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**X745/75/01**

**Mandarin (Simplified)  
Listening**

MONDAY, 2 JUNE

11:20 AM – 11:45 AM (approx)



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**Total marks — 20**

Attempt ALL questions.

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

You will hear two items in Mandarin. **Before you hear each item, you will have one minute to study the questions.** You will hear each item three times, with an interval of one minute between playings. You will then have time to answer the questions before hearing the next item.

You may take notes as you are listening to the Mandarin, but only in this booklet.

You may NOT use a Chinese dictionary.

You are not allowed to leave the examination room until the end of the test.

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Item 1

You are listening to a radio programme which is a special report on the pressures which young children are under.

- (a) Why are primary school children so tired nowadays? Are the following statements **True** or **False**? Tick (✓) the correct boxes. 3

	True	False
They have to start school very early in the morning.		
They have too many books to carry.		
They go to bed too late.		

- (b) Parents talk about what a normal school day is like for their children. Complete the following sentences. 2

After school, the students have to attend

\_\_\_\_\_ and in the evenings, they need

to \_\_\_\_\_ .

- (c) What do children have to do at the weekend? Tick (✓) the correct statement. 1

Housework	
Attend a special interest class	
Participate in sporting activities	

- (d) Experts give some good advice to parents and children. What is this advice? Complete the following sentence. 2

Primary school children need more time to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Total marks 8**



Item 2

Lili's mother and Daming's father are chatting on the phone about a performance which Lili has taken part in.

- (a) Where did the performance take place? 1

\_\_\_\_\_

- (b) Lili's mother is talking about her daughter's dance performance.  
 (i) How long has Lili been preparing for the performance? 1

\_\_\_\_\_

- (ii) What does Lili's mother say about her daughter's attitude to dancing when she started learning? State **two** things. 2

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- (c) Lili's attitude to her dancing has changed. What benefits does she now get from it? State **two** things. 2

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- (d) According to Daming's father, what is his son interested in? State **two** things. 2

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- (e) Why does Daming object to learning another language? Tick (✓) the correct box. 1

He doesn't have enough time.	
He doesn't think he is good at languages.	
None of his friends have chosen another language.	

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Item 2 (continued)

- (f) Both parents talk about the benefits of learning another language. State any two.

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- (g) Lili's mother and Daming's father are discussing their children. What do you think the parents are like? Tick (✓) the correct box.

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The parents are very ambitious for their children.	
They worry too much about their health.	
The parents are very relaxed about their children's future.	

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**Instructions to reader(s):**

For each item, read the English **once**, then read the Mandarin **three times**, with an interval of 1 minute between the three readings. On completion of the third reading, pause for the length of time indicated in brackets after the item, to allow the candidates to write their answers.

Where special arrangements have been agreed in advance to allow the reading of the material, those sections marked **(f)** should be read by a female speaker and those marked **(m)** by a male; those sections marked **(t)** should be read by the teacher.

**(t) Item number one.**

You are listening to a radio programme which is a special report on the pressures which young children are under.

**You now have one minute to study the questions for Item number one.**

- (m/f)** 现在的小学生太累了。他们早上很早就要去上学。他们的书本太多。有的孩子不得不拉着小旅行箱去上学。家长们也提到孩子白天在学校上课，下课后参加补习班，晚上回家后还需要做两个小时的作业。每个周末，这些孩子们要参加各种各样的兴趣班。专家建议：小学生需要有更多的时间做自己想做的事情；他们也需要有更多的时间交朋友。

*(2 minutes)*

(t) **Item number two.**

Lili's mother and Daming's father are chatting on the phone about a performance which Lili has taken part in.

**You now have one minute to study the questions for Item number two.**

(m) 今天在中心大剧院的艺术表演精彩极了！你们家丽丽的舞跳得太棒了！

(f) 谢谢。她为了今天的表演，整整练习了两个半月。

(m) 她是从什么时候开始学跳舞的？

(f) 她从四岁就开始学，那时候她不喜欢，每次都不想去。可是现在不一样了。她明白了跳舞对身体好，而且通过跳舞，她可以交很多朋友。

(m) 我也想让我家的大明学些有用的课外知识。

(f) 他有什么爱好呢？

(m) 他一直对电脑和汽车设计感兴趣，可是我想让他再学一门外语。他总说自己没有足够的时间，所以不想学。

(f) 多学一门外语不但可以提高交流能力，还更容易考上好大学。

(m) 我还听说懂外语的人更容易找工作，而且工资也高。

*(2 minutes)*

(t) **End of test.**

**Now look over your answers.**

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**Total marks — 50**

**SECTION 1 — READING — 30 marks**

Read all THREE texts and attempt ALL questions.

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

**SECTION 2 — WRITING — 20 marks**

Write your answer clearly, in **Chinese (Simplified)**, in the space provided on *Pages nine and ten* of this booklet.

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SECTION 1 — READING — 30 marks

Text 1

The following passage is about a popular television series in China, *At Home with the Kids*. Read the passage and then answer the following questions.

