

DON'T OVERLOOK SECONDARY CHINESE LISTENING COMPREHENSION

What are the scopes and how can you do well?

In the O-Level Chinese examination, Listening Comprehension is a component that is part of Paper 3 and carries 10% weightage of the total marks. This component is often neglected by students, partly due to the lack of resources in the market for self-revision as well as its low examination weightage. However, with many students facing challenges in the written components such as Composition Writing and Comprehension, scoring well in Listening Comprehension could significantly boost their overall performance.

Assessment Description for Listening Comprehension

The table below summarises the content tested in the Listening Comprehension examination:

Assessment Description 考核方式	Scope 范围	No. of Question 题数	Weightage (%) 分数比重	Duration 时长
Listen to the recording, and answer multiple-choice questions. 听录音，然后回答多项选择式的题目。	Section 1 第一部分 Two conversations and one narrative. 两个对话和一个语段。 Section 2 第二部分 Three comprehension texts, with content ranging from advertisement, news report, biography, explanatory text, stories and more. 三个理解篇章，考查的内容一般是广告、新闻报道、人物介绍、事物说明和故事等。	10	10%	30mins 30分钟



Tackling Listening Comprehension

After gaining a better understanding of the areas tested for Listening Comprehension, students should learn how to approach the listening task systematically to achieve optimal results.

At the beginning of the examination, students should scan through the questions and identify the keywords within each question as soon as permission is given for them to turn over the paper. While the passages are being read, students should listen carefully for the keywords in order to determine the correct answers. Even if they miss certain parts of the audio, students should not panic. The passages will be read a second time, providing an opportunity for them to check their answers.

These are just a few tips to score well in Listening Comprehension. For more tips and exam-simulated practices, students may refer to the Secondary Chinese Listening Comprehension Practice series by Educational Publishing House Pte Ltd. Written and narrated by award-winning former newscaster Madam Wu Xue Ni, and developed in consultation with senior school teachers, the series will ensure that students are ready to ace their Listening Comprehension examination.



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