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GCSE CHINESE (MANDARIN)

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Foundation Tier Paper 3 Reading

Monday 12 May 2025

Afternoon

Time allowed: 45 minutes

Materials

You will need no other materials.

Instructions

- You must **not** use a dictionary.
- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- You must answer **all** the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- In **Section A**, answer the questions in **English**.
In **Section B**, translate the passage into **English**.
- Do **all** rough work in this answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 60.

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Section A

Questions and answers in **English**Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

0 1

Family

Three teenagers tell you about their families' eating habits.

Which family member does each teenager mention?

Write the correct letter in the box.

Anne: 我和姐姐去吃中国饭。

Bella: 奶奶和我喜欢吃水果。

Dong: 我和弟弟常常吃面条。

A	grandfather
B	grandmother
C	older brother
D	older sister
E	younger brother
F	younger sister

0 1 . 1 Anne

[1 mark]

0 1 . 2 Bella

[1 mark]

0 1 . 3 Dong

[1 mark]

3



0 2

City life

Read the comments about life in the city.

Answer the questions in **English**.

陈龙 (Chen Long): 我喜欢去买东西。

刘强 (Liu Qiang): 我常常去公园踢足球。

王玫 (Wang Mei): 我爱去书店看书。

张兰 (Zhang Lan): 我星期六要去看爷爷。

0 2 . 1

What does Chen Long like to do?

[1 mark]

0 2 . 2

Where does Liu Qiang often go to play football?

[1 mark]

0 2 . 3

What does Wang Mei like to do?

[1 mark]

0 2 . 4

When is Zhang Lan going to visit her grandpa?

[1 mark]

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0 3

School studies

Two friends are describing their school timetables.

What time period does each mention?

What subject does each mention?

For each person, write the correct **letter** of the time period and the correct **number** of the subject in the boxes.

宝宝 (Baobao): 上个月, 我有三节电脑课。

海青 (Haiqing): 下个星期, 我有四节德文课。

Time period

A	last month
B	last week
C	next month
D	next week

Subject

1	Art
2	German
3	IT
4	Spanish

0 3

. 1

Baobao

Time period

Subject

[2 marks]

0 3

. 2

Haiqing

Time period

Subject

[2 marks]

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0 4

A birthday celebration

Read Zack's diary entry about his birthday.

Write **T** if the statement is **true**.**F** if the statement is **false**.**NT** if the statement is **not in the text**.

中国人过*生日的时候吃面条。我最喜欢吃鸡蛋面条。
去年，我和朋友在中国过了我的生日。那天，我们不但吃了面条，还用中文唱了生日歌。

Zack

Glossary:

*过：to celebrate

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. 1

Zack likes egg noodles.

[1 mark]

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. 2

Zack celebrated his birthday in China last year.

[1 mark]

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. 3

The noodles were cheap in China.

[1 mark]

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. 4

Zack and his friends sang a birthday song in English.

[1 mark]

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0 5

Voluntary work at Pets' Home animal shelter

Read the text about a student's experience working at an animal shelter called Pets' Home.

What are the **two** positive and **two** negative aspects about the student's voluntary work?

Answer in **English**.

我常常在宠物的家做义工。我觉得很好玩儿，每个人都喜欢我，但是每个星期日都很忙，没有时间吃午饭。

0 5 . 1

Positive aspects

1	2

[2 marks]

0 5 . 2

Negative aspects

1	2

[2 marks]

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Chinese story

Read the story 《回乡偶书》 *On Returning to My Native Village*, adapted from a poem.

Write **T** if the statement is **true**.

F if the statement is **false**.

NT if the statement is **not in the text**.

回乡偶书

贺知章*在农村出生。十八岁的时候，他去了城市。八十六岁的时候，他回到了农村。虽然他的口音*和小时候一样，但是他的头发不但都白了，而且又短又少。农村的孩子们友好地问他：“你从哪儿来？”

Glossary:

*贺知章： He Zhizhang – a Chinese poet

*口音： accent

0 6

. 1

He Zhizhang was born in the countryside.

[1 mark]

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. 2

He Zhizhang moved to the city when he was 16 years old.

[1 mark]

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. 3

He Zhizhang returned to the countryside when he was old.

[1 mark]

0 6

. 4

He Zhizhang's accent had changed over the years.

[1 mark]

0 6

. 5

He Zhizhang's hair had turned white.

[1 mark]



0 6 . 6 He Zhizhang met up with some relatives.

[1 mark]

0 6 . 7 The children asked where He Zhizhang came from.

[1 mark]

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0 7

School exchange

A UK student writes about the school he attended during an exchange trip to China.

What are the student's opinions about the school?

Write **P** for a **positive** opinion.

