



AP[®] Chinese Language and Culture 2014 Free-Response Questions

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Overview

Key screen images from the free-response section of the AP Chinese Language and Culture Exam are included in this document. The actual exam includes other screens, such as message boxes and help screens, which students may view while taking the exam. On screens where the “Show Time” button appears, students have the option to display the time remaining to complete the task. The exam screens are dynamic, with changing information (e.g., audio progress bar, count-down clock), while the screen images that follow are static, representing a particular moment during the exam.

Wherever Chinese text appears as reading material on the exam screen, it can be displayed in two versions: simplified characters and traditional characters. Therefore, this document includes both versions, which are labeled accordingly. This document also includes scripts for recorded material that students heard during the exam. When applicable, both simplified- and traditional-character versions of the recording scripts are included here as well. However, recording scripts are not provided for directions screens, where the audio portion matches verbatim the text appearing on the screen.

Writing Part Directions

You will be asked to perform two writing tasks in Chinese. In each case, you will be asked to write for a specific purpose and to a specific person. You should write in as complete and as culturally appropriate a manner as possible, taking into account the purpose and the person described.

Wherever Chinese text appears for you to read, it can be displayed in either traditional or simplified characters. You can change the display by clicking on **Switch to Simplified** or **Switch to Traditional**.

You can choose between two input methods for typing Chinese text: you may use the Microsoft *Pinyin* IME (*MSPY*), which is based on Hanyu Pinyin, or the Microsoft *New Phonetic* IME, which is based on Zhuyin Fuhao (Bopomofo). You can choose your desired input method by selecting **Pinyin** or **Bopomofo** from the drop-down list.

A clock at the top of the screen will show you how much time is remaining to write your response.

When the response time has ended, you will automatically go on to the next question. You cannot return to previous questions.

You will now begin this part.

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AP Chinese Language & Culture - Writing

HELP ?

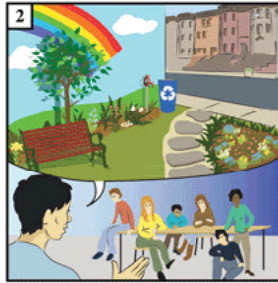


Question 1 of 2

SHOW TIME

Directions: You will be asked to perform two writing tasks in Chinese. In each case, you will be asked to write for a specific purpose and to a specific person. You should write in as complete and as culturally appropriate a manner as possible, taking into account the purpose and the person described.

The four pictures present a story. Imagine you are writing the story to a friend. Narrate a complete story as suggested by the pictures. Give your story a beginning, a middle, and an end.



Cut Paste Undo Redo Hide Char. Count 0 Pinyin

Blank writing area for the response.

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Simplified-character version

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Question 2 of 2

SWITCH TO TRADITIONAL

HELP ?

