

Assessments



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Skill Training Worksheets

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Multiple-choice Questions

Demo Station

Basic skills

Q What are multiple-choice questions?

A Multiple-choice question is a common type of examination question. It consists of one question and multiple possible options and requires students to choose the best (or most appropriate) answer.

Q Why should we read the question carefully before answering?

A Multiple-choice questions may look simple and straightforward, but students often make the wrong choice as they are too careless and have not read the question carefully.

Q What are “negative questions”?

A Some questions are asked with negative words, such as **not** and **incorrect**. Students can pay attention to these wordings to avoid misunderstanding the question.

Q Is “process of elimination” the effective way to getting the right answer?

A If the options provided are very similar, or you are not sure about the answer after looking at the options, you may try to eliminate the inappropriate option(s) to narrow down the range, and then choose from the remaining options.

Q Why should I make notes first with a pencil?

A After looking at the options, students may first make notes next to the options with a pencil, like marking a “✓” or “✗”. After deciding on the answer, students can fill in the answer with a pencil first for double-checking later. In addition, when encountering questions that you are unsure about the answers or are particularly difficult, you may first write a question mark next to the question number with a pencil, and then try answering it or leave it for later.

Multiple-choice question (single-select)

- There is only one correct option, and you have to select the most appropriate one

1. Mia’s father died when she was in form five, and her family relies entirely on her mother to make a living. What function of the family does this example showcase?

Module 1.2

- A. Emotional support
- B. Finance
- C. Care
- D. Education

B



Analysis: Mia's mother supports the family and takes care of her financial needs, which reflects the family function in finance. The example does not mention how Mia's mother takes care of her mental health, her everyday life and her education, so option B is the correct answer.

2. Mia's father died when she was in form five, and her family relies entirely on her mother to make a living. Although her mother is busy with work, she always makes sure Mia has a balance diet and cooks dinner for Mia. She also cares about Mia's mental health. What function of the family **is not** showcased in this example?

Module 1.2

- A. Emotional support
- B. Finance
- C. Care
- D. Education

D

Analysis: Mia's mother supports the family, takes care of Mia's financial needs and daily life, and provides Mia with emotional support when needed. This example reflects the family functions of emotional support, finance and care, but does not mention how she educates Mia. Therefore, option D is correct.



Skills: This question is a negative question. Students should pay attention to the family function not mentioned in Mia's case. Students may practice what they have learnt, eliminated the functions showcased (i.e. options A, B and C) first to find the correct answer (i.e. option D).

Multiple-choice questions (combine-select)

- The number of correct options may be more than one, please check all the options provided

3. Which of the following conditions must be met for a non-Chinese citizen to become a permanent resident of Hong Kong?

Module 1.4

- (1) Has taken Hong Kong as his/her place of permanent residence
- (2) Whose parents are both permanent residents of Hong Kong
- (3) Has entered Hong Kong with valid travel documents
- (4) Has ordinarily resided in Hong Kong for a continuous period of not less than seven years

- A. (1), (2) and (3) only
- B. (1), (3) and (4) only
- C. (2), (3) and (4) only
- D. (1), (2), (3) and (4)

