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SECTION B

HONG KONG EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY
HONG KONG ADVANCED LEVEL EXAMINATION 2004

USE OF ENGLISH AS-LEVEL SECTION B
WRITING

8.30 am – 9.45 am (1¼ hours)

You have 1¼ hours for this paper (which is allocated 18% of the total subject mark).

It is suggested that you spend some of the time on planning and proofreading.

Write legibly and make neat corrections wherever necessary.

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, you may use names such as Mary, Peter, Wai Yee, Mr Smith, Ms Young, etc. You will lose marks if you do not follow these instructions.

Write about 500 words on ONE of the topics.

Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.

1. Your school has received a donation of HK\$1,000,000 and can spend it **EITHER** on one more MMLC (Multi-Media Learning Centre) **OR** on employing one more NET (Native English-speaking Teacher) for two years.

As Chairperson of the Student Association, you have collected a variety of opinions from your schoolmates. Write a letter to your principal summarising their different views for and against each option and making a recommendation on their behalf. Sign your letter 'Chris Wong'. Do not write any address.

2. Your school has decided to take part in a voluntary work project in one of two major areas: helping **EITHER** poor elderly people **OR** primary schoolchildren newly arrived from the mainland. Your class teacher is collecting opinions from the class in the form of essays written by the students.

Write your own essay, outlining your personal preference and stating at least three reasons to support your choice. Give your essay a title.

3. Your friend, Lucy Lau, has won a major singing competition and has been offered a recording contract. She has also been offered a place at the police training school to become a policewoman. She cannot decide which offer to accept and has written to ask your advice.

Write a letter in reply advising her to accept the place as a police cadet and giving reasons why you feel that this would be a better career choice for her. Sign your letter 'Chris Wong'. Do not write any address.

4. Many teenagers have been strongly affected by advertisements promoting slimming products and programmes. Some now believe that they have to be slim to be beautiful and go to extreme and unreasonable lengths in an attempt to lose weight. You have just attended a talk on 'Health and Beauty' organised by the Department of Health. At the talk, a medical doctor, a social worker and an ex-patient recovering from an eating disorder spoke about the issue, drawing on their expertise and experience.

Write an article for your school newspaper sharing what you learnt from each of the three speakers. Give your article a title.

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