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NATIONAL
QUALIFICATIONS
2010

TUESDAY, 1 JUNE
9.00 AM – 10.10 AM

MANDARIN
(SIMPLIFIED)
INTERMEDIATE 2
Reading

Fill in these boxes and read what is printed below.

Full name of centre

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Date of birth

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Scottish candidate number

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When you are told to do so, open your paper and write your answers **in English** in the spaces provided.

You may use a Chinese dictionary.

A Word List has been provided on a separate sheet and has been inserted inside the front cover of this paper.

Before leaving the examination room you must give this book to the Invigilator. If you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.

Use blue or black ink.



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1. You are an exchange overseas student in Nanjing University in China. You want to rent a flat, and see an advert on campus.



好房出租

位于城市西区，骑自行车到南京大学很方便。两室一厅，舒适、干净、安全、安静。屋内有电视机、洗衣机、衣柜、双人床等各种家具。

月租：一千六百元一个月（包括电费和网络费）。

要求：不抽烟

联系：马小姐， 0106123456

- (a) What is the best way to get from the flat to the university campus?
Tick (✓) the correct box.

☐ On foot

☐ By bus

☐ By bike

1

- (b) What are the rooms like? Tick (✓) the **two** correct boxes.

☐ Convenient and central

☐ Safe and quiet

☐ Comfortable and clean

☐ Large and spacious

2

- (c) How much is the rent per month?

1

Marks

1. (continued)

(d) What is included in the rent? Tick (✓) the **two** correct boxes.

Gas	
Electricity	
Water	
Internet	
Digital TV	

2

[Turn over

Marks

2. Your flatmate, Liujia is looking for a part time job, and she has printed off her CV.

姓 名:	刘佳	性 别	女
出生日期:	1983 年 10 月 5 日		
手 机:	139011154789		
语言能力:	说标准的普通话, 流利的英语, 能用法语进行日常交流。		
教育背景:	1990-1996 年: 长岛小学 1996-2002 年: 长岛中学 2002-2006 年: 南京大学中文系, 本科 2006-2008 年: 南京大学旅游系, 硕士		
工作经历:	2004-2005 年在南京实验中学实习, 教中文。 2006 年暑假在酒店做服务员。		
技能:	电脑技能: 微软程序。 领导技能: 曾担任学生会主席。		

- (a) Apart from Chinese, which other two languages does Liujia speak? Complete the sentence.

She speaks English and _____ 1

- (b) What did she study between 2006 and 2008? Tick (✓) the correct box.

☐ Chinese

☐ Tourism

☐ Business

1

- (c) What job did she do in the summer of 2006?

_____ 1

- (d) What example does she give of her leadership skills? Complete the sentence.

She was the president of _____ 1

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Marks

3. You are interested in health and nutrition in China and an article in a magazine attracts your attention.

中国人在饮食习惯上，有“南甜北咸，东辣西酸”的说法。这种习惯上的不同跟气候有很大的关系。南方人喜欢吃甜的，因为气候温和。北方人喜欢吃咸的，因为冬季长，气候冷。这就是“南甜北咸”。山东人爱吃葱、蒜，山西人吃面离不开醋。这就是“东辣西酸”。现在，越来越多的人更喜欢“甜和咸”或“酸和辣”合起来的味道。

- (a) What does the article say about the climate in the south of China? Tick (✓) the correct box.

- ☐ Rainy
☐ Mild
☐ Sunny

1

- (b) In which part of China do people prefer salty food? Tick (✓) the correct box.

- ☐ North
☐ South
☐ East

1

- (c) What **two** things do people in Shandong like to eat? Tick (✓) the **two** correct boxes.

- ☐ Mushrooms
☐ Spring onion
☐ Ginger
☐ Garlic

1

Marks

3. (continued)

(d) Nowadays, what combination of flavours do more and more people prefer? Complete the gaps.

- Sweet and _____ .
- _____ and hot.

2

[Turn over

4. In another article, you read an interview with young people from Zhuhai City in Guangdong Province, in southern China.

过去的二十年中，越来越多的外商在中国的沿海城市开工厂。在沿海城市外商企业工作的年轻人，他们对此有什么看法呢？

朱能，18 岁



我中学毕业后没考上大学，就开始在工厂打工了。我已经成年了，不想再靠父母了。虽然工作很单调，也很累，可是我觉得现在很开心。我的工资足够支付我的生活费了。我希望有一天能在城市买房子。

王石，26 岁



我在工厂打工七年了，现在已经是部门经理了。我的工作压力很大，尽管工作时间不长，每天从早上九点到下午四点，但是工作很多，需要做得又快又好。我觉得外资企业给这座城市带来了活力。我希望在这里学到的经验，能帮助我将来做自己的小生意。

陈莉莉，23 岁



我在珠海大学学习国际贸易，现在在外商工厂实习。我觉得外商给珠海带来了更多的工作机会，也带来了最新的技术。我觉得，在实习的半年里，我学到了很多技能，我对自己更有信心了。

- (a) In the past twenty years, what changes have taken place in the coastal cities of China? Mention **two** things.