B

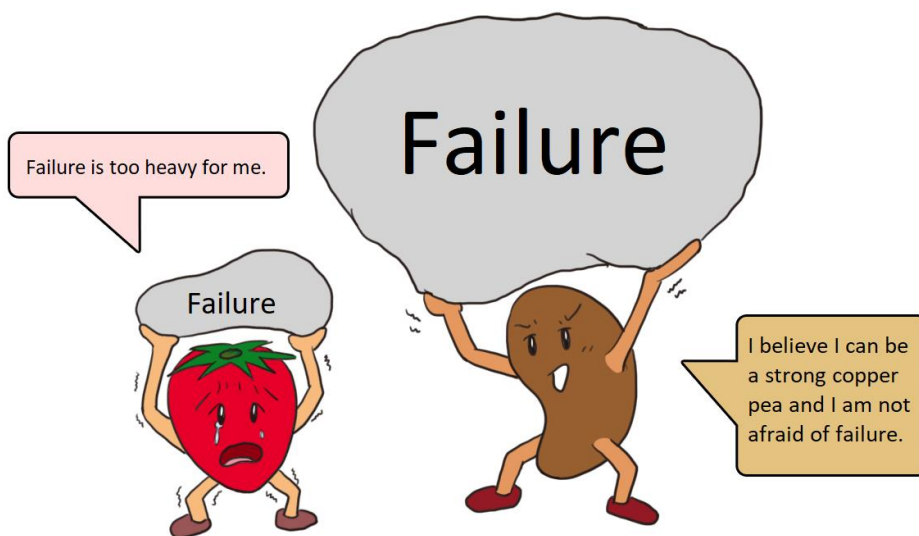
Analysis: In accordance with Article 24 of the *Basic Law*, six categories of people are considered permanent residents of Hong Kong, including: persons of Chinese nationality born outside Hong Kong, whose parent (father or mother) is a Chinese citizen who is a permanent resident of Hong Kong; and people not of Chinese nationality who have entered Hong Kong with valid travel documents, have ordinarily resided in Hong Kong for a continuous period of not less than seven years, and have taken Hong Kong as their place of permanent residence before or after the establishment of the HKSAR. Option (2) is incorrect, because people born outside Hong Kong of parents that are permanent residents of Hong Kong are permanent residents of Hong Kong, but not Chinese citizens. Only options (1), (3) and (4) are conditions that a non-Chinese citizen must fulfil to become a permanent resident of Hong Kong, so option B is the correct answer.

Exercises Station

Multiple-choice questions with a comic

4. According to the comic, which of the following statements is *incorrect*?

Module 1.1



- A. Copper Pea can better withstand failures and frustrations than Strawberry.
- B. Strawberry may be devastated by failures.
- C. Strawberry has higher self-esteem and self-confidence than Copper Pea.
- D. Copper Pea may have a more fruitful life.



Skills: This is a negative question. Students may apply the skills mentioned in the “Demo Station” and use their own knowledge to eliminate the correct statements to find the correct answer.

Multiple-choice questions with a scenario

5. Mr. Liu, who was born in Beijing, was sent to manage the Hong Kong branch of his company 10 years ago and has settled in Hong Kong ever since then. Which of the following is the reason why he is able to become a permanent resident of Hong Kong? Module 1.4
- A. He is a non-Chinese citizen who has taken Hong Kong as his place of permanent residence, entered Hong Kong with a valid travel document, and ordinarily resided in Hong Kong for a continuous period of not less than seven years.
 - B. He had the right of abode only in Hong Kong before the establishment of the HKSAR.
 - C. He is a Chinese citizen and has ordinarily resided in Hong Kong for a continuous period of not less than seven years.
 - D. He is a Chinese citizen born in Hong Kong.



Skills: If there are words describing degree or scope like “only”, “all”, “must”, “already” in the options, students may assess whether the statements are too narrow or broad.

6. Mira will buy goods in bulk whenever they are on sale, but often throw them away later when they have expired. Which of the following statements about Mira’s consumption habits are correct? Module 1.3
- (1) She does not distinguish between her “needs” and “wants”.
 - (2) She is attracted by merchants’ marketing strategy of offering discounts.
 - (3) She likes purchasing goods with a credit card.
 - (4) Goods she bought are necessities.
- A. (1) and (2) only
 - B. (3) and (4) only
 - C. (1), (2) and (3) only
 - D. (2), (3) and (4) only



Skills: Some statements are not mentioned in detail in the question. Thus, they are not the most suitable options. They can be eliminated directly to reduce the time for finding the right answer.

Multiple-choice questions (data-response)

An online survey on e-communication behaviours of Hong Kong families was conducted, and 644 responses were collected. The result showed that 53.1% of the respondents communicated with family members using digital text messaging, an increase of 22.3% compared to 2013. There was also a downward trend for face-to-face and telephone conversations.

