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**Mandarin (Simplified)
Directed Writing**

WEDNESDAY, 27 MAY

9:00 AM – 11:40 AM



Fill in these boxes and read what is printed below.

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Choose ONE scenario on *page 02* and write your answer clearly, in **Chinese (Simplified)**, in the space provided in this booklet. You must clearly identify the scenario number you are attempting.

You may use a Chinese dictionary.

Additional space for answers is provided at the end of this booklet.

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

There is a separate answer booklet for Reading. You must complete your answers for Reading in the answer booklet for Reading.

Do not remove any exam materials. You must leave this Directed Writing question and answer booklet and your Reading answer booklet on your desk; if you do not, you could lose all the marks for this paper.



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Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Society

Last year, you took part in a school trip to the West of China where you stayed with a local host family. You have been asked to write an article, in **Chinese (Simplified)**, about your experience for the school/college magazine.

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

- how you travelled **and** what you thought about the journey
- what your host family's flat was like
- what you liked/disliked about the area
- how you helped the family around the house
- what you did to improve your language skills
- whether you would consider working in another country in the future.

You should write approximately 180–240 characters.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Culture

Recently you visited China. You were invited to get together with some Chinese friends. You have been asked to write about your experience, in **Chinese (Simplified)**, for your school/college website.

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

- where you and your friends met **and** why they organised this
- how you got on with the new people you met
- what you thought of the food you tried
- what else you did during your stay in China
- what you thought of the places you visited
- if you would like to travel to China again.

You should write approximately 180–240 characters.



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