SHOW TIME

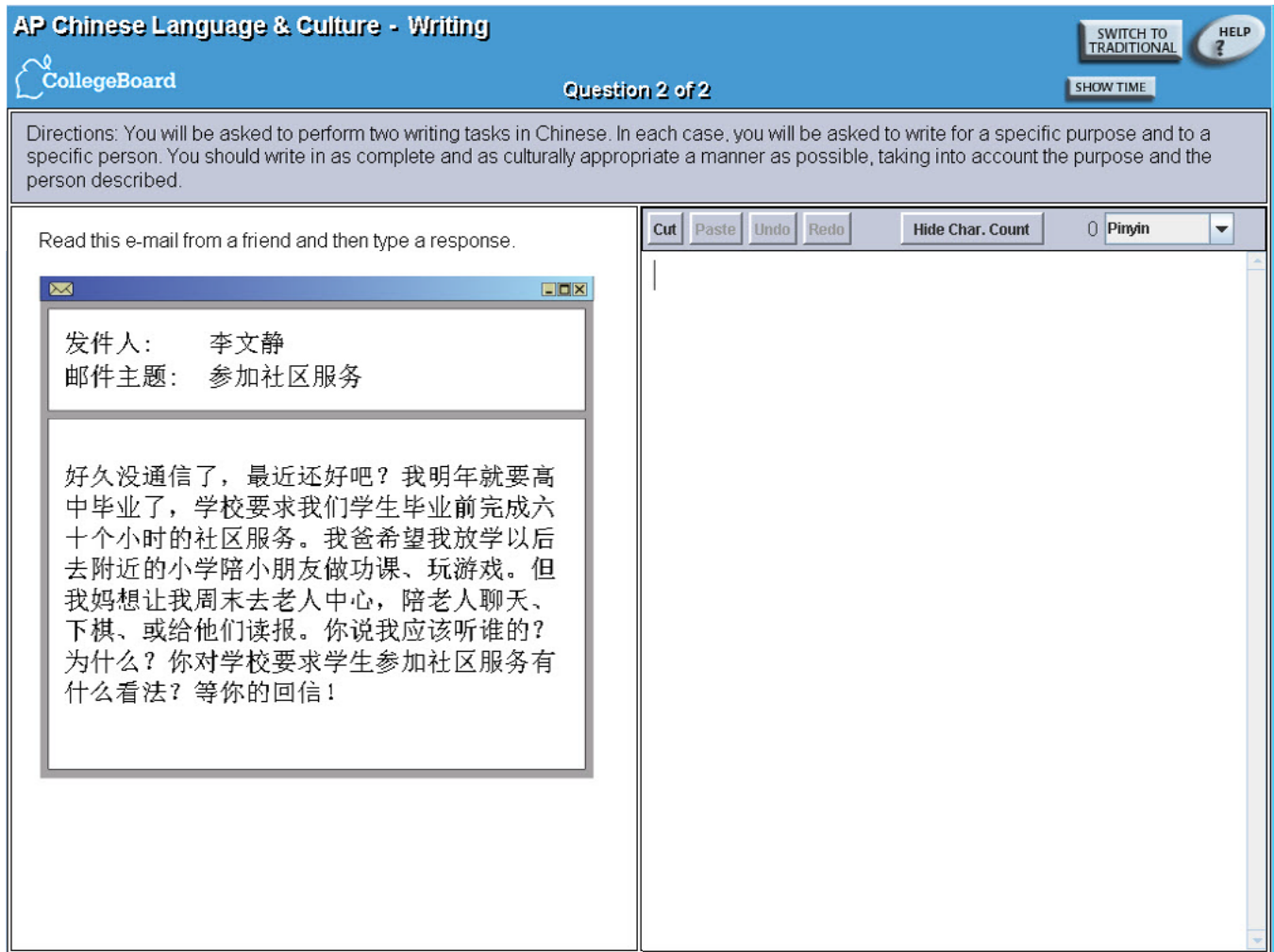
Directions: You will be asked to perform two writing tasks in Chinese. In each case, you will be asked to write for a specific purpose and to a specific person. You should write in as complete and as culturally appropriate a manner as possible, taking into account the purpose and the person described.

Read this e-mail from a friend and then type a response.

发件人: 李文静
邮件主题: 参加社区服务

好久没通信了, 最近还好吧? 我明年就要高中毕业了, 学校要求我们学生毕业前完成六十个小时的社区服务。我爸希望我放学以后去附近的小学陪小朋友做功课、玩游戏。但我妈想让我周末去老人中心, 陪老人聊天、下棋、或给他们读报。你说我应该听谁的? 为什么? 你对学校要求学生参加社区服务有什么看法? 等你的回信!

Cut Paste Undo Redo Hide Char. Count 0 Pinyin



Note: Students were able to view simplified- and traditional-character versions of the exam screen above. The traditional-character version of this screen is shown on the next page of this document.

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Traditional-character version

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Question 2 of 2

SWITCH TO SIMPLIFIED

HELP

SHOW TIME

Directions: You will be asked to perform two writing tasks in Chinese. In each case, you will be asked to write for a specific purpose and to a specific person. You should write in as complete and as culturally appropriate a manner as possible, taking into account the purpose and the person described.

Read this e-mail from a friend and then type a response.

發件人: 李文靜
郵件主題: 參加社區服務

好久沒通信了，最近還好吧？我明年就要高中畢業了，學校要求我們學生畢業前完成六十個小時的社區服務。我爸希望我放學以後去附近的小學陪小朋友做功課、玩遊戲。但我媽想讓我週末去老人中心，陪老人聊天、下棋、或給他們讀報。你說我應該聽誰的？為什麼？你對學校要求學生參加社區服務有什麼看法？等你的回信！

Cut Paste Undo Redo Hide Char. Count 0 Pinyin

Note: Students were able to view simplified- and traditional-character versions of the exam screen above. The simplified-character version of this screen is shown on the preceding page of this document.

Speaking Part Directions

You will participate in a simulated conversation and make a presentation.

