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Attempt ALL questions.

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

You may use a Chinese dictionary.

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Text 1

You read an article about becoming a nurse.

護士培訓

最近，越來越多的人想做護士。今年有六千個人申請參加護士培訓班。二十五歲的申請者比去年多。

工作時間

一般，護士每天工作十三個半小時。當然，護士也要在晚上工作。

能力

做護士你要有不同的能力。首先，你必須是大學畢業生，要有耐心。另外，你要喜歡幫助人，要有一個積極的態度，也要有很好的應變能力。最後，你要會用電腦。

王明(Wang Ming)的經驗

我很喜歡我的工作，因為每天都不同，一點兒都不無聊。我每天很早起床起，早上七點就上班。我有的時候覺得很累，但是也覺得很快樂，滿足，也很有成就感。



Word list

培訓	training
申請者	applicant
能力	ability; capability
經驗	experience



Questions

- (a) The article discusses nurse training. Are the following statements **True** or **False**? Tick (✓) the correct boxes.

2

	True	False
This year 6000 people applied to train as a nurse.		
There are fewer applicants than last year.		

- (b) Which group of people applied in greater numbers this year? Complete the sentence.

1

_____ have applied in greater numbers this year.

- (c) What do you learn about the working hours of nurses? Tick (✓) the **two** correct statements.

2

	Tick (✓)
Nurses generally work 13.5 hours per day.	
Nurses have to work at night.	
There is a meal break of 30 minutes.	
They often have to work overtime.	

- (d) What does the article say about the skills nurses need? Complete the sentence.

1

Nurses need to be university graduates and have _____.

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Text 1 questions (continued)

- (e) The article goes on to talk about the qualities nurses should have. What are they? State any **two** things.

2

- (f) What reason does Wang Ming give for liking his work? State **two** things.

2



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Text 2

You read an article in which Zhao Mei talks about her school.

我叫趙梅，今年六十三歲。我是校長，不是秘書。我早上六點十分就開始工作。我每天都很忙，因為我想要讓學校里的每個學生都有機會好好學習和成長。

我的學校在山區。學校里只有女學生，沒有男學生。這是一所寄宿學校。在中國，雖然教育非常重要，但是還是非常不平等，因為不能去學校讀書的農村孩子比城市的多。

我想要學校里的每一個女學生將來都有自己的工作，做獨立的人。因為在家做家務不只是女生的工作。雖然我有很大的壓力，但是我不累，因為我相信教育，“一個孩子，一名教師，一本書和一支筆”，可以改變整個世界。這樣我們就有一個更公平的社會。

Word list

趙梅 Zhao Mei, name of a person

Questions

(a) What does Zhao Mei tell you about herself? Tick (✓) the correct statement.

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Zhao Mei is:

	Tick (✓)
a janitor.	
a secretary.	
a school principal.	

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Text 2 questions (continued)

(b) She talks about her daily routine.

(i) What time does she start work each day?

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(ii) Why is she very busy at work? State any **one** thing.

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(c) Zhao Mei gives you more information about her school. What does she say? State any **two** things.

2

(d) She points out issues with education in China. What are they? Complete the sentence.

2

It is unequal because more children from _____

cannot go to school compared to those from _____.

(e) What does she want the students to be doing in the future? Tick (✓) the **two** correct statements.

2

	Tick (✓)
To have their own jobs.	
To become independent people.	
To be happy and useful people.	
To help other students.	

(f) Zhao Mei says she is stressed, but not tired. What does she believe can change the world? State any **one** thing.

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Text 3

Lili talks about her visit to Beijing.

今年春天，我的父母帶我去中國的首都北京遊玩兒了一個星期。坐了四個小時的旅遊車，我們都很累。所以到北京以後，我們先在酒店裡休息，然後上網買了故宮的門票。

第二天早飯以後，我們就帶着一瓶水，照相機和錢包出去玩。我們坐地鐵去了市中心。在地鐵站對面，我看見天安門廣場和故宮。我和爸爸媽媽先去了故宮，因為我們沒去過，而且那時參觀故宮的遊客很少。

故宮非常大，有差不多一千個房間。我最喜歡的房間是皇帝的書房：有一張非常大的桌子，牆上有一幅山水畫，還有傳統的傢具。我認為旅行是最好的學習方式之一。

Word list

故宮	Forbidden City
天安門廣場	Tian'anmen Square
皇帝	emperor

Questions

- (a) What does Lili say about her trip to Beijing? Complete the sentence. 2

This _____, my parents took me to visit Beijing, the capital of China, for _____ holiday.

- (b) Apart from having a rest, what else did they do after arriving at their hotel? 1

- (c) Lili talks about the second day of their trip.

- (i) What items did they take with them when leaving the hotel the following morning? State any **two** things. 2



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Text 3 questions (continued)

(ii) What transport did they use to go into the city?

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(iii) Why did they go to the Forbidden City first? State any **one** thing.

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(d) Lili talks about the Forbidden City.

(i) How many rooms were there?

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(ii) What was her favourite room?

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(iii) What was in that room? State any **one** thing.

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