

Read Joseph's diary.

Text A

29 July, 2010

What a boring day! I was totally disappointed. I thought it would be fun. Even lessons at school are more exciting than the trip was. Can you believe that?

First of all, we didn't have any group activities. When we arrived, everyone just played in small groups. What a waste! We missed a wonderful opportunity for playing exciting games like campfire and hide-and-seek.

And I'm not at all interested in sports. That's why I didn't join my friends playing badminton. I just sat down alone, and watched them play. And I soon became the 'target' of the flies.

Worse still, it was a very hot day. The sun was shining so brightly that I kept sweating.

The worst thing of all was I forgot to bring my camera. I could not even walk around and take photos of the beautiful scenery.

Questions:

1. Did Joseph like the trip?
2. What did he want to do first?
3. What did he actually do on the trip?
4. What sport didn't he like to do with friends?
5. What were the two things he did on the trip?
6. What was the weather like?
7. What was the worse thing he met?
8. What was the worst thing he met?
9. What were the things he could not do?
10. Where would you like to go for a school trip?

Read Stephanie's Diary.

Text B

29 July, 2010

Fantastic! I enjoyed the trip very much. It's so much more interesting than the lessons at school.

Guess what I liked most about the trip? It was the fresh air! It was really refreshing. Now that the air pollution is so serious in the city, we can breathe fresh air only in the countryside.

Besides that, I enjoyed playing badminton with my friends. I thought there would be group activities on the trip. But it was great that there weren't any. I was just not very interested in group activities.

The sun was quite warm that day. So we decided to walk around and admire the spectacular scenery around us. Flowers were blooming everywhere. It was so amazing. We took some photos, too.

If I have the opportunity, I will certainly join this activity again next year.

Questions:

1. What did Stephanie like most about the trip?
2. Why did she like the fresh air?
3. What did She enjoy doing?
4. Are there any group activities on the trip?
5. Was she interested in group activities?
6. What was the weather like?
7. What did she do on the trip?
8. What did she see there?
9. Does she want to join this activity again?
10. Where would you like to go for a school trip?

Read Vivian's letter to William

Text C

Hi William,

I'm flying to London tonight to meet my best friend Rita. She's meeting me at the airport. We will first visit Buckingham Palace and then she will take me to the train station. Of course we're not taking a train at the station like Harry Potter. Actually, we're catching a train to Cambridge. We're going to visit Cambridge University. I guess we'll have a good time seeing their Geology Museum as both of us are fascinated by rocks. We're also going to tour Windsor Castle the next day. We haven't yet planned where to go after that. I'll send you a postcard to let you know our whereabouts later.

No matter where I go afterwards, I am sure to buy you some souvenirs. I know that you like drinking tea. Let me get you some English tea. Please go to my home and take care of my dog Bobby from time to time to make sure he is alright. I will be back no later than 25th July.

Bye for now. Take care!

Vivian

Questions

1. Where is Vivian flying to?
2. Who does she go with?
3. Where will she first visit?
4. Where else will she visit?
5. What will she send to William from London?
6. What will she buy for her friends?
7. Where is the drinking tea made?
8. What does she ask William to do for her?
9. When will she go home?
10. Do you think Vivian is nice to William? Why?

Text D

Dear Maria,

I have no classes today. I'm shopping along one of the busiest streets in this capital city. It's lunchtime and I'm enjoying soup in a noodle shop. I'm lucky because I've a table by the window. It's quite cold and windy in Beijing at this time of the year. It's raining outside, but I'm not worried – I have an umbrella with me. Everyone is in a hurry to get shelter. Buses, cars and bicycles are moving up and down the street quite slowly. Inside the shop, there are two women sitting and speaking Cantonese at the table behind me. They remind me of you.

I'm doing well at school and can now use simple Putonghua to give my order in restaurants. I'm having a great time here. Most of my lessons are in the morning and I usually work in the library in the afternoon.

I hope that you're well and happy. Are you busy preparing for the Chinese New Year? I really miss your mother-in-law's sweet rice cakes. Please write soon. I enjoy your letters with news from Hong Kong. Please give my regards to Tom and the kids.

