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Leaving Certificate Examination 2023

**Mandarin Chinese**

Higher Level

Listening Comprehension

Monday 19 June Afternoon 12:10 – 12:50

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## Instructions

**Answer all questions.**

N.B. **Questions to be answered in English, not necessarily in complete sentences.**

Each section will be played **three** times: first right through, then in segments with pauses, and finally right through again.

Read the instructions carefully.

You may only use **blue or black pen** when writing your answers. **Do not use pencil.**

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet.

This examination booklet will be scanned and your work will be presented to an examiner on screen. **Anything that you write outside of the answer areas may not be seen by the examiner.**

## Section A

You will hear a conversation between a shopkeeper and a customer.

1. (a) What is the price of the apple?

- (b) How many apples does the customer want to buy?

2. Which orange flavour does the customer's daughter like?

3. (a) How many sour oranges does the customer buy?

- (b) How much does the fruit cost in total?

## Section B

You will hear a conversation between Lili and Wang Ming.

1. (a) In which country is Wang Ming living now?

- (b) In which country did Wang Ming previously live?

2. How does Wang Ming go to school? How long does his journey to school take?

Travel method:

Duration:

3. (a) At what time will Wang Ming's class finish tomorrow?

- (b) Where will they meet?

- (c) On which side of the classroom is the Gymnasium?

## Section C

You will hear a conversation between Chen Xing and Jean.

1. (a) How does Chen Xing feel at the moment?

- (b) What is the weather forecast for today?

2. (a) According to Jean, when will it rain?

- (b) Why did Chen Xing not bring a raincoat?

3. (a) How many raincoats does Jean have?

- (b) What colour raincoat does Chen Xing want to wear?

- (c) Why does Chen Xing pick that colour raincoat?

## Section D

You will hear three public transport announcements.

1. Answer the questions about the first announcement.

(a) What is the route number of the transport?

(b) The next stop connects two places. Name **one** of them.

2. Answer the questions about the second announcement.

(a) What is the mode of transport mentioned?

(b) What will be served after dinner?

Item 1:
Item 2:

3. Answer the questions about the third announcement.

(a) What will be checked after 15 minutes?

(b) What is the destination of the train?

## Section E

You will hear a conversation between Lin Yi and her friend Mark.

1. (a) When did Mark go to Dublin?

- (b) Who did Mark visit in Dublin?

1:
2:

2. (a) What does Mark's older brother think about the movie?

- (b) What does Mark think about his older brother's university?

3. Indicate whether the following sentences are True or False by ticking (✓) the boxes.

		True	False
(a)	Lin Yi has never been to Dublin before.		
(b)	Mark has never tried Chinese food before.		
(c)	Mark wants to go to Dublin with Lin Yi next time.		



## Section F

You will hear Luke introduce himself. He is interviewing to be an interpreter.

1. (a) In which year did Luke come to China?

- (b) Luke studies two subjects in Shanghai. What are they?

1:
2:

- (c) Where did Luke work as a shop assistant?

2. (a) When does Luke not have classes this year?

- (b) According to Luke, why will some patients need his help?

3. Indicate whether the following sentences are True or False by ticking (✓) the boxes.

		True	False
(a)	Luke teaches Chinese on Saturdays.		
(b)	Luke can work in the hospital on Fridays.		
(c)	Luke can work in the hospital from 1pm to 5pm.		

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