

HKDSE Examination 2012: English Language Paper 4

Question 2.1 : King of Comedy

Individual Response Demo (recorded in Sep 2015):

<i>Candidate</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Level attained in DSE Eng Lang Paper 4</i>
A	2013	5*
B	2013	5*
C	2013	5**
D	2013	5*

Transcript (with improved grammar in red)

Examiner: (Question 2)

Candidate A, do you prefer funny movies or serious movies? You may start now.

A:

I personally prefer funny movies over serious movies because I think ~~watching movie is~~, watching movies is a way to relieve stress. And I think that in the process of relieving stress, you cannot ~~use your brain for~~ ~~for~~, like, use your brain too ~~hard~~ **much**. And when watching movies, I need to analyse the ... plot, and ... analyse the plot carefully in order to understand the full movie. So, I think that it actually will ~~make~~, make my brain feel very tired. And I think funny movies are just overall more relaxing and entertaining, and I think this is the purpose of watching movies, so ... I will prefer funny movies over serious movies. And I think ... I can relate to funny movies more because the ... jokes

are more relatable in daily life and I can ... get a good laugh from them.

Examiner: (Question 3)

Candidate B, should famous actors be paid a lot of money? You may start now.

B:

Erm, I definitely think that famous actors should be paid more money because ... primarily speaking, they've spent a lot of time and effort to train up themselves ... like ... Take ... take the example of Stephen Chow, like ... he only got famous in his ... thirties ... but before that, he has gone through a lot of tough times and hard work. And ... definitely practice makes perfect, so I think that ... the past effort should definitely ... be identified recognised and then we should pay them more money for that. And also, I think that ... because ... when a famous star ... starring stars in a movie, the movie will ... may appear to be more famous and ... can, can get more money from the audiences. So, I think that ... they should definitely ... be paid more money because they're ... having a positive influence on the movie. Yeah, thank you.

Examiner: (Question 4)

Candidate C, do you think famous actors are happy? You may start now.

C:

Erm, I personally do not think that famous actors are happy. Because first of all, they have to face a lot of stress while ... performing in the movies because they have to remember a lot of lines. And it is quite difficult for them to remember ... so many conversations or lines ... within a short time. And then, they also have to face a lot of pressure ~~by~~ **from** the director because, for famous actors, ~~they~~ ... people have a lot of high expectations on them. And I think it is quite difficult for them to meet the high expectations ~~and~~ ... ~~for~~ **on** the acting skills. So, I think ... this is ... the first difficulty that they will face. And then, the second difficulty that they will face is the ... comments and how people treat them. Because ... a lot of their personal life will be in the public eye and then a lot of audiences will discuss ~~about~~ their daily life or personal life. And ~~there~~, there will be a lot of paparazzi following them, so I think this is **will** ... affecting their personal life as well.

Examiner: (Question 6)

Candidate D, what in your opinion makes a good actor? You may start now.

D:

I think a good ... ~~what makes a good actor is that~~ ... a good actor must have good communication skills, drama skills and yeah, I think these two are **the** most important **skills**. Firstly, ... for communication skills ... ~~during their, their drama, like~~ ... when they're ... acting ~~for~~ **in** the movie, they have to communicate with

each other ~~to~~, in order to have the best performance. Like, ... they have to communicate with each other in order to know ... what's the other's preferences on their behavior, or like, how their conversations should be carried out ~~among each other~~. And secondly, ~~for interpersonal skills, they have to~~, like, ... for drama skills, they have to, like, work hard on their drama skills so that ... the directors will know that he is good ~~to~~ ~~to perform~~ so that he will be hired for the movie ... that's it.