《家有儿女》是一部在中国播放了很久，共有三百六十七集的电视喜剧片。它讲述了一个重新组合家庭的故事。

在这个特殊的家庭里，爸爸是一名少儿杂志编辑，妈妈是一名高级护士。他们有三个可爱但又十分淘气的孩子。一家人住在一个热闹的居民区的公寓里。



在这个五口之家，争执是难免的，因为他们有不同的性格和生活习惯。但是有困难的时候，他们还是能互相帮助。这部喜剧语言幽默，多年来一直受到很多家长们的欢迎。

播放 to broadcast/to show/to put on

讲述 talk about

特殊 special

争执 dispute/conflict/argument

难免 inevitable

互相 each other

幽默 humorous

Questions

- (a) The programme has been running for a long time. Complete the following sentence. 2

“At Home with the Kids” has a total of \_\_\_\_\_ episodes

and it is a \_\_\_\_\_ .



Text 1 Questions (continued)

- (b) What does the text say about the family? Tick (✓) the **three** correct statements. 3

The father is a magazine editor.	
The father is an architect.	
The mother is a senior nurse.	
The mother is an architect.	
They live in an apartment in a busy residential area.	
They live in a detached villa outside of the city centre.	

- (c) The third paragraph describes relationships between the different members of the family. Fill in the gaps in the sentences below. 3

In this family of five sometimes conflict is inevitable due to

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. However,

when \_\_\_\_\_, they support each other.

- (d) Are the following statements **True** or **False**? Tick (✓) the correct boxes. 2

	True	False
The programme is popular with young people.		
The programme is popular with parents.		

Total marks 10

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## Text 2

Lucy went on work experience last year. She wrote an article about it for her Chinese class.

为了帮助学生更好地了解社会，提高工作能力，我们学校每年都组织学生参加社会实践。我的梦想是当一名儿童作家，为了更好地了解现在的孩子的想法，去年十月我决定去一所小学做社会实践。

上课以前我帮老师做准备工作。放学以后我还在课后兴趣班上帮忙。在这个星期我学到了很多。我认为当小学老师不但要有热情，而且要有耐心。我也觉得老师的工作十分辛苦，因为他们的工作时间太长了，甚至有时候周末也要工作。可是我也觉得小学老师是一个很重要的工作，因为他们可以教小学生做一个有用的人。

组织	to organise; organisation
社会实践	work experience
梦想	ambition; dream
决定	to decide; decision
耐心	patience

## Questions

- (a) Why does Lucy's school organise work experience for the students?  
Tick (✓) the two correct boxes.

2

To help them to understand society better.	
To improve their social skills.	
To improve their employability skills.	
To give them independence.	





Text 2 Questions (continued)

- (b) Lucy decided to do her work experience in a primary school. What does she say? Complete the sentence.

2

My ambition is to become a \_\_\_\_\_, and in order to help me gain a better understanding of \_\_\_\_\_, I decided to work in a primary school.

- (c) What did Lucy do during her work experience? Tick (✓) the **two** correct boxes.

2

She helped the teacher with the lesson preparation.	
She taught some lessons.	
She supervised in the playground.	
She helped out at the after school club.	

- (d) She talks about the job of the teacher. Are the following statements **True** or **False**? Tick (✓) the correct boxes.

3

	True	False
Teachers' working hours are too long.		
You need to be enthusiastic to be a teacher.		
A teacher is very well paid.		

- (e) Complete the following sentence.

1

A teacher's job is important, because they can help students to become \_\_\_\_\_.

Total marks 10

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## Text 3

Simon tells you about his trip to Beijing on his blog.

去年暑假我和家人一起去了中国的首都北京。在北京，我们住在离地铁站很近的一家酒店里。酒店看起来很传统，里面挂了很多中国画。

我去了一家茶馆，品尝了绿茶和花茶。我发现中国人喝茶不加牛奶也不加糖，我觉得中国茶比英国茶更健康。第二天早上，我去公园散步。我不敢相信公园里已经来了这么多的人，而且不同年龄的人都在公园里锻炼身体。我还注意到北京的路虽然非常宽，但是交通缓慢，因为城里有车的人越来越多了。



我觉得这次旅行很难忘，因为通过这次旅行我了解了中国人的生活和文化。

- 挂      to hang  
品尝    to taste  
注意    notice  
难忘    unforgettable

## Questions

- (a) When did Simon go to Beijing? 1

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- (b) What does he say about the hotel? State any **two** details. 2

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Text 3 Questions (continued)

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- (c) Simon tried Chinese tea. What comments does he make about it? State **two** details.

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- (d) What facts surprised Simon about the people in the park? State **two** details.

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- (e) Complete the following sentence.

2

The streets in Beijing are extremely wide, but \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
because \_\_\_\_\_ in the city.

- (f) He describes his visit as an unforgettable experience. Why?

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Total marks 10

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SECTION 2 — WRITING — 20 marks

You are preparing an application for the job advertised below and you write an e-mail in **Chinese (Simplified)** to the company.

格拉斯哥中文学校招聘中文志愿者

学历要求：高中毕业  
 职位要求：具备良好的中英文表达能力；  
 热爱教育事业，工作积极主动；  
 帮助老师做好教学的相关工作

联系人： 陈校长  
 邮箱： mandarin@googlemail.com.

To help you to write your e-mail, you have been given the following checklist.  
 You must include **all** of these points:

- Personal details (name, age, where you live)
- School/college/education experience until now
- Skills/interests you have which make you right for the job
- Related work experience
- Any work-related qualifications
- Previous contact with China/Chinese speaking country.

Use all of the above to help you write the e-mail in **Chinese (Simplified)**, which should be 150–200 characters. You may use a Chinese dictionary.

ANSWER SPACE FOR SECTION 2




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ANSWER SPACE FOR SECTION 2 (continued)


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