

Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination 2012
English Language Paper 3
Listening and Integrated Skills

Time: 55 minutes 13 seconds

Tapescript

Track 1
Announcer

Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education 2012, English Language Paper 3, Listening and Integrated Skills.

Instructions to Candidates. You should have on your desk a Part A Question-Answer Book, a Part B1 Data File with a Part B1 Question-Answer Book inserted and a Part B2 Data File with a Part B2 Question-Answer Book inserted. Do not open them until you are told to do so. I repeat, do not open the Question-Answer Books or the Data Files until you are told to do so.

Now write your Candidate Number in the space provided on Page 1 of your Part A Question-Answer Book.

(10 seconds pause)

Now look at the Part A Question-Answer Book. Check that the Part A Question-Answer Book has no missing pages. Look for the words 'End of Part A. Now go on to Part B.' on the last page.

(10 seconds pause)

Now stick your barcode labels in the spaces provided on Pages 1, 3 and 5. Close your Part A Question-Answer Book when you have finished.

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Now look at your Part B1 Data File. Take out the inserted Part B1 Question-Answer Book. Check that your Part B1 Data File has no missing pages. Look for the words 'This is the last page of the Part B1 Data File' on the last page.

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Now look at your Part B1 Question-Answer Book. Check that the Part B1 Question-Answer Book has no missing pages. Look for the words 'End of Part B1' on the last page.

(10 seconds pause)

Now stick your barcode label in the space provided on Page 1.

(10 seconds pause)

Now look at your Part B2 Data File. Take out the inserted Part B2 Question-Answer Book. Check that the Part B2 Data File has no missing pages. Look for the words 'This is the last page of the Part B2 Data File' on the last page.

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Now look at your Part B2 Question-Answer Book. Check that the Part B2 Question-Answer Book has no missing pages. Look for the words 'End of Part B2' on the last page.

(10 seconds pause)

Now stick your barcode labels in the spaces provided on Pages 1 and 3. Close the Part B2 Question-Answer Book when you have finished.

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You are reminded that all examination materials will be played ONCE only. The test is divided into two parts: Part A and Part B. You should use a pencil to answer all questions in Part A. For Part B, you can use a pen or a pencil. Put up your hand now if you have any difficulties. It is not possible to handle complaints after you have taken the test.

(10 seconds pause)

The test is about to begin. Keep your earphones on until you are told to take them off.

(3 seconds pause)

Open your Part A Question-Answer Book at page 2. Task 1 is about to begin.

(3 seconds pause)

Track 2
Announcer

Part A.

Situation.

Aberdeen College is planning to redevelop its online services, including its website. You are going to hear four recordings of students and staff from the college talking about this.

In Part A, you will have a total of four tasks to do. Follow the instructions in the Question-Answer Book and in the recording to complete the tasks. You will find all the information you need in the Question-Answer Book and the recording. You now have two minutes to familiarize yourself with Tasks 1 – 4.

(2 minutes of *Greensleeves*)

Track 3

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Task 1.

You will listen to a meeting at Aberdeen College where people are discussing the college's new online systems. Listen to the meeting and fill in the missing information in the spaces provided in the note sheet. One has been done for you as an example.

You now have 30 seconds to study the task. At the end of the task you will have one minute to tidy up your answers.

(30 seconds of *Greensleeves*)

(Tone)

Jack Law OK, good morning everybody. Thanks for coming to the meeting today. I know today's Saturday and I'm sure you've got other things to do on a Saturday morning but hopefully the meeting will be a short one. Do you two know each other?

Cherry Tam No, I don't think so.

Jack Law OK, well, this is Rob Lee. Rob's the College Technician, so he can advise us on technical matters and Rob –

Rob Lee Hi.

Cherry Tam Hi.

Jack Law Yeah, and Rob I think you know Cherry. Our Student President? OK. Right so, as I said in my email, I wanted to discuss what needs to be done to improve the College's online systems.

Cherry Tam Mm.

Jack Law So maybe we could start with the college website. Any comments from students about the website?

Cherry Tam Well, the first thing I've written here about the website is that it's – like – boring. Students are always saying that.

Rob Lee Yeah, I agree with Cherry actually. It's a bit boring. I think the thing that I would add would be that it's not user-friendly.

Jack Law Yeah, I'd agree. It certainly isn't user-friendly. Mmm. What about the other services, like the Intranet system for teachers.

Cherry Tam Intranet? Is that, like, where the teachers can communicate with each other?

