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HKDSE 2014 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1 PART B1 QUESTION-ANSWER BOOK

B1 EASY SECTION

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Read Text 2 and answer questions 31-44. (20 marks)

31. What is the name of the website?

32. What is the purpose of the website? _____

33. Who are the letters written to? _____

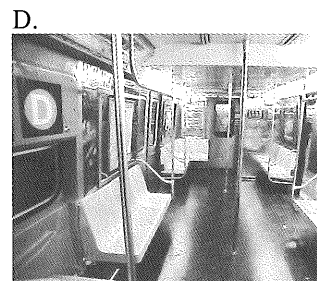
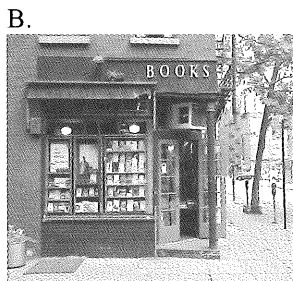
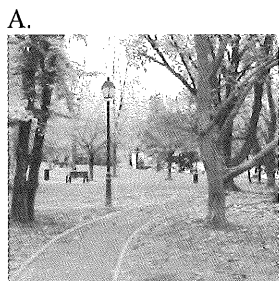
34. Who created this website? _____

35. Why did this person start writing such letters? (2 marks)

36. In paragraph 3, find a word that is similar in meaning to 'letters'. _____

37. Which of the following places is NOT mentioned in paragraph 3? Blacken ONE circle only.

A B C D



38. What did this person gain from writing these letters? _____

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39. Give one example from the text which shows how the idea of writing these love letters has 'exploded' (line 29).

40. In paragraph 4, find a word that can be replaced by 'put'. _____

41. Who does 'you' (line 36) refer to? _____

42. Decide whether the following statements are **True**, **False**, or the information is **Not Given** in paragraphs 4-5. Blacken ONE circle only for each statement. (3 marks)

- | | T | F | NG |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| i) Hannah Brencher writes her own letters. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| ii) The love letters successfully made the woman and her soldier husband fall back in love. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| iii) Some people ask for letters to be written to them. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

43. Number the events (1-5) in order. The event that happens first is number 1. The first and last events have been ordered for you.

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|---|---------------|
| Brencher goes to New York City. | _____ 1 _____ |
| Letters are hung from trees in the university campus. | _____ |
| Brencher writes letters to strangers. | _____ |
| A student slips letters around her university campus. | _____ |
| Brencher gives a talk at an international conference. | _____ 5 _____ |

44. Decide if the following statements are 'Dos' or 'Don'ts' for people writing the kind of letter mentioned in the text. Blacken ONE circle only next to each statement. (4 marks)

- | | Do | Don't |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| i) Send your letter by email. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| ii) Say something nice to the person who will read your letter. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| iii) Be romantic in your letter. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| iv) Place your letter somewhere for a stranger to find. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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Read Text 3 and answer questions 45-59. (21 marks)

45. What nationality is the writer? _____

46. Find a phrase in paragraph 1 that means 'make me happy'.

47. In line 6, the writer says that she decides to 'give it a try'. What is she going to try to do?

48. What did the writer buy at the stationery shop? (2 marks)

49. What did the writer do to find ideas for her letter writing?

50. Why does the writer say 'Nope' (line 19)?

- A. She does not like the website.
- B. She thinks writing letters is stupid.
- C. She does not like the words she just wrote.
- D. She does not want to make a spelling mistake.

A B C D

51. How does the writer feel in paragraph 3?

- A. confident
- B. nervous
- C. relaxed
- D. upset

A B C D

52. Decide whether the following statements are **True**, **False**, or the information is **Not Given** in paragraphs 4-5. Blacken ONE circle only for each statement. (3 marks)

- | | T | F | NG |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| i) The writer thinks that people in London don't often smile at strangers. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| ii) The writer thinks that shorter notes are better than longer ones. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| iii) The writer is most pleased with her third letter. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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53. Where does the writer leave each of her three letters? (3 marks)

i) _____

ii) _____

iii) _____

54. How does the writer avoid being noticed while waiting for one of her letters to be found? (2 marks)

55. The 'gesture' (line 46) refers to ...

- A. leaving the letter.
- B. having someone say 'thank you'.
- C. doing some window shopping.
- D. catching the bike owner.

A B C D

56. What does 'a lunatic' (line 48) mean? Someone who is ...

- A. nice.
- B. clever.
- C. crazy.
- D. unkind.

A B C D

57. How does the writer compare writing these letters to writing a Tweet?

Both are _____

58. In which room of her house does the writer leave her last letter?

59. Which of the following is the best title for Text 3?

- A. A guide to writing a love letter
- B. Have you ever received a love letter?
- C. How to write letters to impress
- D. My attempt at writing random love letters

A B C D

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