Miss you,

Carmen

Questions:

1. Where is Carmen?
2. What is the weather like in Beijing?
3. Why isn't Carmen worried about the rain?
4. When does Carmen usually have school?
5. What does she do in the afternoon?
6. Who is sitting behind Carmen in the noodle shop?
7. What are they doing?
8. Can Carmen now speak Putonghua very well?
9. What is the Carmen's mother-in-law's thing she misses in Beijing?
10. Would you like to visit Beijing? Why?

Read Sam's description of his hobby.

Text E

My hobby is playing chess – the greatest game in the world. My mum taught me how to play when I was seven years old. She beat me every time for the first year. But then, on my eighth birthday, I won for the first time. I nearly always beat her now.

It takes about a day to learn the rules. But if you want to be good, you have to practice for years. You don't need much to play chess – just a chess set and someone to play with. Chess sets can be quite cheap, or incredibly expensive. Some people collect chess sets as a hobby, but I prefer to play.

There is a chess club in our school. We meet twice every week to play each other. I am the best player in the club, and the captain of the school chess team. This year we won All England Schools' Championship, and I had to go up on stage in front of the whole school to collect the trophy.

I'm saving up my money to buy a chess computer. They are very expensive, but also very good for practice. That way I'll always have someone to play with. One day I want to be the world chess.

Questions:

1. What is Sam's hobby?
2. Who taught him to play chess?
3. How old did he beat his mum for the first time?
4. How long does it take to learn the rules of playing chess?
5. What do you need to play chess?
6. Is there a chess club in Sam's school? How often do they meet to play each other?
7. What Championship did they win this year?
8. Is Sam the best player in the school chess team?
9. Does Sam have a chess computer?
10. What does Sam want to be in the future?

考生編號： _____

試卷編號： _____

成績： Class.....	教育暨青年局 以中文為教學語言的初中回歸教育自薦學生(初中三年級)特別總考試
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(全卷共 8 版)

A. Reading Comprehension (21%)

Around the Clock

Over the last few years, more and more Internet bars, cafes and fast food shops in Hong Kong have chosen to stay open around the clock. Just as in 24-hour convenience (便利) stores, you can have food and drinks there any time you like. They are good places not only for food lovers, but also for diligent students, video game players or even homeless people.



During examination periods, it is not hard to see groups of students burying their heads in piles of books and notes in fast food shops. They think the study environment (環境) in a fast food shop or a cafe is better than their home or a library. 'I like to study in a fast food shop with my classmates because it's not as strict as a library. We can't talk freely or eat in a library. But in a fast food shop, we can discuss our homework and have something to eat when we are hungry,' said Tom, a Secondary Five student.

In a very different frame of mind, fans of video games gather at 24-hour fast food shops to play video games. With their PSP or NDS in hand, they can make virtual (虛擬的) connections to other players and challenge each other. Some of them become friends and meet up almost every night at fast food shops. 'My son used to go to Internet cafes to play online games. Now, he goes to fast food shops to play PSP with others. Sometimes, he stays there overnight because it is free of charge, and he doesn't come home until seven o'clock in the morning!' a mother said angrily.

However, there is a less desirable (合意的) reason for staying overnight in fast food shops. In Hong Kong, and even in cities as prosperous (繁榮的) as those of Japan, 24-hour fast food shops have become shelters (栖身處) for homeless people. People can sleep there overnight even if they do not spend a single dollar in the shop. 24-hour fast food shops have become the paradise of homeless people.

With more and more 24-hour restaurants, the sleeping hours of some Hong Kong people must be getting shorter. Some people upset their biological (生理上的) clock and turn fast food shops into their second home. No matter how convenient 24-hour restaurants are, we really should look after our bodies better and lead a healthy and balanced life.

Answer the following questions using information from the article 'Around the Clock'.

