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NATIONAL  
QUALIFICATIONS 2015

MONDAY, 1 JUNE  
9.00 AM – 11.10 AM

MANDARIN  
(TRADITIONAL)  
HIGHER  
Reading and Directed Writing

45 marks are allocated to this paper. The value attached to each question is shown after each question.

You may use a Chinese dictionary.



## SECTION I—READING

Read the whole article carefully, and then answer **in English** the questions which follow it. In the article, two people give their points of view on whether everyone should go to university.

### 你真的需要上大學嗎？

**王明：你不需要上大學！**

如果你想做網絡的工作或者是一個商人，我認為你並不需要上大學。

我經常告訴我的朋友，如果五年前我就知道我現在想做什麼，我就不會去上大學了。但是那個時候我並不知道自己想要什麼，所以去上大學是一個不錯的選擇，因為大家都上大學！

我在大學的時候，學的是國際經濟學。畢業以後，我得到的是商業學位，有了這個學位，我很容易找到工作。可是，前年我開始做網絡工作，結果我大概只用了在大學裏學到的百分之五的東西。

有很多人認為應該上大學，因為大學裏學的東西，是中學裏學不到的，所以大家應該上大學。可是我認為，在大學學不到工作時候的“經驗”。因為我做的是網絡工作，所以我覺得工作經驗比大學裏學的東西更有用。如果我把讀大學四年的時間都花在網絡工作上，我將學到更多的東西。

另外，每個人的學習方法都不一樣，上大學不一定適合每個人。不過，我認為，如果你想在醫學界工作，或者想在國外工作，你就應該上大學，在那裏學習你需要的東西。其次，不上大學，不是說你不必學習了。我認為如果不上大學，自己學習會比較難。因為你必須獨立學習，沒有人告訴你應該做什麼，也很容易分心。

**李雲：每個人都應該上大學！**

有很多上大學的人，並不喜歡上學。他們覺得上學很無聊，也不知道畢業以後要做什麼。如果你怕大學畢業找不到工作，那麼沒上大學，找工作更難。

有些人認為不但每個人都應該上大學，而且大學應該是免費的。大學是一個從少年到成年人的重要時期。這四年裏，可能是你第一次離家獨立生活，跟新朋友一起逃課，跟室友吵架。我認為大學就是一個小社會，為你將來進入社會做準備。

## QUESTIONS

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1. Wang Ming expresses the view that you don't have to go to university if you just want to go into business or to work on-line. (lines 1–8)
  - (a) What does he often tell his friends? 2
  - (b) What were his reasons for going to university? 2
2. (a) What subject did he specialise in at university? 1  
(b) Why did he think that this was a good degree to have? 1  
(c) What did he realise when he started working on-line two years ago? 1
3. Many people think everyone should go to university. (lines 9–12)
  - (a) Why do they think going to university is a good idea? 1
  - (b) According to Wang Ming, what does a university education **not** provide? 1
  - (c) How does Wang Ming think that he could have spent his time better? 1
4. University is not a suitable option for everyone. (lines 13–17)
  - (a) Why does Wang Ming think that university is not a suitable option for everyone? 1
  - (b) However, for what two groups does Wang Ming think university study is the best preparation? 2
  - (c) Why does he suggest that it is harder for people to study if they do not go to university? Mention **three** things. 3
5. Li Yun expresses her thoughts on university education. (lines 18–24)
  - (a) What does she believe about the provision of university education? 1
  - (b) What social aspects of university life does she highlight? 3

(20)
6. Translate into English:  
有很多上大學的人，……找工作更難。(lines 19–20) 10  

(30)

[Turn over for SECTION II on *Page four*

## SECTION II—DIRECTED WRITING

*Marks*

Last month your school played host for a week to a group of Chinese teachers and pupils visiting Scotland. You had the opportunity to accompany them during the week.

You have been asked to write a report about their visit **in Chinese (Traditional)** for the school magazine.

**You must include** the following information and **you should try to add** other relevant details:

- how many teachers and pupils there were in the group
- what your school did to welcome them
- what activities the school organised for the group
- what you did to help the group
- what the Chinese pupils thought of your school
- why you think the experience was useful for you

**Your report should be 180–250 characters in length.**

**Marks will be deducted for any area of information that is omitted.**

**(15)**

[END OF QUESTION PAPER]

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**Word List**

逃課                      to play truant/miss class

*[END OF WORD LIST]*

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MANDARIN (TRADITIONAL)  
HIGHER  
Listening/Writing

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1.00 PM – 2.20 PM



**Fill in these boxes and read what is printed below.**

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**Do not open this paper until told to do so.**

Answer Section A in English and Section B in Chinese (Traditional).