4. (continued)

Marks

Zhu Neng

- (b) Zhu Neng works in a factory. When did he start there?

_____ 1

- (c) What does he say about his job? Mention
- one**
- thing.

_____ 1

- (d) What does he hope to do one day?

_____ 1

Wang Shi

- (e) What is Wang Shi's position in the factory where he works?

_____ 1

- (f) What comments does he make about his job? Mention any
- two**
- things.

_____ 2

- (g) What benefit does he think the foreign companies bring?

_____ 1

- (h) How will his experience help him in the future?

_____ 1

Chen Lili

- (i) What is Chen Lili studying in Zhuhai University?

_____ 1

- (j) What is she doing in a foreign-owned factory at the moment?

_____ 1

- (k) What benefits does she think foreign companies bring to the city of Zhuhai? Mention
- two**
- things.

_____ 2

- (l) She has learned a lot during this half year. What comment does she make? Mention
- one**
- thing.

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2010 Mandarin (Simplified) Intermediate 2 Reading

Word List

Question 1

大学	university
厅	lounge/sitting room
屋内	inside of flat
家具	furniture
月租	monthly rent
不抽烟	no smoking

Question 2

语言能力	language ability
标准的中文	standard Chinese
教育背景	educational background
本科	undergraduate
硕士	postgraduate
实习	work placement
技能	skills
微软	Microsoft
领导技能	leadership skills
学生会	student union

Question 3

饮食习惯	eating habits/diet
甜	sweet
咸	salty
气候	climate
山东	Shandong (an area of China)
山西	Shanxi (an area of China)
醋	vinegar

Question 4

沿海城市	coastal cities
看法	opinions
打工	to work
成年	to become adult
工作	job
工资	salary
生活费	living expenses
压力	pressure
活力	energy/life
经验	experience
将来	future
珠海	Zhuhai (a city in China)
半年	half year

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NATIONAL
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TUESDAY, 1 JUNE
10.30 AM – 11.00 AM
(APPROX.)

MANDARIN
(SIMPLIFIED)
INTERMEDIATE 2
Listening

Fill in these boxes and read what is printed below.

Full name of centre

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Surname

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Date of birth

Day

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Year

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Scottish candidate number

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Number of seat

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When you are told to do so, open your paper.

You will hear three items in Mandarin. **Before you hear each item, you will have one minute to study the question.** You will hear each item twice, with an interval of one minute between playings, then you will have time to answer the questions about it before hearing the next item.

Write your answers, **in English**, in this book, in the appropriate spaces.

You may take notes as you are listening to the Mandarin, but only in this book.

You may **not** use a Chinese dictionary.

You are not allowed to leave the examination room until the end of the test.

Before leaving the examination room you must give this book to the Invigilator. If you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.

Use blue or black ink.



Marks

You are living with a host family in China. You are taking part in a Chinese language course in the city of Fuzhou.

1. Your language tutor, Shanshan, talks to you about her life when she was a student.

- (a) What did she study in the university apart from English? Tick (✓) the correct box.

- ☐ French
☐ German
☐ Spanish

1

- (b) Why did she not have many leisure activities? Complete the sentence.

She had a lot of _____ and pressure.

1

- (c) How many years did she spend in Beijing? Tick (✓) the correct box.

- ☐ 7 years
☐ 9 years
☐ 11 years

1

- (d) What did she do with her friends at the weekends? Tick (✓) **True** or **False** for each statement.

	True	False
They ate dumplings in a restaurant.		
The restaurant is near the University.		

2

- (e) Why did she not visit an English-speaking country when she was a student? Tick (✓) the correct box.

- ☐ She had a part-time job.
☐ She didn't have enough money.
☐ Her parents didn't allow her.

1

Marks

1. (continued)

(f) How are things different today? Complete the sentences.

She communicates with _____.

She has many chances to _____.

2

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[Turn over

Marks

2. Your host partner, Jiani, tells you about the family’s holiday plans for Spring Festival (Chinese New Year).

(a) Where will your host family spend Spring Festival (Chinese New Year)? Tick (✓) the correct box.

- ☐ at home
- ☐ at grandparents’ home
- ☐ at a restaurant

1

(b) Why does Jiani find this quite dull?

