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**Text 1**

You read an article about leisure.

時代不同了，年輕人的愛好和生活方式發生了很大的變化。

有些人認為現在的年輕人花在看書上的時間越來越少，上網的時間越來越多。年輕人通常在網上看電影、購物、玩遊戲。這雖然大大地豐富了他們的業餘生活，但是同時也給他們的生活帶來了很多壞處。比如，他們坐在電腦前，上網時間太長，沒有時間做作業，很少出去運動，面對面交流的機會越來越少了。

專家建議，年輕人應該每天看不超過兩個小時的電視，有選擇性的上網，多到戶外做運動。

**Wordlist:**

變化      to vary  
豐富      enrich

**Questions**

- (a) The first sentence talks about changes in young people's lives.

Complete the sentence.

**2**

As times change, young people's \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ have changed.



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Text 1 Questions (continued)

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- (b) What activities do young people enjoy doing nowadays? Tick (✓) the **three** correct statements.

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Watching films in the cinema	
Watching films online	
Spending a lot of time on social media	
Playing computer games	
Shopping online	
Outdoor pursuits	

- (c) A lot of young people are spending far too long in front of computers. What are the disadvantages of this? Tick (✓) the **two** correct statements.

2

They don't have time for homework.	
It is bad for their eyesight.	
They don't socialise.	
They don't exercise enough.	

- (d) Specialists give advice on life choices for young people. What do they recommend? Tick (✓) **True** or **False**?

3

	True	False
Watch no more than two hours TV per day.		
Eat healthy food at all times.		
Only watch TV at the weekend.		

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## Text 2

Wong Siulong (王小龍) talks about his Chinese school, which takes place on Saturdays.

近幾年，學習中文越來越流行。因為王小龍非常喜歡中國的語言和文化，所以去年九月他開始在離他家不遠的一所中文學校學習中文。

中文學校每周儘管只有半天課，但是除了教語言以外，學校還安排各種各樣的文化課，比如現代歷史和中國畫。在學中文的過程中，王小龍覺得口語和語法很容易，但是寫漢字非常難。

他們的中文老師是東北人，個子很高，很漂亮，畢業於會計專業。她每周來中文學校教課，因為她熱愛中文教學，並且希望能夠獲得工作經驗。

### Wordlist:

安排	to arrange
過程	process
畢業	graduate
專業	specialist subject

### Questions

- (a) The text discusses Chinese language learning. Complete the sentence. 1

Recently, learning Chinese has become \_\_\_\_\_.

- (b) Where is the school? Tick (✓) the correct statement. 1

It is opposite Wong Siulong's house.	
It is to the right of Wong Siulong's house.	
It is not far from Wong Siulong's house.	



Text 2 Questions (continued)

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- (c) Apart from Chinese language, the Chinese Saturday school also offers other learning activities. Tick (✓) the **two** correct boxes.

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Chinese modern history	
Chinese painting	
Chinese martial arts	
Chinese calligraphy	

- (d) Wong Siulong talks about what he finds difficult in learning Chinese. Tick (✓) the correct boxes.

3

	True	False
He finds writing Chinese characters difficult.		
He finds speaking Chinese difficult.		
He finds Chinese grammar difficult.		

- (e) Wong Siulong talks about his teacher.

- (i) What is his teacher's academic background? Complete the sentence.

1

She has a degree in \_\_\_\_\_.

- (ii) Why did she decide to teach in the school? Tick (✓) the **two** correct statements.

2

She is passionate about teaching Chinese.	
She needs extra money.	
She wants to get work experience.	
She likes working with children.	

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Text 3

Dong Ling tells you about his part time jobs.

今年夏天，我去商店做售貨員。我工作的商店離家很遠，坐地鐵半個小時左右。這家商店賣衣服和鞋子。我介紹我的朋友們去商店買了一些褲子，因為褲子又便宜質量又好。我很喜歡這個工作，因為我的同事很友善。



去年寒假的時候，因為我會說一點兒西班牙語，所以我在一家西班牙餐館做服務員。雖然工資不高，但是我很喜歡在飯館工作，因為有免費的午飯吃。以前，我也做過家教，教小學生數學，可是我不喜歡這個工作，小孩子經常不聽話，也不做作業。

我做兼職工作賺到的錢，大部分花在買零食和旅遊上。雖然我很喜歡做兼職工作，但我爸爸覺得學生不應該做兼職工，應該好好學習。

Wordlist:

介紹	to introduce
同事	colleague
工資	wage/salary
免費	free
賺到	money earned
花	to spend
應該	should



### Text 3 Questions

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(a) Dong Ling worked in a shop this summer.

(i) Are the following statements **True** or **False**? Tick (✓) the correct boxes. 2

	True	False
He worked as a sales assistant.		
It took him 30 minutes by bus to get from his home to the shop.		

(ii) What does the shop sell? State any **one** thing. 1

\_\_\_\_\_

(iii) He tells you more about his job. What does he say? 1

\_\_\_\_\_

(b) Why did Dong Ling like working in a restaurant even though the pay was not good? 1

\_\_\_\_\_

(c) He mentions that he also worked as a private tutor for primary school children.

(i) What subject did he teach? 1

\_\_\_\_\_

(ii) He did not enjoy teaching primary school children. Why? 1

\_\_\_\_\_

(d) How does he spend the money he earned? 1

\_\_\_\_\_

(e) What is his dad's opinion on doing part-time jobs? State any **one** thing. 1

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Text 3 Questions (continued)

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- (f) Which of the following statements best describes the article?  
Tick (✓) the correct box.

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Dong Ling was not interested in most of his part-time jobs.	
Dong Ling mostly enjoyed his part-time jobs.	
Dong Ling's father decided which part-time jobs were suitable.	

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