

| Subject | Mandarin | | | |
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| Title/Topic | | Format | Length | WC |
| Paper 1 – Listening and Reading | | Written paper (multiple choice + written answers) | F = 30 mins H = 35 mins | 20 th November |
| Paper 2 – Writing part one | | Written paper | F = 30 mins H = 40 mins | 24 th November |
| Paper 3 – Writing part two | | Written paper | F = 35 mins H = 45mins | 25 th November |

My Advent assessment will test my knowledge on...

Reading and listening

- Understanding phrases and vocabulary when I hear them and responding to questions about what I have heard.
- Understanding phrases and vocabulary when I see them written down and responding to questions about what I have read.
- Translating text from Chinese into English.

Writing

Please note, the skills tested are slightly different depending on whether your child will sit the foundation (F) or higher (H) paper.

- Writing 4 sentences to describe a photo (F).
- Writing a 30 character response which addresses 4 bullet points (F).
- Translating sentences from English to Chinese (F).
- Translating a passage from English to Chinese (H).
- Writing a 75 character response which addresses 4 bullet points, using 3 tenses (F and H).
- Writing a 125 character response which addresses 2 bullet points, using justified opinions (H).



What should I do to revise and prepare for this assessment?

To prepare for this assessment:

Reading and listening

- 1. Use your knowledge organisers and the GCSE 9-1 Chinese textbook to revise vocabulary from chapters 1-4, using the look, cover, write, check method to make sure you know what the words and phrases mean in English.
- 2.Use Quizlet to help you revise vocabulary that we have covered from the GCSE course, including that which we learnt at the end of year 9.

Writing

- 1. Revise the vocabulary and phrases from the chapter 1-5 knowledge organisers using the look, cover, write, check method to make sure you can write the phrases in Chinese characters.
- 2. Revise the fantastic phrases that you have learnt to help you extend your sentences. These can be found at the end of each of the knowledge organisers that you have been given. Make sure that you can write the characters in each of the fantastic phrases and use the different grammatical constructions, e.g. 虽然 ... 但是, in sentences.

What useful websites/resources could I use to help me prepare?

- Quizlet: search for sets of GCSE Mandarin vocabulary that have been uploaded on the website.
- Knowledge organisers for chapters 1-5 of the GCSE Chinese textbook.
- Mandarin Bean: this website is useful for reading and listening practice. Search for articles of HSK3 level. The audio recording of each article can be found at the end of each article.