

HONG KONG EXAMINATIONS AUTHORITY  
HONG KONG ADVANCED LEVEL EXAMINATION 1995

USE OF ENGLISH AS-LEVEL SECTION A  
LISTENING TEST

(18% of the subject mark)

Q.P. Code: 5011

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write your Candidate No., Centre No. and Seat No. in the spaces provided.
2. Answer ALL questions.
3. Write your answers in the spaces provided in this question/answer book, IN PENCIL.
4. This test is in two parts. In both parts you are required to write your answers as you listen to the tape.
5. You are reminded that all examination material will be played ONCE only.

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Total	

## INTRODUCTION

### Situation

You work for the Hong Kong Motoring Association. Your supervisor has instructed you to find out about a new scheme to solve Hong Kong's traffic congestion problem. In order to get the information, you have been told to attend a press conference sponsored by the Transport Department.

The press conference is divided into two parts. In the first part you will hear details of the proposed new scheme, and in the second part there will be a question-and-answer session. Your supervisor has instructed you to take careful notes on both parts so that you can report back to him.

### Part I

In this part, you will hear details of the proposed scheme.

You will now have 5 minutes to familiarise yourself with the note headings for Part I before the press conference begins.

At the end of Part I you will have 5 minutes to tidy up your answers and then a further 3 minutes to familiarise yourself with the headings for Part II.

At the end of Part II you will have 10 minutes to tidy up your answers.

**Part I**

**Press Conference on the New Road Traffic Proposal**

*(11 marks)*

**A. Introduction by John Spencer, Commissioner for Transport**

1. Problems caused by traffic congestion in Hong Kong:

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Presentation by Sarah McCarthy, Vice-president of Mainline Associates**

2. How her firm obtained information:

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_
- (e) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Time-frame for the new traffic scheme:

- (a) Commencing date of Phase I: \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Date when the scheme will be fully operational: \_\_\_\_\_

Marks:

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**Phase I**

*(14 marks)*

**4. Private Cars**

Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Concessions: (a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

Penalties: (a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Taxis**

Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Concession: \_\_\_\_\_

Penalty: \_\_\_\_\_

**Phase II**

**6. Taxis**

Main Proposal: \_\_\_\_\_

Concession: \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Minibuses**

Main Proposal: \_\_\_\_\_

Concession: \_\_\_\_\_

**8. Goods Vehicles**

Main Proposal: \_\_\_\_\_

Penalty: \_\_\_\_\_

Marks:

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**Phase III**

(13 marks)

**9. Electronic Road Pricing (ERP)**

Improvements in ERP over the last ten years:

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_

**10. ERP Charges**

Class of district	Example area	Level of charges during peak hours	Amount (\$)
congested	Central	high	\$ 20

11. The charge for driving in Central at 3:00 am in the morning will be \_\_\_\_\_.

12. Benefits ERP will bring:

(3 marks)

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_

Marks:

**END OF PART I**

**Total Marks for Part I:**

**Part II**

**Question-and-Answer Session**

(9 marks)

**A. Susan Poon (*Hong Kong Times*)**

13. What is her question? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

14. Ms McCarthy's views on how the Hong Kong situation differs from the United States:

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Alison Yau (Kowloon Car Owners Club)**

15. What is her question? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

16. Ms McCarthy's views on how a good public transport system will benefit everyone:

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_

Marks: 

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(10 marks)

**C. Kenneth Tsang (Hong Kong Retailers Association)**

17. What is his question? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

18. Ms McCarthy's advice to Kenneth Tsang:

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Priscilla Lau (Hong Kong Economic Journal)**

19. What is her question? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

20. Ms McCarthy's reasons for being optimistic:

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_

Marks: 

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**E. John Lewis (Hong Kong Taxpayers Association)**

(18 marks)

21. Discussion on his criticisms of ERP:

Criticisms of ERP	Details of the criticisms	Suggested alternatives	Objections to alternatives
1.	a.	b.	c.
	d.	e.	f.
2.	g.	h.	i.
	j.	k.	l.
3.	m.	n.	o.

Marks:

**F. Ryan Li (Hong Kong Car Dealers Association)**

22. What is his question? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

23. Ms McCarthy's reasons for being positive:

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_

**G. David Anderson (Hong Kong Tramways)**

24. What is his question? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

25. Ms McCarthy's views on trams.

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_

**H. Tyler Gould (*Orient Express*)**

26. What is his first question? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

27. Government's proposed measures according to John Spencer:

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_

28. What is Gould's second question? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Marks: 

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Total Marks for Part II: 

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**END OF TEST**