

HONG KONG DIPLOMA OF SECONDARY EDUCATION EXAMINATION

# **MOCK TEST 40 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.
- 3. For Part B, you should put an 'X' in the corresponding question number box on Page 8 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
- 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 and mark the question number box on each sheet.
- 8. No extra time will be given to candidates for filling in the question number boxes after the 'Time is up' announcement.

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#### PART A

For question 1, write about **200 words** in the space provided on pages 3–5.

1. You have read the following poster on the school bulletin board.

# ESSAY CONTEST Run by Outdoor HK

Where is your favourite outdoor place in Hong Kong? Send us an essay about this place and its importance to you, and earn a chance to win an outdoor gear pack worth \$2,000!

Send entries to contest@outdoorhk.com.hk

Write an essay for the contest using the three headings below.

- My favourite outdoor place in Hong Kong
- What I like to do there
- Why it's important to me

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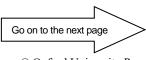

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# END OF PART A



#### **PART B**

For questions 2–9, choose **ONE** question and write about **400 words** in the space provided on pages 8–12. Indicate which question you are going to attempt in the question number box on page 8.

#### 2. Learning English through Sports Communication

You read an article in a local newspaper saying that more than half of university and professional football players sustain head injuries in their career. These are largely caused by heading the ball and collisions with other players.

Write a letter to the editor about this topic and what you think should be done.

#### 3. Learning English through Workplace Communication

You are a manager at a technology firm. The CEO recently informed you that all social media websites will be blocked from company computers. She has asked you to explain the decision to employees.

Write a newsletter article about the decision and the reasons behind it.

#### 4. Learning English through Social Issues

In 2018, the mainland Chinese government implemented a full ban on the sale of ivory. The government of Hong Kong, however, will not make ivory trade fully illegal until the end of 2021. Currently, only ivory from before 1989 is allowed to be sold in the city, but illegal ivory trade is still common.

Write an essay about the Hong Kong government's decision and its effects.

#### 5. Learning English through Debating

You are a member of your school's Debate Team. You are entering an upcoming debate competition with the motion: 'Parents should never lie to their children.'

Write a debate speech arguing for the motion.

#### 6. Learning English through Popular Culture

You work at a television studio. You have been asked to come up with a concept for a new reality programme.

Write a proposal for your reality show idea, describing the programme, the target audience and why you think it will be successful.

#### 7. Learning English through Drama

You recently watched a theatre production with your friend. The play had a very realistic suicide scene, and your friend became very upset since one of her relatives had committed suicide. She believes there should have been a 'content warning', alerting audience members about the scene.

Write a dairy entry about how you felt about the scene, your views on content warnings and whether they are necessary.

#### 8. Learning English through Poems and Songs

You run a popular music blog. As the end of the year is approaching, you would like to post a review of your favourite album from this year.

Write a review of the album and what made it so successful in your view.

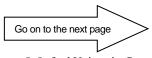
# 9. Learning English through Short Stories

You are entering a postcard fiction contest in which you have to write a short story based on an image from a postcard. You have chosen the postcard below.



Write your short story.

### END OF QUESTIONS FOR PART B

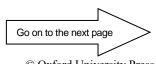


# FOR PART B ONLY

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

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