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Education Bureau
Territory-wide System Assessment 2026
Secondary 3 English Language
Listening
Question Booklet

Instructions:

1. There are 12 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

Your school's Hiking Club is organising a hiking trip. To help you prepare for the trip, your teacher has given you a pamphlet to read and the recording of an interview to listen to.

Read the pamphlet and listen to the interview. Answer the questions in Part A and Part B. You now have 2 minutes to answer the questions in Part A and read the questions in Part B.

PAMPHLET

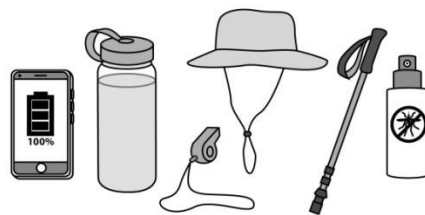
PLAN WELL AND HIKE SAFELY!



Different Routes for Hikers

Route	Duration	Level of Difficulty
Bride's Pool Nature Trail – Tai Mei Tuk	1 hour	▲ Beginner
Pok Fu Lam Reservoir – The University of Hong Kong	1.5 hours	▲ Beginner
Hok Tau Wei – Fung Yuen	3 hours	▲▲ Moderate
Devil's Peak – Tseng Lan Shue	4 hours	▲▲▲ Very hard

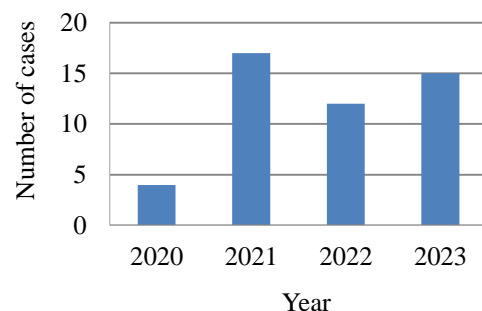
Essential Items



Before hiking, open the 'Hiker Tracking' app. It allows rescue teams to track your location in case of emergency.



Lost hikers found with the help of the 'Hiker Tracking' app



Part A

Answer the questions according to the pamphlet.

1. Which of the following routes is the shortest?
 - A. Bride's Pool Nature Trail – Tai Mei Tuk
 - B. Pok Fu Lam Reservoir – The University of Hong Kong
 - C. Hok Tau Wei – Fung Yuen
 - D. Devil's Peak – Tseng Lan Shue

2. Which is the best route for someone who has done some hiking but is not very experienced?
 - A. Bride's Pool Nature Trail – Tai Mei Tuk
 - B. Pok Fu Lam Reservoir – The University of Hong Kong
 - C. Hok Tau Wei – Fung Yuen
 - D. Devil's Peak – Tseng Lan Shue

3. Hikers should bring a _____ to stay steady on uneven or slippery paths.
 - A. sunhat
 - B. mobile phone
 - C. walking stick
 - D. whistle

4. The 'Hiker Tracking' app allows rescue teams to _____.
 - A. choose a suitable route
 - B. locate hikers in need
 - C. reduce the number of rescue requests
 - D. seek help

5. The number of lost hikers found between 2020 and 2021 _____ with the help of the 'Hiker Tracking' app.
 - A. decreased slightly
 - B. decreased sharply
 - C. increased slightly
 - D. increased sharply

6. The pamphlet _____.
 - A. is only useful for members of the Hiking Club
 - B. was produced by the Hiking Club
 - C. promotes hiking in Hong Kong
 - D. provides hikers with useful information

Part B

Listen to the interview. It 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.

7. The number of hiking accidents recorded in 2022 was _____.
- A. 215
 - B. 1,014
 - C. 2,019
 - D. 4,100
8. According to Mike, hiking accidents increased sharply because influencers _____.
- A. made Lion Rock and Sharp Peak popular
 - B. prompted people to take photos in dangerous areas
 - C. provided incorrect information about the routes
 - D. went hiking with their followers
9. More hikers are getting stranded. 'Getting stranded' here means being _____.
- A. able to become popular
 - B. able to take amazing photos
 - C. unable to leave a place
 - D. unable to realise the danger
10. According to Mike, rescue teams found _____ particularly helpful for their operations in dense areas.
- A. infrared cameras
 - B. mobile apps
 - C. navigation devices
 - D. search dogs
11. The 'Hiker Tracking' app speeds up mountain rescue operations. 'Operations' here refers to _____.
- A. businesses
 - B. lost hikers
 - C. planned actions
 - D. surgeries

