

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 (with improved grammar in red)

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~~ **as** I **grew** up, I participated in different voluntary services and attachment programmes **s** in the hospitals. I realise that being a doctor does not simply mean saving lives because ... during my attachments **s**, 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 ~~for a~~ 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 ~~have~~ loved ~~draw~~ 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~~ if I apply ~~for~~ an internship, I can ... look at how the senior staff ~~draws~~ ~~draw~~ a building and how they ~~plans~~ ~~plan~~ ... the floor plan and ~~having~~ ~~have~~ meetings ~~s~~ 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 internships would have an advantage in finding a good job than compared with the other ones. Because ... first of all, they have more working experience, which at least they have the basic ... understandings—on understanding of the job and also the, the career, which can help them to fulfil the tasks ... in their career path. And also, they will be understanding some basic knowledge and have know 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 communicated with their colleagues and also their clients before, which so they will possess a better communication skills and this is a very essential skills skill to possess in a 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~~ **this** 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.