

Territory-wide System Assessment 2009
Secondary 3 English Language

Tapescript Part 3 – (9EL1 / 9EL2)

- Narrator: *Two children are talking to their uncle about film-making.*
- You have 30 seconds to read the questions below. (30 seconds music)
The conversation will be played twice. Do as much as you can the first time and complete all the answers the second time.
The conversation will begin now.
- [Uncle John: So, Mary and Tom, you want to ask me some questions about making movies in Hong Kong?
- Mary: Yes, Uncle John. We know that you spent a long time working in the film business.
- Tom: You see, we were in Kowloon yesterday. We saw a film being made. 5
- Mary: I'm sure it was a Hollywood film!
- Tom: Yeah, it was very interesting. We would like to learn more about making films.
- Uncle John: That's good! I loved working on different films when I was younger. Making films is an interesting job. I was a cameraman for almost 30 years and helped in other ways too. 10
- Tom: Yesterday we were surprised that so many people were working and helping to make the film.
- Uncle John: Oh yes, when we watch a film, it seems so simple. People think maybe just a few actors, a director and a cameraman are all that you need. But actually hundreds of people help to make a film. 15
- Mary: But you don't see them while the film is being made, do you?
- Uncle John: That's right.
- Mary: You said you were a cameraman, didn't you? How did you get started? 20
- Uncle John: I'll tell you. My dad had a friend who was a cameraman and I worked for him. I learnt a lot about the use of special cameras for film-making from him.
- Tom: That's interesting. You know, yesterday we saw several people 25

helping the cameraman.

Uncle John: Yes, that was how I started. I helped the cameraman in every way when he needed help. Even though I was paid very little, I really enjoyed the job.

Mary: How long was it before you officially became a cameraman? 30

Uncle John: Mmm... I can't remember exactly. But it must have been at least three years before I started.

Mary: Wow! That's amazing!

Uncle John: Yes, it is! Filming requires great skill. It's not just a matter of pointing and shooting. Although I've retired now, I still have friends making films. Perhaps you would like to meet them someday. 35

Tom: Oh yes, please, Uncle John. We'd love to meet your friends.]
(3 seconds pause)

Now, listen to the conversation for the second time.

Repeat []

Narrator: Listen to Mary and Uncle John again and answer question number 7. (second time only)

Mary: How long was it before you officially became a cameraman?

Uncle John : Mmm... I can't remember exactly. But it must have been at least three years before I started.

Mary: Wow! That's amazing!

(2 seconds pause)

How does Mary feel? (*beep*) (5-second pause)

You now have 30 seconds to check your answers.
(30 seconds music)

This is the end of Part 3.

This is the end of the listening paper.