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1 Listening

- Announcements
- Talk

sample

Exam Skill: Understanding connection between ideas

To find the relationship (e.g. cause and effect) between one thing in the question and another thing in the text

As easy as 1-2-3

1

Find out the keywords in the question (e.g. why, because).

2

Look for the connectives in the text (e.g. because, but).

3

Understand the relationship in different situations (e.g. cause and effect).

A. (🔊 L01)

Write your answers (A, B, C or D) in the ☐ below.

Joe is listening to some announcements at his school. Listen carefully and answer Questions 1-4. You have 24 seconds to study the questions. You may start now. (8 marks @2 marks)

1. Why will the fashion design class be held again this year?

- A. Students love buying new clothes.
- B. Students want to learn to be fashion designers.
- C. Students could design some new clothes last year.
- D. Students had a lot of fun last year.

What does Miss Wong say after announcing this news?

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2. In the Home Economics Club's summer activity this year, students can _____.

- A. make a cushion in a short time
- B. make a cushion with only two colours
- C. use different materials brought from home
- D. get two pieces of cloth for free

☐

3. In the creative writing class, students will _____.

- A. write stories based on different ideas
- B. learn from a video about how to write stories
- C. learn how to write articles for a magazine
- D. invite a writer to teach them how to write

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4. How can students join the summer activities?

- A. Tell Miss Wong
- B. Ask Mr Pang
- C. Fill in an application form at the general office
- D. Write their names and classes on the poster

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B. (🎧 L02)

Write your answers (A, B, C or D) in the ☐ below.

Andy Cheung is giving a talk at Joe's school about his job. Listen carefully and answer Questions 1-5. You have 30 seconds to study the questions. You may start now.
(10 marks @2 marks)

1. Why did Andy become an actor?
 - A. He enjoyed films.
 - B. His parents asked him to become an actor.
 - C. He wanted to earn a lot of money.
 - D. He wanted to be a famous film star.

2. Andy enjoys acting because he _____.
 - A. can spend time with other young people
 - B. can work in films about lonely people like he used to be
 - C. can play the roles of different people
 - D. likes the admiration of young people

3. What does Andy do to relax when he gets tired?
 - A. Read
 - B. Jog
 - C. Sing
 - D. Watch TV

4. Why is Andy proud of his young fans?
 - A. They act very well.
 - B. They do something good for society.
 - C. They set up a fan club three years ago.
 - D. They are film lovers.

5. Which of the following is **TRUE** about Andy?
 - A. He is old.
 - B. He has never met his parents.
 - C. He studied in Joe's school before.
 - D. He does dramas for old people many times a year.

What did Andy love to do when he was small?

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What does Andy care about the most?

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Daisy is reading the contents page of a magazine. Read it carefully and choose the best answers for Questions 1-5. (10 marks @2 marks)

The Kids

8th Issue
7 April 20XX

Page 2**Feature Article: Healthy Food, Healthy Life**

- ◇ Do you want to grow stronger? Eating healthy food can help you with that. For example, fish and jellyfish contain a lot of protein and can help build body muscles. Want to know more? Read and find out more tips on having a healthy diet.

Page 6**DIY Market**

- ◇ A closer look at the annual DIY market to be held in Lai Chi Kok next Saturday.
- ◇ There will be more than 50 booths selling hand-made coin bags, accessories, soap and wallets. We have coupons for you on some special items (see page 9).

Page 10**Comics around the World**

- ◇ This article tells you about the history of comics around the world. It will also teach you how to draw simple animal figures.

Page 14**Ask Dr Yuen** **NEW**

- ◇ Do you have problems with your friends, family, study or school life? Write to us. Dr Yuen's team will give you helpful advice.

Page 15**Fun with Paper**

- ◇ Show you ways to make an origami plane that can stay in the air for a long time. Get some colour paper, follow the steps and you will have a great paper plane!

Page 17**Know Your Future**

- ◇ What will happen in the coming days? We may give you some ideas here based on the horoscope prediction.