1

(c) Why does she like to chat with her friend Wangjie? Tick (✓) the correct box.

They have known each other for a long time.	
They like the same things.	
They are the same age.	

1

(d) What would Wangjie like to do in the future? Tick (✓) **True** or **False** for the statements below.

	True	False
She wants to become a teacher.		
She would like to work in the West of China.		

2

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Marks

3. Jiani’s father, Dehua, tells you about his job.

(a) (i) Which specific product is made in the factory where he works?

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(ii) Where is this product sold?

1

(b) How long has he worked in the factory?

1

(c) What does he say about his colleagues?

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(d) What does he say about his daughter?

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(e) What does he intend to do after a few years? Mention **two** things.

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TUESDAY, 1 JUNE
10.30 AM – 11.00 AM
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MANDARIN
(SIMPLIFIED)
INTERMEDIATE 2
Listening Transcript

This paper must not be seen by any candidate.

The material overleaf is provided for use in an emergency only (eg the recording or equipment proving faulty) or where permission has been given in advance by SQA for the material to be read to candidates with additional support needs. The material must be read exactly as printed.



Instructions to reader(s):

For each item, read the English **once**, then read the Mandarin (Simplified) **twice**, with an interval of 1 minute between the two readings. On completion of the second reading, pause for the length of time indicated in brackets after each item, to allow the candidates to write their answers.

Where special arrangements have been agreed in advance to allow the reading of the material, those sections marked **(f)** should be read by a female speaker and those marked **(m)** by a male: those sections marked **(t)** should be read by the teacher.

- (t)** You are living with a host family in China. You are taking part in a Chinese language course in the city of Fuzhou.

Question number one.

Your language tutor, Shanshan, talks to you about her life when she was a student.

You now have one minute to study the question.

- (f)** 我在大学的时候，学的是英语和西班牙语，因为我们的功课很多，压力很大，所以休闲活动很少。我在北京住了七年，认识了很多朋友。周末，我们常常到大学附近的饭馆吃饺子。那时候，我一直想到国外提高我的英文水平，但是，我的钱不够，所以不能去。现在不同了，我的工作可以让我跟很多外国学生交流，我也有很多机会到国外旅游。

(3 minutes)

- (t)** **Question number two.**

Your host partner, Jiani, tells you about the family's holiday plans for Spring Festival (Chinese New Year).

You now have one minute to study the question.

- (f)** 我爸爸和妈妈在讨论今年春节要去哪儿，后来决定去爷爷奶奶家。我心想，我们每年春节都去那儿，真没意思。但是，我还是很想见我的爷爷奶奶，还有我的朋友，王杰。我喜欢和王杰聊天，因为我们有很多共同的兴趣。王杰想将来当一个医生，到中国的西部工作。

(3 minutes)

- (t)** **Question number three.**

Jiani's father, Dehua, tells you about his job.

You now have one minute to study the question.

- (m)** 我在一个面包工厂工作。我们生产的面包卖给很多超级市场。我很喜欢我的工作。我在工厂已经工作了二十年，我和同事们都相处得很好。我只有一个女儿，所以我最大的愿望就是让她上大学。再过几年，我打算买一个更大的房子，还要买一辆车。

(3 minutes)

- (t)** **End of test.**

Now look over your answers.

[END OF TRANSCRIPT]

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2010

TUESDAY, 1 JUNE
11.20 AM – 12.15 PM

MANDARIN
(SIMPLIFIED)
INTERMEDIATE 2
Writing

20 marks are allocated to this paper.

You may use a Chinese dictionary.



You are preparing an application for the job advertised below.

招聘英语口语老师

学校: 杭州师范学院

职位: 英语口语老师

职位要求:

- 全职、兼职均可。
- 教 10 至 14 岁的学生英语口语。

联系方式:

浙江杭州市学林街 16 号

杭州师范学院外语系陈老师

To help you to write your application, you have been given the following checklist of information to give about yourself and to ask about the job. Make sure you deal with **all** of these points:

- name, age, where you live
- leisure interests
- school/college career – subjects studied previously/being studied now
- reasons for application
- request for information about the job.

You could also include the following information:

- any previous links with China or a Chinese-speaking country
- work experience, if any.

You have also been given a way to start and finish this formal type of letter:

Formal opening to letter of application

尊敬的陈老师:

您好! 本人欲申请贵校招聘的.....

Formal finish to letter of application

我热切期盼你们的回音。谢谢!

此致

敬礼!

Use all of the above to help you write **in Chinese (Simplified)** the letter which should be 150–200 characters, excluding the formal phrases you have been given. You may use a Chinese dictionary.

[END OF QUESTION PAPER]