

HKDSE Examination 2012: English Language Paper 4

Question 1.1 : An intern in Hong Kong

Individual Response Demo (recorded in Aug 2015):

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Level attained in DSE Eng Lang Paper 4</i>
A	2015	5**
B	2015	5
C	2015	5*
D	2015	5**

Transcript (verbatim)

Examiner: (Question 1)

Candidate A, what job would you like to do in the future? You may start now.

A:

Since I was small, I'd like to be a doctor ... because my ... because my father is a doctor. And when I was small, ... I have heard that he had many interesting experiences in the hospital. And when I grow up, I participated in different voluntary services and attachment programme in the hospitals. I realise that being a doctor does not simply mean saving lives because ... during my attachment, I have saw many patients that doctors could not help. But, being a doctor does not mean to save them only. Erm, facing these ... problems, the doctors will try their best to relieve the patients' pain. And on the other hand, ... the doctors will give

them psychological support and mental support, which is very meaningful.

Examiner: (Question 2)

Candidate B, would you like to apply for a summer internship?
You may start now.

B:

Definitely, I would like to ... apply the summer internship because it is very beneficial to my career path. Erm, through attending a summer internship, I could gain more hands-on experience of ... what the ... what the job is really like. And for me, I would like to apply for an architect internship ... because ... I love drawing since I was young and I, I think being an architect is wonderful. But, I have very little experience ... and very little knowledge about how an architect is going to work, so for ... to apply an internship, I can ... look at how the senior staff draws a building and how they plans ... the floor plan and having meeting with each other. So, I think it's ... worth it.

Examiner: (Question 7)

Candidate C, do you think students who have participated in an internship have an advantage in finding good jobs? You may start now.

C:

I think students that have participated in internship would have a advantage in finding a good job than the other ones. Because ... first of all, they have more working experience, which at least they have the basic ... understandings on the job and also the, the career, which can help them to fulfil the task ... in their career path. And also, they will be understanding some basic knowledge and have the basic terms, and also they ... this can ... lower the ... this can help them to finish their job and have better working experience. And secondly, I think students that have participated in an internship can find a better job because they have had the experience and I think they will have a better communication skills ... because they have worked before and they have communicate with their colleagues and also their clients before, which they will possess a better communication skills and this is a very essential skills to possess in working career. Thank you.

Examiner: (Question 8)

Candidate D, which is more important in achieving success in your career, qualifications or experience? You may start now.

D:

I think ... of course both are quite important in achieving ... great success in ... in working, in a career. But, among these two, experience is the more important. Er, first of all, experience is what actually happens ... the lessons you actually learn in the workplace, the practical things you don't, you don't learn in books

and in lessons. It's ... it's the hands-on experience is ... that makes you, makes you ... really succeed, makes you ... work well in the workplace. For example, the interpersonal skills, how you communicate with different people in order to finish ... a collective task, which makes ... a person in the workplace ... better than others. Qualifications, of course, ... they may sound good on a ... on a CV, but without ... experience, without the skills that are required in working together in a group, it's almost impossible to ... to work.