Rob Lee Yeah, the teachers can use the intranet to send files as well – like documents, pictures, video clips.

Cherry Tam Why don't they just use their email?

Jack Law Because it isn't secure. You know it – it's not safe to send files like that.

Rob Lee And the Intranet has the advantage that it's secure 'cause it's protected by the College's firewall.

Jack Law Mm. OK, let's move on. What kinds of things would we like to see available online from the new system? Cherry?

Cherry Tam Well, I think a social network. You know, something like Facebook. Maybe a place where we could chat online about school stuff with school mates and teachers ...

Jack Law Wait ... so you would want teachers to be able to go to this social network as well? As well as students I mean.

Cherry Tam Sure, why not?

Jack Law OK, well that's one idea. What else?

Cherry Tam How about an online market?

Rob Lee What, like, for people to sell and buy things?

Cherry Tam Yeah, a market. I was thinking – we could like sell things like our old textbooks and students in lower forms could buy them.

Jack Law Sounds good. I think that would work. Right, OK. Let's move on to the action we need to take. First, the website, can you be responsible for that Rob?

Rob Lee For what? The –

Jack Law The re-design of the website.

- Rob Lee Well, my programming skills. I mean, they're pretty basic.
- Jack Law Mm.
- Rob Lee But I know a web designer so I could contact him. Maybe. You know, to give us a price.
- Jack Law Right, OK. So you contact the web designer then Rob. How about the other systems we talked about?
- Cherry Tam Well, why don't I carry out a survey of the students to see what it is they want from our online systems?
- Jack Law Great idea, Cherry. It's really important that we get the students' views on this. I think a survey of the students is an excellent idea. So yeah, you can do that Cherry.
- Cherry Tam Fine.
- Jack Law And I'll do the same with the teachers. We need to get their input as well. So a survey's good. Right. OK, so that's about all we can do today. Let's meet again next week at the same time.
- Cherry Tam Mm. I'm sorry, I think I'll need more time than a week. Can we meet in two week's time?
- Jack Law OK, two weeks it is then.
- Announcer That is the end of Task 1. You now have one minute to tidy up your answers.

(60 seconds of *Greensleeves*)

Track 4

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- Announcer Task 2.
- You will listen to a presentation by Dannie Wan describing some of the features of the new website to Mr. Law, Rob Lee and Cherry Tam. Listen to the presentation and fill in the missing information in the spaces provided on the website pages. One has been done for you as an example.

You now have 30 seconds to study the task. At the end of the task, you will have one minute to tidy up your answers.

(30 seconds of *Greensleeves*)

(Tone)

- Rob Lee OK, if you're ready Dannie, you can start now.
- Dannie Wan Thanks, Rob, and thanks to Mr. Law and Cherry for coming to my presentation. I'm going to show you our first draft design for the new College Website.

It's still a bit rough but I hope you can get the idea. To start with, on the screen here you can see the home page of the website with the College logo in the top left corner and the name of the College of course. Then on the right is a box labelled 'Search', for people to search the site using keywords.

- Jack Law And they can search anywhere in the site?
- Dannie Wan Yeah, that's right, Mr. Law. OK, so on the next row down, from left to right we have the tabs for the individual pages of the website: the Home page, which is the one we're on now, then there's a page called 'About Us', where you have all the information about the College, including its history, its mission, the staff and so on. And then we have the Students page, which I'll come to later, a page for Parents, so that they can get information about the College from their perspective. Then we have a Subjects page, which will include things like the course outlines, and finally there's a page for Extra-Curricular Activities.
- Cherry Tam Oh, they're nice photos below that.
- Dannie Wan Yeah, I just used ones from the old website. You can see three just now, but it's actually a gallery of twelve which will change every five seconds. The captions below will change as well. At present I've put up three photos and called them 'Sports day'. The one in the middle I've called 'Study at AC' and the other one is 'A recent visit'.
- Jack Law Is that you Cherry in the Study at AC photo?
- Cherry Tam Yeah, that's me. Holding up my hand!
- Dannie Wan Right, moving on. Now, on the left of the page left of the welcome message from the principal you can see three separate boxes. These are for important information that you want your visitors to see first. The first is for 'Upcoming Events'. People can simply click on the link and go to the interactive calendar. Then next is the Latest News section. You can see that I've added in a link to a story.
- Rob Lee College wins cup?
- Dannie Wan Yes, I just made that up as a demonstration.
- Cherry Tam Actually the College has just won the District Handball Cup so it's right!
- Dannie Wan (*laughs*) Excellent. Right, where was I? Right, the next one. Well, again this is just a demo, I called this one 'Have your say'. It could be a link to a place where students and teachers can make comments on the College.
- Jack Law Mmm, 'Have your say', I like the sound of it but I'm not sure I'd like what the students might post there!
- Dannie Wan Mm. OK. And that's about it for the homepage.