N for a **negative** opinion.

P + N for a **positive and negative** opinion.

我觉得中国的学校又新又好看。我们班有四十五个学生，太多了，我不喜欢！虽然中国学校的课比英国的难，但是很有意思。放学后，我爱看中国学生打篮球。

0 7 . 1

The school building

[1 mark]

0 7 . 2

The class size

[1 mark]

0 7 . 3

Lessons

[1 mark]

0 7 . 4

After-school activities

[1 mark]

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Mobile phone

Read this blog about mobile phone use in China.

Answer the questions in **English**.

在中国，手机很重要。很多中国人除了用手机听音乐，还用手机玩游戏、买书、看天气预报、找工作，非常有用。

According to the blog, what do Chinese people use their mobile phones for?

Give **four** details.

[4 marks]

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____

4



0 9

Emily's online friend

Emily writes about her online friend Dongdong (冬冬).

Read the text below.

Which **three** statements are correct?

Write the correct letters in the boxes.

我的网友叫冬冬。

她喜欢猫，但是不喜欢狗。

上个星期，她和妈妈去了美国，明年她想去台湾。

她会说法语，也喜欢看法国电影。

A	Dongdong is 15 years old.
B	She loves cats.
C	She has travelled to the USA.
D	This year she is going to Taiwan.
E	She cannot speak French.
F	She likes watching films.

[3 marks]

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1 0

Future career

Leon writes about his job ideas.

Read the text below.

Which **three** statements are correct?

Write the correct letters in the boxes.

在小学，我想做老师，因为我喜欢学校。

在中学，我喜欢美术，想做画家。

现在，我觉得科学很有意思，做医生也很好。我想去美国工作。

A	Leon has always wanted to be a chef.
B	He enjoyed his time at primary school.
C	In primary school he liked art.
D	Now he is interested in maths.
E	He thinks being a doctor is a good job.
F	He wants to work abroad.

[3 marks]

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1 1

Travel plans

Dawei and his friend received an email from a travel agent about their upcoming trip.

你好！ 我们八月九日从英国去香港，坐飞机要十二个小时，在香港五天后，再去日本*。在日本，我们不但会去海边，也会去山区。 再见！
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Glossary:

*日本：Japan

Write the correct letter in each box.

1 1 . 1

When does the trip depart?

A	9 August
B	12 August
C	8 September

[1 mark]

1 1 . 2

How long is the flight?

A	12 hours
B	13 hours
C	14 hours

[1 mark]



1 1 . 3 How long will they spend in Hong Kong?

A	five days
B	six days
C	seven days

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[1 mark]

1 1 . 4 Where will they go to in Japan?

A	the cities
B	the countryside
C	the seaside

☐

[1 mark]

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1 2

The man from Qi worries about the sky

Read the story 《杞人忧天》 *The Man from Qi Worries about the Sky*
adapted from a Chinese fable.

杞人忧天

很多很多年前，杞国*有一个男人，他常常坐在花园里想：“蓝天*会不会不见了*?” 他每天问他的朋友：“如果天没有了，我们去哪儿住?” 所以他吃不好饭，也睡不好觉。他聪明的朋友说：“请不要想太多。”

Glossary:

*杞国： the kingdom of Qi

*蓝天： blue sky

*不见了： disappear

Write the correct letter in each box.

1 2 . 1

Where did the man do his thinking?

A	at the seaside
B	in his garden
C	in his house

[1 mark]

1 2 . 2

What did he worry about?

A	how to earn money
B	what to eat
C	where to live

[1 mark]



1 **2** . **3** Because he was worried, he could not...

A	sleep.
B	study.
C	talk.

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[1 mark]

1 **2** . **4** His friend was...

A	clever.
B	good-looking.
C	thoughtful.

☐

[1 mark]

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1 3

Next Christmas

Three teenagers are talking on WeChat about their plans for Christmas.

Answer the questions in **English**.

王 (Wang): 圣诞节的时候常常下大雪，我们想去滑雪。

陈 (Chen): 我会去奶奶家吃午饭，因为她做的烤鸡比饭馆的好吃。

童 (Tong): 我的朋友们都穿圣诞毛衣，所以我也想有一件圣诞毛衣。

1 3

. 1

What would Wang like to do during Christmas?

[1 mark]

1 3

. 2

Why will Chen be going to Grandma's for Christmas lunch?

[1 mark]

1 3

. 3

What does Tong want for Christmas?

[1 mark]

3



Translation into **English**

Your best friend received a short message from her Chinese friend. She asked you to translate it into **English** for her.

Write in complete sentences.

我喜欢跑步，也喜欢游泳。昨天，我上了两节地理课，我觉得很累。明天是星期二，我想骑自行车去动物园。

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