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## Mandarin (Simplified) Reading

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Total marks — 30

Attempt ALL questions.

Write your answers clearly, in English, in the spaces provided in this booklet.

You may use a Chinese dictionary.

Additional space for answers is provided at the end of this booklet. If you use this space you must clearly identify the question number you are attempting.

Use blue or black ink.

There is a separate question and answer booklet for Writing. You must complete your answer for Writing in the question and answer booklet for Writing.

Before leaving the examination room you must give both booklets to the Invigilator; if you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.





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#### Text 1

Ruikai talks about wanting to become a pilot.

我将来想做飞行员, 因为我从小就喜欢旅 行。

做飞行员有很多好处: 你可以认识很多人, 也可以去很多有趣的地方, 而且比在办公室 工作更好。



我父母支持我做飞行员, 但是他们说这份工 作的坏处是压力很大, 时间也太长。

去年寒假我在北京国际机场实习过。每天去上班很方便, 因为我们家 离机场不远。虽然我没有工资,但是他们给我提供免费的午餐。每天 早上我要在大门口欢迎旅客, 下午我要帮旅客拿行李。我的同事都很 热情、幽默、外向, 可是老板很凶, 容易生气。

#### Word list

飞行员 pilot

实习 do work experience

#### Questions

(a) Why does Ruikai want to become a pilot? Tick (✓) the correct box.

	Tick (✓)
She has always loved flying	
Since primary school she has liked science	
She has enjoyed travelling since she was small	

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## Text 1 questions (continued)

(b)	According to Ruikai,	what are the advantages	of becoming a pilot?	Tick (✓) the
	two correct boxes.			

	Tick (✓)
The holidays are quite long	
You can meet lots of people	
It is better than working in an office	
You can earn lots of money	

(c)	What do Ruikai's parents think are the disadvantages of this job? State <b>two</b> things.

(d) Ruikai talks about doing work experience. Why was it convenient for her? 1

(e) What were her duties? Complete the grid below.

Time of day	Duty
Morning	
Afternoon	

(f)	What does Ruikai say about the people she worked with? State any <b>two</b> things.	2

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# **Text 2**Xiao Ma writes about a trip to China to see her grandparents.

去年我和家人一起去了中国河 南省看我爷爷奶奶。他们家在 农村,那里附近有山,风景很 漂亮。

他们的房子只有一个卧室,所以我们住在旅馆。他们家也有一个小花园,我奶奶喜欢种蔬菜,比如土豆、番茄等等。虽



然我爷爷很老,但是他每天早上带我去公园打羽毛球。我发现中国很多老年人早上会去公园散步、跳舞。每天晚上我爸爸都会帮助奶奶做饭,我觉得他们做的饭真好吃!

在爷爷奶奶家的最后一天, 我们一家人在花园里吃了一顿特别的午餐。我们坐出租车去火车站的时候, 奶奶哭了, 爷爷也很难过。

去中国看爷爷奶奶对我很重要,因为这是我第一次去他们家。虽 然我爸爸是中国人,但是我们在家很少说中文,这次去中国对我 很有用,因为也是一个练习中文口语的好机会。

#### Word list

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#### Questions

(a)	What does Xiao Ma tell you about where her grandparents live? Tick (✓) the
	two correct boxes.

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	Tick (✓)
The air is very good	
It is only half an hour from the coast	
There are mountains nearby	
The scenery is beautiful	

(b) Xiao Ma writes about her grandparents' house. Are the following statements True or False? Tick (✓) the correct boxes.

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	True	False
They have a small balcony		
Her grandmother grows vegetables in the garden		

(c) What were some of the activities the family did? Complete the grid.

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People	Activities
Xiao Ma and grandfather	
	did the cooking

(d) Xiao Ma writes about the end of the trip. Are the following statements True or False? Tick  $(\checkmark)$  the correct boxes.

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	True	False
They had a special meal in the garden		
Her grandparents saw them off at the airport		

(e) Why was it important to Xiao Ma to go to China to see her grandparents? State one thing.

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(f) Why did Xiao Ma find the trip useful? State **one** thing.

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#### Text 3

Lu Xi talks about holidaying in Lü Dao, Taiwan.

绿岛是个旅游的好地方。上个月,我和家人去那儿度假,我们住在一个五星级的大酒店。这个酒店又新又漂亮,离海滩很近。我每天在酒店的花园里吃早餐。 酒店提供中式和西式的早餐。 我比较喜欢吃新鲜的水果、喝牛奶,有时候我也吃煎蛋。



因为中午太热了, 所以我经常在

酒店大厅里喝冰咖啡。下午妈妈在游泳池边晒太阳,我和弟弟一起去海边骑马,轻轻的海风让人觉得非常舒服。在绿岛度假,我们都很开心,因为每个人都能享受自己的爱好。

绿岛是一个环保的地方,这里没有汽车。大多数的人都骑自行车,因此这里的空气特别新鲜。

#### Word list

绿岛 Lü Dao name of an island in Taiwan

享受 enjoy

#### Questions

(a) When did Lu Xi go on holiday?

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(b) What does she say about the hotel? State any two things.

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## Text 3 questions (continued)

(c)	She t	talks about the hotel breakfast.	
	(i)	Where did she have breakfast?	1
	(ii)	What did she have? State any two things.	2
(d)	Why	does she mention the hotel lobby?	1
(e)	What	t did the family do in the afternoon? State any <b>two</b> things.	2
(f)	Wha	t makes the island environmentally friendly? State <b>one</b> thing.	1

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