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91108 Demonstrate understanding of a variety of spoken Chinese texts on familiar matters

Credits: Five

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Demonstrate understanding of a variety of spoken Chinese texts on familiar matters.	Demonstrate clear understanding of a variety of spoken Chinese texts on familiar matters.	Demonstrate thorough understanding of a variety of spoken Chinese texts on familiar matters.

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You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.

Each of the questions in this assessment requires you to listen to a passage in Chinese. You will hear each passage three times:

- The first time, you will hear it as a whole.
- The second and third times, you will hear it in sections, with a pause after each.
- As you listen, you may make notes in the space provided.
- Before the passage begins, you will have 30 seconds to read the question.
- Once the passage has finished, you will have time to review your answers.

Answer in your choice of English, te reo Māori, and/or Chinese. If you need more room for any answer, use the extra space provided at the back of this booklet.

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Excellence

TOTAL 21

FIRST PASSAGE: 学校颁奖会 (School prizegiving)

Listen to Meimei, a Year 12 Chinese New Zealander, discuss her subject choices with her classmate David. Refer to the passage in your answer to Question One.

Glossed vocabulary

让 ràng to make/let someone (do something)

LISTENING NOTES

Meimei, your assessments ^{results} this year very good
Music you got top of yr 1st in year)

Thx Your music results ~~were~~ also very good
This year your improvement was very large
where?

Will we do it together next year?

hmm, I might not learn it next year, cause
my parents want me to be a doctor
OK I got it

But what do you want to do?

hmm, I want to be a musician,
and learn music

You know I've loved music since I was
little

Music can also bring joy + people

But my parents think learning music is useless
because it's difficult to get a good job
If there is no good job, it's hard to get
lots of money

David, what are you doing next year?

I'm doing music. My parents want me to learn
what I want

If I do classes I don't like, I won't be
happy, and I won't do well
also, my parents think money is not the most
your health and happiness are more important
Your mum and Dad are great.
If I learned music, I think my parents
would be very angry

Your parents care about you. They just want
you to have

QUESTION ONE

- (a) Explain how Meimei and David differ in their attitudes towards their studies and future plans.

Meimei is ^{not} going to gang to learn music, saying that instead her parents want her to be a doctor. It is ~~not~~ stated, but we can assume she is going to take ~~and~~ ^{doctor} related subjects instead of music. She says she wants to take music and be a musician, because she's loved music since she was little and because it can bring people joy. So ~~because~~ ^{even} though she wants to learn music and be a musician, she does ~~not~~ because she thinks her parents would be angry, and because they say it's difficult to get a good job in music, and therefore difficult to earn money. (Cont on extra paper)

- (b) Whose plans do you think are better, Meimei's or David's? Use evidence from the passage to support your answer.

Meimei's plans are more financially ~~sure~~ ^{sure}, ~~how~~ as she is not doing music partly because her parents would be angry, but it's also because her parents say it's hard to get a good job, and therefore hard to earn good money. This is while David is doing the subject he wants to do, and states that if he did classes he didn't like, he wouldn't do well, thus he may get better test results than Meimei if she does ^{a subject} ~~something~~ she doesn't like. His parents also say that health and happiness are ^{and happier} more important than money, so David may grow up to be healthier ^{and happier} than Meimei, while Meimei will be richer. David also has good chances at a music career, as Meimei says that David's results were very good, and that he improved a lot over the year. If he is already doing well and improving fast, he will do very well next year. Meimei is top of the year at music, so ~~while~~ she may have gone on to be successful and happy, and it's hard to say how she would do as a doctor as it is never stated whether she likes that work (Cont on spare paper)

SECOND PASSAGE: David 的中国行 (David's trip to China)

Listen to David's presentation to his Chinese class about his family's trip to China. Refer to the passage in your answer to Question Two.

LISTENING NOTES

Hello everyone. This holiday ^{yr} I went with
 mum + dad to China to travel
 We went to lots of interesting places
 and ate lots of different food _{ch}

we first took a plane to Beijing
 Beijing & Tianmen are too pretty
 On a W, I took lots of great pics

The we took train from To Shanghai
 From Beijing to Shanghai train
 Too convenient! only 4 hrs

China's train is very different from NZ train
 China's trains sell lots of food
 They have fried rice, ~~meat~~ ^{different} soup, Fried noodles

I bought some ^{egg} fried rice
 The ~~waiting~~ service is also very hospitable
 They even sent me a small treat
 Shanghai has lots of skyscrapers (Apartments?)

The streets are filled with shops

We bought lots of things in Nanjing str
 like bags, mao yi, and shoes
~~if you might not~~ ^{if you might not} know, ppl don't carry
 wallets anymore
 People can not only use phones to buy things,
 they use phones to buy tickets
 When I was travelling, becaz everyone can speak some Chinese
 I had any problems, everyone would help me
 I think Chinese ppl are not only kind, but also
 smart

I hope I can go to China next year

QUESTION TWO

Did David enjoy his trip to China? Use evidence from the passage to support your answer.

