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Tapescript

Narrator: Part 3

Michael is giving a speech at his Primary Six Graduation Ceremony.

You now have 30 seconds to study the questions (30-second music).

Now, listen to the speech. When you hear a beep (beep), answer the question.

The speech will be played two times. The speech will begin now.

Michael: Dear Principal, teachers, parents and classmates,

When I look back on my first day of primary school, everything was so strange. I only knew two or three classmates from my kindergarten class and I cried when my parents left. We lined up quietly in a big hall before we went to our classroom.

Narrator: Question 1: How did Michael feel on the first day of school? (beep)(8-second

pause)

Question 2: Why did Michael cry? (beep)(8-second pause)

Question 3: What did the students do before they went to the classroom?

(beep)(8-second pause)

Michael: Primary school was very different from kindergarten. Classes were much larger and

the lessons were longer. We had Chinese, English, Mathematics, General Studies and Library lessons. I found Library lessons the most interesting because I could look for information on the Internet and borrow books. I also enjoyed spending time with my classmates. We often studied together in the library and volunteered to

teach younger students how to use computers.

Narrator: Question 4: How were the classes in primary schools different from kindergarten?

(beep)(8-second pause)

Question 5: Why did Michael like Library lessons the most? (beep)(8-second

pause)

Question 6: What did Michael enjoy doing with his classmates? (beep)(8-second

pause)

Michael: How quickly time has passed since that first day. In a few months, I'll leave this

school and enter a new one. Life is like riding a roller coaster. When life is difficult – after fighting with friends or failing a test, it's like a roller coaster going uphill. But when life is good – playing with friends or getting good marks, it's like a roller coaster going downhill. I would like to thank the teachers for their support and encouragement through the years. They have taught me to work hard and never give

up.

Narrator: Question 7: Michael will go to ______in a few months. (beep)(8-second pause)

Question 8: What does Michael mean when he says, "Life is like riding a roller

coaster."? (beep)(8-second pause)

Question 9: What did Michael thank his teachers for? (beep)(8-second pause)

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Michael: Let me finish by reading a poem for our teachers:

Thank you for your love and care Showing us how to live and share You are like the North Star in the night Guiding our way and giving us light

Thank you. (clapping fading out)

Narrator: Question 10: Why are teachers like the North Star? (beep)(8-second pause)

Question 11: Which pair of words in the poem rhymes?

A. night and light B. love and care

C. share and star D. live and like

(beep)(8-second pause)

Now, listen to the speech again.

Repeat [] without questions and pauses.

Repeat Question 11.

This is the end of Part 3.

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