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## INTRODUCTION

To enhance understanding of the standards of the HKDSE Examination, authentic samples of candidates' scripts in the 2021 examination are selected to form this set of exemplars which serve to illustrate the typical performance standards at different levels.

There are four papers in this subject. This set of exemplars is selected from candidates' scripts of Paper 1 to illustrate the typical performance standards at different levels.

It is advisable to read this set of exemplars together with the question papers and the marking schemes in order to understand the requirements of the questions and the marking criteria. The question papers and the marking schemes are published in the *2021 HKDSE Question Papers (with marking schemes and comments on candidates' performance)*.

## Level 5 exemplar 1

### Part A

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

- A. their meal
- B. their money
- C. their phones
- D. their environment

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

- A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.
- B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants.
- C. Some restaurants serve better food than others.
- D. Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

3. The writer takes the teenagers to the *Food Garage* because he thinks...

- A. they don't like the local food.
- B. they should work for their treat.
- C. they may miss being in America.
- D. they have recently moved to America.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching *Cool Food*.
- (ii) The *Food Garage* is a TV show.
- (iii) The *Food Garage* is a food truck and a restaurant.

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5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

- A. the hot chilli.
- B. the fresh lime.
- C. the mini pizzas.
- D. the fresh greens.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

They consist of a thick crust and a heavy layer of cheese

## Level 5 exemplar 1

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. (2 marks)

(i) mouth-watering

(ii) Yums

8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?

He feels guilty for eating fast food because  
they're unhealthy

9. The *Food Garage* is a perfect 'antidote' (line 19) or cure for dining out late

10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?

driving to <sup>there</sup> and buying food

11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the *Food Garage*. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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#### Our Mission

We take (i) fast food that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make

our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced

(ii) locally. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have

found creative ways to create (iii) healthy dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) teenagers.

#### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?

Because shoppers switched to fresh and organic  
alternatives

13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?

whether the reader is aware that these processed food  
is unhealthy

14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?

Processed food made by Big Food that is unhealthy



## Level 5 exemplar 1

### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

disdain

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?

They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food.  
B. don't like shopping for food.  
C. want to buy more packaged food in the future.  
D. don't want processed food companies to change their business.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem.  
B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed.  
C. to show he does not agree with the previous statement.  
D. to emphasise that he does not support the big food companies.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

Melting icebergs decrease in sizes gradually, and the profit made by food and beverage industry is also decreasing gradually

19. Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

Processing is for making sure the food we ate didn't give us food poisoning, but it makes the food unhealthy to eat

20. According to paragraph 5, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food?

(2 marks)

(i) Convenience

(ii) To make sure the food they eat don't give them poisoning

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient.  
B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.  
C. The existence of processed food has been challenged.  
D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

Bread that lasts 25 days without going stale

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

Big Food and consumers that think processed food is unhealthy

## Level 5 exemplar 1

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

clout

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) Three recommendations for promoting sustainable fishing are mentioned in the newsletter.
- (ii) There are currently no environmentally-friendly food companies in Singapore.
- (iii) Star Resort is the largest seafood importer in Singapore.

T F NG

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26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap.

(4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort does not have controlling influence in the seafood vendor market.	Create a (i) <u>buyers'</u> <u>consortium</u>	This promotes fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our food suppliers to get (ii) <u>certified</u> documents to prove their green credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>environmentally-friendly</u>
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>vegetables</u>	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

27. Complete the following summary by writing ONE word taken from paragraphs 6 to 7 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct.

(4 marks)

The (i) engagement of our staff members is the key to our success in environmental goals. For this reason, we would like to implement three initiatives that aim to increase participation. To raise their awareness of all Star Resort environmental policies, (ii) training will be mandatory for all new employees. We know that all employees like to receive (iii) rewards when they reach their targets. So these will be provided as our second initiative. Also, employee ownership of initiatives is a motivator so we can hold competitions to encourage employees' (iv) innovation in finding new solutions.

END OF PART A

## Level 5 exemplar 1

### Part B2

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 6-8 and answer questions 47-66. (42 marks)

#### Text 6

47. According to paragraph 1, what did the Apollo 11 mission accomplish?

- A. It avoided an intrepid exploration.
- B. It made the human race immortal.
- C. It fulfilled a dream of humans to land on the Moon.
- D. It went in fits and starts to find our place in the universe.

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

48. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 1 that means 'the Moon'.

our nearest celestial neighbour

49. What do the words 'tiny, cramped and fragile collection of metal and wiring' (lines 7-8) suggest?

- A. Space was exciting for a human explorer.
- B. The journey was uncomfortable and dangerous.
- C. The mission was highly sophisticated for its time.
- D. NASA used substandard materials for the mission.

A B C D  
☐ ☒ ☐ ☐

50. What do the phrases 'One small step for man' and 'one giant leap for mankind' (line 1) mean? (2 marks)

(i) One small step for man: Neil Armstrong stepping out of  
Apollo 11 lunar lander

(ii) One giant leap for mankind: The huge achievement of humans  
successfully landing on the Moon

51. Which word in paragraph 1 suggests that the writer thought the moon landing was an amazing achievement?

miracle

#### Text 7

52. If Mars is the 'second home' (line 3), what is the first home?

Earth

53. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in paragraph 2?

Terraforming Mars would...

- A. require time and effort. ✓
- B. transform Earth negatively.
- C. be a challenge for scientists. ✓
- D. need a large amount of money. ✓

A B C D  
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# Level 5 exemplar 1

## Part B2

54. According to paragraph 2, the estimated time required to transform Mars into a habitable planet for human beings is...
- A. hundreds of years.  
B. thousands of years.  
C. millions of years.  
D. billions of years.
- A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

55. Which phrase in paragraph 2 best describes the writer's opinion on the time frame required to transform Mars compared to the same transformation on Earth?

a brief interval

56. Which of the following is NOT a factor making Mars currently an uninhabitable place?

- A. atmosphere too thin ✓  
B. temperature too cold ✓  
C. no ice for water creation  
D. limited source of carbon dioxide ✓

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

57. Complete the following flow chart on terraforming Mars based on information from paragraph 4. (8 marks)

DEVELOPMENT OF TERRAFORMING INFRASTRUCTURE	
Terraforming machines will need to be set up on Mars in one of two ways:	Both will need the same energy source:
Option 1: (i) <u>ferried to Mars</u>	(iii) <u>solar power</u>
Option 2: (ii) <u>made out of materials on Mars</u>	
↓	
<b>Machine Type 1:</b>	
Purpose: (iv) <u>limit carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases</u>	
↓	
<b>Machine Type 2:</b>	<b>Additional method:</b>
Purpose: (v) <u>Absorb carbon dioxide and emit oxygen</u>	(vi) <u>Using photosynthetic bacteria and algae</u>
↓	
<b>Desired Environmental Conditions on Mars:</b>	
(vii) <u>Warm atmosphere</u>	
(viii) <u>Oxygenated</u>	

58. The main purpose of Text 7 is to explain...

- A. how to make Mars similar to Earth.  
B. how dangerous the atmosphere of Mars is. X  
C. how human beings can travel to Mars in future. X  
D. how human beings should adapt to live on Mars.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 5 exemplar 1

### Part B2

#### Text 8

59. What is the tone of Prof. Lee in paragraph 2?

- A. critical
- B. sarcastic
- C. aggressive
- D. indifferent

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

60. What does 'this approach' (line 17) refer to?

A planetary park system that bar the landing of spacecraft in protected areas

61. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 4 which has a similar meaning to 'native'.

Indigenous

62. Who or what does 'we' (line 24) refer to?

Human beings

63. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG).

(6 marks)

#### Statements

- |   | T                                | F                                | NG                               |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| (i) Prof. Lee provides evidence <u>of life forms</u> on other planets.  | <input type="radio"/>            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            |
| (ii) Prof. Cheung believes that the <u>planetary park system</u> would solve the <u>ethical</u> problems related to exploring other planets.    | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/>            |
| (iii) Prof. <u>Lee</u> believes that the landing of spacecraft could cause the spread of microorganisms across the surface of the planet.       | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/>            |
| (iv) Prof. <u>Cheung</u> believes that <u>NASA is supportive</u> of the <u>application</u> of <u>environmental ethics to space</u> exploration. | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/>            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
| (v) Prof. <u>Cheung</u> believes that most <u>human activities</u> damage the environments of Earth and Mars.                                   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/>            |
| (vi) Prof. Lee believes that life on Earth is more important than life from other planets.  | <input type="radio"/>            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            |

64. What does 'those landscapes' (line 31) refer to?

- A. All other planets
- B. The solar system  $\times$
- C. Planetary systems
- D. Beautiful land areas

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 5 exemplar 1

### Part B2

65. Both Prof. Lee and Prof. Cheung give **arguments** and **reasons** / **examples** either for or against exploration of other planets. Complete the summary in the table below. Answers must be grammatically correct. One has been done for you as an example. (8 marks)

Paragraph	Prof.	Main argument for / against	Reason / Example
2	Lee	Human exploration of space may cause <u>ecological disasters</u> .	Exploration may (i) <u>cause biological contamination on other planets.</u>
3	Cheung	Human intervention can (ii) <u>prevent destruction of the environment of plants</u> .	(iii) <u>A planetary park system that would bar the landing of spacecraft in protected areas.</u>
4	Lee	We cannot simply land on other planets.	(iv) <u>The invasion of the Americas by Europeans led to dire consequences.</u>
5	Cheung	Other planets need to be (v) <u>made livable and comfortable</u> .	Because only (vi) <u>humans can make a planet a better place</u> .
6	Lee	We should not land on another planet as it may be (vii) <u>destructive to endemic ecosystems</u> .	All life forms have (viii) <u>equal right</u> to exist.

66. Refer to Texts 6-8. For each text, what would be the best title? Match the titles on the right column with Texts 6-8. Three titles are NOT used. (3 marks)

- (i) Text 6: E  
(ii) Text 7: A  
(iii) Text 8: F

- Titles**  
A. Terraforming Mars  
B. A Brief History of Mars  
C. Who Chooses to Explore?  
D. What NASA Thinks about Space  
E. Looking Back at the Lunar Mission  
F. Should We Set Foot on Other Worlds?

**END OF PART B2**

## Level 5 exemplar 2

### Part A

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Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

A. their meal  
B. their money  
C. their phones  
D. their environment

A B C D  
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2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.  
B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants.  
C. Some restaurants serve better food than others.  
D. Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others.

A B C D  
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3. The writer takes the teenagers to the Food Garage because he thinks...

~~A.~~ they don't like the local food.  
~~B.~~ they should work for their treat.  
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A B C D  
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4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3. (3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching *Cool Food*.  
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5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

A. the hot chilli.  
B. the fresh lime.  
C. the mini pizzas.  
D. the fresh greens.

A B C D  
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6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

The pizzas from late-night deliveries don't consist of a thin crust and a light layer of cheese.

## Level 5 exemplar 2

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. (2 marks)

(i) Yums

(ii) mouth

8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?

The writer thinks that it is guilty to eat fast food  
in general as fast food is usually unhealthy.

9. The Food Garage is a perfect antidote (line 19) or cure for dining out

10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?

To eat at Food Garage.  
visit and

11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the Food Garage. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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#### Our Mission

We take (i) fast food that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make

our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced

(ii) healthily. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have

found creative ways to create (iii) fabulous dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) teenagers.

#### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?

Because shoppers switched to fresh and organic alternatives.

13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?

More people dislike processed food and feel uncomfortable  
with it.

14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?

They are examples of processed food which is provided  
by the packaged food companies.



## Level 5 exemplar 2

### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

Disdain

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?

They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food.
- B. don't like shopping for food.
- C. want to buy more packaged food in the future.
- D. don't want processed food companies to change their business.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem.
- B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed.
- C. to show he does not agree with the previous statement.
- D. to emphasise that he does not support the big food companies.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

Icebergs which is decreasing in size.

The top 25 US food and beverage companies have lost an equivalent of 18 billion in market share, which implies the market influence of this industry is decreasing drastically and this is similar to melting.

19. Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

Because there is an irony that people make processed food to prevent food poisoning yet the processed food itself is making people unhealthy.

20. According to paragraph 3, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food? (2 marks)

- (i) Food processing offers convenience to shoppers.
- (ii) Processed food would not give people food poisoning.

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient.
- B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.
- C. The existence of processed food has been challenged.
- D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

People question about why a bread lasts 25 days without going sale.

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

The group of major packaged-food companies and the group of consumers who care more about health and dislike and refuse to buy processed food.

## Level 5 exemplar 2

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

clout

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5. (3 marks)

- | Statements   | T                     | F                                | NG                               |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| (i) Three recommendations for promoting sustainable fishing are mentioned in the newsletter. | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            |
| (ii) There are currently no environmentally-friendly food companies in Singapore.            | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            |
| (iii) Star Resort is the largest seafood importer in Singapore.                              | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> |

26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap. (4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort does not have controlling influence in the seafood vendor market.	Create a (i) <u>buyers'</u> <u>consortium</u>	This promotes fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our food suppliers to get (ii) <u>certified</u> documents to prove their green credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>environmentally-friendly</u>
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>vegetables</u>	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

27. Complete the following summary by writing ONE word taken from paragraphs 6 to 7 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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END OF PART A

## Level 5 exemplar 2

### Part B2

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 6-8 and answer questions 47-66. (42 marks)

#### Text 6

47. According to paragraph (1), what did the Apollo 11 mission accomplish?

- A. It avoided an intrepid exploration.
- B. It made the human race immortal.
- C. It fulfilled a dream of humans to land on the Moon.
- D. It went in fits and starts to find our place in the universe.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

48. Find a word or phrase in paragraph (1) that means 'the Moon'.

Nearest celestial neighbour.

49. What do the words 'tiny, cramped and fragile collection of metal and wiring' (lines 7-8) suggest?

- A. Space was exciting for a human explorer.
- B. The journey was uncomfortable and dangerous.
- C. The mission was highly sophisticated for its time.
- D. NASA used substandard materials for the mission.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

50. What do the phrases 'One small step for man' and 'one giant leap for mankind' (line 1) mean? (2 marks)

- (i) One small step for man: The physical step made by Neil Armstrong when he stepped out of the Apollo 11 and landed on the Moon.
- (ii) One giant leap for mankind: A great success and milestone of human race to be explorers of space.

51. Which word in paragraph (1) suggests that the writer thought the moon landing was an amazing achievement?  
miracle

#### Text 7

52. If Mars is the 'second home' (line 3), what is the first home?

Earth.

53. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in paragraph (2)?

Terraforming Mars would...

- A. require time and effort.
- B. transform Earth negatively.
- C. be a challenge for scientists.
- D. need a large amount of money.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 5 exemplar 2

### Part B2

54. According to paragraph 2, the estimated time required to transform Mars into a habitable planet for human beings is...

- A. hundreds of years.
- B. thousands of years.
- C. millions of years.
- D. billions of years.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

55. Which phrase in paragraph 2 best describes the writer's opinion on the time frame required to transform Mars compared to the same transformation on Earth?

a brief interval

56. Which of the following is NOT a factor making Mars currently an uninhabitable place?

- A. atmosphere too thin
- B. temperature too cold
- C. no ice for water creation
- D. limited source of carbon dioxide

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

57. Complete the following flow chart on terraforming Mars based on information from paragraph 4. (8 marks)

DEVELOPMENT OF TERRAFORMING INFRASTRUCTURE	
<p>Terraforming machines will need to be set up on Mars in one of two ways:</p> <p>Option 1: (i) <u>be ferried to Mars</u></p> <p>Option 2: (ii) <u>Be made out of materials already located on Mars</u></p>	<p>Both will need the same energy source:</p> <p>(iii) <u>solar energy</u></p>
↓	
<p><b>Machine Type 1:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (iv) <u>To emit carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases into the atmosphere</u></p>	
↓	
<p><b>Machine Type 2:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (v) <u>To mimic the natural process of plant photosynthesis</u></p>	<p><b>Additional method:</b></p> <p>(vi) <u>Use photosynthetic bacteria and algae.</u></p>
↓	
<p><b>Desired Environmental Conditions on Mars:</b></p>	<p>(vii) <u>Carbon dioxide</u></p> <p>(viii) <u>oxygen</u></p>

58. The main purpose of Text 7 is to explain...

- A. how to make Mars similar to Earth.
- B. how dangerous the atmosphere of Mars is.
- C. how human beings can travel to Mars in future.
- D. how human beings should adapt to live on Mars.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

## Level 5 exemplar 2

### Part B2

#### Text 8

59. What is the tone of Prof. Lee in paragraph 2?

- A. critical
- B. sarcastic
- C. aggressive
- D. indifferent

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

60. What does 'this approach' (line 17) refer to?

Having a planetary park system.

61. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 4 which has a similar meaning to 'native'.

indigenous

62. Who or what does 'we' (line 24) refer to?

Human beings

63. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG).

(6 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Prof. Lee provides <u>evidence</u> of life forms on other planets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Prof. Cheung believes that the <u>planetary park system</u> would solve the <u>ethical</u> problems related to exploring other planets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(iii) Prof. Lee believes that the landing of spacecraft could cause the spread of microorganisms across the surface of the planet.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) Prof. Cheung believes that NASA <u>is supportive</u> of the application of environmental ethics to space exploration.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(v) Prof. Cheung believes that <u>most</u> human activities damage the environments of Earth and Mars.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(vi) Prof. Lee believes that life on Earth is more important than life from other planets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

64. What does 'those landscapes' (line 31) refer to?

- A. All other planets
- B. The solar system
- C. Planetary systems
- D. Beautiful land areas

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 5 exemplar 2

### Part B2

65. Both Prof. Lee and Prof. Cheung give **arguments** and **reasons** / **examples** either for or against exploration of other planets. Complete the summary in the table below. Answers must be grammatically correct. One has been done for you as an example. (8 marks)

Paragraph	Prof.	Main argument for / against	Reason / Example
2	Lee	Human exploration of space may cause <u>ecological disasters</u> .	Exploration may (i) <u>threaten the other planets with biological contamination from Earth</u>
3	Cheung	Human intervention can (ii) <u>bring benefits to unspoiled environments</u> .	(iii) <u>The national parks service of the USA illustrates how people can create havens for nature</u>
4	Lee	We cannot simply land on other planets.	(iv) <u>The microorganisms can be spread across the planetary surface by dust storms</u>
5	Cheung	Other planets need to be (v) <u>made to be livable and comfortable</u> .	Because only (vi) <u>human beings have the ability to do this.</u>
6	Lee	We should not land on another planet as (vii) <u>bringing the potential to destroy the endemic ecosystems</u> may be (viii) <u>the equal value same as human</u> to exist.	

66. Refer to Texts 6-8. For each text, what would be the best title? Match the titles on the right column with Texts 6-8. Three titles are NOT used. (3 marks)

- (i) Text 6: E  
(ii) Text 7: A  
(iii) Text 8: F

#### Titles

- A. Terraforming Mars  
B. A Brief History of Mars  
C. Who Chooses to Explore?  
D. What NASA Thinks about Space  
E. Looking Back at the Lunar Mission  
F. Should We Set Foot on Other Worlds?

END OF PART B2

## Level 5 exemplars 1 & 2

### Comments

- Understands the ideas presented in a range of text types and their logical sequence
- Is able to comprehend the main ideas and reads carefully for details
- Is able to understand points of views of the people mentioned in the texts and identify their arguments and supporting details
- Is able to infer information from the texts
- Is able to identify and interpret subtle implications about the writer's opinions
- Is able to identify words within the text that have specific meanings
- Is able to interpret metaphor used in the text
- Is able to paraphrase and manipulate the text to complete gap-fill items

## Level 4 exemplar 1

### Part A

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

A. their meal  
B. their money  
C. their phones  
D. their environment

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.  
B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants.  
C. Some restaurants serve better food than others.  
D. Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

3. The writer takes the teenagers to the *Food Garage* because he thinks...

A. they don't like the local food.  
B. they should work for their treat.  
C. they may miss being in America.  
D. they have recently moved to America.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching *Cool Food*.  
(ii) The *Food Garage* is a TV show.  
(iii) The *Food Garage* is a food truck and a restaurant.

T	F	NG
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

A. the hot chilli.  
B. the fresh lime.  
C. the mini pizzas.  
D. the fresh greens.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

The flavours are not moreish in the extreme.



## Level 4 exemplar 1

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. (2 marks)

(i) Yums

(ii) knock-out

8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?

It implies that he is negative in general

9. The *Food Garage* is a perfect 'antidote' (line 19) or cure for homesickness.

10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?

Stop and eat at the restaurant.

11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the *Food Garage*. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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#### Our Mission

We take (i) classic fast food that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make

our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced

(ii) locally. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have

found creative ways to create (iii) healthier dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) teenagers.

#### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?

Because they lost \$4 billion in market share the year before

13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?

The food listed are not fresh, and not healthy.

14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?

packaged food.  
They are examples of

## Level 4 exemplar 1

### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

disdain

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?

They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food.  
B. don't like shopping for food.  
C. want to buy more packaged food in the future.  
D. don't want processed food companies to change their business.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem.  
B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed.  
C. to show he does not agree with the previous statement.  
D. to emphasise that he does not support the big food companies.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

Food and beverage industry are being <sup>and less</sup> less relevant, like the iceberg, melting bit by bit.

19. Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

Because originally processing the food aims to prevent people from getting food poisoning, but now processing the food is to make it last longer and more unhealthy.

20. According to paragraph 5, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food?

(2 marks)

- (i) The processed food don't give people food poisoning.  
(ii) Food processing offers convenience to the shoppers

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient.  
B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.  
C. The existence of processed food has been challenged.  
D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

Shoppers have more and more questions about why this bread lasts 25 days without going stale.

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

Because packaged food and fresh food are competitors, and major food companies are still going strong

## Level 4 exemplar 1

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

clout

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5.

(3 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Three recommendations for promoting sustainable fishing are mentioned in the newsletter.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) There are currently no environmentally-friendly food companies in Singapore.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
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26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap.

(4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort <u>does not have</u> <u>controlling influence</u> in the <u>seafood vendor market</u> .	Create a (i) <u>buyer's</u> <u>consortium</u> .	This promotes fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our food suppliers to get (ii) <u>certified</u> documents to prove their green credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>environmentally</u> <u>-friendly</u> .
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>herbs</u> .	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

27. Complete the following summary by writing ONE word taken from paragraphs 6 to 7 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct.

(4 marks)

The (i) engagement of our staff members is the key to our success in environmental goals. For this reason, we would like to implement three initiatives that aim to increase participation. To raise their awareness of all Star Resort environmental policies, (ii) training will be mandatory for all new employees. We know that all employees like to receive (iii) rewards when they reach their targets. So these will be provided as our second initiative. Also, employee ownership of initiatives is a motivator so we can hold competitions to encourage employees' (iv) innovation in finding new solutions.

END OF PART A

## Level 4 exemplar 1

### Part B2

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 6-8 and answer questions 47-66. (42 marks)

#### Text 6

47. According to paragraph 1, what did the Apollo 11 mission accomplish?

- A. It avoided an intrepid exploration.
- B. It made the human race immortal.
- C. It fulfilled a dream of humans to land on the Moon.
- D. It went in fits and starts to find our place in the universe.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

48. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 1 that means 'the Moon'.

our nearest celestial neighbour

49. What do the words 'tiny, cramped and fragile collection of metal and wiring' (lines 7-8) suggest?

- A. Space was exciting for a human explorer.
- B. The journey was uncomfortable and dangerous.
- C. The mission was highly sophisticated for its time.
- D. NASA used substandard materials for the mission.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

50. What do the phrases 'One small step for man' and 'one giant leap for mankind' (line 1) mean? (2 marks)

- (i) One small step for man: Going onto the Moon is only the beginning of a journey to find out all we can about our galaxy and our place in the universe.
- (ii) One giant leap for mankind: Culmination of human dreams from the days our ancestors first gazed in fear and wonder at the heavens.