- Jack Law Good. Have you had time to work on any on the the other pages?
- Dannie Wan Yeah...OK...we've been working on the Students page...Just a second...So here it is. The Students Page. There will be all the same things at the top of the page as on the homepage so I haven't included them on the demo. Oh...you can see three different photos here.
- Jack Law OK.
- Dannie Wan The difference is in the menus on the left side of the page, where you can see that we have various links to places in the site that will be of interest to the students. So we have Transport at the top of the list.
- Jack Law Good. If the students can't get here then you can't teach them much can you? That's what I always say! (*laughs*)
- Cherry Tam Mm.
- Dannie Wan Yes, so, er...transport, and then we have Canteen. The next one's something quite new, and this is the Acquaint, the social networking facility that we have introduced. It's still in production so we can't show it to you yet, but users will be able to access it from here. I've just included some examples of what you could do with Acquaint. The examples I've put here are share content, meet new friends, and, maybe the most important, build relationships.
- Jack Law Yep. Looks good. That last one – build relationships – it'd be really good if we could use the website to build relationships, you know between students and students and between students and teachers.
- Dannie Wan Yeah. So, the other major thing we've included on the menu on the Students page is 'Academe', the new learning management system.
- Rob Lee Aca ... what?
- Dannie Wan Academe...A-C-A-D-E-M-E...it means the academic or learning environment ... And also begins with AC, for Aberdeen College!
- Rob Lee Oh, yeah, very good.
- Dannie Wan And again, we're working on that and hope to have it ready for you to see soon. So after Academe we have a link to the library and then two links are to the dreaded examinations! We have separate links to Exam Information and Exam Results.
- Jack Law Yeah, well exams are on everybody's minds. So good yeah. We can provide the information here. I don't know what you're looking so worried about, Cherry. As far as I can gather you do pretty well in examinations anyway.
- Cherry Tam Well, it depends on the subject.
- Dannie Wan And that's about it so far.

Announcer That is the end of Task 2. You now have one minute to tidy up your answers.

(60 seconds of *Greensleeves*)

Track 5

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Announcer Task 3.

Cherry is now talking to a group of Form 5 and 6 students about the college's online systems and issues about studying online. Complete the information in the spaces provided as you listen. One has been done for you as an example.

You now have 30 seconds to study the task. At the end of the task, you will have one and a half minutes to tidy up your answers.

(30 seconds of *Greensleeves*)

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- Cherry Tam OK, thanks everyone for coming. I hope you don't mind me recording this? Perhaps we can start with everybody saying a little bit about what they think the main issues are about, you know, studying online at Aberdeen College.
- Grace Yau Right, well, I can start. I think I should say from the outset that there's no way you can replace real learning in the classroom with reading from websites and watching videos on YouTube.
- Cherry Tam Sorry, can you introduce yourself?
- Grace Yau Oh, sorry, I'm Grace Yau from 5C.
- Cherry Tam OK, Grace, please go on. You were saying that learning online can't replace classroom learning.
- Grace Yau Yeah, I mean, learning's meant to be interactive, right? We learn from teachers and we learn from classmates. We learn by listening to people who know more than us like the teacher and by talking to people who are learning along with us. We also learn by doing things. Like in science, we learn by doing experiments and in art we learn by creating things.
- Icarus Liu You can create things on computers as well.
- Grace Yau Yeah, but it's not the same, though, is it? I think computers and iPads and iPhones are brilliant for playing games and chatting with our friends and stuff, but it's not real learning is it?
- Cherry Tam OK, maybe you can tell us more about what you think. What's your name again?
- Icarus Liu Me? My name's Icarus Liu ...
- Cherry Tam Icarus, that's an unusual name, how do you spell that?