For the presentation, you will have a specific amount of preparation time. During the preparation time, a clock will show you how much time is remaining.

For both tasks, you will have a specific amount of response time. During the response time, a clock will show you how much time is remaining.

When the response time has ended, you will automatically go on to the next question. You cannot return to previous questions.

Your cue to start speaking will always be this tone.



Speaking Part Directions: Conversation

You will participate in a simulated conversation. Each time it is your turn to speak, you will have 20 seconds to record. You should respond as fully and as appropriately as possible.

There will be six times when it is your turn to speak.

You will now begin this part.

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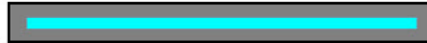
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Question 1 of 7

Directions: You will participate in a simulated conversation. Each time it is your turn to speak, you will have 20 seconds to record. You should respond as fully and as appropriately as possible.

You will have a conversation with Wang Tianming, faculty adviser to the Chinese painting and calligraphy club at your school, about your application to serve as president of the club.



RESPONSE TIME

00 : 00 : 00

Note: Students saw the exam screen above for each of the individual questions that together compose this task. Only the screen image for the first question is shown here, but during the exam, each of the screens indicated the number of the question the students were responding to.

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N: You will have a conversation with Wang Tianming, faculty adviser to the Chinese painting and calligraphy club at your school, about your application to serve as president of the club.

Speaking Question 1 of 7

MA: 你好！请你谈谈你参加过的一个最有意思的课外活动。

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 2 of 7

MA: 你为什么认为你当书画社的社长最合适？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 3 of 7

MA: 请你介绍一下中国书法或者国画的特点。

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 4 of 7

MA: 你认为什么样的活动最能帮助同学们了解中国书画？为什么？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 5 of 7

MA: 如果你当了社长，你打算用什么办法来吸引更多的同学加入书画社？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 6 of 7

MA: 要是由你来决定中国书画社的活动时间，你认为最好安排在什么时候？为什么？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

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The following text is the traditional-character version of the recording script for the audio portion of the task shown in the previous screen image. Students heard this audio during the exam administration, but this text does not appear in the exam and is provided here for reference only.

N: You will have a conversation with Wang Tianming, faculty adviser to the Chinese painting and calligraphy club at your school, about your application to serve as president of the club.

Speaking Question 1 of 7

MA: 你好！請你談談你參加過的一個最有意思的課外活動。

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 2 of 7

MA: 你為什麼認為你當書畫社的社長最合適？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 3 of 7

MA: 請你介紹一下中國書法或者國畫的特點。

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 4 of 7

MA: 你認為什麼樣的活動最能幫助同學們了解中國書畫？為什麼？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 5 of 7

MA: 如果你當了社長，你打算用什麼辦法來吸引更多的同學加入書畫社？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 6 of 7

MA: 要是由你來決定中國書畫社的活動時間，你認為最好安排在什麼時候？為什麼？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Part Directions: Cultural Presentation

You will be asked to speak in Chinese on a specific topic. Imagine you are making an oral presentation to your Chinese class. First, you will read and hear the topic for your presentation. You will have 4 minutes to prepare your presentation. Then you will have 2 minutes to record your presentation. Your presentation should be as complete as possible.

You will now begin this part.

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Question 7 of 7

Directions: You will be asked to speak in Chinese on a specific topic. Imagine you are making an oral presentation to your Chinese class. First, you will read and hear the topic for your presentation. You will have 4 minutes to prepare your presentation. Then you will have 2 minutes to record your presentation. Your presentation should be as complete as possible.

Choose ONE Chinese-language movie **that you have seen** (such as *Not One Less* [*Yi ge dou bu neng shao*], *Shower* [*Xizao*], *To Live* [*Huozhe*], *Eat Drink Man Woman* [*Yin shi nan nu*],... etc.). In your presentation, describe this Chinese-language movie and explain its significance.

Preparation Time: 240 Seconds
Response Time: 120 Seconds

PREPARATION TIME

00 : 04 : 00

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Speaking Question 7 of 7

N: Choose ONE Chinese-language movie that you have seen (such as *Not One Less* [*Yi ge dou bu neng shao*], *Shower* [*Xizao*], *To Live* [*Huozhe*], *Eat Drink Man Woman* [*Yin shi nan nü*], etc.). In your presentation, describe this Chinese-language movie and explain its significance.

N: You have four minutes to prepare your presentation.

(240 seconds)

N: You have two minutes to record your presentation.

[TONE]

(120 seconds)