51. Which word in paragraph 1 suggests that the writer thought the moon landing was an amazing achievement?

miracle

#### Text 7

52. If Mars is the 'second home' (line 3), what is the first home?

the Earth

53. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in paragraph 2?

Terraforming Mars would...

- A. require time and effort. ✓
- B. transform Earth negatively.
- C. be a challenge for scientists. ✓
- D. need a large amount of money. ✓

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 4 exemplar 1

### Part B2

54. According to paragraph 2, the estimated time required to transform Mars into a habitable planet for human beings is...
- A. hundreds of years.  
B. thousands of years.  
C. millions of years.  
D. billions of years.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

55. Which phrase in paragraph 2 best describes the writer's opinion on the time frame required to transform Mars compared to the same transformation on Earth?

a brief interval

56. Which of the following is NOT a factor making Mars currently an uninhabitable place?

- A. atmosphere too thin ✓  
B. temperature too cold ✓  
C. no ice for water creation  
D. limited source of carbon dioxide ✓

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

57. Complete the following flow chart on terraforming Mars based on information from paragraph 4. (8 marks)

DEVELOPMENT OF TERRAFORMING INFRASTRUCTURE	
Terraforming machines will need to be set up on Mars in one of two ways:	Both will need the same energy source:
Option 1: (i) <u>ferried to Mars</u>	(iii) <u>solar energy</u>
Option 2: (ii) <u>made out of materials already located on the planet.</u>	
↓	
<b>Machine Type 1:</b>	
Purpose: (iv) <u>emit carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases into atmosphere.</u>	
↓	
<b>Machine Type 2:</b>	<b>Additional method:</b>
Purpose: (v) <u>absorbing carbon dioxide and emitting oxygen.</u>	(vi) <u>Photosynthetic bacteria and algae could also be used.</u>
↓	
<b>Desired Environmental Conditions on Mars:</b>	(vii) <u>Raised temperature of the planet</u> (viii) <u>Atmosphere is oxygenated.</u>

58. The main purpose of Text 7 is to explain...

- A. how to make Mars similar to Earth.  
B. how dangerous the atmosphere of Mars is.  
C. how human beings can travel to Mars in future.  
D. how human beings should adapt to live on Mars.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 4 exemplar 1

### Part B2

#### Text 8

59. What is the tone of Prof. Lee in paragraph 2?

- A. critical
- B. sarcastic
- C. aggressive
- D. indifferent

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

60. What does 'this approach' (line 17) refer to?

Using the planetary park system.

61. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 4 which has a similar meaning to 'native'.

Indigenous

62. Who or what does 'we' (line 24) refer to?

Human beings

63. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG).

(6 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Prof. Lee provides evidence of life forms on other planets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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(iv) Prof. Cheung believes that NASA is supportive of the application of environmental ethics to space exploration.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(v) Prof. Cheung believes that most human activities damage the environments of Earth and Mars.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(vi) Prof. Lee believes that life on Earth is more important than life from other planets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

64. What does 'those landscapes' (line 31) refer to?

- A. All other planets
- B. The solar system
- C. Planetary systems
- D. Beautiful land areas

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 4 exemplar 1

### Part B2

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Paragraph	Prof.	Main argument for / against	Reason / Example
2	Lee	Human exploration of space may cause <u>ecological disasters</u> .	Exploration may (i) <u>biologically contaminate other planets</u> .
3	Cheung	Human intervention can (ii) <u>prevent destruction of the environment</u> .	(iii) <u>A planetary park system would bar the landing of spacecraft in protected areas.</u>
4	Lee	We cannot simply land on other planets.	(iv) <u>Dire consequences are caused on indigenous people in the 'New World' when Europeans discovered and invaded it.</u>
5	Cheung	Other planets need to be (v) <u>made a better place</u> .	Because only (vi) <u>human beings have intrinsic moral worth</u> .
6	Lee	We should not land on another planet as it may be (vii) <u>carrying with them the potential to destroy endemic ecosystems</u> .	All life forms have (viii) <u>valuation</u> <u>equal</u> to exist.

66. Refer to Texts 6-8. For each text, what would be the best title? Match the titles on the right column with Texts 6-8. Three titles are NOT used. (3 marks)

- (i) Text 6: E  
(ii) Text 7: A  
(iii) Text 8: F

#### Titles

- A. Terraforming Mars  
B. A Brief History of Mars  
C. Who Chooses to Explore?  
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E. Looking Back at the Lunar Mission  
F. Should We Set Foot on Other Worlds?

**END OF PART B2**

## Level 4 exemplar 2

### Part A

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

- A. their meal
- B. their money
- C. their phones
- D. their environment ✕

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

- A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.
- B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants.
- C. Some restaurants serve better food than others.
- D. Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

3. The writer takes the teenagers to the *Food Garage* because he thinks...

- A. they don't like the local food.
- B. they should work for their treat.
- C. they may miss being in America.
- D. they have recently moved to America ✕

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching *Cool Food*.
- (ii) The *Food Garage* is a TV show.
- (iii) The *Food Garage* is a food truck and a restaurant.

T	F	NG
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

- A. the hot chilli.
- B. the fresh lime.
- C. the mini pizzas ✕
- D. the fresh greens.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

The pizzas are usually consisted of a thick crust and a heavy layer of cheese.



## Level 4 exemplar 2

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. <sup>adj</sup> (2 marks)

(i) Yums

(ii) moreish

8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?

It implies that the writer thinks fast food is very unhealthy.

9. The *Food Garage* is a perfect 'antidote' (line 19) or cure for hunger

10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?

It means 'trying'

11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the *Food Garage*. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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#### Our Mission

We take (i) fast food that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make

our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced

(ii) locally. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have

found creative ways to create (iii) fabulous dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) teenagers.

#### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?

It is because they lost \$4 billion in market share last year.

13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?

It tries to discover that do you want to eat those package-food again.

14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?

These are the examples of packaged-food product from the multinational packaged-food companies

## Level 4 exemplar 2

### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

disdain

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?

They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food.  
B. don't like shopping for food.  
C. want to buy more packaged food in the future.  
D. don't want processed food companies to change their business.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem.  
B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed. ✗  
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A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

The melting icebergs are a good comparison to the decreasing trend of market share of the multinational packaged-food companies

19. Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

It is because the processed food are curing modern artificial preservatives

20. According to paragraph 5, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food?

(2 marks)

- (i) Make sure the food was not food poisoned  
(ii) Processed food brings convenience to the people

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient. ✗  
B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.  
C. The existence of processed food has been challenged.  
D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

Shoppers have questions about why bread can last 25 days without going stale

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

Packaged-food companies and fresh and organic food companies are fighting 'The War'

## Level 4 exemplar 2

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

clout

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5.

(3 marks)

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26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap.

(4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort does not have controlling influence in the seafood vendor market.	Create a (i) <u>buyers'</u> <u>consortium</u>	This promotes fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our food suppliers to get (ii) <u>certified</u> documents to prove their green credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>environmentally-</u> <u>friendly</u>
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>vegetables</u>	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

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The (i) engagement of our staff members is the key to our success in environmental goals. For this reason, we would like to implement three initiatives that aim to increase participation. To raise their awareness of all Star Resort environmental policies, (ii) training will be mandatory for all new employees. We know that all employees like to receive (iii) rewards when they reach their targets. So these will be provided as our second initiative. Also, employee ownership of initiatives is a motivator so we can hold competitions to encourage employees' (iv) innovation in finding new solutions.

END OF PART A

## Level 4 exemplar 2

### Part B2

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Read Texts 6-8 and answer questions 47-66. (42 marks)

#### Text 6

47. According to paragraph 1, what did the Apollo 11 mission accomplish?

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- B. It made the human race immortal.
- C. It fulfilled a dream of humans to land on the Moon.
- D. It went in fits and starts to find our place in the universe.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

48. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 1 that means 'the Moon'.

lunar

49. What do the words 'tiny, cramped and fragile collection of metal and wiring' (lines 7-8) suggest?

- A. Space was exciting for a human explorer. ✗
- B. The journey was uncomfortable and dangerous.
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A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

50. What do the phrases 'One small step for man' and 'one giant leap for mankind' (line 1) mean? (2 marks)

(i) One small step for man: The one step from Neil Armstrong on the  
surface of the moon

(ii) One giant leap for mankind: The big step of human development about  
the space and galaxy

51. Which word in paragraph 1 suggests that the writer thought the moon landing was an amazing achievement?

miracle

#### Text 7

52. If Mars is the 'second home' (line 3), what is the first home?

Earth

53. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in paragraph 2?

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- A. require time and effort ✓
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A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 4 exemplar 2

### Part B2

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- C. millions of years.
- D. billions of years.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

55. Which phrase in paragraph 2 best describes the writer's opinion on the time frame required to transform Mars compared to the same transformation on Earth?

a brief interval

56. Which of the following is NOT a factor making Mars currently an uninhabitable place?

- A. atmosphere too thin ✓
- B. temperature too cold ✓
- C. no ice for water creation
- D. limited source of carbon dioxide

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

57. Complete the following flow chart on terraforming Mars based on information from paragraph 4. (8 marks)

DEVELOPMENT OF TERRAFORMING INFRASTRUCTURE	
<p>Terraforming machines will need to be set up on Mars in one of two ways:</p> <p>Option 1: (i) <u>Transfer the machines from Earth</u></p> <p>Option 2: (ii) <u>Making with materials on Mars</u></p>	<p>Both will need the same energy source:</p> <p>(iii) <u>Solar - power</u></p>
↓	
<p><b>Machine Type 1:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (iv) <u>Emit green house gases into Martian atmosphere</u></p>	
↓	
<p><b>Machine Type 2:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (v) <u>Mimic the natural process of plant photosynthesis</u></p>	<p><b>Additional method:</b></p> <p>(vi) <u>Using photosynthetic bacteria and algae</u></p>
↓	
<p><b>Desired Environmental Conditions on Mars:</b></p>	<p>(vii) <u>Raising the temperature</u></p> <p>(viii) <u>Oxygenating by Martian atmosphere</u></p>

58. The main purpose of Text 7 is to explain...

- A. how to make Mars similar to Earth.
- B. how dangerous the atmosphere of Mars is. ✗
- C. how human beings can travel to Mars in future. ✗
- D. how human beings should adapt to live on Mars.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 4 exemplar 2

### Part B2

#### Text 8

59. What is the tone of Prof. Lee in paragraph 2?

- A. critical
- B. sarcastic
- C. aggressive
- D. indifferent

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

60. What does 'this approach' (line 17) refer to?

The planetary park system should apply when human explore other planet.

61. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 4 which has a similar meaning to 'native'.

aesthetic

62. Who or what does 'we' (line 24) refer to?

All human beings

63. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG).

(6 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Prof. Lee provides evidence of life forms on other planets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Prof. Cheung believes that the planetary park system would solve the ethical problems related to exploring other planets.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) Prof. Lee believes that the landing of spacecraft could cause the spread of microorganisms across the surface of the planet.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) Prof. Cheung believes that NASA is supportive of the application of environmental ethics to space exploration.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(v) Prof. Cheung believes that most human activities damage the environments of Earth and Mars.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(vi) Prof. Lee believes that life on Earth is more important than life from other planets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

64. What does 'those landscapes' (line 31) refer to?

- A. All other planets
- B. The solar system
- C. Planetary systems
- D. Beautiful land areas

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 4 exemplar 2

### Part B2

65. Both Prof. Lee and Prof. Cheung give **arguments** and **reasons / examples** either for or against exploration of other planets. Complete the summary in the table below. Answers must be grammatically correct. One has been done for you as an example. (8 marks)

Paragraph	Prof.	Main argument for / against	Reason / Example
2	Lee	Human exploration of space may cause ecological disasters	Exploration may (i) <u>find the existence of life</u>
3	Cheung	Human intervention can (ii) <u>benefit other planets' unspoiled environments</u>	(iii) <u>The USA national park services provided havens for nature</u>
4	Lee	We cannot simply land on other planets.	(iv) <u>The invasions of Americas by Europeans</u>
5	Cheung	Other planets need to be (v) <u>more livable and comfortable</u>	Because only (vi) <u>human beings can do it</u>
6	Lee	We should not land on another planet as it may be (vii) <u>possible that human will destroy the endemic ecosystem</u>	All life forms have (viii) <u>equal valuation</u> to exist.

