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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.
- 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 new attraction

- 1 While in China, you hear this advert for a new sports venue.

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

hot springs	money	outdoors	Guangzhou
social media	a hotel	skiing	Shanghai
time	indoors	skating	the Olympics

Example: This advert is aimed at people who live in Shanghai.

- (a) People may have become interested in this sport because of
..... (1)
- (b) This sport is (1)
- (c) The facilities are (1)
- (d) Previously you needed a fair amount of to
reach somewhere you could do this sport. (1)
- (e) This new attraction also has (1)

(Total for Question 1 = 5 marks)



A Beijing taxi driver

2 Fatima is asking Li Shan about his mother's job as a taxi driver.

What does Li Shan say about his mother?

Listen to the recording and complete the sentences by putting a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

(4)

Example: Li Shan says his mother is always very ...

☐	A tired.
☐	B cheerful.
☒	C busy.
☐	D forgetful.

(i) Mrs Li gets up ...

☐	A at the same time as her son.
☐	B when her son leaves the house.
☐	C before her son.
☐	D when her son wakes her up.

(ii) For directions when driving, Mrs Li relies on ...

☐	A her knowledge of the city.
☐	B the taxi's satnav.
☐	C her mobile phone.
☐	D passengers' instructions.

(iii) For Mrs Li, the main advantage of the job is being able to ...

☐	A be her own boss.
☐	B train new taxi drivers.
☐	C talk to her foreign passengers.
☐	D show her city to passengers.



(iv) Mrs Li says that ...

☐	A being able to speak English has enabled her to keep her job.
☐	B she speaks English better than the other drivers.
☐	C it would be better to abolish the English test for taxi drivers.
☐	D being a taxi driver is easy.

(Total for Question 2 = 4 marks)

Helping the sick

- 3 One of your classmates is telling the class about Anna, an English nurse.

What does he say about Anna?

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

(3)

☒	Example: Anna is a friend of his mother.
☐	A She did her medical training in the UK.
☐	B She read about the illness online.
☐	C The cause of the illness was a mystery.
☐	D Communication with the local people was difficult.
☐	E She herself fell ill with the illness.
☐	F She regretted her willingness to help out.
☐	G She made some lasting international friendships.

(Total for Question 3 = 3 marks)

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Studying Chinese

- 4 Dayong has recorded this podcast about his friends' opinions of learning Chinese.

Choose from the following words to complete the sentences: **time-consuming**, **useful**, **interesting** and **stressful**. Each word can be used more than once.

Example: Dayong thinks learning Chinese must be **interesting**

(a) Mali thinks learning Chinese is (1)

(b) Weilian finds learning Chinese more than learning French. (1)

(c) Dawei thinks calligraphy is (1)

(d) Lili's father thinks learning Chinese is (1)

(e) Lili thinks learning Chinese is (1)

(Total for Question 4 = 5 marks)

Making a booking

5 While in China, you hear this travel podcast featuring two young business people.

What do they say?

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

(3)

Example: The topic of this podcast is booking a ...

☐	A flight.
☐	B restaurant.
☒	C hotel.
☐	D train.

(i) Xiaomei says that how she books hotels depends on ...

☐	A the purpose of the trip.
☐	B who she is travelling with.
☐	C the time of the year.
☐	D where she is going.

(ii) Songying likes hotels to ...

☐	A be near public transport.
☐	B have a courtesy bus to the station.
☐	C have an entertainment district nearby.
☐	D be in the city centre.

(iii) Xiaomei was dissatisfied with her hotel because ...

☐	A there was no desk in the room.
☐	B the wifi signal was poor.
☐	C the staff were unhelpful.
☐	D the bed was uncomfortable.

(Total for Question 5 = 3 marks)



Success in China

6 Mary runs a business in China and has come to talk to your Chinese class.

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

(a) What does Mary want to tell the students first?

(1)

(b) Why might the class have expected Mary to start learning Chinese earlier?

(1)

(c) What did Mary realise when she went back to China after graduating?

(1)

(d) What advice did friends give about the cakes if she were to open a cake shop?

(1)

(e) How did Mary know the first day had been successful? Give **one** detail.

(1)

(Total for Question 6 = 5 marks)

An interesting day out

- 7 A group of Chinese learners is talking about a day trip they made whilst on a school trip to Guangzhou.

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

(a) Why did they want to get out of Guangzhou for a day? Give **one** detail. (1)

(b) Apart from the park being far away, why did they have to set out early? (1)

(c) What do the park workers want the visitors to do? (1)

(d) What changed in China about 70 years ago? (1)

(e) What were the female park workers successful in achieving? (1)

(Total for Question 7 = 5 marks)



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Planning a trip

8 Dashan and Meiying are discussing plans for trips they hope to make from the UK.

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

(6)

Example: It is nearly ...

☐	A January.
☐	B April.
☒	C September.
☐	D November.

Part (a)

(i) Meiying ...

☐	A has seen Dashan recently.
☐	B is waiting for her exam results.
☐	C has been employed during the holiday.
☐	D feels university starts very soon.

(ii) On her trip, what is important for Meiying is ...

☐	A how warm the weather will be.
☐	B not spending too much.
☐	C having lots to see and do.
☐	D going to a particular destination.

(iii) While Meiying is away, she intends ...

☐	A to keep in contact through social media.
☐	B not to contact anyone.
☐	C to contact her family regularly.
☐	D to write letters to her closest friends.



Part (b)

(i) Dashan does not want to ...

☐	A travel a long distance.
☐	B travel with others.
☐	C visit many places.
☐	D decide the itinerary.

(ii) Matian likes to ...

☐	A get to know a place well.
☐	B spend time on his own.
☐	C visit several different countries.
☐	D totally relax.

(iii) Meiying thinks that ...

☐	A some plans are better than others.
☐	B not wasting the time they have is important.
☐	C she might change her plans.
☐	D they should consider if travelling is a good use of time.

(Total for Question 8 = 6 marks)

Childhood dreams

- 9 Your teacher has recorded an interview with two former students from your school, asking about their past and present selves.

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

Part (a)

- (i) What do we know about the position of the new classroom compared to the old one?

(1)

- (ii) What did Luxi want to be when younger?

(1)

- (iii) What **two** reasons does Luxi give for wanting to change her job?

(2)

- (iv) What was Luxi like when younger?

(1)



Part (b)

(i) What did Weilian want to be as a young child?

(1)

(ii) What put him off this idea?

(1)

(iii) What kind of productions did Weilian like to take part in at school?

(1)

(iv) What can people who read his newspaper column find out?

(1)

(v) What do Luxi and Weilian want to do next?

(1)

(Total for Question 9 = 10 marks)

Helping Huayan

10 You hear this podcast about a young woman called Huayan.

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

(4)

(i) Huayan ...

☒	Example: no longer lives in the Chinese countryside.
☐	A sacrificed her own health for her brother.
☐	B saw her brother make a full recovery.
☐	C and her brother relied on their neighbours.
☐	D was forced to ask a charity for food.
☐	E and her brother are orphans.

(ii) After Huayan had fallen ill ...

☐	A lots of people came to see her in hospital.
☐	B she began to think her situation was hopeless.
☐	C she managed to raise the money for her stay in hospital.
☐	D strangers brought food for her and her brother.
☐	E her brother suggested she try crowdfunding.

(Total for Question 10 = 4 marks)

TOTAL FOR PAPER = 50 MARKS

