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Afternoon (Time: 40 minutes and 5 minutes' reading)

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Chinese
(spoken Mandarin/spoken Cantonese)
PAPER 1: Listening and understanding in Chinese
Higher Tier

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- All questions are set in English.
- Answer **all** questions in English.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- You must **not** use a dictionary.

Information

- You have 5 minutes to read through the paper before the first extract starts.
- You may make notes during these 5 minutes.
- You will hear the extract twice. You may write at any time during the tests.
There will be a pause between each question.
- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Some questions must be answered with a cross ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

A nice place to go

- 1 While in China, you hear this radio feature encouraging people to travel within the country.

Complete the sentences by choosing a word or phrase from the box. There are words that you will not use.

autumn	train	cultural activities	staff
mattresses	hotel buildings	winter	restaurant
natural surroundings	air	hotel	outdoor sport

Example: The presenter is talking about a good hotel

- (a) Guests like to view the (1)
- (b) The presenter visited in (1)
- (c) The presenter's family were all impressed by the (1)
- (d) It is not easy to get there if you arrive by (1)
- (e) Many people come to take part in (1)

(Total for Question 1 = 5 marks)



School activities

- 2 Anna is talking to her Chinese homestay partner, Meiying, who is in the UK on a school exchange.

What do they say?

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

(4)

Example: At Anna's school there are very few students who...

☐	A take part in sporting activities.
☒	B go straight home at the end of the school day.
☐	C have been to China.
☐	D go home on public transport.

- (i) The situation at Meiying's school...

☐	A is unusual for China.
☐	B is similar to Anna's.
☐	C differs from day to day.
☐	D is totally different.

- (ii) Anna...

☐	A has a sport she would like the school to offer.
☐	B does not like any of the sports offered.
☐	C is happy that the school offers badminton.
☐	D thinks the school offers too many sports.

- (iii) At Anna's school...

☐	A few parents go to watch sports matches.
☐	B exam students do not take part in performances.
☐	C the sports teams often lose.
☐	D the students all support each other's efforts.

(iv) Talking to Anna has made Meiying feel...

☐	A envious.
☐	B anxious.
☐	C confident.
☐	D fortunate.

(Total for Question 2 = 4 marks)



Doing good

- 3 A Chinese teacher is telling his class about a friend, Xiao Ying, who works for an international charity.

What does he say about Xiao Ying?

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in each one of the **three** correct boxes.

(3)

☒	Example: The teacher first met Xiao Ying at university.
☐	A In her teens she decided to become a doctor.
☐	B She thought she would not be allowed to study medicine.
☐	C She works mainly away from big cities.
☐	D Many of her colleagues do not enjoy their work.
☐	E She has worked mainly in China.
☐	F She tells people how important basic hygiene is.
☐	G She enjoys teaching people to cook.

(Total for Question 3 = 3 marks)

My family

- 4 Your classmate is giving a presentation to the class about her family.

Choose from the following words to complete the sentences: **generous**, **lazy**, **unsociable** and **hard-working**. Each word can be used more than once.

Example: Her older sister is **hard-working**

(a) Her younger brother is (1)

(b) Her older brother is (1)

(c) Her grandmother is (1)

(d) Her father is (1)

(e) Her younger sister is (1)

(Total for Question 4 = 5 marks)



A once popular food

5 You hear this podcast about changes to eating habits in China.

What do the two speakers say?

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

(3)

Example: The female speaker no longer eats...

☐	A meat.
☐	B dumplings.
☒	C instant noodles.
☐	D sweet things.

(i) The first reason given for the fall in popularity is...

☐	A a rise in price.
☐	B concerns about the effect on health.
☐	C the growing popularity of western-style fast food.
☐	D more and more people not liking the taste.

(ii) The second reason is that...

☐	A some travellers have complained about the smell.
☐	B train stations usually have restaurants now.
☐	C long-distance journey times are shorter.
☐	D noodles have been banned on high-speed trains.

(iii) When talking about takeaway food, the female speaker mentions the...

☐	A rising cost of ingredients.
☐	B limited choices.
☐	C speed of delivery.
☐	D attitude of the staff.

(Total for Question 5 = 3 marks)



A new profession

- 6** While in China you hear this radio programme, one of a series about people working in new professions.