12. Drones can perform multiple tasks in mountain rescues, including _____.
1. detecting body smell
 2. taking infrared photos
 3. taking videos
 4. recording hiking locations
- A. 2 and 3
B. 3 and 4
C. 1, 2 and 4
D. All of the above
13. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as an item to pack for a hike?
- A. a mobile phone
B. a first-aid kit
C. plenty of water
D. snacks
14. Proper footwear is important for _____.
- A. emergencies
B. navigation
C. avoiding snakes and wild boars
D. preventing slips and falls
15. Sandra and Mike will most likely continue to talk about _____.
- A. adventure seeking in country parks
B. photo spots in Hong Kong hiking trails
C. the selection of suitable hiking routes
D. wildlife and natural beauty in country parks

Part 2

The English Club is going to celebrate World Book Day. Your teacher has called a meeting to discuss what activities to organise.

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. Kevin will dress up as _____.
 - A. Harry Potter
 - B. Hermione Granger
 - C. Ms Chan
 - D. Willy Wonka

2. The fashion show of book characters will be held in _____.
 - A. a bathtub
 - B. a wardrobe
 - C. the hall
 - D. the playground

3. Kevin suggests that students take photos of themselves reading in weird places. 'Weird' here means _____.
 - A. private
 - B. safe
 - C. strange
 - D. usual

4. Kevin's suggestion makes Amy feel _____.
 - A. angry
 - B. excited
 - C. pleased
 - D. worried

5. Ms Chan says that the World Book Day activities should be _____.

- 1. eye-catching
- 2. fun
- 3. inclusive
- 4. safe

- A. 1 and 3
- B. 2 and 4
- C. 2, 3 and 4
- D. All of the above

6. The students decide to have a _____ called 'Battle of the Books'.

- A. book fair
- B. fashion show
- C. photo-taking competition
- D. quiz

7. In 'Battle of the Books', students should _____.

- 1. form teams of four
- 2. fight for their favourite books
- 3. read only Harry Potter
- 4. team up within the same form

- A. 1 and 4
- B. 2 and 3
- C. 1, 2 and 4
- D. All of the above

8. The winning teams will get _____.

- A. a trophy
- B. book coupons
- C. cash
- D. snacks

Part 3

You have been asked to design a healthy meal for your family. 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.

Stanza One

- Both parents wanted to have a _____ diet.
 - delicious
 - healthy
 - high-protein
 - low-fibre

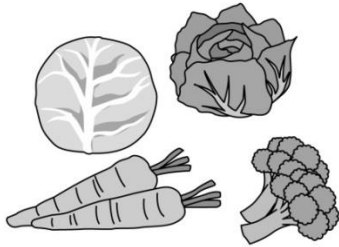
Stanza Two

- The parents threw all the _____ away.
 - cookies
 - onions
 - sugar
 - turnips

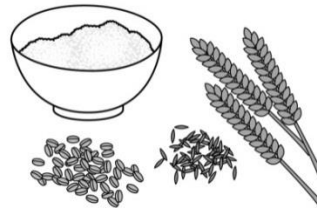
Stanzas Two and Three

- Which of the following would the parents have for meals?

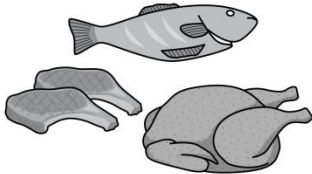
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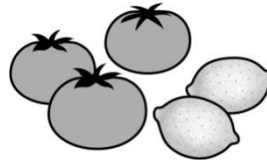
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3.



4.



- 1 only
- 1 and 4
- 2, 3 and 4
- All of the above

Stanza Four

4. In the line ‘My parents were feasting on cake’, ‘feasting on’ means _____.
- A. baking
 - B. eating
 - C. looking at
 - D. throwing away

Stanza Five

5. The parents’ reaction suggested that they felt _____.
- A. angry
 - B. amazed
 - C. embarrassed
 - D. excited

Stanzas One to Five

6. A suitable title for the poem could be _____.
- A. A Diet of Cake and Soda
 - B. You Are What You Eat
 - C. Our Healthy Meals
 - D. Veggies Once in a While
7. You will hear four words from Stanza Two. Listen carefully and identify the word that rhymes with ‘day’.
- A.
 - B.
 - C.
 - D.
8. You will hear four pairs of words from Stanza Four. Listen carefully and identify the rhyming pair.
- A.
 - B.
 - C.
 - D.

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