



## Summary of changes to Chinese A level

The table below sets out changes to the Chinese A level following amendments to the qualification. These changes are applicable for first assessment in 2026, and are illustrated in Issue 5 of the Specification, and Issue 3 of the Sample assessment materials.

		Assessment up to 2025	First assessment in 2026
Paper 1	<b>Section A: Listening</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question titles in Chinese</li> <li>• Questions in Chinese</li> <li>• Answers in Chinese</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question titles in English</li> <li>• Questions in English</li> <li>• Answers in English</li> </ul>
	<b>Section B: Reading</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question titles in Chinese</li> <li>• Questions in Chinese</li> <li>• Answers in Chinese</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question titles in English</li> <li>• Questions in English</li> <li>• Answers in English</li> </ul>
	<b>Section C: Translation into English</b>	<b>No change</b>	
Paper 2	<b>Section A: Translation into Chinese</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question instructions in Chinese</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question instructions in English</li> </ul>
	<b>Sections B and C: Response to set works</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question instructions in Chinese</li> <li>• Questions in Chinese only</li> <li>• Choice of 6 set works</li> <li>• Only one question for each set work</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question instructions in English</li> <li>• Questions in Chinese and English</li> <li>• Choice of 8 set works</li> <li>• Choice of two questions for each set work</li> </ul>
Paper 3	<b>Tasks 1, 2 and 3: Discussion on a theme, Research presentation and discussion</b>	<b>No change</b>	

These changes are illustrated in Issue 3 of the Sample assessment materials.