- Icarus Liu I-C-A-R-U-S Icarus, Liu, L-I-U.
- Cherry Tam OK, Icarus, what do you think?
- Icarus Liu Well, I mean, we all have computers at home and a lot of students have laptops as well so we can all access online learning materials so I think we should be using that environment to learn much more than we do. To be honest, I learn more at home than at school.
- Cherry Tam That's quite a bold statement there, Icarus.
- Icarus Liu Yeah. I mean, there's lots of ways we can learn online. We can use video conferencing to talk to people and we can use all kinds of creative software.
- Cherry Tam What do you mean 'creative software'?
- Icarus Liu Er... creative software you know to draw or design things.
- Cherry Tam Oh, right. OK. Right maybe I'll ask somebody else... Yes.
- Michael Ong Yeah, hi, I'm Michael Ong from 6B. Obviously I haven't thought about this as much as Grace and Icarus. I'm still not sure about all this really. I mean, I can now be reading, you know a book or whatever, and I can look up any words I don't know on an online dictionary instantly and learn that way. But I still want to share what I've learnt with my classmates as well and get my teacher's advice on how to use it.
- Cherry Tam OK, I want to switch the focus of our discussion a little now and ask how you'd feel about having a facility that lets students and teachers communicate with each other.
- Grace Yau We can do that already through Facebook. Why not just have a College Facebook page?
- Cherry Tam That's an option we've talked about. Do you think it would be a good idea?
- Grace Yau No, I think it's too dangerous. Students are too keen to put themselves on Facebook. They post all sorts of personal stuff like, I dunno, they put up videos of themselves and they give out their phone number. I just think it's dangerous.
- Cherry Tam Dangerous? Dangerous how Grace?
- Grace Yau Because you don't know who's going to be reading all of this personal stuff. I mean if you do post your phone number, it's really stupid.
- Michael Ong Yeah, but you can control who sees your information.
- Grace Yau I know. I know you can. But a lot of students just don't bother and they say yes to every friend request, even if they don't know that person.
- Icarus Liu OK, fine. There are always dangers. I would never give out personal information like my home address or whatever.

- Grace Yau But often people do. That's the point. I think some students are just too eager to make new friends.
- Icarus Liu No, the point is that people need to learn that doing that sort of thing is stupid.
- Cherry Tam Michael?
- Michael Ong Mm. I tend to agree with Icarus. Making friends online is one of the great benefits of having an online social network. It's part of the reality of the outside world. The school should get a social network and then take the opportunity to educate students about the dangers. Not just pretend that the dangers don't exist.
- Icarus Liu Totally. Yeah. Use technology to educate students about the dangers. Yeah.
- Announcer That is the end of Task 3. You now have one and a half minutes to complete your answers.

(90 seconds of *Greensleeves*)

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Track 6
Announcer

Task 4.

Cherry and her friend Rowland are listening to a podcast about online systems. Complete the information in the spaces provided as you listen. Please note that for the summary of the podcast you should use no more than three words to complete each gap.

You now have one minute to study the task. At the end of the task, you will have two minutes to tidy up your answers.

(60 seconds of *Greensleeves*)

(Tone)

- Cherry Tam Do want to listen to that podcast I was telling you about? It's by a guy called Jerry Brooker and he talks – he's talking about how, what the effect is – of social networks on people's use of email.
- Rowland North Cool, let's listen.
- Cherry Tam OK, here we go.
- Jerry Brooker The idea of email becoming extinct anytime soon may seem silly. But chances are strong that you used web-based email less in 2011 than in 2010.
- A recent report, The 2012 U.S. Digital Year in Review, showed that web-based email usage was down for just about every age group under 55 from 2010–2011, with the 12–17 age group showing the largest decline at a staggering 59%!

Web-based email or webmail refers to email accessed through a browser, so think Gmail, Hotmail, Yahoo! mail, etc. as the majority of email usage analyzed in this report.

This means that the groups of people who make up the majority of internet users and have the most experience with email are now actually moving away from the medium.

The report also noted that email usage among seniors has increased, which isn't surprising as a larger percentage of older people today have had more exposure to the web than their predecessors.

The report also went into detail on what sites people spent their time on. It showed time spent on webmail sites declined while social networking sites has shown a drastic increase.

People are spending more time on social networking sites and less time on email sites and this is good news for social network sites.

Last fall Facebook founder, Mark Zuckerberg predicted the death of email when he introduced Facebook's new messaging interface.

"We don't think that a modern messaging system is going to be email," Zuckerberg said at a press conference in San Francisco.

Facebook users are now able to communicate through Facebook via text, email or instant message and receive communications from all of these avenues through one news feed. Users typically value when related information from a variety of channels is consolidated into one place and that's what Facebook's messaging interface is trying to accomplish for users.

