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Advanced Subsidiary

**Unit 1: Spoken Expression and Response in
Chinese (Invigilator Version)**

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Instructions to the Invigilator

- Candidates must be allowed 15 minutes of preparation time.
- The preparation time must be immediately prior to the examination.
- The preparation time must be used to study the stimulus.
- Candidates can make notes. This can be up to a maximum of one side of A4 paper.
- Candidates must not write on the stimuli.
- Candidates must not have access to a dictionary or other resources, during the preparation time.
- Any notes made during the preparation time must be kept by the centre until the release of results.
- Invigilators must supervise the recording of the speaking test.
- Candidates must not be allowed to operate the recording equipment by themselves during the assessment.
- Invigilators must not conduct the oral assessment with the candidate.

Sequence of oral tests

- To avoid duplication of stimuli, each candidate must be given the card as prescribed in the sequence below.
- If you conduct more than 16 tests in a day, e.g. in the morning, afternoon and evening sessions, after the 16th candidate start at the beginning of the sequence again.
- If you are conducting tests on more than one day, start each new day at the beginning of the sequence.

Candidate	Stimulus
1	4
2	5
3	1
4	7
5	4
6	2
7	6
8	8
9	3
10	5
11	1
12	7
13	3
14	6
15	2
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TOPIC AREA: EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

Stimulus 1: Private tuition



More and more secondary school students in Britain are receiving private tuition because their parents believe that this can help their children to do better at school. The parents send their children to private tuition centres or find teachers to teach them at home.

Although it is expensive, parents feel that it is useful to their children's future. However, teachers say that this adds pressure for students.

Some private teachers are university students. They are very young and may not have enough teaching experience.

Glossary:

Private tuition: 私人補習 私人补习

Guidance

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What are your opinions of private tuition?
- Would you like a university student to help with your school work? Why?
- Where do you get help with your studies? Give details.
- What are you planning to do after leaving school and why?

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TOPIC AREA: EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

Stimulus 2: Summer job



In the spring, many students start to look for a summer job. A summer job not only helps them to earn money but may also help them with their future career.

Some students look for jobs through websites and apply by email or by telephone.

There are many opportunities for young people, such as music festivals, supermarkets and restaurants.

Some students prefer to work abroad for a different experience. They can make new friends, practise foreign languages, learn about new cultures, and be more independent.

Guidance

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What are your opinions of doing a summer job?
- Suggest different ways in which a student can find a summer job.
- Have you ever had a summer job or a part-time job? Give details.
- Discuss your ideal career.

TOPIC AREA: TRANSPORT, TRAVEL AND TOURISM

Stimulus 3: Backpacking around the world



Many young people like to go backpacking around the world. They may travel for a long period of time and stay at low-cost hostels.

Backpacking requires careful planning. People who go backpacking should organise their trips well before they start.

Backpacking gives people new life experience and is a means of education, not just a holiday. Backpackers can make new friends as well as see the sights.

Most people find backpacking great fun, but people who like comfortable travel may not like it.

Glossary:

Backpacking: 背包旅遊 背包旅游

Guidance

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What are your opinions of backpacking?
- What preparations would you make for a backpacking holiday? Why?
- What different views do people have on backpacking?
- Do you think travelling is a valuable experience? Give reasons.

TOPIC AREA: TRANSPORT, TRAVEL AND TOURISM

Stimulus 4: London Underground



London has the world's oldest underground system. Although it was built about 150 years ago, it is still one of the busiest underground systems. A great many people travel on the underground every day.

The London Underground is fast and convenient. People can use it to get to offices, museums and shopping centres easily. However, many of them complain that it is expensive and not always on time.

The underground has been modernised in recent years. The aim is to provide a 24-hour service with new and better trains.

Guidance

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What are your opinions of underground train systems?
- Compare the differences between **two** other forms of public transport in your area.
- What are your suggestions for modernising your local transport system?
- What are your considerations in choosing a form of transport?

TOPIC AREA: LEISURE, YOUTH INTERESTS AND CHINESE FESTIVALS

Stimulus 5: Watching television



Watching television is Britain's most popular leisure activity. People watch three to four hours a day. Their favourite television programmes are news, sports and films.

Although television is good entertainment, if children watch too much, it may have a bad influence on their health and studies. Parents worry that children do not get enough exercise and are not in the habit of reading.

In recent years, people have begun to watch television via the internet and on phones. They can share their opinions with others immediately.

Guidance

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What are your favourite television programmes? Why?
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of watching television?
- In what ways has the internet changed television watching? Give details.
- Why are hobbies important to you?

TOPIC AREA: LEISURE, YOUTH INTERESTS AND CHINESE FESTIVALS

Stimulus 6: Swimming as a lifelong sport



Swimming is a popular activity among young people. It is a useful life skill and is an Olympic sport. Many successful swimmers have become celebrities.

It is fun, healthy and can be enjoyed at any age. Many parents send their children to swimming lessons when they are small.

However, you should be careful when swimming. If you want to be safe, do not swim alone in the sea or in lakes and rivers. It is better not to swim in bad weather.

Guidance

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What are the benefits of swimming?
- How can we stay safe in the water?
- Discuss the differences between indoor and outdoor sports.
- Why are leisure activities important to you?

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TOPIC AREA: FOOD, DIET AND HEALTH

Stimulus 7: Eating *dim sum*



Cantonese *dim sum* are a type of Chinese food eaten in many restaurants in Hong Kong and south China. They can be eaten at any time of day, but are very popular at lunchtime because they are quick and convenient.

Traditionally, people eat *dim sum* with a group of friends. They may try a wide variety of *dim sum*, and normally drink tea with the food.

Although they are small and tasty, *dim sum* may not be healthy because they are high in fat, sugar and salt.

Glossary:

Cantonese *dim sum* 廣東點心 广东点心

Guidance

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- Why do people like to eat *dim sum*? Give details.
- What do you like to eat and drink when you are with friends?
- What are your opinions of Chinese food? Why?
- How do you maintain a healthy lifestyle? Give details.

TOPIC AREA: FOOD, DIET AND HEALTH

Stimulus 8: Dental health



Many people are afraid of visiting the dentist. In Britain, around 25% of adults have not visited a dentist for two years. Some people like to take a friend or relative with them.

One of the main causes of bad teeth among young people is eating too many sweets and drinking fizzy drinks.

Nowadays there is pressure for people to spend a lot of money on keeping their teeth white. They believe that strong teeth and a beautiful smile make them attractive and confident.

Guidance

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- How do you feel about going to the dentist?
- How can you keep your teeth healthy?
- Why do you think keeping your teeth healthy is important?
- How do you maintain a healthy lifestyle? Give details.

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