Listen to the report and answer the following questions **in English**.

(a) What is Li Mei's job?

(1)

(b) Why are people needed to do this job?

(1)

(c) Apart from a good income, what advantage does this job have for Li Mei?

(1)

(d) What is the problem with her being so busy?

(1)

(e) Why does Li Mei feel sorry for some of those in her care? Give **one** detail.

(1)

(Total for Question 6 = 5 marks)



Eating out

- 7** A group of four Chinese speakers, recently arrived in China, is being interviewed about their life there.

Listen to what they say and answer the following questions **in English**.

(a) What had they all just celebrated before coming to China? (1)

(b) What problem does Ma Tian have with restaurant menus? (1)

(c) Why does Luxi eat less than her friends when they go out together? (1)

(d) Why does Lili think that eating alone in a restaurant is wasteful? (1)

(e) What does Dawei's comment show about the restaurant he mentions? (1)

(Total for Question 7 = 5 marks)



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Environmental concerns

- 8 Anna and Ma Tian are exchanging opinions about environmental issues for a school podcast.

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

(6)

Example: The people Anna has heard talking about the environment are...

☐	A her friends.
☐	B politicians.
☒	C her teachers.
☐	D her siblings.

Part (a)

- (i) Ma Tian thinks that the school's attitude towards the environment...

☐	A is insincere.
☐	B is improving.
☐	C could not be bettered.
☐	D has recently worsened.

- (ii) Anna thinks that coffee shops that do not use recyclable cups should...

☐	A not be allowed to advertise.
☐	B not be allowed to serve takeaway drinks.
☐	C pay an extra environmental tax.
☐	D not be allowed to open for business.

- (iii) Ma Tian is concerned about the ... of some supermarket produce.

☐	A production methods
☐	B origin
☐	C waste
☐	D packaging



Part (b)

(i) Ma Tian also thinks, however, that the situation...

☐	A is not all bad.
☐	B will take a long time to change.
☐	C has been the same for a long time.
☐	D is totally hopeless.

(ii) Anna mentions...

☐	A plastic waste in oceans.
☐	B the extinction of species.
☐	C depletion of natural resources.
☐	D global warming.

(iii) Her feelings about the situation are...

☐	A difficult to judge.
☐	B very negative.
☐	C likely to change.
☐	D cautiously optimistic.

(Total for Question 8 = 6 marks)

On the move

- 9 You hear this news report made by a journalist interviewing passengers on a high-speed train linking Guangzhou to Hong Kong via Shenzhen.

Listen to the report and answer the following questions **in English**.

Part (a)

- (i) By how much has the journey time between Guangzhou and Hong Kong been shortened?

(1)

- (ii) What is the man's occupation?

(1)

- (iii) Why does he have so much pressure at work?

(1)

- (iv) What can he do at Hong Kong station that saves time when he reaches Shenzhen?

(1)

- (v) What example does he give to show that the journey is short?

(1)



Part (b)

The journalist goes on to talk to a female passenger, Miss Li.

(i) What is happening next month?

(1)

(ii) How does Miss Li describe herself?

(1)

(iii) Why is Miss Li travelling all the way to Hong Kong to go shopping?

(1)

(iv) What other reason does she give?

(1)

(v) How is the train convenient for business trips? Give **one** detail.

(1)

(Total for Question 9 = 10 marks)



Starting university

- 10** While in China, you hear the head of a university being interviewed about the advice given to first-year students.

Listen to the interview and put a cross ☒ in each of the **two** correct boxes for each question.

(4)

- (i) The head of the university...

☒	Example: firstly wishes the students success in their studies.
☐	A does not want to mislead the students.
☐	B is convinced that a degree is essential for future success.
☐	C thinks that a wrong decision should be recognised and acted upon quickly.
☐	D considers struggling with problems to be good preparation for life.
☐	E believes that the strongest friendships are made at university.

- (ii) She goes on to say that...

☐	A the university staff cannot help with financial problems.
☐	B she knows that most students encounter problems while at university.
☐	C the university staff are not available outside office hours.
☐	D few students graduate with a first-class degree.
☐	E she is concerned that students should not feel lonely.

(Total for Question 10 = 4 marks)

TOTAL FOR PAPER = 50 MARKS