66. Refer to Texts 6-8. For each text, what would be the best title? Match the titles on the right column with Texts 6-8. Three titles are NOT used. (3 marks)

- (i) Text 6: E  
(ii) Text 7: A  
(iii) Text 8: F

#### Titles

- A. Terraforming Mars
- B. A Brief History of Mars
- C. Who Chooses to Explore?
- D. What NASA Thinks about Space
- E. Looking Back at the Lunar Mission
- F. Should We Set Foot on Other Worlds?

**END OF PART B2**

## Level 4 exemplars 1 & 2

### Comments

- Understands some of the main ideas presented in different texts types
- Is able to comprehend some of the main ideas in texts
- Is able to understand some of points of views of the people mentioned in the texts and identify some of their arguments
- Is able to infer some information from the texts
- Is able to interpret some of the different views and attitudes of the writers
- Is able to identify words within the texts that have specific meanings
- Has some difficulty interpreting metaphor used in the texts
- Is able to paraphrase and manipulate the text to complete some gap-fill items



## Level 3 exemplar 1

### Part A

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

- A. their meal
- B. their money
- C. their phones
- D. their environment

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

- A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.
- B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants.
- C. Some restaurants serve better food than others.
- D. Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

3. The writer takes the teenagers to the *Food Garage* because he thinks...

- A. they don't like the local food.
- B. they should work for their treat.
- C. they may miss being in America.
- D. they have recently moved to America.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching *Cool Food*.
- (ii) The *Food Garage* is a TV show.
- (iii) The *Food Garage* is a food truck and a restaurant.

T	F	NG
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

- A. the hot chilli.
- B. the fresh lime.
- C. the mini pizzas.
- D. the fresh greens.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

\_\_\_\_\_ bare no resemblance \_\_\_\_\_

## Level 3 exemplar 1

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. (2 marks)

(i) moreish

(ii) Yums

8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?

The writer didn't like fast food in general.

9. The *Food Garage* is a perfect 'antidote' (line 19) or cure for a humble food truck

10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?

getting food from a food truck.

11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the *Food Garage*. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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#### Our Mission

We take (i) the fast food that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make

our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced

(ii) minced. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have

found creative ways to create (iii) healthy dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) we.

#### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?

Because they lost \$4 billion in market share alone last year

13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?

The Big Food's multi-billion-dollar problem

14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?

fast food

### Level 3 exemplar 1

#### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

scrambling

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?

They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food.  
B. don't like shopping for food.  
C. want to buy more packaged food in the future.  
D. don't want processed food companies to change their business.

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☐ ☒

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem.  
B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed.  
C. to show he does not agree with the previous statement.  
D. to emphasise that he does not support the big food companies.

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☐ ☒

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

melting icebergs means that something are going to despair which just like the situation of the food and beverage industry.

19. Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

Because the changes is strange with a great effect to the food and beverage industry

20. According to paragraph 5, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food?

(2 marks)

- (i) Processed food is convenient  
(ii) Processed food can last longer time without going stale

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient.  
B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.  
C. The existence of processed food has been challenged.  
D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health.

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☐ ☒

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

More and more shoppers questions about why this bread lasts 25 day without going stale.

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

Shoppers with less value on fast food and the food and beverage companies

## Level 3 exemplar 1

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

clout

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- |  | T                                | F                                | NG                               |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| (i) Three recommendations for promoting sustainable fishing are mentioned in the newsletter. | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/>            |
| (ii) There are currently no environmentally-friendly food companies in Singapore.            | <input type="radio"/>            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            |
| (iii) Star Resort is the largest seafood importer in Singapore.                              | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/>            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> |

26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap.

(4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort does not have controlling influence in the seafood vendor market.	Create a (i) <u>consortium</u>	This promotes fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our food suppliers to get (ii) <u>Certified</u> documents to prove their green credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>environmentally-friendly</u> .
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>herbs</u>	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

27. Complete the following summary by writing ONE word taken from paragraphs 6 to 7 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct.

(4 marks)

The (i) stewardship of our staff members is the key to our success in environmental goals. For this reason, we would like to implement three initiatives that aim to increase participation. To raise their awareness of all Star Resort environmental policies, (ii) Training will be mandatory for all new employees. We know that all employees like to receive (iii) rewards when they reach their targets. So these will be provided as our second initiative. Also, employee ownership of initiatives is a motivator so we can hold competitions to encourage employees' (iv) innovation in finding new solutions.

END OF PART A

## Level 3 exemplar 1

### Part B1

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 4-5 and answer questions 28-46. (42 marks)

#### Text 4

28. What is the topic of the forum?

- A. Looking at the entrance area
- B. Improving our housing estate
- C. Throwing rubbish into plant pots
- D. Putting plant holders at the entrance

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

29. How many people posted in the forum?

5

30. How many posts are there on 22 April, 2021?

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 4
- D. 5

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

31. Who or what does the word 'them' (line 2) refer to?

the entrance area of the housing estate - the resident's

32. Look at the word 'posts' (line 10). The word has different meanings. Read the extract of the dictionary entry for 'post' below and decide which meaning corresponds to the meaning in line 10.

- A. delivery of mail
- B. one of the legs of a piece of furniture, like a table
- C. a message that is placed on an Internet website or forum
- D. a strong piece of wood, metal, or other material used as a support

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

33. Who or what does the word 'they' (line 13) refer to?

The climbers

## Level 3 exemplar 1

### Part B1

34. Why does Crustyclown say 'You are all dreaming' (line 15)?  
*the idea is not good because*  
 Because Crustyclown wants to show A the plants will bring bug and will dirty the entrance with falling leaves and dead flowers
35. Who is Girlgeorgy thanking for their support in line 18?  
 A. Bazseedling and Susan\_B  
 B. Susan\_B and Crustyclown  
 C. Artsypatsy and Bazseedling  
 D. Crustyclown and Artsypatsy
- A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐
36. Which word in lines 15-17 has a similar meaning to 'bright'?  
vibrant
37. Which word in lines 24-28 has a similar meaning to 'too much'?  
excessive
38. Who does 'that' (line 27) refer to?  
 A. Children playing around the estate  
 B. Children going into sensitive areas  
 C. Children pulling leaves from the plants  
 D. Children sticking things in their mouths
- A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐
39. What is the main idea of lines 24-28?  
 Susan\_B wants to...  
 A. vote for Girlgeorgy.  
 B. tell residents that she can't help.  
 C. put plants at the entrance of the estate.  
 D. remind Girlgeorgy that there are small children.
- A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒
40. Which of the following is NOT mentioned by Artsypatsy's post in lines 29-34?  
~~A.~~ Helping out  
 B. Agreeing with Susan\_B  
~~C.~~ Putting Girlgeorgy in charge  
~~D.~~ Having a mix of plants at the entrance
- A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐
41. According to the forum, are the following statements True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG)? (4 marks)
- | Statements  | T                                | F                                | NG                    |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| (i) Artsypatsy has already put climbing plants around the entrance. | <input type="radio"/>            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| (ii) Girlgeorgy thinks the entrance looks boring.                   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/> |
| (iii) The left side of the entrance receives a lot of light.        | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/> |
| (iv) Girlgeorgy has all the information on plant prices.            | <input type="radio"/>            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

## Level 3 exemplar 1

### Part B1

42. Decide whether each of the following authors has a positive, negative or neutral attitude towards adding plants to the entrance area. (4 marks)

Authors	Positive	Negative	Neutral
(i) Bazseedling	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Susan_B	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(iii) Artsypatsy	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) Crustyclown	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

43. Read the statements in the right column and match each with ONE of the authors. Write the corresponding letter in the blank on the left. Use each letter ONCE only. ONE statement is NOT used. (5 marks)

Authors	Statements
(i) <u>D</u> Girlgeorgy -	A. There are too many bugs on the estate.
(ii) <u>F</u> Artsypatsy	<del>B.</del> What I really want is flowers.
(iii) <u>B</u> Bazseedling -	<del>C.</del> Plants should be able to cope with lots of touching.
(iv) <u>E</u> Crustyclown -	<del>D.</del> I could take charge of the project.
(v) <u>C</u> Susan_B -	<del>E.</del> Paint the entrance with lots of colours.
	F. Put a range of plants around the entrance.

### Text 5

44. Below are summaries of two possible plants for the housing estate. Fill in the blanks with ONE word that best fits the paragraph. Your answers must be grammatically correct. (9 marks)

#### Moon Orchid

Moon Orchids are beautiful plants to have but it is difficult to take care of them, especially if you want them to have (i) flowers. You have to (ii) water them often because they need to be kept moist. You also have to make sure that the soil is (iii) packed so that the roots get a lot of (iv) airflow.

#### Dumb Cane

This plant is easy to care for and it grows very well (v) littering as long as it gets enough (vi) spaces. You should also water it (vii) frequently and make sure it doesn't get too (viii) cold because that can kill the plant. You should be careful with small children because the leaves are (ix) poisonous.

# Level 3 exemplar 1

## Part B1

45. Below is a table summarising the information about four of the plants. Complete all the boxes in the table by writing 'Y' for yes or 'N' for no. Some have been done for you as examples. (4 marks)

Name of Plant	Easy to Care For	Needs Direct Sunlight	Suitable for Young Children
(i) English Ivy	Y	Y	N
(ii) Chinese Virginia Creeper	Y	N	Y
(iii) Kumquat	N	Y	N
(iv) Red Crown Cactus	Y	Y	N

46. Referring to the descriptions in the flyer, decide which plant you would recommend for each of these residents living in the estate. (3 marks)

- (i) Ms. Lee, 24, lives with her parents and needs to decorate the living room with some plants that do not require too much care but produce bright flowers. Which plant suits her?

- ~~A~~ Kumquat  
~~B~~ English Ivy  
 C. Moon Orchid  
 D. Red Crown Cactus

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☐ ☒

- (ii) Mr. Leung, 65, is retired and lives alone. He enjoys taking care of plants and wants to put a lot of time into them. He would like a nice, decorative, flowering plant for his living room, which gets a lot of light, but no direct sunlight. Which plant suits him?

- ~~A~~ Kumquat  
~~B~~ English Ivy  
~~C~~ Moon Orchid  
~~D~~ Red Crown Cactus

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

- (iii) Mrs. Chan is a 40-year-old housewife with two young children. She loves taking care of plants. She wants to have plants for her living room, which has large windows but does not receive direct sunlight at all during the day. She does not want a flowering plant. Which plant suits her?

- ~~A~~ Kumquat  
~~B~~ English Ivy  
 C. Dumb Cane  
 D. Chinese Virginia Creeper

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☐ ☒

END OF PART B1



## Level 3 exemplar 2

### Part A

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

A. their meal  
B. their money  
C. their phones  
D. their environment

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.  
B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants.  
C. Some restaurants serve better food than others.  
D. Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others.

A B C D  
☒ ☐ ☐ ☐

3. The writer takes the teenagers to the *Food Garage* because he thinks...

A. they don't like the local food.  
B. they should work for their treat.  
C. they may miss being in America.  
D. they have recently moved to America.

A B C D  
☐ ☒ ☐ ☐

4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching *Cool Food*.  
(ii) The *Food Garage* is a TV show.  
(iii) The *Food Garage* is a food truck and a restaurant.

T	F	NG
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

A. the hot chilli.  
B. the fresh lime.  
C. the mini pizzas.  
D. the fresh greens.

A B C D  
☒ ☐ ☐ ☐

6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

the pizzas consisted of a thin crust and a light layer of cheese.

## Level 3 exemplar 2

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. (2 marks)

(i) moreish

(ii) yums

8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?