Page 18**Reader's Wall**

- ◇ Write letters to us! Share your thoughts and feelings with our readers.

Next week's feature article: History of Maths Games

Word bank

feature (n.) – a characteristic or a special quality

booth (n.) – a partially enclosed area selling something

origami (n.) – the Japanese art of folding paper into shapes that look like certain objects

Exam Skill: Interpreting data from graphs

To find out useful information from a graph for answering a certain question

As easy as 1-2-3

1

Find the two tallest bars or biggest proportions in the chart. They are the two most popular areas of interest.

2

Reread the passage to locate the sections about the popular areas of interest.

3

Put the two most popular sections in the blanks.

Preparatory Level

- According to the feature article 'Healthy Food, Healthy Life', _____ is rich in protein.

A. water

B. fish

C. jelly

D. sugar

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- Daisy wants to learn how to make a good paper plane. Which pages should she read in this issue?

A. Pages 2–5

B. Pages 6–9

C. Pages 10–13

D. Pages 15–16

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- When will the next issue of *The Kids* be published?

A. 7 April

B. 14 April

C. 28 April

D. 7 May

☐
- The section 'Ask Dr Yuen' _____.

A. has been published in *The Kids* since last month

B. helps readers with their problems

C. is written by Dr Yuen only

D. is about medical knowledge

☐
- Study the following chart and decide which might be the two most popular sections of *The Kids* among primary school students. Write the letter (A–G) in each blank.

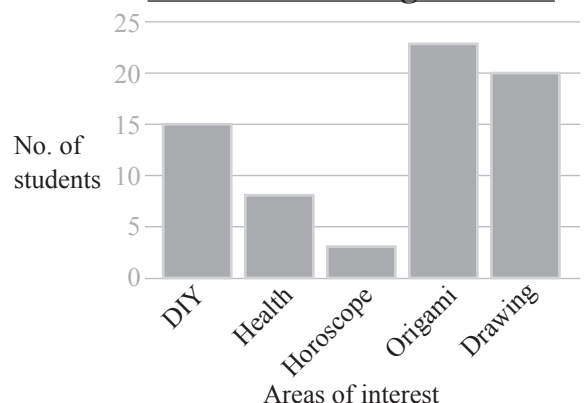
Sections of *The Kids*

- Feature Article: Healthy Food, Healthy Life
- DIY Market
- Comics around the World
- Ask Dr Yuen
- Fun with Paper
- Know Your Future
- Reader's Wall

In which paragraphs can you find the same keywords?

- The most popular section: _____
- The second most popular section: _____

Survey on Primary School Students' Reading Interests





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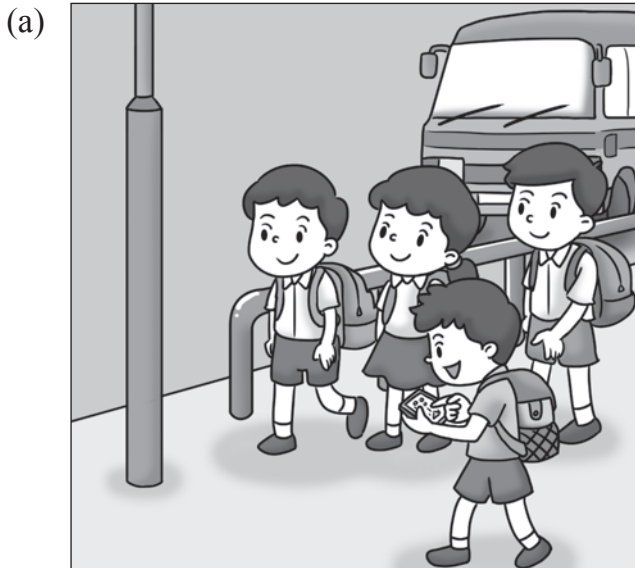
Writing