Among the respondents, 73.5% of them had a family e-chat group. The survey found that compared with those who did not have a family e-chat group, those that did have such group received higher scores on the quality of family communication as well as personal and family happiness. However, more messaging is not always better. According to the survey, respondents who sent more than 20 text messages in the family e-chat groups daily received lower scores on the quality of family communication and happiness. Thus, it is suggested that one should avoid bombarding family members with text messages. Chair Professor of Community Medicine of School of Public Health from the Faculty of Medicine in the University of Hong Kong reminded people that while communication using messaging software is unavoidable, face-to-face family communication should still be maintained.

7. According to the source, what are the impacts of the popularity of instant messaging software on family life? Module 1.2

- (1) Enhancing understanding between family members
- (2) Increasing chances of face-to-face communication
- (3) Improving the quality of communication in a family
- (4) Annoying other family members

- A. (1), (2) and (3) only
- B. (1), (3) and (4) only
- C. (2), (3) and (4) only
- D. (1), (2), (3) and (4)



Skills: Impacts can be both positive and negative. Students may pay attention to the impact on different aspects mentioned in the source. Things may have both a good side and a bad side, and overdoing something may bring an adverse effect.

Suggested answers:

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Multiple-choice Questions with Comics

4. C

Module 1.1

Analysis: Even though Copper Pea faces a greater failure than Strawberry, it still believes in its own abilities; Strawberry lacks confidence and gets frightened when facing failure. Thus, compared to Strawberry, Copper Pea is more capable of withstanding failures and frustrations, meaning that it has higher self-esteem and self-confidence. It will have the courage to step out of its comfort zone, actively develop its potential and live a fruitful life in the future. It can be seen that the statements of options A, B and D are correct, and only option C's statement is wrong. Therefore, C is the correct answer.

5. C

Module 1.4

Analysis: As Mr. Liu was born in Beijing, he is a Chinese citizen. Moreover, since he was sent to manage the Hong Kong branch of his company and he has resided in Hong Kong for 10 years, he meets the *Basic Law's* requirement that permanent residents of Hong Kong need to have ordinarily resided in Hong Kong for a continuous period of not less than seven years. Students should also pay attention to the text in red in option B. Although Mr. Liu has resided in Hong Kong for many years, he has the right of abode in both Hong Kong and Beijing. Therefore, options A, B and D are incorrect.

B. He had the right of abode in **only** Hong Kong before the establishment of the HKSAR.

6. A

Module 1.3

Analysis: Mira will buy goods in bulk whenever they are on sale, reflecting that she does not distinguish between her "needs" and "wants" before purchases. Moreover, merchants' marketing strategy of offering discounts have attracted her to buy a lot, but she usually fails to use the goods before they expire and has to throw them away, which causes over-consumption. As the question does not mention whether the goods she bought are necessities and her means of payment, those are not the most appropriate options. Therefore, options (3) and (4) are incorrect.

7. B

Module 1.2

Analysis: The popularity of instant messaging software brings positive and negative impact to family life. As shown in the red text in the source, respondents who have a family e-chat group are happier and have a higher quality of family communication. At the same time, the popularity of instant messaging software has reduced the frequency of face-to-face and telephone conversations among family members. If people bombard family members with text messages, the quality of family communication will decrease, and their family members may be annoyed. Therefore, option (2) is incorrect.

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Information interpretation (text)

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Stage 1: Review the question and pay attention to the keywords, identify the module and topic which are related to the key points of the question.

Common keywords in the question:

- “How can the source support this”
- “With reference to the source, state and elaborate on / With reference to the source, state and explain”
- “One argument for and one argument against”

Example:

Source A

Ken had spent most of his time at home playing online games. After he started ❶ street dancing, he ❷ found a real sense of accomplishment in learning each dance move. He said that street dancing originated in the United States, so much of the related knowledge are translated from English. ❸ Improving his dancing skills and exchanging ideas with foreign dancers have become his motivation to learn English hard.

Summary of local news on 5 April 2014

Source B

When Carol was a little girl, she was afraid of speaking to her relatives when she visited them. Since being selected into the recital team by the Vice-principal, she got to know about ❹ speech reciting. After continuous practice, ❺ Carol gradually overcame her timid personality, and even won championships in many speech contests. She said, “Speech reciting has built my confidence.”

Summary of local news on 21 February 2014

With reference to the sources provided, state and elaborate on the importance of **participating in extracurricular activities** to young people in **building self-confidence**.