Decide which of the following are **True** or **False**, or if the information is **Not Given** in the passage. Put a tick in **ONE** box only for each statement. (7.5% @1.5)

	True	False	Not Given
1. The environment in fast food shops is not very good.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Students like to study in fast food shops.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. More students prefer to study in fast food shops than in libraries.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Which of the following words has a meaning similar to ' diligent ' in line 4? A. hard-working B. clever C. smart D. lazy			<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Working around the clock means working _____ hours a day.			
6. Why do students like to study in fast food shops rather than in libraries? Give two reasons to support your answer. (2%)			
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7. Look at the word 'strict' in line 9. Then look at the dictionary entry for 'strict' below. Which meaning corresponds to the meaning in the passage? Write the correct number in the box provided. (1.5%)			<input type="checkbox"/>

strict *adj.* **1.** obeying the rules of a particular religion, belief, etc. exactly **2.** demanding that rules, especially rules about behaviour, should be obeyed **3.** very exact and clearly defined.

8. Why do some youngsters choose to stay in fast food shops, rather than Internet cafes? (2%)

Fill in the blanks with suitable words from the text. (6% @1.5)

9. Some youngsters like to _____ in 24-hour fast food shops while some like to play _____ games. Some of them even stay there _____. This is not _____. It is important for us to lead a balanced life.

10. Do you think it is good for youngsters to stay late to play video games at fast food shops? Why? (2%)

B. Vocabulary (25%)

B1. Complete the blank with one of the words given in the boxes below. Write the letters (A, B, C...) in the table below. (10% @1)

A. dairy products	B. Wind surfing	C. nervous	D. confident	E. Biology
F. Secretaries	G. practise	H. library	I. bakery	J. fish hooks and line

1. In our school, the ... is on the second floor. Many students like reading there.
2. ... is my favourite subject. I like studying all living things.
3. We like fishing and need ... for catching fish.
4. Milk, cheese and yoghurt are

5. ... go to meetings and take notes.
6. He looks ... and is a successful business man.
7. They look ... because they lost their key.
8. You can buy bread and cakes at a
9. My classmates need to ... basketball every Thursday after school.
10. ... is a kind of water sport.

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B2. Match and write the correct **numbers** in the brackets. (5% @1)

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| () Spain | 1. orchestra |
| () dentist | 2. German |
| () hair designers | 3. dental clinic |
| () director | 4. salon |
| () Germany | 5. Spanish |

B3. Choose the best answer and write the **letter** (A, B, C or D) in the table below.
(10% @1)

1. Kitty is my She is my brother's daughter.
A. cousin B. nephew C. niece D. granddaughter
2. We enjoy chatting and watching television in the ... room.
A. dining B. bed C. wash D. sitting
3. I love sport. My favorite hobby is ...
A. playing the piano B. rock-climbing C. watching TV D. listening to music
4. Put all your clean clothes in the, Peter.
A. bin B. wardrobe C. sofa D. cupboard
5. Jane eats a lot of chocolate and oily food, so she is
A. fat B. short C. slim D. tall
6. Susan is a ... working at a supermarket.
A. musician B. book-keeper C. housemaid D. cashier
7. We can buy some flowers at the

- A. grocer's B. butcher's C. chemist's D. florist's
8. Tom is very He always gets full marks in the tests.
A. intelligent B. popular C. unfriendly D. attractive
9. An ... designs houses and buildings.
A. mechanic B. secretary C. architect D. teacher
10. If you want to order food in restaurant, you need a ...
A. recipe B. order C. menu D. waiter

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C. Grammar (39%)

CI. Choose the best answer and write the letter (A, B, C or D) in the table below. (25% @1)

1. "Are there ... students in the classroom?"
A. any B. some C. much D. the
2. He bought ... old car yesterday. ... car is red.
A. a ...The B. an...The C. the ... An D. the...The
3. Peter doesn't have ... money now.
A. some B. any C. a D. an
4. Mary ... do her homework last night.
A. have to B. had to C. has to D. mustn't
5. You ... to call me if you are busy.
A. have to B. don't have to C. doesn't have to D. not have to
6. . " ... do you wash your hair?" "Three times a week."
A. How B. When C. How often D. How far
7. I'm a bit too fat. If I eat too much, I'll get....
A. fatter B. fat C. fattest D. fater
8. ... your raincoat. It is raining outside.
A. Take off B. Put up C. Put on D. Put down
9. I want to make a phone call and he gives me ... coins.
A. some B. a C. any D. an
10. There ... some water in the pot.
A. is B. are C. aren't D. weren't
11. There is a cow ...the tree.
A. in B. on C. under D. between
12. I always ... dressed before breakfast.
A. do B. put C. be D. get
13. Mrs. Chan always ... the shopping at the weekend.

