

**Edexcel GCE**

# Chinese

**Advanced Subsidiary**

**Unit 1: Spoken Expression and Response in  
Chinese (Invigilator Version)**

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## **Instructions to the Invigilator**

- Candidates must be allowed 15 minutes of preparation time.
- The preparation time must be immediately prior to the examination.
- The preparation time must be used to study the stimulus.
- Candidates can make notes. This can be up to a maximum of one side of A4 paper.
- Candidates must not write on the stimuli.
- Candidates must not have access to a dictionary or other resource, during the preparation time.
- Any notes made during the preparation time must be kept by the centre until the release of results.

### Sequence of oral tests

- To avoid duplication of stimuli, candidates must be given the cards in the sequence and combination prescribed below.
- If you conduct more than 16 tests in a day, e.g. in the morning, afternoon and evening sessions, after the 16th candidate start at the beginning of the sequence again.
- If you are conducting tests on more than one day, start each new day at the beginning of the sequence.

Candidate	Stimulus
1	4
2	5
3	1
4	7
5	4
6	2
7	6
8	8
9	3
10	5
11	1
12	7
13	3
14	6
15	2
16	8

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**TOPIC AREA: EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT**

**Stimulus 1: Police officer**



Some young people are considering working as a police officer after they leave school. Currently London has about 50,000 police officers. This is an interesting and important job and can help other people in need.

You may see police officers working at airports, train stations and on the street.

A police officer can earn £23,000 at the start and have 23 days holiday per year. However, some police officers need to work during the night. The job is open to both men and women and they need to be in good health.

**Guidance**

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of this job?
- Why do young people want to apply for this job?
- What are your plans after finishing school?
- What is your ideal job? Why?

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Stimulus 2: Helping the elderly



Today, computers and the Internet are a major part of our lives. Young people are learning faster than adults and have more knowledge of computers than elderly people do.

Five students from a school in Beijing chose to teach computer skills to the elderly as their community service. They spent four weekends helping seven elderly people to learn how to use computers and surf the internet.

Students said they found the experience of teaching the elderly fun and interesting. They learnt to understand better how to communicate with elderly people.

**Glossary:**

Community service: 社區服務 社区服务

**Guidance**

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What different things can you do with computers?
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of using computers and the Internet?
- What sort of things could you do to help elderly people?
- What is your ideal job? Why?

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**TOPIC AREA: FOOD, DIET AND HEALTH**

**Stimulus 3: Coffee in China**



Traditionally, Chinese people mainly drink tea. There are hundreds of different tea flavours in China such as green tea, red tea and jasmine tea.

However, coffee has recently become fashionable amongst young Chinese because they prefer the different flavour. They also think that coffee is a modern drink. Western coffee shops are opening in Chinese cities and attract both Chinese people and foreign tourists.

Drinking coffee is more of a social activity for young Chinese people; they go to a coffee shop to meet friends.

**Guidance**

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- In your opinion why do Chinese people drink coffee?
- What do you normally drink? When and why?
- What can people do in coffee shops besides drinking coffee?
- Give your opinions on how to keep healthy.

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**TOPIC AREA: FOOD, DIET AND HEALTH**

**Stimulus 4: Fast food**



Traditional Chinese restaurants are facing challenges from Western style fast food. One American company already has more than 600 restaurants in over 100 Chinese cities and they plan to open more in the coming years.

Fast food is considered cheap, tasty and convenient in the UK. Although it is not cheap in China, some young Chinese people who live in cities eat fast food at least once a week.

Chinese children love fast food and like to have birthday parties in fast food restaurants. Although parents believe that Chinese food is healthier, they take their children to fast food restaurants.

**Guidance**

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- Why do people like fast food?
- What are the disadvantages of eating fast food?
- What is your favourite food? Why?
- How do you keep healthy?

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**TOPIC AREA: LEISURE, YOUTH INTERESTS AND CHINESE FESTIVALS**

**Stimulus 5: Mid-Autumn Festival**



Nowadays, young Chinese people who live in big cities celebrate both traditional and Western festivals.