Keywords of the question
 With reference to the sources,
 state and elaborate on...

Key points of the question	Analysis	Relevant module and topic
Participating in extracurricular activities	Various extracurricular activities, such as sports, chess, choir, speech reciting	Module 1.1 Topic 1
Building self-confidence	Affirm self-worth, explore and fulfil potentials, set achievable goals	

Stage 2: Read the sources and find out the relationship between the sources and the question.

Source A

Extracurricular activities

Set achievable goals

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Source B

Extracurricular activities

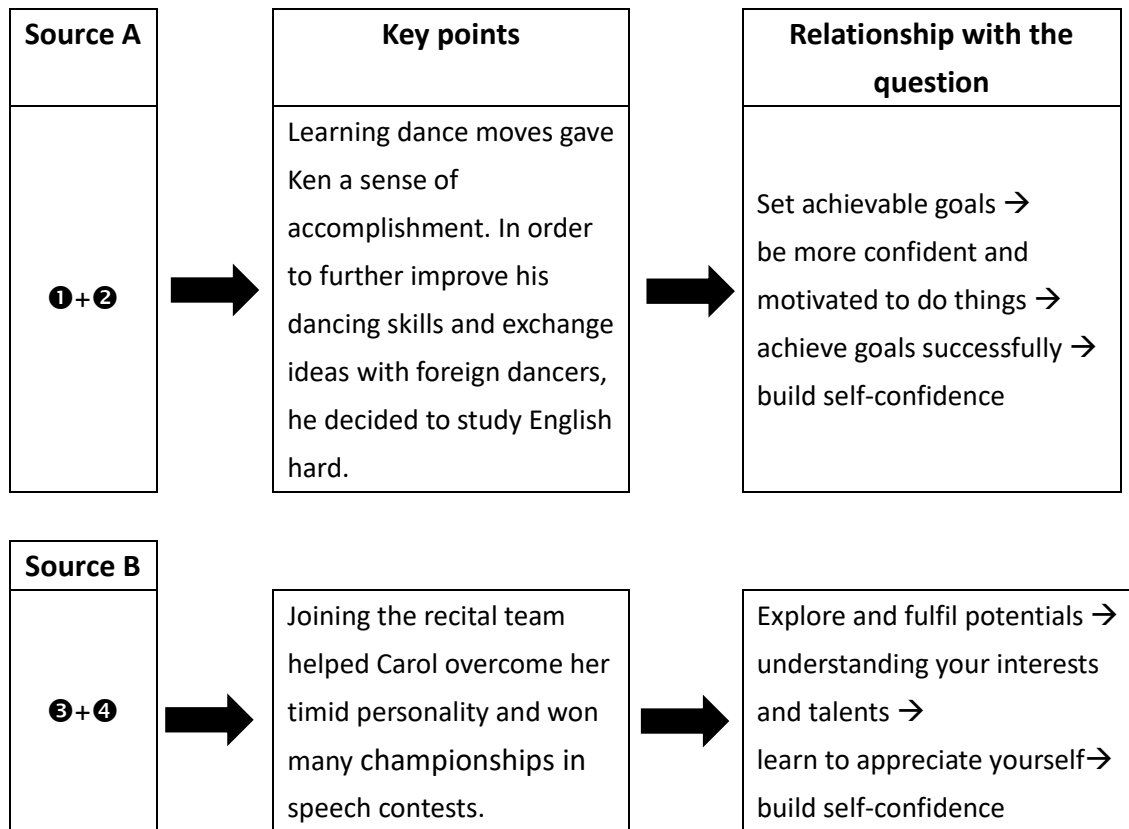
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Explore and fulfil the potentials

Skill: Highlight the key points of the source and pay attention to the underlined texts



Stage 3: Summarise the key points into argument and write a complete answer.

Answering steps: 1 Linking word → 2 Topic sentence → 3a Reference →
3b Explanation → 4 Summary

Argument 1:

(1 Linking word) Firstly,

(2 Topic sentence) joining extracurricular activities can help young people explore and fulfil their potentials.

(3a Reference) With reference to Source B, joining the recital team helped Carol overcome her timid personality and won championships in many speech contests.