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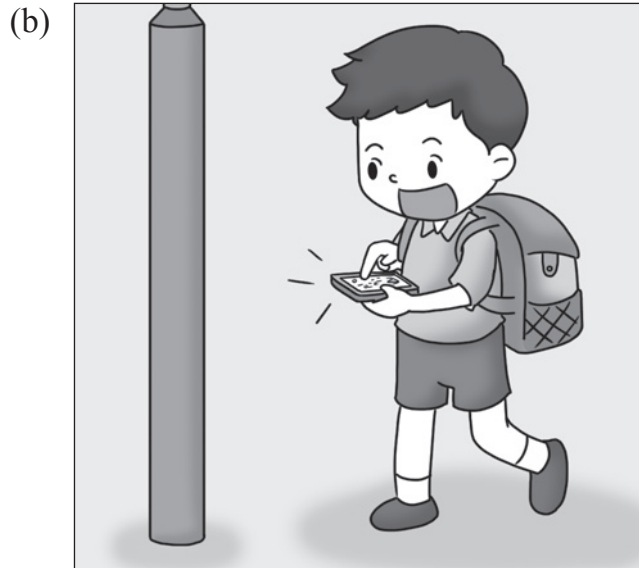
• Journal entry

You are Kenny. You love playing games on your mobile phone and something happened yesterday. Based on the pictures below, write a journal entry about what happened. Write at least 80 words. (30 marks)

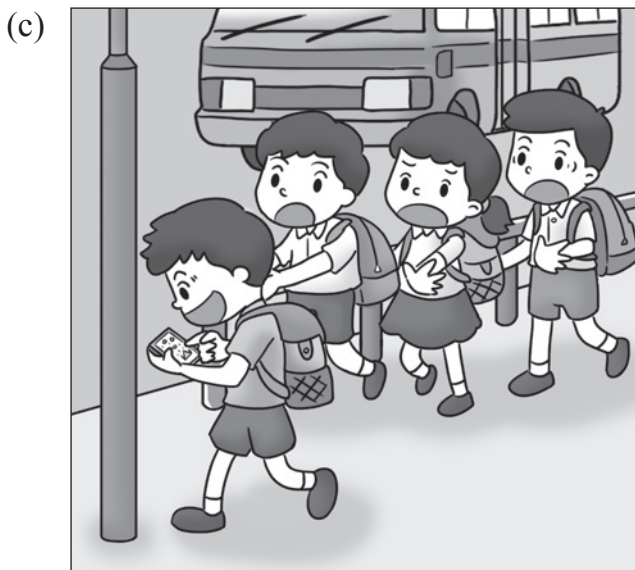
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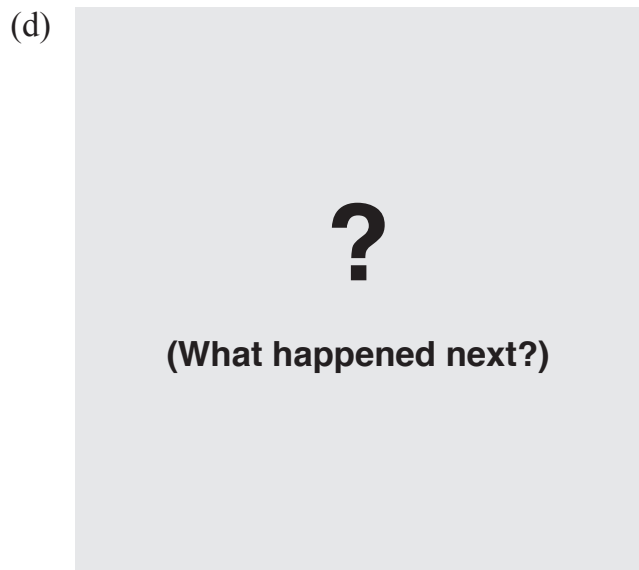
line up / school bus



mobile phone / fun



towards / lamp post / shout



(What happened next?)

Try to write about the lesson that you have learned from this incident.