**Section A**

Listen carefully to the recording with a view to answering, **in English**, the questions printed in this answer book. Write your answers **clearly and legibly** in the spaces provided after each question.

**You will have 2 minutes to study the questions before hearing the dialogue for the first time.**

The dialogue will be played **twice**, with an interval of 2 minutes between the two playings.

You may make notes at any time but only in this answer book. **Score out any notes before you hand in the book.**

Move on to Section B when you have completed Section A: you will **not** be told when to do this.

**Section B**

**Do not** write your response in this book: **use the booklet provided.**

You will be told to insert the booklet inside this book before handing in your work.

You may consult a Chinese dictionary at any time during **both** sections.

Before leaving the examination room you must give this book to the Invigilator. If you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.

Use **blue** or **black** ink.



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**Section A**

Xiao Gang, a reporter from a school radio station interviews Wang Ping about television.

1. (a) What is the first comment Wang Ping makes when asked if he likes television?

1

(b) Why does he feel this way?

2

2. (a) When does he watch television?

1

(b) How much television does he watch?

1



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3. (a) What does Wang Ping say about the role of television in people's lives today?

1

(b) Why does he think this?

2

4. (a) Why does Wang Ping think people watch television so much?

2

(b) Why do many people choose to watch television on-line?

2

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5. What does Wang Ping like to watch?

2

6. (a) According to Wang Ping, why do people like watching talent competitions?

2

(b) Why does he not like this kind of programme?

1

7. How does he think television could be improved?

3

(20)



**Section B**

王平談到了關於電視的話題。你是怎麼看待這個問題的？電視是你生活中很重要的一部分嗎？寫150-180個漢字，說說你的觀點。

*Wang Ping talks about television. What do you think about television? Does it play an important part in your life? State your opinions in 150-180 Chinese characters.*

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**USE THE BOOKLET PROVIDED FOR YOUR ANSWER TO  
SECTION B**

[END OF QUESTION PAPER]



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**This paper must not be seen by any candidate.**

The material overleaf is provided for use in an emergency only (eg the recording or equipment proving faulty) or where permission has been given in advance by SQA for the material to be read to candidates with additional support needs. The material must be read exactly as printed.



## Mandarin (Traditional) Transcript—Higher

### Instructions to reader(s):

The dialogue below should be read in approximately 5 minutes. On completion of the first reading, pause for two minutes, then read the dialogue a second time.

**Candidates have two minutes to study the questions before the transcript is read.**

*Xiao Gang, a reporter from a school radio station interviews Wang Ping about television.*

王平，你好，我想問問你關於電視的話題。你喜歡看電視嗎？

我喜歡啊，但是現在沒有以前那麼喜歡看電視了。現在的電視節目沒有以前那麼有意思，太多廣告，很多娛樂節目比較無聊。

你都在什麼時候看電視？

我通常晚飯後看電視，有時候吃飯的時候看些新聞節目，平均每天看2個小時。我週末也看電視，比平常看得多。

現在電視在人們的生活中是不是無法缺少的東西？

的確，電視對人們的日常生活有很大的影響力，這十幾年來，電視機的數量越來越多，有的人一家有好幾台電視機。

你認為人們現在是不是看太多的電視？

很多人下班回家很累，就只是在電視機前看電視，而且現在網絡很方便，很多人選擇看網絡電視，因為這樣不用買電視機，也可以看到最新的電視節目。

你平常都看什麼樣的電視節目？

我比較喜歡看新聞，因為我可以知道發生在世界各地的重大事件。我也看自然文化片，科技片，等等。

你認為現在大多數人最喜歡看什麼樣的電視節目？

我覺得很多人現在喜歡看娛樂選秀節目，觀眾投票選出他們喜歡的選手。比如，超級女生，快樂男生。

你喜歡看這類選秀的節目嗎？

不是很喜歡，現在這種類型的節目太多了，沒意思。

那你覺得電視節目應該如何提高品質？

我認為不應該有太多一樣類型的節目，而且品質越來越差，還有很多電視劇不適合孩子們看，有的又很無聊。當然，太多的電視廣告也是影響節目品質的一個原因，有時候電視廣告比節目時間還長。應該鼓勵多一些文化教育類的節目。

[END OF TRANSCRIPT]