(3b Explanation) By joining the recital team, Carol successfully explored and fulfilled her potential. In the process, she understood more about her interests and talents and learnt to appreciate herself, thus building her self-confidence.

(3b Explanation) Therefore, joining extracurricular activities can guide young people to understand their interests and talents, and build their self-confidence by fulfilling their potentials.

Question:

With reference to Argument 1, circle the correct answers in the tables below and complete Argument 2.

Argument 2:

(1 Linking word) Secondly,

(2 Topic sentence) joining extracurricular activities can help young people set achievable goals.

(3a Reference) With reference to Source A, learning dance moves gave Ken a sense of (security / accomplishment). In order to further improve his dancing skills and exchange ideas with foreign dancers, he decided to study English hard. (3b

(Explanation) Through participating in street dance, Ken learnt to set goals that are in line with his abilities. Starting with (short-term / long-term) goals and gradually working up to the final goals became his (obstacle / motivation). Achieving his goal help him build self-confidence.

(4 Summary) Therefore, joining extracurricular activities can help young people set goals based on their interests, and build their self-confidence by achieving their goals.

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Source A

In recent years, during university information days, parents are often seen accompanying their children, or going alone to obtain information and attend talks for their children. Some even accompany their children to classes at the beginning of the semester, accompany their children to job interviews, commute to and from work with them, and call their employers to inquire about their children's work situation. According to a survey conducted by the Christian Family Service Centre, 90% of the interviewed parents stick to their children at all times, becoming "helicopter parents" who "hover" around their children around the clock, resulting in young people lacking independence and autonomy.

Summary of local news on 31 January 2013

"Helicopter parents hinder their children from building self-confidence." How might the source provided support this statement? Explain your answer.

1. Circle the keywords and key points of the question.
2. Underline the content of the source relevant to the question.
3. Organise the key points underlined in the source and complete the tables below.

Answering steps: 1 Linking word → 2 Topic sentence → 3a Reference →
3b Explanation → 4 Summary

1 Linking word	
2 Topic sentence	
3a Reference + 3b Explanation	
4 Summary	

Suggested answers:

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- accomplishment; short-term; motivation

Exercise Station

1. “Helicopter parents hinder their children from building self-confidence” How does the provided source support this statement? Explain your answer.

2.

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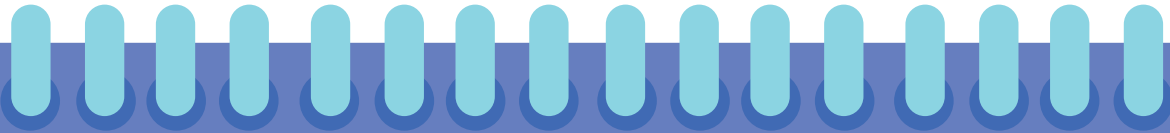
Summary of local news on 31 January 2013

3.

1 Linking word	Firstly,
2 Topic sentence	“helicopter parents” lead their children to miss out on opportunities to learn how to be independent.
3a Reference + 3b Explanation	(3a Reference) With reference to Source A, “helicopter parents” stick to their children at all times, accompanying them to university information days, interviews, and commuting to and from work with them, causing them to lack the ability to handle situations or problems independently. (3b Explanation) This parenting style may lead to children becoming dependent on their parents when facing failures or setbacks, making it difficult for them to solve problems on their own and to build their self-confidence.
4 Summary	Therefore, “helicopter parents” cause their children to lack the ability and opportunity to solve problems on their own, which hinder the building of their self-confidence.

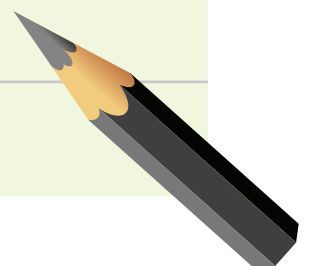
Teaching suggestion:

The steps (1 Linking word) (2 Topic sentence) (3a Reference) (3b Explanation) (4 Summary) help students understand the components of a complete answer and assist them in answering questions. Teachers may let students refer to Topic Assessment of each topic to understand the answering steps.



Note

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