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Student Number

**2002**  
**HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE**  
**EXAMINATION**

# Chinese Beginners

## Written Examination

### General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 2 hours
- Write using black or blue pen
- Write your Centre Number and Student Number at the top of this page and pages 9 and 11

### Total marks – 50

**Section I** Pages 2–6

#### 30 marks

- Attempt Questions 1–5
- Allow about 1 hour and 10 minutes for this section

**Section II** Pages 9–10

#### 10 marks

- Attempt Question 6
- Allow about 25 minutes for this section

**Section III** Page 11

#### 10 marks

- Attempt Question 7
- Allow about 25 minutes for this section

## Section I — Reading Skills

30 marks

Attempt Questions 1–5

Allow about 1 hour and 10 minutes for this section

Answer the questions in ENGLISH in the spaces provided.

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Marks

Question 1 (2 marks)

Read the text, then answer the questions that follow.

学校小卖部今天有新点心！  
要吃对身体好的东西吗？来吃我们新来的点心！  
有苹果味的也有西瓜味的。都很好吃！

(a) What is being advertised?

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(A) A new type of health snack

(B) Fresh fruit

(C) A new fruit drink

(D) The special of the day

(b) What choice is available to people buying the product advertised?

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**Question 2** (4 marks)

Read the text, then answer the questions that follow.

大伟：

我们今天来找你，但是你不在。我和陈大中要坐火车到市中心，然后，我们走路去中国城。你五点以后有空吗？要不要跟我们去看电影？请给我打个电话，好吗？

小张  
9月23日

(a) How are the two friends getting to the city? **1**

- (A) On foot
- (B) Via Chinatown
- (C) By train
- (D) By car

(b) How do we know that Chinatown is close to the city centre? **1**

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(c) Why did Xiao Zhang need to write David a note? **2**

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Question 3 (6 marks)

Read the text, then answer the questions that follow.

马克：

你好！你最近怎么样？我们的老师和同学都好吗？我在北京已经住了半年了。

现在是北京的冬天，有时会下雪、刮大风。天气好的时候，我和同学喜欢在外面滑冰。北京的冬天比悉尼的冬天冷多了。

快要上课了，下次再谈。请回信！

祝

好！

友 小王

2002年1月10日

滑冰 *ice-skating*

(a) What is the writer doing? 1

- (A) Studying in Sydney
- (B) Studying in Beijing
- (C) Holidaying in Sydney
- (D) Holidaying in Beijing

(b) How do Xiao Wang and Mark know each other? 2

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(c) What does Xiao Wang notice about the current season in Beijing? 3

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Question 4 (8 marks)

Read the announcement, then answer the questions that follow.

2008年的奥林匹克运动会在中国举行，大家都很高兴，因为北京是个有名的城市，有很多大家都想去玩的地方。中国是个大国家，运动很好，特别是游泳、跳水、乒乓球都是最好的。中国从来没有主办过奥林匹克运动会，但是，我相信2008年的奥运会，一定是成功的。

奥林匹克 *Olympic*

奥运会 *Olympic Games*

成功 *successful*

(a) How is Beijing described? 1

- (A) As a popular city
- (B) As a city famous for its athletes
- (C) As a famous city which is popular with tourists
- (D) As a big, clean city

(b) How did people generally react to the news of Beijing hosting the 2008 Olympics? 1

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(c) How does the announcer feel about the news? 2

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(d) According to the announcer, why is it appropriate that China host the Olympics? 4

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**Question 5** (10 marks)

Read the text, then answer the questions that follow.

2002年7月18日 晴

我们搬到布里斯班已经有三个星期了，今天才第一次上新学校。我很想我在悉尼的同学，但是我觉得这里的同学也不错，很友好的。老师也都很帮忙。我只是觉得校园没有我在悉尼的校园那么漂亮，因为看不到海。但是我的新学校旁边有一条河，风景也很美。我想我很快就会习惯这里。

帮忙 *helpful*

习惯 *get used to*

(a) How familiar is the diary writer with Brisbane and the school she is describing? **2**

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(b) What comparison does the diary writer make between the Brisbane school and the one she attended in Sydney? **3**

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(c) How does the diary writer feel about the recent changes in her life? **5**

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## Section II — Writing Skills

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10 marks

Attempt Question 6

Allow about 25 minutes for this section

Answer the question in the space provided.

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Marks

### Question 6 (10 marks)

Write a letter OR a dialogue OR a narrative in CHINESE on ONE of the following topics.

Answer in 80–100 words. You must use at least 50 Chinese characters, of which at least 40 must be different. You may use Pinyin, but you must NOT use Pinyin for characters that are on the prescribed list.

(a) Describe a recent trip to a friend in Beijing.

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OR

(b) Describe a new pet and your family's feelings about this animal to your teacher.

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Question 6 continues on page 10



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## Section III — Grammar

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10 marks

Attempt Question 7

Allow about 25 minutes for this section

Answer the questions in CHINESE CHARACTERS in the spaces provided.

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### Question 7 (10 marks)

Write Chinese sentences using each of the specified grammatical constructions.

(a) Use 比 to make a comparison. 2

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(b) Use 离 as a preposition. 2

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(c) Use 就 to express a sequence of events. 2

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(d) . . . 正在 . . . 2

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(e) 要是 . . . 就 . . . 2

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