

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.