It imply about positive attitude because after they eat fast food, they feel relaxed.

9. The *Food Garage* is a perfect 'antidote' (line 19) or cure for loneliness

10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?

Eating food

11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the *Food Garage*. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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#### Our Mission

We take (i) fast food that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make

our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced

(ii) nature. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have

found creative ways to create (iii) healthy dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) teenagers.

#### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?

It is because the companies lost \$4 billion in market share.

13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?

whether we are the part of Big Food's multi-billion-dollar problem.

14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?

packaged food

## Level 3 exemplar 2

### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

disdain

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?

They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food.  
B. don't like shopping for food.  
C. want to buy more packaged food in the future.  
D. don't want processed food companies to change their business.

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem.  
B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed.  
C. to show he does not agree with the previous statement.  
D. to emphasise that he does not support the big food companies.

A B C D  
☒ ☐ ☐ ☐

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

compare food and beverage companies which lost an equivalent of \$18 billion but melting icebergs earn profit.

19. Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

It is because people care more about healthy than convenient is not normal.

20. According to paragraph 5, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food?

(2 marks)

- (i) make sure the food doesn't poison.  
(ii) value the convenience that food processing offers

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient.  
B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.  
C. The existence of processed food has been challenged.  
D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health.

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☐ ☒

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

The bread lasts 18 days without going stale.

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

multinational packaged-food companies and consumer.

## Level 3 exemplar 2

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

clout

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5.

(3 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Three recommendations for promoting sustainable fishing are mentioned in the newsletter.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(ii) There are currently no environmentally-friendly food companies in Singapore.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) Star Resort is the largest seafood importer in Singapore.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap.

(4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort does not have controlling influence in the seafood vendor market.	Create a (i) <u>buyer's consortium</u>	This promotes fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our food suppliers to get (ii) <u>environmentally-friendly</u> documents to prove their green credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>environmentally-friendly</u>
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>vegetables</u>	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

27. Complete the following summary by writing ONE word taken from paragraphs 6 to 7 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct.

(4 marks)

The (i) participation of our staff members is the key to our success in environmental goals. For this reason, we would like to implement three initiatives that aim to increase participation. To raise their awareness of all Star Resort environmental policies, (ii) training will be mandatory for all new employees. We know that all employees like to receive (iii) rewards when they reach their targets. So these will be provided as our second initiative. Also, employee ownership of initiatives is a motivator so we can hold competitions to encourage employees' (iv) applicable in finding new solutions.

END OF PART A

## Level 3 exemplar 2

### Part B2

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 6-8 and answer questions 47-66. (42 marks)

#### Text 6

47. According to paragraph 1, what did the Apollo 11 mission accomplish?

- A. It avoided an intrepid exploration.
- B. It made the human race immortal.
- C. It fulfilled a dream of humans to land on the Moon.
- D. It went in fits and starts to find our place in the universe.

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

48. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 1 that means 'the Moon'.

nearest celestial neighbour

49. What do the words 'tiny, cramped and fragile collection of metal and wiring' (lines 7-8) suggest?

- A. Space was exciting for a human explorer.
- B. The journey was uncomfortable and dangerous.
- C. The mission was highly sophisticated for its time.
- D. NASA used substandard materials for the mission.

A B C D  
☒ ☐ ☐ ☐

50. What do the phrases 'One small step for man' and 'one giant leap for mankind' (line 1) mean? (2 marks)

(i) One small step for man: Neil Armstrong stepped out one small step of the Apollo 11 lunar lander

(ii) One giant leap for mankind: humans can land on the Moon and explore more about galaxy and universe.

51. Which word in paragraph 1 suggests that the writer thought the moon landing was an amazing achievement?

miracle

#### Text 7

52. If Mars is the 'second home' (line 3), what is the first home?

Earth

53. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in paragraph 2?

Terraforming Mars would...

- ~~A.~~ require time and effort.
- B. transform Earth negatively.
- ~~C.~~ be a challenge for scientists.
- D. need a large amount of money.

A B C D  
☐ ☒ ☐ ☐

## Level 3 exemplar 2

### Part B2

54. According to paragraph 2, the estimated time required to transform Mars into a habitable planet for human beings is...
- A. hundreds of years.  
B. thousands of years.  
C. millions of years.  
D. billions of years.
- A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

55. Which phrase in paragraph 2 best describes the writer's opinion on the time frame required to transform Mars compared to the same transformation on Earth?

a huge undertaking

56. Which of the following is **NOT** a factor making Mars currently an uninhabitable place?

- ~~A.~~ atmosphere too thin  
~~B.~~ temperature too cold  
C. no ice for water creation  
D. limited source of carbon dioxide

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

57. Complete the following flow chart on terraforming Mars based on information from paragraph 4. (8 marks)

DEVELOPMENT OF TERRAFORMING INFRASTRUCTURE	
<p>Terraforming machines will need to be set up on Mars in one of two ways:</p> <p>Option 1: (i) <u>have to be ferried to Mars</u></p> <p>Option 2: (ii) <u>made out of materials already in the planet</u></p>	<p>Both will need the same energy source:</p> <p>(iii) <u>greenhouse gases</u></p>
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<p><b>Machine Type 1:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (iv) <u>mimic the natural process of plant photosynthesis</u></p>	
↓	
<p><b>Machine Type 2:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (v) <u>absorbing carbon dioxide and emitting oxygen</u></p>	<p><b>Additional method:</b></p> <p>(vi) <u>use photosynthetic bacteria and algae</u></p>
↓	
<p><b>Desired Environmental Conditions on Mars:</b></p>	<p>(vii) <u>atmosphere could slowly be oxygenated</u></p> <p>(viii) <u>raising the temperature of the Mars</u></p>

58. The main purpose of Text 7 is to explain...
- ~~A.~~ how to make Mars similar to Earth.  
~~B.~~ how dangerous the atmosphere of Mars is.  
C. how human beings can travel to Mars in future.  
D. how human beings should adapt to live on Mars.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

## Level 3 exemplar 2

### Part B2

#### Text 8

59. What is the tone of Prof. Lee in paragraph 2?

- A. critical
- B. sarcastic
- ☒ C. aggressive
- D. indifferent

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

60. What does 'this approach' (line 17) refer to?

microorganisms

61. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 4 which has a similar meaning to 'native'.

indigenous

62. Who or what does 'we' (line 24) refer to?

Humans

63. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG).

(6 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Prof. <u>Lee</u> provides evidence of life forms on other planets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Prof. <u>Cheung</u> believes that the planetary park system would solve the ethical problems related to exploring other planets.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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64. What does 'those landscapes' (line 31) refer to?

- A. All other planets
- B. The solar system
- C. Planetary systems
- D. Beautiful land areas

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 3 exemplar 2

### Part B2

65. Both Prof. Lee and Prof. Cheung give **arguments** and **reasons** / **examples** either for or against exploration of other planets. Complete the summary in the table below. Answers must be grammatically correct. One has been done for you as an example. (8 marks)

Paragraph	Prof.	Main argument for / against	Reason / Example
2	Lee	Human exploration of space may cause <u>ecological disasters</u> .	Exploration may (i) <u>effort threatens the other planets</u> .
3	Cheung	Human intervention can (ii) <u>discover the other planets have benefitted or not</u> .	(iii) <u>Create a planetary park system can prevent destruction of the environment</u> .
4	Lee	We cannot simply land on other planets.	(iv) <u>Microorganisms can be spread across the planetary surface by dust storms</u> .
5	Cheung	Other planets need to be (v) <u>livable and comfortable</u> .	Because only (vi) <u>human beings can make the planets become a better place</u> .
6	Lee	We should not land on another planet as it may be (vii) <u>potential to destroy endemic ecosystems</u> .	All life forms have (viii) <u>their ecosystems</u> to exist.

66. Refer to Texts 6-8. For each text, what would be the best title? Match the titles on the right column with Texts 6-8. Three titles are NOT used. (3 marks)

- (i) Text 6: E  
(ii) Text 7: A  
(iii) Text 8: F

#### Titles

- A. Terraforming Mars } 7  
B. A Brief History of Mars }  
C. Who Chooses to Explore? 8  
~~D.~~ What NASA Thinks about Space  
E. Looking Back at the Lunar Mission 6  
F. Should We Set Foot on Other Worlds? 8

END OF PART B2



### Level 3 exemplars 1 & 2

#### Comments

- Understands the main theme and ideas of texts in fairly complex texts
- Is able to identify explicitly expressed views or stated information and arguments
- Is able to understand some of the details of the text but has more difficulty understanding expressed views and arguments
- Is able to make more inferences for straightforward texts
- Is able to complete summary when the information is straightforward and more explicit

## Level 2 exemplar 1

### Part A

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

- A. their meal
- B. their money
- C. their phones
- D. their environment

A ☒ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

- A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.
- B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants.
- C. Some restaurants serve better food than others.
- D. Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

3. The writer takes the teenagers to the *Food Garage* because he thinks...

- A. they don't like the local food.
- B. they should work for their treat.
- C. they may miss being in America.
- D. they have recently moved to America.

A ☒ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching *Cool Food*.
- (ii) The *Food Garage* is a TV show.
- (iii) The *Food Garage* is a food truck and a restaurant.

T	F	NG
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

- A. the hot chilli.
- B. the fresh lime.
- C. the mini pizzas.
- D. the fresh greens.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

~~consisted of a thin crust and a light layer of cheese.~~  
moreish in the extreme

## Level 2 exemplar 1

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. (2 marks)

(i) moreish

(ii) Yums

8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?

The Food Garage plays heavily on healthy aspect fast food without more scientific test

9. The Food Garage is a perfect 'antidote' (line 19) or cure for time

10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?

~~staying in~~ staying in Eating in

11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the Food Garage. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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#### Our Mission

We take (i) meal that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make

our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced

(ii) late-night. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have

found creative ways to create (iii) classic dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) perfectly.

#### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?

They want to gain more money in market share.

13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?

to discover shoppers' food diary.

14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?

They are the examples of packaged-food.

## Level 2 exemplar 1

### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

~~dislike~~ disdain

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?

They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food.  
B. don't like shopping for food.  
C. want to buy more packaged food in the future.  
D. don't want processed food companies to change their business.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem.  
B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed.  
C. to show he does not agree with the previous statement.  
D. to emphasise that he does not support the big food companies.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

The ~~industry~~ beverage companies lost equivalent every year to become a little less relevant.

19. Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

Shoppers value the convenience food processing offers but the pendulum shifted in their minds. The ways from salting and curing to the modern artificial preservatives.

20. According to paragraph 5, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food? (2 marks)

- (i) Value the convenience that food processing offers  
(ii) the pendulum shifted in their mind

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient.  
B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.  
C. The existence of processed food has been challenged.  
D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

They have more questions about the bread lasts 25 days without going stale.

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

The multinational packaged-food companies and the shoppers.

## Level 2 exemplar 1

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

clout

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

	T	F	NG
(i) Three recommendations for promoting sustainable fishing are mentioned in the newsletter.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) There are currently no environmentally-friendly food companies in Singapore.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) Star Resort is the largest seafood importer in Singapore.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap.

(4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort does not have controlling influence in the seafood vendor market.	Create a (i) <u>Pipple</u> <u>effect</u>	This promotes fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our food suppliers to get (ii) <u>Certified</u> documents to prove their green credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>environmentally-friendly</u>
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>Investment</u>	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

27. Complete the following summary by writing ONE word taken from paragraphs 6 to 7 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct.

(4 marks)

The (i) ~~initiatives~~ training program of our staff members is the key to our success in environmental goals. For this reason, we would like to implement three initiatives that aim to increase participation. To raise their awareness of all Star Resort environmental policies, (ii) training will be mandatory for all new employees. We know that all employees like to receive (iii) solutions when they reach their targets. So these will be provided as our second initiative. Also, employee ownership of initiatives is a motivator so we can hold competitions to encourage employees' (iv) specific departments in finding new solutions.