More Vocabulary

accident	avoid	bump into	danger
download	enjoyable	focus	remind

Don't lose marks!
Remember to include an ending in your writing.

Date : _____

Marks : _____/30

Preparatory Level

12 Sep 20XX

Sunny 

This morning I was going to take the school bus to school as usual.

Marks

C	
L	
O	
Total	

Hong Kong Attainment Test (Pre-Secondary 1)

English

Mock Paper 1

Instructions:

1. There are eight pages in this question booklet.
2. The test has Sections A to C.
3. Use a blue or black pen in this test.
4. On the cover of the answer booklet, write your Name, Class and Class Number.
5. Write all your answers in the spaces provided in the answer booklet.
6. For multiple choice questions, choose only ONE answer for each question. Write your answers (**A, B, C or D**) in the boxes in the answer booklet. Two or more answers will score NO MARKS.

Assessment Scope	Marks	Time
Listening	32	15 minutes
Reading	38	35 minutes
Writing	30	
Total	100	50 minutes

Section A Listening

(32 marks)

There are three parts in this section. In Part 1, you will hear a talk. In Part 2 and Part 3, you will hear a conversation. **Write all your answers in the spaces provided in the answer booklet.** For each part, you will have 30 seconds to study the questions in the answer booklet. The CD will be played only **ONCE**.

Section B Reading

(38 marks)

(B-1)

(12 marks)

Sally is reading the contents page of a magazine. Read it carefully and choose the best answers for Questions 17-22.

Tech and Fun

15th issue
15 June 20XX

Page 2 Cover Story: Virtual Reality

- Do you know what VR (Virtual Reality) is? It is a new trend in the filming industry. Users wear VR glasses to have the most realistic sensations as if they were interacting in a real scene. Read and find out the latest news about this technology.

Page 6 Computers Ground

- Take a closer look at the annual computer festival to be held in America on 30 July.
- This week we introduce the latest tablet, the fastest laptop and the most powerful processor. We have cash coupons for you on selected items (see page 7).

Page 9 Time for Gaming

- Monthly update on world gaming news
- The latest mobile phone games to give you a great time

Page 14 Readers' Corner

- Show your talents with your camera. Share your best photos with our readers.

Page 16 FunTube Video Highlights

- Read this section and learn about the latest fun video on FunTube over the last month from around the world.

Page 18 Ask Uncle Tom

- Do you have technical problems? Whether they are about smartphones, tablets, cameras, computer hardware or software ... write to us. Uncle Tom's team is right here to help and will give you good advice.

Watch out for our next month's cover story: **Tokyo Game Festival 20XX**

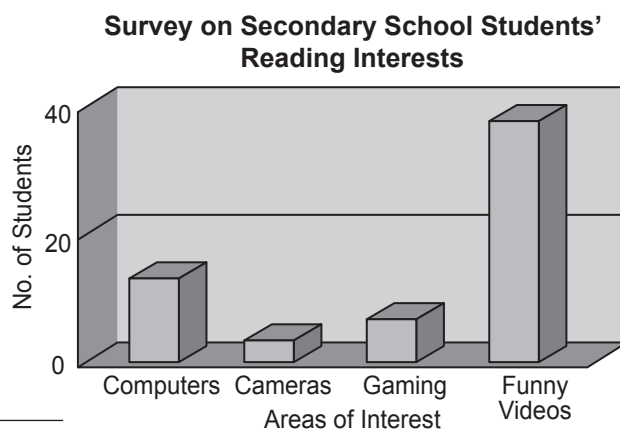
17. From the section 'Cover Story: Virtual Reality', Sally will learn that users wear VR glasses _____.
- to be trendy
 - to make a film
 - to have a realistic experience
 - to interact with other people in a real scene
18. Sally wants to find some funny videos on the Internet. Which pages should she read in this issue?
- Pages 6-8
 - Pages 9-13
 - Pages 14-15
 - Pages 16-17
19. The section 'Ask Uncle Tom' _____.
- is written by Uncle Tom only
 - helps readers with their problems
 - is about the life of Uncle Tom
 - is a new section in *Tech and Fun*
20. When will the next issue of *Tech and Fun* be published?
- 13 June
 - 15 June
 - 6 July
 - 15 July
21. Which is **TRUE** about this issue of *Tech and Fun*?
- Readers share their photos.
 - It is mainly about news in Hong Kong.
 - Readers can get an entry ticket to the annual computer festival.
 - There is a section about smart-watches.

