

HONG KONG DIPLOMA OF SECONDARY EDUCATION EXAMINATION

Additional Worksheet (Unit 2)

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 3

PART B1

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Email from Mr Thistle to Jenny Chow

To: Jenny Chow
From: Mr Thistle
Date: 10 September 2015
Subject: Things to do for the Hiking Club

Dear Jenny,

There are two things I would like you to do for the Hiking Club.

First, please help to update our website. Please put together an information page that includes a short history of our club and the benefits of hiking. Finish by letting people know how they can join the club. You can look at my profile that was published in the 2006 school magazine, as well as the *Hikers' Corner* website.

Second, could you please help me draft an email to all club members letting them know about our next hike to Wang Chung Stream on Sunday. Please include:

- the date of the event and where we are going
- when and where we are meeting, when the event will be over and the bus we are taking
- special reminders for hiking near bodies of water

Please refer to the notice I made for one of last year's hikes to Sheung Luk Stream.

Thanks for your help!

Mr Thistle

Notice about last year's hikes to Sheung Luk Stream

Before you set off, please take note of the following:

✕ **Hiking poles**

Unlike our usual hikes, the trails we are going on are along streams and rivers. When climbing waterfalls, hiking poles will get in the way, so please don't bring any hiking poles.

✓ **Let your parents know in advance**

The area we go to has no mobile network coverage. Mobile phones are unlikely to work there, so it is important that you give your parents the details of this trip well in advance and this way they will not worry about your safety and your whereabouts.

Teachers' profile section of the school magazine

Mr Ben Thistle

Ben has been in Tsuen Wan Secondary School for about a year. He is here as our NET and teaches English and English Literature. He is also the class teacher of 3D this academic year and is known for his infectious and personable manner.

- *from Inverness, Scotland, UK*
- *Native-speaking English Teacher (NET)*
- *teaches English and English Literature*
- *class teacher of 3D (2005–6)*
- *teacher adviser to the Hiking Club*

Coming from the Scottish Highlands, Ben is a keen hiker. He used to go hiking at weekends before working in Hong Kong. Two months into his first year here, he proposed that the school should set up a hiking club. With the aim to gather as many people who enjoy outdoor activities as possible, the Hiking Club was founded in November 2005 and has since proved popular among both students and teachers.

Article from the Sports World magazine, 13 May 2015

***Sports World* interviews Jonathan Chan**

Most people know Jonathan Chan as a business tycoon, though little known are his love of nature and his active participation in local hiking clubs. In an interview with *Sports World*, Chan revealed that hiking has been a ‘tremendous source of inspiration’ for him as he often draws a parallel between his hikes and his business.

‘Hiking teaches you how to cope with difficult situations,’ said Chan, ‘and how you tackle problems while you’re hiking — such as going round a hill instead of climbing it — can often help you figure out solutions to other problems.’

Chan also emphasized the importance of communication with other people in the team, as he goes hiking with friends or people from the local hiking clubs. He said, ‘You learn how to communicate effectively by adopting different styles depending on the person you speak to.’

Although a leader himself, Chan admitted that leading a group of hikers was itself a leadership training for him. ‘It certainly trains you to become a better leader,’ added Chan.

Why go hiking?

Hiking is an outdoor activity that brings you a wide range of health benefits. Here's what you can get out of some hiking:

You gain body strength.

Although hiking is not as vigorous as other sports like running a marathon or cross country running, you do get a full-body workout from it. Depending on how steep the trail is, the distance you are going and the weight of the rucksack you are carrying, it offers a great way to train different parts of your body without putting too much pressure on your joints.



You lose weight more easily.

Like all sports, hiking helps you burn calories and lose weight. As many as 500 calories are burnt if you go for a moderate hike for just an hour. If you go hiking in hilly areas, you can burn calories at an even higher rate.

You get better sleep.

Hiking as a physical activity makes you tired and this can improve the quality of your sleep. It also makes you sleep better by reducing anxiety and helping you relax, as you take in all the natural beauty of the countryside.

Email from Mr Thistle to Emma Poon

To: Emma Poon
From: Mr Thistle
Date: 9 September 2015
Subject: Application form

Dear Emma,

I've had a chat with Mr Shum, the teacher in charge of school clubs. He suggested we make it easier for people to join our club. Currently, people who want to join have to email me. Instead of this, we can design an application form which they can fill in.

We can upload the application form to our website. To make it easier for those who do not have a printer at home, we can put out some printed copies of the form outside our society room (Room G01).

Let me know if there is anything you are not sure about.

Best,
Mr Thistle

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To: Jenny Chow
From: Mr Thistle
Date: 10 September 2015
Subject: Things to do

Dear Jenny,

There are two things I would like you to do for the Hiking Club.

First, I would like you to help update the 'What's new' page of our website. In the first box, I would like you to write about our first hike in November. Make sure you give an exact date for this event. In the second box, please write about Peter Chung's talk. In the third box, include a short description of Peter Chung so that students know who he is. Please give a short subheading to each of these boxes.

Second, could you please help me draft a response to Peter's email. Please answer all his questions. Start the email by thanking him for agreeing to come to give us a talk. In the last paragraph, ask him to add a few photos to the PowerPoint presentation to make it more interesting, and mention the Q&A session. Towards the end, please invite him to the dinner with the Hiking Club's committee members after the talk. Keep the email casual as he is a friend of mine.

