

## Tracked passages of syllabus to show amendments

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### Section II: Reading and responding

#### *Specifications*

Section II of the written examination has two parts. In Part A, students will respond to one or more prescribed texts. In Part B, students will exchange information in response to an unseen text. Questions in Part A will be phrased in Chinese and English, for responses in either Chinese or English. The question in Part B will be phrased in Chinese and English for response in Chinese.

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In the second task, students will be required to evaluate features of one or more of the prescribed texts. ~~Where the question refers to more than one text, the texts will be drawn from the same prescribed theme.~~

This task may include:

- a text or texts from the same theme as the first task, including the text from which the extract in the first task has been drawn
- a text or texts from another theme.

The question will require students to make reference to ~~the a~~ theme ~~from which the prescribed texts have been drawn~~ or one of the related contemporary issues.

Students will be given an indication of the length of responses required for each task.

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### Section III: Writing in Chinese

#### *Specifications*

Students will be required to write an original text in Chinese. There will be a choice of three tasks. Each task will relate to one of the prescribed contemporary issues. All tasks will specify a context, purpose and audience. The text type students will be required to produce will be drawn from those prescribed for productive use in the syllabus. The questions will be phrased in Chinese and English for a response in Chinese.

Students will be given an indication of the length of the response required.