END OF PART A

## Level 2 exemplar 1

### Part B2

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 6-8 and answer questions 47-66. (42 marks)

#### Text 6

47. According to paragraph 1, what did the Apollo 11 mission accomplish?

- A. It avoided an intrepid exploration.
- B. It made the human race immortal. ✓
- C. It fulfilled a dream of humans to land on the Moon.
- D. It went in fits and starts to find our place in the universe.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☒

48. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 1 that means 'the Moon'.

nearest celestial neighbour

49. What do the words 'tiny, cramped and fragile collection of metal and wiring' (lines 7-8) suggest?

- A. Space was exciting for a human explorer.
- B. The journey was uncomfortable and dangerous.
- C. The mission was highly sophisticated for its time.
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A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

50. What do the phrases 'One small step for man' and 'one giant leap for mankind' (line 1) mean? (2 marks)

(i) One small step for man: The ~~apex~~ step on the moon's  
surface. <sup>atmosphere</sup>

(ii) One giant leap for mankind: It fulfilled a dream of humans.  
to land on the Moon

51. Which word in paragraph 1 suggests that the writer thought the moon landing was an amazing achievement?

celestial

#### Text 7

52. If Mars is the 'second home' (line 3), what is the first home?

Earth

53. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in paragraph 2?

Terraforming Mars would...

- A. require time and effort. ✓
- B. transform Earth negatively.
- C. be a challenge for scientists. ✓
- D. need a large amount of money.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

## Level 2 exemplar 1

### Part B2

54. According to paragraph 2, the estimated time required to transform Mars into a habitable planet for human beings is...
- A. hundreds of years.  
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55. Which phrase in paragraph 2 best describes the writer's opinion on the time frame required to transform Mars compared to the same transformation on Earth?

a brief interval

56. Which of the following is NOT a factor making Mars currently an uninhabitable place?

- A. atmosphere too thin ✓  
B. temperature too cold ✓  
C. no ice for water creation  
D. limited source of carbon dioxide

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

57. Complete the following flow chart on terraforming Mars based on information from paragraph 4. (8 marks)

DEVELOPMENT OF TERRAFORMING INFRASTRUCTURE	
<p>Terraforming machines will need to be set up on Mars in one of two ways:</p> <p>Option 1: (i) <u>set up solar-powered</u></p> <p>Option 2: (ii) <u>greenhouse-gas producing machines</u></p>	<p>Both will need the same energy source:</p> <p>(iii) <u>Photosynthetic bacteria and algae</u></p>
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<p><b>Machine Type 1:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (iv) <u>emit carbon dioxide</u></p>	
↓	
<p><b>Machine Type 2:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (v) <u>make the atmosphere warm</u></p>	<p><b>Additional method:</b></p> <p>(vi) <u>take millenia upon millenia</u></p>
↓	
<p><b>Desired Environmental Conditions on Mars:</b></p>	<p>(vii) <u>slowly be oxygenated</u></p> <p>(viii) <u>breathing-assistance apparatus.</u></p>

58. The main purpose of Text 7 is to explain...

- A. how to make Mars similar to Earth.  
B. how dangerous the atmosphere of Mars is.  
C. how human beings can travel to Mars in future.  
D. how human beings should adapt to live on Mars.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

## Level 2 exemplar 1

### Part B2

#### Text 8

59. What is the tone of Prof. Lee in paragraph 2?

- A. critical
- B. sarcastic
- C. aggressive
- D. indifferent

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

60. What does 'this approach' (line 17) refer to?

microorganisms spread across the planetary surface by dust storms

61. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 4 which has a similar meaning to 'native'.

non-park

62. Who or what does 'we' (line 24) refer to?

human beings

63. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG).

(6 marks)

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64. What does 'those landscapes' (line 31) refer to?

- A. All other planets
- B. The solar system
- C. Planetary systems
- D. Beautiful land areas

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐



## Level 2 exemplar 1

### Part B2

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3	Cheung	Human intervention can (ii) <u>create</u> <u>havens for nature</u>	(iii) <u>we must maintain the</u> <u>flora and fauna at</u> <u>levels.</u>
4	Lee	We cannot simply land on other planets.	(iv) <u>Protection would not</u> <u>approach not protect</u> <u>non-park areas</u>
5	Cheung	Other planets need to be (v) <u>moral</u> <u>worth equal to</u> <u>human being</u>	Because only (vi) <u>to make</u> <u>world livable and</u> <u>comfortable</u>
6	Lee	We should not land on another planet as it may be (vii) <u>destroy</u> <u>endemic ecosystems</u>	All life forms have (viii) <u>deserved</u> <u>to be spared</u> <u>to exist.</u>

66. Refer to Texts 6-8. For each text, what would be the best title? Match the titles on the right column with Texts 6-8. Three titles are NOT used. (3 marks)

- (i) Text 6: C  
(ii) Text 7: A  
(iii) Text 8: F

#### Titles

- A. Terraforming Mars  
B. A Brief History of Mars  
C. Who Chooses to Explore?  
D. What NASA Thinks about Space  
E. Looking Back at the Lunar Mission  
F. Should We Set Foot on Other Worlds?

END OF PART B2

## Level 2 exemplar 2

### Part A

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

- A. their meal  
B. their money X  
C. their phones X  
D. their environment

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☐ ☒

2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

- A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.  
B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants. X  
C. Some restaurants serve better food than others. X  
D. Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others. X

A B C D  
☒ ☐ ☐ ☐

3. The writer takes the teenagers to the Food Garage because he thinks...

- A. they don't like the local food. X  
B. they should work for their treat. X  
C. they may miss being in America. X  
D. they have recently moved to America. J

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching *Cool Food*.  
(ii) The *Food Garage* is a TV show.  
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T F NG  
☐ ☐ ☒  
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☒ ☐ ☐

5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

- A. the hot chilli. X  
B. the fresh lime. X  
C. the mini pizzas.  
D. the fresh greens. X

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6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

consisted of a thin crust and a light layer of cheese.

## Level 2 exemplar 2

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. (2 marks)
- (i) Yum
- (ii) moreish.
8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?
- The writer don't feel bad after eating the junk food in Food Garage.
9. The Food Garage is a perfect 'antidote' (line 19) or cure for dining out late.
10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?
- Go to eat.
11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the Food Garage. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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### Our Mission

We take (i) serious that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced (ii) locally. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have found creative ways to create (iii) homemade sauce. dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) you.

### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?
- It is because they lost \$4 billion last year.
13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?
- Simple bad baby and junk food.
14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?
- The unhealthy food. and bad hobby for eating.

## Level 2 exemplar 2

### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

disdain

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?

They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food. ☒  
 B. don't like shopping for food. ☒  
 C. want to buy more packaged food in the future. ☐  
 D. don't want processed food companies to change their business. ☐

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem. ☒  
 B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed. ☐  
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 D. to emphasise that he does not support the big food companies. ☒

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

Melting icebergs become smaller and smaller in future.  
And the food and beverage industry is being smaller  
and smaller in the market since 2009. They are same.

19. Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

Because people don't want to eat the food  
poisoning us but it also harmful  
for our health.

20. According to paragraph 5, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food?

(2 marks)

- (i) It can make sure the food is not poisoning people.  
 (ii) It can make the food last longer.

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient.  
 B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.  
 C. The existence of processed food has been challenged. ☒  
 D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health. ☒

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

bread.

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

Processed food companies and illustrate shoppers.

## Level 2 exemplar 2

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

worth.

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5. (3 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Three recommendations for <u>promoting sustainable fishing</u> are mentioned in the newsletter.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) There are currently no environmentally-friendly food companies in Singapore.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) Star Resort is the largest seafood importer in Singapore.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap. (4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort does not have controlling influence in the seafood vendor market.	Create a (i) <u>fishing techniques</u> .	This <u>promotes</u> fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our food suppliers to get (ii) <u>purchases</u> documents to prove their green credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>environmentally-friendly</u> .
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>common vegetables</u> .	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

27. Complete the following summary by writing ONE word taken from paragraphs 6 to 7 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

The (i) engagement of our staff members is the key to our success in environmental goals. For this reason, we would like to implement three initiatives that aim to increase participation. To raise their awareness of all Star Resort environmental policies, (ii) training will be mandatory for all new employees. We know that all employees like to receive (iii) rewards when they reach their targets. So these will be provided as our second initiative. Also, employee ownership of initiatives is a motivator so we can hold competitions to encourage employees' (iv) department in finding new solutions.

END OF PART A

## Level 2 exemplar 2

### Part B1

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 4-5 and answer questions 28-46. (42 marks)

#### Text 4

28. What is the topic of the forum?

- A. Looking at the entrance area X
- B. Improving our housing estate
- C. Throwing rubbish into plant pots X
- D. Putting plant holders at the entrance

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

29. How many people posted in the forum?

5

30. How many posts are there on 22 April, 2021?

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 4
- D. 5

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

31. Who or what does the word 'them' (line 2) refer to?

The plant holders.

32. Look at the word 'posts' (line 10). The word has different meanings. Read the extract of the dictionary entry for 'post' below and decide which meaning corresponds to the meaning in line 10.

- A. delivery of mail X
- B. one of the legs of a piece of furniture, like a table.
- C. a message that is placed on an Internet website or forum X
- D. a strong piece of wood, metal, or other material used as a support.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

33. Who or what does the word 'they' (line 13) refer to?

Flowering plants.

## Level 2 exemplar 2

### Part B1

34. Why does Crustyclown say 'You are all dreaming' (line 15)?

Because Crustyclown wants to show the disadvantage about putting plants

35. Who is Girlgeorgy thanking for their support in line 18?

- A. Bazseedling and Susan\_B
- B. Susan\_B and Crustyclown
- C. Artsypatsy and Bazseedling
- D. Crustyclown and Artsypatsy

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

36. Which word in lines 15-17 has a similar meaning to 'bright'?

vibrant

37. Which word in lines 24-28 has a similar meaning to 'too much'?

excessive

38. Who does 'that' (line 27) refer to?

- A. Children playing around the estate
- B. Children going into sensitive areas
- C. Children pulling leaves from the plants
- D. Children sticking things in their mouths

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

39. What is the main idea of lines 24-28?

Susan\_B wants to...

- A. vote for Girlgeorgy. X
- B. tell residents that she can't help. X
- C. put plants at the entrance of the estate. X
- D. remind Girlgeorgy that there are small children.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

40. Which of the following is NOT mentioned by Artsypatsy's post in lines 29-34?

- A. Helping out X
- B. Agreeing with Susan\_B ✓
- C. Putting Girlgeorgy in charge X
- D. Having a mix of plants at the entrance X

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

41. According to the forum, are the following statements True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG)?

(4 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Artsypatsy has already put climbing plants around the entrance.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Girlgeorgy thinks the entrance looks boring.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(iii) The left side of the entrance receives a lot of light.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) Girlgeorgy has all the information on plant prices.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Level 2 exemplar 2

### Part B1

42. Decide whether each of the following authors has a positive, negative or neutral attitude towards adding plants to the entrance area. (4 marks)

Authors	Positive	Negative	Neutral
(i) Bazseedling	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Susan_B	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(iii) Artsypatsy	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) Crustyclown	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

43. Read the statements in the right column and match each with ONE of the authors. Write the corresponding letter in the blank on the left. Use each letter ONCE only. ONE statement is NOT used. (5 marks)

Authors	Statements
(i) <u>D</u> Girlgeorgy	<del>A.</del> There are too many bugs on the estate.
(ii) <u>F</u> Artsypatsy	<del>B.</del> What I really want is flowers.
(iii) <u>B</u> Bazseedling	<del>C.</del> Plants should be able to cope with lots of touching.
(iv) <u>E</u> Crustyclown	<del>D.</del> I could take charge of the project.
(v) <u>C</u> Susan_B	E. Paint the entrance with lots of colours.
	F. Put a range of plants around the entrance.

### Text 5

44. Below are summaries of two possible plants for the housing estate. Fill in the blanks with ONE word that best fits the paragraph. Your answers must be grammatically correct. (9 marks)

#### Moon Orchid

Moon Orchids are beautiful plants to have but it is difficult to take care of them, especially if you want them to have (i) flowers. You have to (ii) fertilise them often because they need to be kept moist. You also have to make sure that the soil is (iii) packed so that the roots get a lot of (iv) air flow.