- A. does B. did C. do D. doing
14. Today is ... cold. We can't go swimming.
A. too B. enough C. not D. to
15. I ... very good at swimming at primary school.
A. weren't B. am not C. wasn't D. do not
16. If I ... you, I would buy a new flat.
A. was B. am C. were D. do
17. Do you mind the window?
A. to open B. open C. to opening D. opening
18. Michael Jackson was singer in the world.
A. popular B. more popular C. most popular D. the most popular
19. If you ... the door, the robber would not have broken into your house.
A. had locked B. locked C. lock D. would lock
20. "I you if I have time tonight."
A. called B. call C. had called D. shall call
21. John is poor ... honest.
A. but B. because C. and D. or
22. My dog ran away last night. If I ... the door, my dog ... away.
A. had locked...wouldn't have run B. locked...wouldn't run
C. lock...doesn't run D. lock...won't run
23. ... quiet in the library.
A. To be B. Be C. Being D. Is
24. Water ice if the temperature ... below zero.
A. becomes...drops B. become...will drop C. would become...dropped D. become... has dropped
25. Hamburgers ...usually...with French fries.
A. are...made B. are...filled C. are...cooked D. are...served

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C2. Complete the blanks with the most suitable form of verbs given in brackets. Write your answers in the spaces provided. (14% @1)

1. May and Bill (be) my cousins. I(visit) them tomorrow.

2.your brother..... (finish) his homework yesterday?
3. Look! The bus (come) now.
4. My friend (send) me an e-mail every Sunday.
5. I (not see) my old classmate for ten years.
6. The students (study) in the library at the moment.
7. Jacky (be) twenty next week.
8. My father (buy) a new car two weeks ago.
9. Before the police (arrive), the robber had run away.
10. When Bob.....(sleep) yesterday afternoon, the door bell(ring).
11. She (buy) the most beautiful coat I have ever seen.
12. Tom (not watch) TV at 9:00 every night.

D. Writing (15%)

D1. Rearrange the words to form complete and meaningful sentences. (5% @1)

1. is / Portuguese / learn / to / not / easy / It / .

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2. has / cannot / a broken arm / because / Peter / play badminton / he / .

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3. My brother / but / careless / clever / is / .

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4. in / two / There / bedrooms / are / my flat / .

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5. got / long / Betty / black / has / hair / .

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D2. Complete the dialogues with the phrases given in the boxes. Write the letters (A, B, C, D, and E) in the table below. (5% @1)

A. mango pudding	B. Medium	C. Check the bill
D. A glass of red wine	E. Would you like to order	-----

Dining out

W: waiter

C: customer

W: Good evening, madam. Here is the menu. (1) now?

C: Yes, I'd like a T-bone steak with rice.

W: How do you like your steak?

C: (2), please.

W: Would you like anything to drink?

C: (3), please.

W: Would you like to have a dessert?

C: Yes, (4), please.

***** After the customer has finished his lunch *****

C: (5), please.

W: Thank you for \$320, Sir.

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D3. Complete the dialogue with the most suitable words. Write your answers in the table below. (5% @1)

At a Department Store

A: Shop Assistant

J: John

A: Good evening, sir. Can Iyou?

J: Yes, I'm looking for a shirt.

A: What do you prefer?

J: I prefer blue.

A: Just a, please. Here you are. This shirt is made of cotton.

J: I try it on?

A: Certainly.

J: OK, I take two. are they?

A: \$500, Sir.

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