech includes:

- a self-introduction
- references to the conversation
- a secret about Lan
- thank you to the guests as well as to the parents for the food/music/hospitality

Section II – Reading and Responding

Part A

Question 8 (a)

Sample answer:

Thanh is a Vietnamese girl who came to Australia when she was in high school. She is now working as an accountant in Sydney.

Question 8 (b)

Sample answer:

In the second diary entry, Thanh thought of Sydney as a big and modern city. She thought that the people seemed busy and unfriendly.

Question 8 (c)

Sample answer:

She is writing the third diary entry because after she received a Christmas card from her guardian she reflects on the past when she struggled to adapt to the Australian lifestyle. She reflects on what happened at the Christmas party in her company when she realised that she can never be a 'real' Australian. She is confused because she is unsure about what community she belongs to.

Question 9 (a)

Sample answer:

Dr Ha is a professor who is teaching at a university in the School of Medicine. He is also an author of many books.

Question 9 (b)

Sample answer:

The main points of the speech are the benefits of cloning animals and plants. The speech mentions some available research that supports the idea of human cloning and also expresses Dr Ha's attitude towards the opposite points of view.

Question 9 (c)

Sample answer:

The writer of the article agrees with Professor Ha only when the cloning is applied to animals and plants. He does not agree when Professor Ha introduced cloning as a perfect method which can make perfect people. He uses techniques such as the use of statistics, sarcasm, metaphorical language to criticise Professor Ha's attitude regarding human cloning.