22. Study the following chart and decide which might be the most popular section and the second most popular section of *Tech and Fun* among secondary school students. Write the correct letter (A-F) in each blank in the answer booklet.

Sections of *Tech and Fun*

- Cover Story: Virtual Reality
- Computers Ground
- Time for Gaming
- Readers' Corner
- FunTube Video Highlights
- Ask Uncle Tom

- The most popular section: _____
- The second most popular section: _____



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Cracking HKAT (Pre-S1)

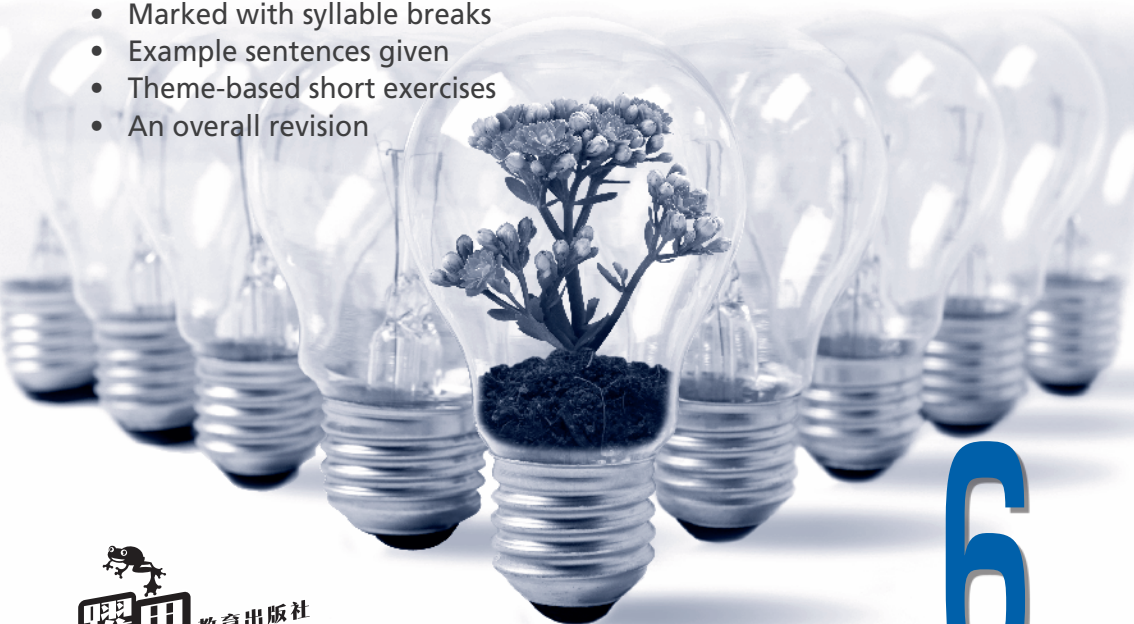
JUMPSTART

English 2 in 1

(Intensive Practice + Mock Papers)

Vocabulary Booster

- Arranged in themes
- Marked with syllable breaks
- Example sentences given
- Theme-based short exercises
- An overall revision



