

PRACTICE PAPER  
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 and stick barcode labels in the spaces provided on Pages 1 and 3.
3. For Part B, you should put 'X' in the corresponding question number box on Page 6 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 marked.
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, mark the question number box and stick a barcode label on each sheet and fasten them with a string **INSIDE** this book.
8. No extra time will be given to candidates for sticking on the barcode labels or filling in the question number boxes after the 'Time is up' announcement.

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## **PART B**

For questions 2 – 9, choose **ONE** question and write about 400 words in the space provided on Pages 6 – 8. Mark which question you are going to attempt using the question number box on Page 6.

2. **Learning English through Drama**

You are the director of a play. Yesterday you held the first rehearsal. Complete your diary entry describing what happened at the rehearsal, whether you think it was a success and what you need to improve before the next rehearsal.

3. **Learning English through Short Stories**

You are a reporter for the school magazine. You recently attended some events at the Hong Kong Book Fair. Your favourite one was a talk by three different authors on what makes a good short story. You are now writing an article about the event, explaining why you found it interesting and what you learnt.

4. **Learning English through Poems and Songs**

You recently read a letter to the editor of the *Hong Kong Express* which said that songs which contain foul language have a negative influence on society. However, you believe we all have the right to freedom of speech and these songs are just a means of expression. Write a reply to the editor expressing your views.

5. **Learning English through Popular Culture**

Your school would like to film and broadcast a weekly reality TV show on the school TV network for one term. The principal is looking for suggestions for the theme and content of the show. Write a proposal to the principal offering your ideas for the show, explaining why this would be popular with students in the school and describing how to make the first episode appealing to viewers.

6. **Learning English through Sports Communication**

There is talk of certain schools removing PE lessons from the curriculum so students can concentrate more on academic subjects. Write a letter to the Secretary of Education expressing your views on this proposal.

7. **Learning English through Debating**

You are a member of the school debating club. Your club is entering a debating contest and the motion is *Nuclear power is the best source of energy for the future*. Decide whether you are for or against the motion and write your debate speech. The members with the best speeches will be chosen to represent the school at the competition.

8. **Learning English through Workplace Communication**

Your friend is going for a job interview for the position of ‘Part-time Promoter’ for a mobile phone company. It will be a group interview. Your friend is very nervous and has asked you for your advice. Write an email to your friend offering advice on how to prepare for the interview and what to do during the interview.

9. **Learning English through Social Issues**

You want to give a speech at the following conference:

**Growing up in H.K. in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

**A conference for young people aged 13 – 18**

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We are looking for students to give short talks on the topic of  
‘The joys of being a teenager in Hong Kong’

Write a speech for the conference.

**END OF QUESTIONS FOR PART B**

Sources of materials used in this paper will be acknowledged in the *Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination Practice Papers* published by the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority at a later stage.



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