#### Dumb Cane

This plant is easy to care for and it grows very well (v) ideal as long as it gets enough (vi) lit. You should also water it (vii) frequently and make sure it doesn't get too (viii) cold because that can kill the plant. You should be careful with small children because the leaves are (ix) poisonous.



## Level 2 exemplar 2

### Part B1

45. Below is a table summarising the information about four of the plants. Complete all the boxes in the table by writing 'Y' for yes or 'N' for no. Some have been done for you as examples. (4 marks)

Name of Plant	Easy to Care For	Needs Direct Sunlight	Suitable for Young Children
(i) English Ivy	Y	Y	N
(ii) Chinese Virginia Creeper	Y	N	Y
(iii) Kumquat	N	Y	N
(iv) Red Crown Cactus	Y	Y	N

46. Referring to the descriptions in the flyer, decide which plant you would recommend for each of these residents living in the estate. (3 marks)

- (i) Ms. Lee, 24, lives with her parents and needs to decorate the living room with some plants that do not require too much care but produce bright flowers. Which plant suits her?

- A. Kumquat X  
B. English Ivy 0 X  
C. Moon Orchid X  
D. Red Crown Cactus ✓

A B C D  
○ ○ ○ ●

- (ii) Mr. Leung, 65, is retired and lives alone. He enjoys taking care of plants and wants to put a lot of time into them. He would like a nice, decorative, flowering plant for his living room, which gets a lot of light, but no direct sunlight. Which plant suits him?

- A. Kumquat X  
B. English Ivy X ✓ ✓  
C. Moon Orchid ✓ ✓  
D. Red Crown Cactus 0 X

A B C D  
○ ○ ● ○

- (iii) Mrs. Chan is a 40-year-old housewife with two young children. She loves taking care of plants. She wants to have plants for her living room, which has large windows but does not receive direct sunlight at all during the day. She does not want a flowering plant. Which plant suits her?

- A. Kumquat X  
B. English Ivy X  
C. Dumb Cane  
D. Chinese Virginia Creeper X

A B C D  
○ ○ ● ○

END OF PART B1

## Level 2 exemplars 1 & 2

### Comments

- Understands explicitly stated information on a familiar topic
- Is able to identify some of the main ideas in a simple paragraph when the text is simply structured and the topic is familiar
- Is able to find specific information for straightforward gap fill reading comprehension questions
- Is able to identify basic factual information

## Level 1 exemplar 1

### Part A

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

A. their meal  
B. their money  
C. their phones  
D. their environment

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☐ ☒

2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.  
B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants.  
C. Some restaurants serve better food than others.  
D. Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others.

A B C D  
☒ ☐ ☐ ☐

3. The writer takes the teenagers to the *Food Garage* because he thinks...

A. they don't like the local food.  
B. they should work for their treat.  
C. they may miss being in America.  
D. they have recently moved to America.

A B C D  
☒ ☐ ☐ ☐

4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching *Cool Food*.  
(ii) The *Food Garage* is a TV show.  
(iii) The *Food Garage* is a food truck and a restaurant.

T	F	NG
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

A. the hot chilli.  
B. the fresh lime.  
C. the mini pizzas.  
D. the fresh greens.

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

The pizzas consist of a thin crust and a light layer of cheese

## Level 1 exemplar 1

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. (2 marks)

(i) Yums

(ii) moreish

8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?

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\_\_\_\_\_

9. The *Food Garage* is a perfect 'antidote' (line 19) or cure for a bit serious of late

10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?

Car parking

11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the *Food Garage*. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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#### Our Mission

We take (i) ordered that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make

our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced

(ii) plenty. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have

found creative ways to create (iii) scientific dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) perfect.

#### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?

It is because customer

13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?

\_\_\_\_\_

14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## Level 1 exemplar 1

### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

disdain

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?

They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food.  
B. don't like shopping for food.  
C. want to buy more packaged food in the future.  
D. don't want processed food companies to change their business.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem.  
B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed. ✗  
C. to show he does not agree with the previous statement.  
D. to emphasise that he does not support the big food companies. ✗

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

The food and beverage industry become a little less relevant every year.

19. ✗ Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

It is ~~because~~ because they should make sure the food ~~don't~~ have food poisoning.

20. According to paragraph 5, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food?

(2 marks)

(i) The modern artificial preservatives.

(ii) They arose to make sure the food of food poison.

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient.  
B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.  
C. The existence of processed food has been challenged.  
D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

The bread they eat was without ~~stale~~ going stale.  
lasts 25 days

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

Food companies and shoppers.

## Level 1 exemplar 1

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

clout

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5.

(3 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Three recommendations for promoting sustainable fishing are mentioned in the newsletter.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(ii) There are currently no environmentally-friendly food companies in Singapore.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) Star Resort is the largest seafood importer in Singapore.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap.

(4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort does not have controlling influence in the seafood vendor market.	Create a (i) <u>behaviours</u>	This promotes fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our food suppliers to get (ii) <u>sustainable</u> documents to prove their green credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>friendly</u>
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>vegetables</u>	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

27. Complete the following summary by writing ONE word taken from paragraphs 6 to 7 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct.

(4 marks)

The (i) industry ~~staff~~ of our staff members is the key to our success in environmental goals. For this reason, we would like to implement three initiatives that aim to increase participation. To raise their awareness of all Star Resort environmental policies, (ii) awareness ~~over fishing~~ will be mandatory for all new employees. We know that all employees like to receive (iii) company ~~techniques~~ when they reach their targets. So these will be provided as our second initiative. Also, employee ownership of initiatives is a motivator so we can hold competitions to encourage employees' (iv) employees in finding new solutions.

END OF PART A

## Level 1 exemplar 1

### Part B2

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 6-8 and answer questions 47-66. (42 marks)

#### Text 6

47. According to paragraph 1, what did the Apollo 11 mission accomplish?

- A. It avoided an intrepid exploration.
- B. It made the human race immortal.
- C. It fulfilled a dream of humans to land on the Moon.
- D. It went in fits and starts to find our place in the universe.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

48. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 1 that means 'the Moon'.

Earth-bound

49. What do the words 'tiny, cramped and fragile collection of metal and wiring' (lines 7-8) suggest?

- A. Space was exciting for a human explorer.
- B. The journey was uncomfortable and dangerous.
- C. The mission was highly sophisticated for its time.
- D. NASA used substandard materials for the mission.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

50. What do the phrases 'One small step for man' and 'one giant leap for mankind' (line 1) mean? (2 marks)

(i) One small step for man: Neil Armstrong land on the Moon

(ii) One giant leap for mankind: human explorer the space

51. Which word in paragraph 1 suggests that the writer thought the moon landing was an amazing achievement?

successfully

#### Text 7

52. If Mars is the 'second home' (line 3), what is the first home?

Earth

53. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in paragraph 2?

Terraforming Mars would...

- A. require time and effort.
- B. transform Earth negatively.
- C. be a challenge for scientists.
- D. need a large amount of money.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

## Level 1 exemplar 1

### Part B2

54. According to paragraph 2, the estimated time required to transform Mars into a habitable planet for human beings is...
- A. hundreds of years.  
B. thousands of years.  
C. millions of years.  
D. billions of years.
- A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

55. Which phrase in paragraph 2 best describes the writer's opinion on the time frame required to transform Mars compared to the same transformation on Earth?

Martian landscape into resembles

56. Which of the following is NOT a factor making Mars currently an uninhabitable place?

- A. atmosphere too thin ✓  
B. temperature too cold ✓  
C. no ice for water creation ✗  
D. limited source of carbon dioxide

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

57. Complete the following flow chart on terraforming Mars based on information from paragraph 4. (8 marks)

DEVELOPMENT OF TERRAFORMING INFRASTRUCTURE	
<p>Terraforming machines will need to be set up on Mars in one of two ways:</p> <p>Option 1: (i) <u>solar-powered machines</u></p> <p>Option 2: (ii) <u>greenhouse-gas producing machines</u></p>	<p>Both will need the same energy source:</p> <p>(iii) <u>lightweight</u></p>
↓	
<p><b>Machine Type 1:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (iv) <u>emit carbon dioxide</u></p>	
↓	
<p><b>Machine Type 2:</b></p> <p>Purpose: (v) <u>emit greenhouse gases into the atmosphere</u></p>	<p><b>Additional method:</b></p> <p>(vi) <u>transport these machines</u></p>
↓	
<p><b>Desired Environmental Conditions on Mars:</b></p>	<p>(vii) <u>mimic the natural process of plant photosynthesis</u></p> <p>(viii) <u>absorbing carbon dioxide and emitting oxygen</u></p>

58. The main purpose of Text 7 is to explain...

- A. how to make Mars similar to Earth.  
B. how dangerous the atmosphere of Mars is.  
C. how human beings can travel to Mars in future.  
D. how human beings should adapt to live on Mars.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐



## Level 1 exemplar 1

### Part B2

#### Text 8

59. What is the tone of Prof. Lee in paragraph 2?

- A. critical
- B. sarcastic
- C. aggressive
- D. indifferent

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

60. What does 'this approach' (line 17) refer to?

dust storms

61. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 4 which has a similar meaning to 'native'.

surface

62. Who or what does 'we' (line 24) refer to?

human

63. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG).

(6 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Prof. Lee provides evidence of life forms on other planets.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Prof. Cheung believes that the planetary park system would solve the ethical problems related to exploring other planets.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) Prof. Lee believes that the landing of spacecraft could cause the spread of microorganisms across the surface of the planet.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) Prof. Cheung believes that NASA is supportive of the application of environmental ethics to space exploration.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(v) Prof. Cheung believes that most human activities damage the environments of Earth and Mars.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(vi) Prof. Lee believes that life on Earth is more important than life from other planets.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

64. What does 'those landscapes' (line 31) refer to?

- A. All other planets
- B. The solar system
- C. Planetary systems
- D. Beautiful land areas

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

## Level 1 exemplar 1

### Part B2

65. Both Prof. Lee and Prof. Cheung give **arguments** and **reasons** / **examples** either for or against exploration of other planets. Complete the summary in the table below. Answers must be grammatically correct. One has been done for you as an example. (8 marks)

Paragraph	Prof.	Main argument for / against	Reason / Example
2	Lee	Human exploration of space may cause <u>ecological disasters</u> .	Exploration may (i) <u>loss science</u> .
3	Cheung	Human intervention can (ii) <u>create havens for nature</u> .	(iii) <u>maintain the flora and fauna at levels not have happened</u> .
4	Lee	We cannot simply land on other planets.	(iv) <u>dire consequences for the indigenous people</u> .
5	Cheung	Other planets need to be (v) <u>other living creatures have intrinsic moral worth equal</u> .	Because only (vi) <u>make Earth a better place can do</u> .
6	Lee	We should not land on another planet as it may be (vii) <u>carry with them the potential to destroy endemic ecosystems</u> .	All life forms have (viii) <u>spared from our meddling even</u> to exist.

66. Refer to Texts 6-8. For each text, what would be the best title? Match the titles on the right column with Texts 6-8. Three titles are NOT used. (3 marks)

- (i) Text 6: E  
(ii) Text 7: A  
(iii) Text 8: F

#### Titles

- A. Terraforming Mars  
B. A Brief History of Mars  
C. Who Chooses to Explore?  
D. What NASA Thinks about Space  
E. Looking Back at the Lunar Mission  
F. Should We Set Foot on Other Worlds?

END OF PART B2

## Level 1 exemplar 2

### Part A

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 1-3 and answer questions 1-27. (42 marks)

#### Text 1

1. What does the phrase 'what's in front of them' (line 2) refer to?

- A. their meal
- B. their money
- C. their phones
- D. their environment

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

2. In paragraph 1, what does the writer suggest about eating in restaurants?

- A. Teenagers never take their food seriously.
- B. Teenagers do not like eating at restaurants.
- ~~C.~~ Some restaurants serve better food than others.
- ~~D.~~ Some restaurants appeal more to teenagers than others.

