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Education Bureau
Territory-wide System Assessment 2025
Secondary 3 English Language
Listening
Question Booklet

Instructions:

1. There are 8 pages in this Question Booklet.
2. Time allowed is approximately 35 minutes.
3. Do not write anything in this Question Booklet.
4. **Answer all questions in the Answer Booklet provided.**

Part 1

You are a reporter for the sports magazine of your school. You want to introduce a water sport, scuba diving. To help you know more about this sport, your editor has prepared an excerpt of an interview for you to listen to.

Listen to the interview and answer the questions in Part A and Part B. The interview will be played twice. Do as much as you can the first time and answer all questions the second time. You now have 30 seconds to read the questions in Part A and Part B.

Part A

1. The difference between scuba diving and snorkelling is _____.
 - A. depth
 - B. duration
 - C. speed
 - D. weight

2. A dive for beginners takes _____.
 - A. less than 30 minutes
 - B. 30 minutes to an hour
 - C. an hour
 - D. more than an hour

3. When diving in shallow water, you spend _____ time underwater and use _____ air from the gas cylinder.
 - A. less / less
 - B. less / more
 - C. more / more
 - D. more / less

4. Shirley has been diving for _____ years.
 - A. 10
 - B. 12
 - C. 15
 - D. 18

5. Shirley's favourite sea creatures are _____.

- A. clownfish and angelfish
- B. coral and reef fish
- C. crabs and sea turtles
- D. dolphins and octopuses

6. Dolphins use whistling sounds to _____.

- A. avoid danger
- B. communicate with each other
- C. compose rhythms
- D. make loud noises

7. Shirley is fascinated with diving because she can _____.

- A. see fish swimming around the coral reefs
- B. see things in murky water
- C. swim up to 15 metres easily
- D. take part in an open water diving course

8. If you hold your breath underwater, _____.

- A. the air in your lungs will expand
- B. nitrogen gas will not form bubbles in your body
- C. you cannot go straight up to the water surface
- D. you will not be able to move

TURN OVER TO COMPLETE THE POSTER IN PART B →

Part B

Paul, the Sports Club Chairman, wants to organise an open water diving course. He has drafted a poster and asked you to fill in some important information. Complete the poster by filling in the missing information.

SKFGLR Secondary School Sports Club

Open Water Diving Course

Target: Learners aged (9) _____ or above

Venue: Sai Kung

Duration: (10) _____ days

Content:

- Gain basic knowledge about scuba diving: the deeper the water, the (11) _____ the pressure.
- Learn basic skills in a (12) _____ or shallow water, such as clearing your (13) _____.
- Use the skills in open water and follow safety rules, such as making safety stops at five metres for (14) _____ minutes.



Course Completion:

- After passing the test, learners will receive a certificate to become open water scuba divers.
- Divers can dive with their buddy to no deeper than (15) _____ metres.

Part 2

Your Principal has asked the Social Service Club to organise a Special Dress Day to raise money for charity. The teacher-in-charge has called a meeting to plan the day.

Listen to the conversation and answer the questions. The conversation will be played twice. Do as much as you can the first time and answer all questions the second time. You now have 30 seconds to read the questions.

1. On the Special Dress Day last year, students wore _____.
 - A. clothes made from recycled materials
 - B. swimwear
 - C. sportswear
 - D. their favourite clothes

2. Ms Wong does not like the theme ‘Going Green’ because _____.
 - A. students prefer sports
 - B. it was used last year
 - C. some students cannot make the clothes by themselves
 - D. parents will spend money buying clothes for their children

3. Mary suggests that students wear clothes _____.
 - A. made from old clothes
 - B. in their favourite colours
 - C. that are green
 - D. in a single colour

4. Peter’s suggestion makes Mary feel _____.
 - A. annoyed
 - B. wonderful
 - C. doubtful
 - D. pleased

5. Peter mentions ‘outfits in a single colour’. ‘Outfit’ here means _____.
- A. a pair of running shoes
 - B. a pair of swimming trunks
 - C. a set of shirts
 - D. a set of clothes
6. To make the event more exciting, each form will _____.
- A. draw lots
 - B. wear clothes in all six colours
 - C. select their own colour
 - D. dress in red
7. The HK Association has a 24-hour support hotline for _____.
- A. children
 - B. newly-arrived students
 - C. disabled students
 - D. everyone
8. The title of the talk will most likely be ‘_____’.
- A. We’re Equal
 - B. Let’s Go Green
 - C. How to Keep Fit
 - D. Dress Special

Part 3

You have been asked to give a presentation to make recommendations on a vacation. Your English teacher has found a recording for you to listen to.

Listen to the conversation along with the poem and answer the questions. The poem and questions 7 and 8 will be read twice. Do as much as you can the first time and answer all questions the second time. You now have 30 seconds to read the questions.

Stanzas One and Two

1. The writer was _____.

- A. taking an aeroplane
- B. planning a vacation
- C. visiting the South Pole
- D. travelling to different cities

Stanza Three

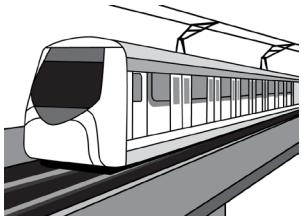
2. In Stanza Three, the first city the writer visited was _____.

- A. Paris
- B. Rio
- C. Dubai
- D. Mumbai

Stanza Four

3. Which of the following form(s) of transport did the writer take on his trip?

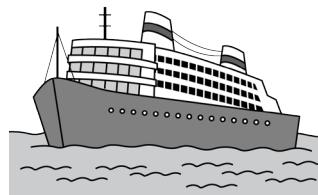
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2.



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- A. 1 and 2
- B. 1 and 3
- C. 2 and 3
- D. None of the above

4. In the line ‘I travelled the globe on a wide-ranging trip’, ‘the globe’ means

_____.

- A. the sea
- B. the sky
- C. the world
- D. the other planets

Stanzas Five and Six

5. The writer’s trip was unusual because he _____.

- A. brought along his chair
- B. explored the places by using his computer
- C. injured his leg
- D. visited many places in a morning

Stanzas One to Six

6. The poem is called ‘I Went on a Vacation’. Another suitable title could be ‘_____’.

- A. Transport Means
- B. Last Vacation
- C. A Cyber Vacation
- D. Back Home

7. You will hear four pairs of words in Stanza Three. Listen carefully and identify the rhyming pair.

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.

8. You will hear four words in Stanza Four. Listen carefully and identify the word that rhymes with ‘trip’.

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.

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