Learning by theme

1. Arts and cultures

Vocabulary	Reference
1. bi.og.ra.phy (n.): writing of a person's life <i>e.g. Tom has learned a lot by reading the new <u>biography</u> of Abraham Lincoln.</i>	Mock Paper 3
2. com.e.dy (n.): stories or writings of jokes or funny plots <i>e.g. When Sally is sad, she likes to watch <u>comedy</u> to make herself happy.</i>	Mock Paper 3
3. com.po.ser (n.): someone who writes music <i>e.g. Beethoven was a famous German <u>composer</u>.</i>	Listening 6
4. de.sign.er (n.): someone who creates the outlook of clothes, products, etc. <i>e.g. Many famous fashion <u>designers</u> are from Europe.</i>	Listening 1
5. dec.o.ra.tion (n.): an addition that makes something more attractive <i>e.g. The Christmas <u>decorations</u> on the buildings are stunning.</i>	Writing 23
6. fea.ture (n.): the important part of something <i>e.g. This story has a lot of note-worthy <u>features</u>.</i>	Reading 10
7. ma.te.ri.al (n.): a substance you can use to make things <i>e.g. This board is made of very hard <u>material</u>.</i>	Listening 1
8. mu.se.um (n.): a place where you can see artistic or historical objects <i>e.g. Tommy likes to look at the ancient artifacts at the <u>museum</u>.</i>	Listening 5
9. mys.ter.y (n.): something strange or unknown <i>e.g. The origin of this disease remains a <u>mystery</u>.</i>	Mock Paper 2

Vocabulary	Reference
<p>10. o.ri.ga.mi (n.): the art of folding papers into special shapes <i>e.g. This book about <u>origami</u> teaches readers how to make animal figures with just a piece of paper.</i></p>	Mock Paper 2
<p>11. pub.lish (v.): to prepare and issue something for public distribution <i>e.g. The writer has not <u>published</u> anything for a long time.</i></p>	Reading 10
<p>12. trag.e.dy (n.): writing of a sad story or event <i>e.g. This <u>tragedy</u> is about a man who has lost his family.</i></p>	Mock Paper 3
<p>13. well made (adj. phr.): made to a good standard <i>e.g. This <u>well made</u> sculpture is expensive.</i></p>	Listening 4

Try it out

Fill in the blanks with the words you have just learned. You may need to change the form of the words.

- (1) This _____ is really amusing. It makes me laugh a lot.
- (2) _____ are usually artistic and creative people who like drawing.
- (3) This _____ is about a little boy who lost his parents.
- (4) Daisy loves sea animals a lot. She wants to _____ a book about dolphins some day.

Learning by parts of speech

1. Adjective

1. adorable	可愛
2. amused	感到愉快
3. challenging	困難的
4. classy	有格調
5. current	現今/最新
6. efficient	有效率
7. electrical	電動
8. electronic	電子的
9. energetic	有活力
10. frightening	可怕
11. magnificent	精彩
12. messy	混亂
13. medical	醫療的
14. passive	被動
15. punctual	準時
16. optimistic	樂觀
17. obese	肥胖/過重
18. remote	遙遠
19. sticky	黏乎乎
20. successful	成功的
21. sufficient	充足

2. Adjective phrase

1. well made	製作精良
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3. Adverb

1. properly	正確地/ 正當地
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4. Noun

1. appearance	外表
2. biography	傳記
3. booth	攤 / 亭
4. comedy	喜劇

5. composer	作曲家
6. cuisine	菜式
7. decoration	裝飾
8. designer	設計師
9. dim sum	點心
10. donation	捐款
11. dumpling	餃子
12. facility	設施
13. feature	特色
14. flavour	口味
15. heater	加熱器
16. laptop	手提電腦
17. machinery	機器
18. material	物料/材料
19. mood	心情
20. museum	博物館
21. mystery	謎團
22. nutrient	營養
23. origami	摺紙
24. orphan	孤兒
25. participant	參加者
26. portion	分量
27. poverty	貧窮
28. satisfaction	滿意
29. scenery	風景
30. siu mai	燒賣
31. software	軟件
32. surroundings	四周/環境
33. tablet	平板電腦
34. teahouse	茶樓
35. temple	廟
36. tragedy	悲劇
37. volunteer	義工

5. Verb phrase

1. queue up	排隊
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