2009 Mandarin (Simplified)

Intermediate 2 – Listening

Finalised Marking Instructions

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Questions/Acceptable answers		Unacceptable answers	Irrelevant/Insufficient
You are staying with a Chinese family in Beijing.			
1. Chen Guang tells you about his life in Beijing.			
(a) What does he say about the traffic?	**1 point**		
• busy / lots of traffic / heavy / more and more cars on the road			• any wrong specific • getting worse • very difficult
(b) Why are factories moving to the countryside? Tick (✓) the correct box.	**1 point**		
• Better transport links ☐			
• Air pollution ☑			
• City centre expensive ☐			
(c) What are the opening times of shops? Complete the sentence.	**1 point**		
• <u>10:00 pm / 22:00 / 10 at night</u>			

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(d)	**(i)** Where can you see snack bars in Beijing? Tick (✓) the correct box.	**1 point**		
	• Beside the road ☑			
	• Outside theatres ☐			
	• In the underground ☐			
	(ii) What does he often do there? Tick (✓) the correct box.	**1 point**		
	• Has breakfast ☑			
	• Has lunch ☐			
	• Has a drink ☐			
(e)	Why does he like Beijing? Tick (✓) the **two** correct boxes.	**2 points**		
	• He can buy a lot of things in the shops ☐			
	• He has many friends there ☑			
	• There are many interesting places ☑			
	• It's a good place for young people ☐			

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2. Zhang Yan, a classmate, talks about her trip to Shandong.			
(a) How did she organise her trip to Shandong? Tick (✓) the correct box.	**1 point**		
• Her parents organised it ☐			
• Travel agent ☐			
• She went on the Internet ☑			
(b) Why did she choose to do it this way?	**1 point**		
• Save money / economise / (very) cheap			
(c) **(i)** Why did the group decide not to have dinner in the hotel? Complete the sentence.	**1 point**		
• To try(all kinds of) <u>local</u> food			Eat at local restaurant
(ii) What problem did they have? Complete the sentence.	**1 point**		
• Which restaurant to choose			

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(d) What activity did Zhang Yan do while she was in Shandong? Tick (✓) the correct box.	**1 point**		
• Climbed mountain ☑			
• Visited the market ☐			
• Went to art gallery ☐			
(e) **(i)** Where does she plan to go on holiday next year? Complete the sentence.	**1 point**		
• A coastal city / seaside / beside the sea / ocean			
(ii) Why does she want to go there?	**1 point**		
• She likes to swim (in the sea)			

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3. Liu Kun, another classmate, talks about his holiday job.			
(a) Where has he started working?	**1 point**		
• International (car / bus) company			
(b) What does he think about his colleagues' attitude to work?	**1 point**		
• Work very hard / often give up holidays for work / keen / (very) committed			
(c) What difficulty does he have?	**1 point**		
• Colleagues speak too fast / he doesn't understand / doesn't know what they are talking about / communication difficulties			Doesn't understand English
(d) What shows that his colleagues are helpful to him?	**1 point**		
• They often give him suggestions / advice / assistance			

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(e)	Why does he want to improve his English skills?	**2 points**		
	• He hopes to travel (abroad) one day			
	• He also hopes to get a <u>better</u> job			

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