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

3. The writer takes the teenagers to the *Food Garage* because he thinks...

- A. they don't like the local food.
- B. they should work for their treat.
- C. they may miss being in America.
- D. they have recently moved to America.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

4. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Given (NG) in paragraph 3.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- (i) The writer enjoys watching Cool Food.
- (ii) The *Food Garage* is a TV show.
- (iii) The *Food Garage* is a food truck and a restaurant.

T	F	NG
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. According to the writer, 'zing' (line 12) refers to the taste of...

- ~~A.~~ the hot chilli.
- B. the fresh lime.
- ~~C.~~ the mini pizzas.
- ~~D.~~ the fresh greens.

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

6. According to paragraph 4, what are the pizzas from the late-night deliveries usually like?

The pizzas version consisted of a thin crust and a light layer of cheese.

## Level 1 exemplar 2

### Part A

7. Find TWO words in paragraph 4 that have similar meanings to 'delicious'. (2 marks)
- (i) yums
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
8. What does the phrase 'guilt-free' (line 18) imply about the writer's attitude to fast food in general?
- \_\_\_\_\_
9. The *Food Garage* is a perfect 'antidote' (line 19) or cure for the Food Garage
10. What does 'Parking up' in the title mean?
- \_\_\_\_\_
11. Based on the information from the text, complete the mission statement of the *Food Garage*. Write a word or a phrase taken from the text to fill in each blank. Answers should be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

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### Our Mission

We take (i) sauce \_\_\_\_\_ that is traditionally high in fat, salt and sugar and make our own delicious homemade alternatives using fresh ingredients that are sourced (ii) \_\_\_\_\_. Whether it's a burger, hot dog, soft drink or sundae, we have found creative ways to create (iii) \_\_\_\_\_ dishes without compromising taste.

Best of all, adults love our food, and so do (iv) \_\_\_\_\_.

### Text 2

12. Why do the food giants want to 'win you back' (line 2)?
- shoppers switched to fresh and organic alternatives
13. What does this 'simple test' (line 3) try to discover?
- part of Big Food's multi-billion-dollar problem
14. What are the terms listed on lines 4-7 examples of?
- Pre-packaged lunch, Frozen TV dinners and Soft drinks containing artificial color and flavors

## Level 1 exemplar 2

### Part A

15. Find a word in paragraph 3 that has a similar meaning to 'dislike'.

disdain

16. What assumption is the writer making about the 'growing consumer class' (line 10)?  
They are people who...

- A. like fresh organic food.  
☒ B. don't like shopping for food.  
C. want to buy more packaged food in the future.  
D. don't want processed food companies to change their business.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

17. The writer uses the phrase 'Lest you think this is exaggeration' (line 12)...

- A. to show he is not over-estimating the problem.  
B. because he thinks the reader will be disappointed.  
C. to show he does not agree with the previous statement.  
D. to emphasise that he does not support the big food companies.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

18. How are 'melting icebergs' (lines 13-14) a good comparison for what is happening in the food and beverage industry?

The idea of 'processing' - from salting and curing to the modern artificial preservative - arose to make sure the food we ate didn't give us food poisoning

19. Why does the writer suggest that the changes taking place are 'a strange turn of events' (line 15)?

20. According to paragraph 5, what are TWO reasons people buy processed food?

(2 marks)

(i) the convenience

(ii) the pendulum

21. What does the phrase 'the pendulum has definitely shifted' (line 18) mean?

- A. People now only want food if it is convenient.  
B. Modern artificial preservatives now make us sick.  
C. The existence of processed food has been challenged.  
D. Shoppers place less value on convenience and worry more about health.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

22. What example is given in paragraph 5 to illustrate shoppers' concerns about processed food?

The convenience

23. Referring to the title, which two groups are fighting 'The War'?

## Level 1 exemplar 2

### Part A

#### Text 3

24. Find a word in paragraph 2 which has a similar meaning to 'power'.

star clout

25. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG) in paragraphs 2 to 5.

(3 marks)

#### Statements

- |   | T                                | F                     | NG                    |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| (i) Three recommendations for promoting sustainable fishing are mentioned in the newsletter.    | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| (ii) There are <u>currently</u> no <u>environmentally-friendly</u> food companies in Singapore. | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| (iii) Star Resort is the largest seafood <u>importer</u> in Singapore.                          | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

26. The table below compares the current situation with what would happen if the sustainability initiatives were carried out. Complete the table by using a maximum of TWO words taken from paragraphs 2 to 5 for each gap.

(4 marks)

Current Situation	Initiative	Desired Outcome
Star Resort does not have controlling influence in the seafood vendor market.	Create a (i) <u>ripple effect</u>	This promotes fishing practices that are sustainable.
Vendors of other food types to Star Resorts may contribute to damaging the environment.	Require our <u>food suppliers</u> to get (ii) _____ documents to prove their <u>green</u> credentials.	This will encourage Singaporean food vendors to become (iii) <u>environmentally-friendly</u>
Vertical farms have been producing (iv) <u>vegetables</u>	Increase investment in the vertical farms.	Vertical farms will grow a greater range of produce.

27. Complete the following summary by writing ONE word taken from paragraphs 6 to 7 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct.

(4 marks)

The (i) ambassador of our staff members is the key to our success in environmental goals. For this reason, we would like to implement three initiatives that aim to increase participation. To raise their awareness of all Star Resort environmental policies, (ii) issue will be mandatory for all new employees. We know that all employees like to receive (iii) rewards when they reach their targets. So these will be provided as our second initiative. Also, employee ownership of initiatives is a motivator so we can hold competitions to encourage employees' (iv) innovation ~~solutions~~ in finding new solutions.

END OF PART A

## Level 1 exemplar 2

### Part B1

Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on this page.  
Read Texts 4-5 and answer questions 28-46. (42 marks)

#### Text 4

28. What is the topic of the forum?

- A. Looking at the entrance area
- B. Improving our housing estate
- C. Throwing rubbish into plant pots
- D. Putting plant holders at the entrance

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

29. How many people posted in the forum?

\_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_

30. How many posts are there on 22 April, 2021?

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 4
- D. 5

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

31. Who or what does the word 'them' (line 2) refer to?

\_\_\_\_\_ housing estate \_\_\_\_\_

32. Look at the word 'posts' (line 10). The word has different meanings. Read the extract of the dictionary entry for 'post' below and decide which meaning corresponds to the meaning in line 10.

- A. delivery of mail
- B. one of the legs of a piece of furniture, like a table
- C. a message that is placed on an Internet website or forum
- D. a strong piece of wood, metal, or other material used as a support

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

33. Who or what does the word 'they' (line 13) refer to?

\_\_\_\_\_ some flowering plants \_\_\_\_\_

## Level 1 exemplar 2

### Part B1

34. Why does Crustyclown say 'You are all dreaming' (line 15)?

Because Crustyclown wants to show plants will only bring bugs and will  
dirty the entrance with falling leaves and dead flowers

35. Who is Girlegeorgy thanking for their support in line 18?

- A. Bazseedling and Susan\_B
- B. Susan\_B and Crustyclown
- C. Artsypatsy and Bazseedling
- D. Crustyclown and Artsypatsy

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

36. Which word in lines 15-17 has a similar meaning to 'bright'?

vibrant

37. Which word in lines 24-28 has a similar meaning to 'too much'?

many

38. Who does 'that' (line 27) refer to?

- ~~A.~~ Children playing around the estate
- ~~B.~~ Children going into sensitive areas
- C. Children pulling leaves from the plants
- ~~D.~~ Children sticking things in their mouths

A ☐ B ☐ C ☒ D ☐

39. What is the main idea of lines 24-28?

Susan\_B wants to...

- ~~A.~~ vote for Girlegeorgy.
- ~~B.~~ tell residents that she can't help.
- ~~C.~~ put plants at the entrance of the estate.
- D. remind Girlegeorgy that there are small children.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☒

40. Which of the following is NOT mentioned by Artsypatsy's post in lines 29-34?

- A. Helping out
- B. Agreeing with Susan\_B
- C. Putting Girlegeorgy in charge
- D. Having a mix of plants at the entrance

A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D ☐

41. According to the forum, are the following statements True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG)? (4 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Artsypatsy has already put climbing plants around the entrance.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Girlegeorgy thinks the entrance looks boring.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) The left side of the entrance receives a lot of light.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(iv) Girlegeorgy has all the information on plant prices.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



## Level 1 exemplar 2

### Part B1

42. Decide whether each of the following authors has a positive, negative or neutral attitude towards adding plants to the entrance area. (4 marks)

Authors	Positive	Negative	Neutral
(i) Bazseedling	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Susan_B	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
(iii) Artsypatsy	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) Crustyclown	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

43. Read the statements in the right column and match each with ONE of the authors. Write the corresponding letter in the blank on the left. Use each letter ONCE only. ONE statement is NOT used. (5 marks)

Authors	Statements
(i) <u>D</u> Girlgeorgy	<del>A</del> There are too many bugs on the estate.
(ii) <u>E</u> Artsypatsy	<del>B</del> What I really want is flowers.
(iii) <u>B</u> Bazseedling	<del>C</del> Plants should be able to cope with lots of touching.
(iv) <u>A</u> Crustyclown	<del>D</del> I could take charge of the project.
(v) <u>C</u> Susan_B	E. Paint the entrance with lots of colours.
	F. Put a range of plants around the entrance.

### Text 5

44. Below are summaries of two possible plants for the housing estate. Fill in the blanks with ONE word that best fits the paragraph. Your answers must be grammatically correct. (9 marks)

#### Moon Orchid

Moon Orchids are beautiful plants to have but it is difficult to take care of them, especially if you want them to have (i) flowers. You have to (ii) kept them often because they need to be kept moist. You also have to make sure that the soil is (iii) wet so that the roots get a lot of (iv) air flow.

#### Dumb Cane

This plant is easy to care for and it grows very well (v) lit as long as it gets enough (vi) moist. You should also water it (vii) avoid and make sure it doesn't get too (viii) cold because that can kill the plant. You should be careful with small children because the leaves are (ix) poisonous.

## Level 1 exemplar 2

### Part B1

45. Below is a table summarising the information about four of the plants. Complete all the boxes in the table by writing 'Y' for yes or 'N' for no. Some have been done for you as examples. (4 marks)

Name of Plant	Easy to Care For	Needs Direct Sunlight	Suitable for Young Children
(i) English Ivy ✓	Y	Y	Y
(ii) Chinese Virginia Creeper ✓✓	Y	N	Y
(iii) Kumquat ✓	N	Y	Y
(iv) Red Crown Cactus ✓	Y	Y	N

46. Referring to the descriptions in the flyer, decide which plant you would recommend for each of these residents living in the estate. (3 marks)

- (i) Ms. Lee, 24, lives with her parents and needs to decorate the living room with some plants that do not require too much care but produce bright flowers. Which plant suits her?

- A. Kumquat  
B. English Ivy  
C. Moon Orchid  
D. Red Crown Cactus

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☐ ☒

- (ii) Mr. Leung, 65, is retired and lives alone. He enjoys taking care of plants and wants to put a lot of time into them. He would like a nice, decorative, flowering plant for his living room, which gets a lot of light, but no direct sunlight. Which plant suits him?

- A. Kumquat  
B. English Ivy  
C. Moon Orchid  
D. Red Crown Cactus

A B C D  
☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

- (iii) Mrs. Chan is a 40-year-old housewife with two young children. She loves taking care of plants. She wants to have plants for her living room, which has large windows but does not receive direct sunlight at all during the day. She does not want a flowering plant. Which plant suits her?

- A. Kumquat ✓  
B. English Ivy  
C. Dumb Cane ✓  
D. Chinese Virginia Creeper

A B C D  
☒ ☐ ☐ ☐

END OF PART B1

## Level 1 exemplars 1 & 2

### Comments

- Understands the texts which are simply structured and the topic is familiar
- Is able to identify main ideas of a simple paragraph
- May have difficulty interpreting basic information
- May have difficulty completing the summary