Many organizations with well-established IT departments have typically hosted email in-house, whereas others as of lately have turned to cloud email services like Gmail. This switch is attractive as it simply cuts costs. While many companies and large universities are making the switch to cloud-based email services, will they make another shift towards using social networks to communicate?

One social networking system that businesses are turning to is called Collabro Chatter, a business collaboration tool which describes itself as an effective means of connecting with prospective customers. Collabro Chatter claims that by providing a system that puts businesses in easy contact with potential customers Collabro Chatter offers a genuine opportunity for companies to advance office productivity and efficiency. And increased productivity and efficiency is music to any boss's ears in these or any times.

Cherry Tam Well that's it. What do you think, Rowland?

Rowland North He makes some good points, but I don't think email's going to disappear. I mean, people could maybe use less email but they'll still use it to receive more, like – personal messages. You know, private stuff. That's always going to be a big concern for people. You know, privacy. So I don't know, I can't see it myself.

Cherry Tam I actually found what he said really really interesting. I mean, doing business using social networking. Sounds like great fun. I might even go into business myself.

Announcer That is the end of Task 4. You now have 2 minutes to complete your answers to Task 4 and to tidy up all your other answers.

(2 minutes of *Greensleeves*)

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Track 7
Announcer

Part B.

Open your Data File at page 2.

Situation.

You are Nicky Leung. You work for Cultural Commons, which is a non-governmental organisation, an NGO, in Hong Kong. Cultural Commons helps people from different countries who come to live in Hong Kong. Your organisation is planning a fun day for a local community. Your boss, Manjula Pillai, has asked you to do some tasks.

You will listen to a recording of the weekly podcast programme *Bookmark*. In the podcast you will hear an interview with author Lionel Chan.

Before the recording is played, you will have five minutes to study the Question-Answer Book and the Data File for Part B1 and the Question-Answer Book and the Data File for Part B2. Remember you must choose to do the tasks in either Part B1 or Part B2. Do not attempt both Parts B1 and B2.

Complete the tasks by following the instructions in the Question-Answer Book that you choose and on the recording. You will find all the information you need in the Question-Answer Book and Data File that you choose and on the recording. As you listen you can make notes on page 3 of the Data File.

You now have five minutes to familiarize yourself with the Part B Question-Answer Book and the Data File.

(5 minutes of *Greensleeves*)

(Tone)

Track 8

The recording is about to begin. Turn to page 3 of the Data File.

(5 seconds pause)

(Tone)

Arlene Lee I'm Arlene Lee. Welcome to this week's *Bookmark* and we're delighted to have Lionel Chan as our special guest today. Welcome Lionel.

- Lionel Chan Thank you, it's great to be here.
- Arlene Lee We're going to talk about your new book today, but before we do that, I know you'd like to mention an important community event that's happening soon.
- Lionel Chan OK, yeah, it's a Fun Day. And it's taking place in Kowloon Park on the 15th of April. There'll be lots of people from different countries there.
- Arlene Lee OK, so, if we want to come along we need to get down to Kowloon Park on the 15th of April. Is that a Saturday or a Sunday?
- Lionel Chan The 15th's a Sunday Arlene.
- Arlene Lee Right. So what will be happening in the Fun Day?
- Lionel Chan There'll be lots of activities - like a lucky draw.
- Arlene Lee Great. I love lucky draws.
- Lionel Chan Yeah, but don't just come for the lucky draw. I think the Fun Day's actually very important. It's a great chance for people from different cultures to meet each other.
- Arlene Lee So a lucky draw and a chance to meet people from different cultures. Sounds good. And will you be there?
- Lionel Chan Yeah, I'll be there, yeah. Another one of the activities at the Fun Day is I'm giving a talk about body language.
- Arlene Lee A talk about body language? Is there much to say about body language then?
- Lionel Chan Well, yeah. Yes, there is. We communicate using our bodies and it's something we really should be more aware of.
- Arlene Lee OK, like what for example?
- Lionel Chan Well, the classic example is eye contact. Eye contact is the aspect of nonverbal communication that varies most from country to country.
- Arlene Lee Really?
- Lionel Chan Yes, for example the length of time that people's eyes meet. If your eyes meet with someone for a long time it can mean at least three different things depending on the country.
- Arlene Lee Three different things?
- Lionel Chan Yeah? For example, in some countries it means you want a fight.
- Arlene Lee So too much eye contact can mean a sort of challenge, is that it?