David really enjoyed his trip to China. Firstly, He speaks very positively about many things, implying that he did enjoy his trip. For example, he says that The Great Wall of China and Tianmen were very pretty, and that he took lots of great photos on the wall. He also talks about how fast the trains were, saying going from ^{Beijing} ~~Shanghai~~ to Shanghai was only 4 hours, and that it was very convenient. He also talks about how different Chinese train are from NZ trains, pointing to the fact that they have food like fried rice, beef soup, and fried noodles. He also says the staff were very hospitable, and even sent him a small treat. This is all incredibly positive language that indicates David's enjoyment. He also talks about how ^{many} ~~he~~ ^{Beijing} ~~Beijing~~ had lots of shops, and how they bought many different things on the streets like bags, jackets and shoes. ~~He also~~ He also states that he could speak some Chinese and that wherever he had any problems people would help him. He then says that Chinese people are not only kind, but smart, and finishes by saying he hopes he can go to China next year. Throughout the presentation he constantly uses positive language, and never makes any complaint or any negative language. This disproportionately positive response heavily implies that David did enjoy his trip. Furthermore, he states that he hopes he can return to China next year. This willingness ~~to return~~ and eagerness to return would not be present if he did not enjoy his trip, so his eagerness to return further evidences the idea that David enjoyed his trip. ~~This~~ All this evidence in combination, including a lack of any negative response, strongly indicates that David enjoyed his trip to China.

THIRD PASSAGE: 去哪儿上大学? (Where to go for university?)

Listen to Chloe interview Xiaoming for the student magazine. Refer to the passage in your answer to Question Three.

Glossed vocabulary

介绍会

jièshào huì

university introduction / careers evening

All arguments against
come from parents, not
him

LISTENING NOTES

Xm, yesterday ^{night} did you go to the uni JSH?
I did go, also my Mum + dad and big sisters
all went.
Oh, the whole family went.
Obviously they all care about you.
So, do you want to go to uni here, or go abroad?
That's difficult to say
why?

My parents want me to go to uni here.
So I can live at home, don't have to find house and spend
also they think I have never lived in another state ^{money}
personally living might be inconvenient.
I get it but big sister thinks I'm grown up, so I should
learn to live alone.

If I go to another state, I can go to uni and
do part time job at same time.
This will have benefits for future jobs and
life.

So, how will you decide?

This yr I've already started part time work.
This way, when I start uni I have money to live abroad.
I will also do house chores, so I will have no
problems living alone.

Most important is I want to live with other students.
This way, can make new friends.

If you study abroad, won't you miss family?
Maybe, but I think it's more interesting
living abroad.

also I can videocall my family every day.

QUESTION THREE

Will Xiaoming choose to move away or stay local for university? Justify your answer by explaining the various factors that may influence his decision.

Xiaoming's decision is never explicitly stated, but the evidence shows that he will more likely ~~than not move~~ move away than stay for university. The strongest evidence is when he says he has already started a part time job, so that when he starts uni he will have money to live away from home. The fact he has already taken on a job in preparation for moving away is strong evidence that Xiaoming will choose to move away for uni, as this is something that he would not need to do if he were staying local. He also says that he wants to live with other students so he can make new friends, which is not something that he would be able to do if he stayed local. These pieces of evidence show that he has already prepared for moving away, and has a reason to move away, but it's also important that all counterarguments to the idea of moving away come not from him but his parents. His parents want him to stay local, because that way he would not need to find a new house and spend money. Furthermore, they think that because he has never lived away from home, living may be inconvenient. These arguments come from Xiaoming's parents, not from Xiaoming, indicating that Xiaoming does not have strong internal opposition to moving away. In addition to this, he also says that he may miss his family, although firstly living away from home is more interesting, and secondly he could video call his family. In summary, although he never explicitly states his decision (when asked about his choice he says it is difficult to say), he presents many reasons he would like to ~~study~~ move away from uni, and he himself does not present or express support for argument for him staying home to study. Thus, although we cannot know for sure, it is more likely that Xiaoming will move away than he would stay home.

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Write the question number(s) if applicable.

QUESTION
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Question 1 (a) cont

David in contrast, David is going to learn music because his parents want him to ^{learn} ~~do~~ what he wants, because if he does classes he doesn't like he won't be happy and he won't do well. His parents also think health and happiness are more important than money. So both people have an attitude of obeying their parents, however financial considerations are more relevant to Meimei's parents than they are to David's parents. It can also be said that David seems to agree with all his parents' reasonings, while Meimei seems envious, as she states that David's parents are great. Her stating that if she did music her parents would be angry implies that she does not entirely agree with her parents' reasonings, and instead doesn't learn music because her parents would be ~~angry~~.

Question 1 (b) cont

In summary, I think David has a better plan because not only will he be happier and healthier, he will continue to do well and improve at music because he enjoys it, which may translate into career success. In contrast, we do not know if Meimei is good at or enjoys medicine, and although there is a chance she earns more money, she may have better chances as a musician given how much she loves and is good at music.

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Excellence

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Q	Grade score	Marker commentary
One	E7	While some key details from the passage are missing (e.g., the sister's input in Question Three), the candidate has provided thorough justifications and insightful inferences across all three responses. For instance, in Question Three, their analysis—stating that "Xiaomings decision is never explicitly stated, but the evidence shows that he will more likely to move away then stay for university. The strongest evidence is where he has already started a part time job..." and highlighting that "...these arguments come from Xiaoming's parents, not from Xiaoming, indicating that he does not have strong internal opposition to moving away"—demonstrates nuance and justification at an Excellence level.
Two	E7	
Three	E7	