Thank you.

Mr Thistle

November schedule of the Hiking Club

November

4 Nov (Wed)	1630-1700	Talk by Kelvin Cheng	School hall
5 Nov (Thu)	1615-1645	Committee meeting	Rm 204
8 Nov (Sun)	0800-1700	Hike to Sharp Peak	
10 Nov (Tue)	1630-1730	Survival skills I	Sports hall
19 Nov (Thu)	1615-1645	Committee meeting	Rm 210
22 Nov (Sun)	1400-1800	Peak Circle Walk	
24 Nov (Tue)	1630-1730	Survival skills II	Sports hall

Sharp Peak

Located within the perimeter of the Sai Kung East Country Park, Sharp Peak is a hill famous for its steep ridges, well-defined sharp peak and challenging routes to the top. Sharp Peak is also called Nam She Tsim and rises to a height of 468 metres above sea level. Despite the difficult hikes up to the summit, it is a popular hiking spot in Sai Kung, and many who have made it to the top will no doubt agree that it offers one of the best views in Hong Kong.

You can get there by going on Stage 2 of the MacLehose Trail, which presents some spectacular vistas of the scarcely visited beaches and rugged coastline of the Sai Kung Peninsula.

Peak Circle Walk

Not exactly a hike itself, the Peak Circle Walk can form a part of other hiking routes, such as the route from the Peak to Pok Fu Lam Reservoir. The Walk goes round the Peak and overlooks the Victoria Harbour and the scenic south side of Hong Kong Island. The two main routes on the Peak Circle Walk are Lugard Road and Harlech Road.

To get to the Peak, you can take the Peak Tram from the Lower Terminus in Central. The tram ride to the Peak also provides stunning views of the harbour.

Email from Peter Chung to Ben Thistle

To: Ben Thistle
From: Peter Chung
Date: 9 September 2015
Subject: Re: Talk at Ben's school

Dear Ben,

I'm doing well. It's been too long since we last spoke — let's catch up at some point.

Yes, I can certainly give a talk at your school. It does sound good to talk about the challenges I met when climbing the tallest mountain in the world. In fact, I may also talk about the ten tallest peaks in the world and give a brief introduction to mountain climbing in the last century. I've done a quick PowerPoint presentation for the talk. Would you mind having a look at it?

Could you please send me the details, like when and where the talk is held? It'd great if you could give me the school address and some directions.

Best,
Peter

To: Peter Chung
From: Ben Thistle
Date: 7 September 2015
Subject: Talk at Ben's school

Hi Peter,

How's everything going? It's been a while since we last spoke. I hope you're doing well.

I'm now in charge of a hiking club at my school. Do you think you can give us a talk on your experience as a mountain climber? Perhaps you could talk about the challenges you met when climbing Mount Everest and modern equipment available to mountaineers nowadays.

Let me know if you'd like to have more details.

All the best,
Ben

Peter Chung makes ascent of Mount Everest for Greenitiatives

Yesterday, Hong Kong mountaineer Peter Chung summited Mount Everest and has become the first person from Hong Kong to stand at the highest point in the world. Chung's mountaineering feat has helped raise substantial funds for Greenitiatives, an environmental charity group that promotes the importance of environmental protection. Chung has long been involved with this cause and has combined this with his enthusiasm for mountaineering. He trains young mountaineers in Hong Kong and has travelled to all seven continents with them to climb some of the less challenging peaks in order to raise money for Greenitiatives and other environmental charity groups.

Tsuen Wan Secondary School Open Day leaflet (back)

Map and how to reach us

Where we are

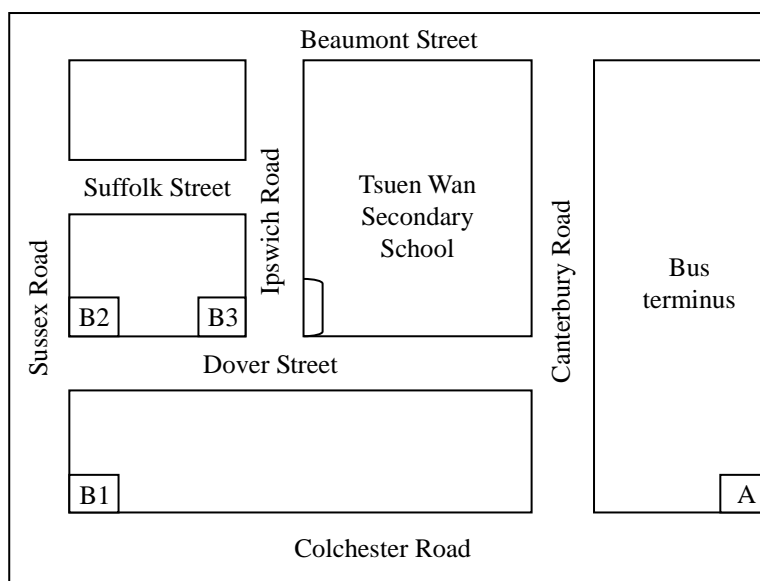
Our school is in Tsuen Wan, within easy distance of the Tsuen Wan Bus Terminus and the main roads such as Sussex Road and Canterbury Road.

How to reach us

Our campus is easily accessible by public transport. The front gate is opposite Exit B3 of Tsuen Wan MTR Station.

Our address

3 Ipswich Road, Tsuen Wan, New Territories, Hong Kong



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