- Lionel Chan Well, yeah. But in other countries it can mean something totally different. It can also mean that you are showing that you are really interested in what the person is saying.
- Arlene Lee Right. And the third?
- Lionel Chan Yes, right, well, the third possible meaning of a long meeting of the eyes is, of course, romantic. That you're interested in that person romantically.
- Arlene Lee Well, there's a bit of a difference there then! You want a fight, you're interested or you want to be his girlfriend!
- Lionel Chan Exactly.
- Arlene Lee And can you give some advice to people about eye contact then?
- Lionel Chan Well, I think the best advice is to try to become aware of what you do yourself and adapt to the situation.
- Arlene Lee Sounds like good advice: become aware of what I do with my eyes and adapt to the situation I'm in!
- Lionel Chan *(laughs)* Yes, that's it!
- Arlene Lee Now, Lionel we know that you'll be giving a talk at the Fun Day, but some of our listeners might not know that much about you. Could you tell us something about yourself?
- Lionel Chan Well, I was actually born in Singapore but came here as a young man. And when I first arrived in Hong Kong I got a job as a social worker –
- Arlene Lee Oh really? I always thought you were from Hong Kong.
- Lionel Chan No. No. Singapore.
- Arlene Lee OK, my mistake. And how long were you a social worker?
- Lionel Chan Oh for about 10 years I suppose.
- Arlene Lee Well, 10 years is quite a long time in a job like that.
- Lionel Chan Mm.
- Arlene Lee I'm always interested to read what you have to say about communication barriers and how they affect us. I'm interested to know, what about those barriers that are particular to Hong Kong or barriers that are a real problem in Hong Kong compared to other places?
- Lionel Chan I'm not sure if these are unique to Hong Kong, but the barriers to communication that people mention when they've just arrived in Hong Kong are: noise, time and people not listening.

- Arlene Lee Yeah, I can imagine that. Noise, time and people not listening sounds like Hong Kong on a bad day!
- Lionel Chan Well, yes. It might be quite amusing but these are all genuine barriers to communication in Hong Kong. They all prevent communication – and that’s what a barrier is. A barrier stops something from happening.
- Arlene Lee Mm. Ok, so a barrier stops something from happening. Right.
- Lionel Chan And the important thing is what happens next. As I say, a barrier like noise stops communication happening, but it’s how that affects people, that’s the point. Take noise as an example. We all know Hong Kong can be very noisy. But what happens when it’s so so noisy that we just can’t communicate?
- Arlene Lee I know I just get angry.
- Lionel Chan Well, you’re not alone Arlene. There’s been quite a lot of research into this area, you know, monitoring people’s blood pressure and so on, and all the research points towards noise as a communication barrier adding significantly to people’s stress levels.
- Arlene Lee OK, I’ll have to look for a quiet space to talk then!
- Lionel Chan Mm.
- Arlene Lee You mentioned newcomers arriving in Hong Kong. You mean people from outside China.
- Lionel Chan Yes, well the people I meet in Hong Kong are from everywhere. From Africa, from South America, from the Middle East... These people come to Hong Kong to start new lives. Just like I did. Some people need help to deal with the practical difficulties.
- Arlene Lee What kinds of difficulties do they need help with?
- Lionel Chan Well, things like finding schools for their children. There are two difficulties here: firstly to find a school, and secondly, to fill in the school application form. Some newcomers don’t really have the written skills in English or Chinese to fill in those long government forms.
- Arlene Lee Yeah, well, I find filling in those forms bad enough. But if it’s something as important as finding a school for their children, then that sounds like something really worthwhile to do.
- Lionel Chan Mm.
- Arlene Lee OK. Oh, before I forget, we need to give our listeners some information about your new book. It’s called ‘An Immigrant’s Song’ and where can we buy it?
- Lionel Chan It’s available in all major bookstores in Hong Kong.
- Arlene Lee All big book stores in Hong Kong, anywhere else?

Lionel Chan Yes, and of course at the Fun Day at Kowloon Park on April 15th.

Arlene Lee Oh yes, of course at the Fun Day as well. Well, I’d recommend all our listeners to give it a try. It really is a good read. Well Lionel, it’s been very nice to meet you and thanks for coming into the pod today.

Announcer That is the end of the listening component of this test. You will have one hour and fifteen minutes to complete the written tasks in either Part B1 or Part B2. An announcement will be made when time is up. Take off your earphones now and turn off your radio.