The Mid-Autumn Festival is one of the most popular and oldest festivals in China. It is held on the 15th day of the eighth month in the Chinese calendar. It is celebrated not only by Chinese but also by many other Asian people.

Traditionally on this day Chinese families take a break after a year's hard work in the fields. Nowadays, family and friends gather together to admire the bright mid-autumn moon and eat moon cakes.

**Guidance**

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What other Chinese festivals are celebrated?
- What other festivals are celebrated in your country and how?
- Why are festivals important?
- What do you do on festivals or holidays? Why?

**Stimulus 6: Learning a musical instrument**



Music is an important part of many people's lives. People listen to music, go to concerts, and some of them also play musical instruments.

Parents believe that learning music helps children to become better students. Skills learnt through music help them to study. Some say that students who sing or play a musical instrument get better exam results.

Most Chinese parents would like their children to learn a musical instrument if they have money. Some children start music lessons in primary school or even earlier.

**Guidance**

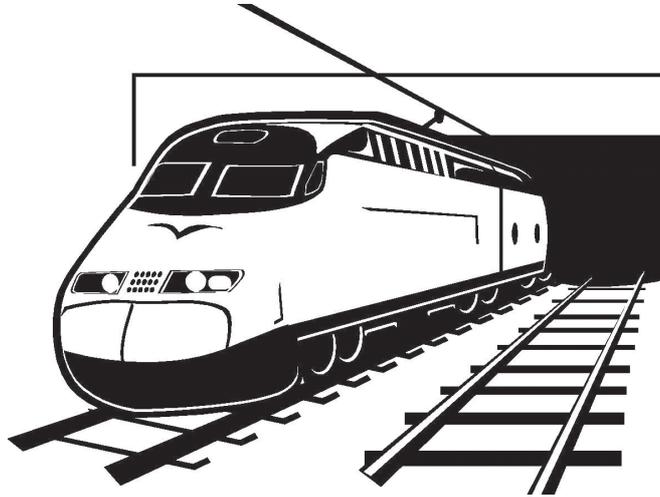
Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What type of music do you like to listen to? Give reasons.
- If you could learn a new musical instrument, what would it be? Why?
- In what way is music important in people's lives?
- What are your hobbies?

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**TOPIC AREA: TRANSPORT, TRAVEL AND TOURISM**

**Stimulus 7: High-speed trains in China**



China is developing high-speed railways in order to provide cheap, quick transportation from city to city. People can now choose between train and plane.

The high-speed train has reduced journey times. The high-speed railway from Beijing to Shanghai was completed in 2011 and the journey now only takes about 5 hours. This is the longest high-speed railway in the world.

There are several other high-speed railways in China. However, people are concerned about the safety and some people think that the tickets are not cheap at all.

**Guidance**

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- Would you like to travel by high-speed train? Why?
- What are the differences between travelling by air and by train? Which one do you prefer? Why?
- Suggest ways of improving your local transport.
- Do you like to travel? Where and why?

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**TOPIC AREA: TRANSPORT, TRAVEL AND TOURISM**

**Stimulus 8: Holiday in China**



Hainan Island is one of the biggest islands in China. It is located at the southern end of China. Hainan is warm all year round and has no winter. The beautiful beaches and scenery attract tourists from other places in China and from other countries.

Tourists love the fruit and seafood in Hainan. Hainan chicken rice is a famous local dish.

Transport is convenient in Hainan. Tourists can go by train, by boat or by air, and stay in good and comfortable hotels. However some people are concerned that tourism is having a bad effect on the local environment.

**Glossary:**

Hainan Island: 海南島 海南島

**Guidance**

Please respond **in Chinese** to the bullet points below. You are **not** expected to refer to the full content of the above.

- State what the above article is referring to (a full summary is **not** required).
- What can tourists do in Hainan?
- What are the effects of tourism on Hainan?
- What are the differences between a beach holiday and a skiing holiday?
- What do you like doing on holiday? Why?

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