ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2

Question-Answer Book

2 hours (for both Parts A and B)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. There are two parts (A and B) in this paper. Candidates should attempt Part A and ONE question from Part B.

2. After the announcement of the start of the examination, you should first write your Candidate Number in the space provided on Page 1 and stick the barcode labels in the spaces provided on Pages 1 and 3.

3. For Part B, you should put an ‘X’ in the corresponding question number box on Page 6 to indicate the question you are going to attempt.

4. Write your answers in the space provided in this Question-Answer Book. Answers written in the margins will not be marked.

5. Do not use your real name in answering any of the questions. If names are provided in the question, you must use those names. If no name is provided and you still wish to use a name to identify yourself, then use ‘Chris Wong’. If you need to use names for other characters in the composition not specified by the question, you may use names such as Mary, Peter, Mr Smith, Ms Young, etc. You may lose marks if you do not follow these instructions.

6. Rough work should be done on the rough-work sheets which will be collected separately. These will not be marked.

7. Supplementary answer sheets will be supplied on request. Write your Candidate Number, mark the question number box and stick a barcode label on each sheet and fasten them with string INSIDE this book.

8. No extra time will be given to candidates for sticking on the barcode labels or filling in the question number boxes after the ‘Time is up’ announcement.
PART A

For question 1, write about 100 words for each photo.

1. You are taking part in a picture exhibition called ‘My Dreams’. As part of the picture exhibition, you have presented two pictures. Now you need to give a title to each and a brief explanation of why these pictures are meaningful to you.

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END OF PART A

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PART B

For questions 2–9, choose ONE question and write about 400 words in the space provided on Pages 6–8. Indicate which question you are going to attempt in the question number box on Page 6.

2. Learning English through Sports Communication

You have been asked by Mr Wong, the teacher in charge of the school magazine, to produce an article about a well-known sports star. You need to write an email to Mr Wong. In this email, suggest a sports star, explain what would be included in the article and outline how you will make the article attractive to your schoolmates.

3. Learning English through Drama

You are reading *Hamlet* by William Shakespeare for drama class. In the play, Prince Hamlet avenged his father’s murder by killing his uncle, Claudius. Your homework is to write a diary entry about a situation in which you revenge an injustice.

4. Learning English through Social Issues

Your school is discussing joining the Direct Subsidy Scheme (DSS) which allows schools to freely decide on their curriculum, fees and entrance requirements. However, the scheme has been criticised as benefiting the private education sector and the well-off students at the expense of the public sector. Write a letter to the school Principal to express your concerns and give three reasons why you oppose the school joining the scheme.

5. Learning English through Debating

Some people describe Hong Kong as a ‘city of protest’ because its people often take to the streets to show their dissatisfaction towards the government. Write a letter to the editor of the *Pan Lloyds Post* about this. In your letter, describe a protest that you think is unreasonable, outline the point of view of the protesters, and indicate why you think those people are unreasonable.

6. Learning English through Workplace Communication

You are a human resources officer. Recently your boss has observed that the office is very untidy, and people are not disposing of their rubbish properly so there is rubbish even in the aisles. He has asked you to write an article for the company’s website describing the situation and discussing the negative effects. You have also been asked to give two suggestions to improve the situation. Give a suitable title for your article.

7. Learning English through Popular Culture

Smartphones are increasing in popularity all over the world and are no longer appealing only to young people. Write an article for your school newspaper explaining why smartphones are gaining popularity all over the world among people of all ages. Give a title to your article.
8. **Learning English through Poems and Songs**

You have won the Best All-round Student Award at your school. You are giving a speech to your fellow students to share the secret of success. You are greatly inspired by the following popular song about making every moment count.

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Once in a lifetime
means there’s no second chance
so I believe that you and me
should grab it while we can
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Write your speech.

9. **Learning English through Short Stories**

You are entering the ‘Imaginative Story Competition’ and have been given the following situation:

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Adventures in the 22nd Century
When I woke up in the morning, the very first thing I saw was a robot talking my toothbrush and toothpaste to me.
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Write the story.

**END OF QUESTIONS FOR PART B**
FOR PART B ONLY

Put an ‘X’ to indicate the question (Q.2–Q.9) that you have chosen inside the question number box.

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