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# AP<sup>®</sup> Chinese Language and Culture

## Free-Response Questions

## Overview

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

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

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Writing

## Writing Part Directions

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

Wherever Chinese text appears for you to read, it can be displayed either in simplified characters or in traditional characters, and you may toggle between the two versions if necessary.

In this part of the exam, you can choose your desired input method for typing your responses in Chinese by selecting **Pinyin Simplified**, **Pinyin Traditional**, or **Bopomofo** from the drop-down list.

Note: Be careful not to press the **Shift** or **Caps Lock** keys while typing your response. Pressing one of these keys will switch the input language to English. To switch the input language back to Chinese, press the **Shift** or **Caps Lock** key again.

A clock will indicate how much time is remaining to write your response.

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

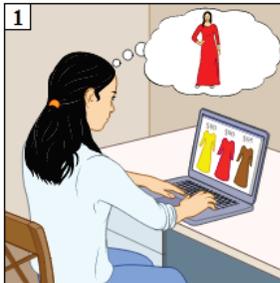
You will now begin this part.

Select **Continue** to go on.

**Directions:** In this task, you will be asked to write in Chinese for a specific purpose and to a specific person. You should write in as complete and culturally appropriate a manner as possible, taking into account the purpose and the person described.

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

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**Traditional-character version**

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<p><b>Directions:</b> In this task, you will be asked to write in Chinese for a specific purpose and to a specific person. You should write in as complete and culturally appropriate a manner as possible, taking into account the purpose and the person described.</p>				
<p>Read this e-mail from a friend and then write a response.</p> <p>發件人: 南南            郵件主題: 十年後的世界</p> <p>昨天上中文課的時候, 同學們談起了十年以後的生活。大家都覺得大量使用電腦機器人, 會讓我們的工作機會越來越少。有人說以後在飛機場、學校、醫院都會看到越來越多的機器人工作。你覺得十年後的世界會是什麼樣子? 為了以後能找到合適的工作, 你覺得我現在應該做些什麼準備呢?</p> <p>南南</p>	<p>Cut Paste Undo Redo Pinyin Simplified Hide Character Count 0</p>			

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

### Simplified-character version

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<p><b>Directions:</b> In this task, you will be asked to write in Chinese for a specific purpose and to a specific person. You should write in as complete and culturally appropriate a manner as possible, taking into account the purpose and the person described.</p>							
<p>Read this e-mail from a friend and then write a response.</p> <p>发件人: 南南                  邮件主题: 十年后的世界</p> <p>昨天上中文课的时候, 同学们谈起了十年以后的生活。大家都觉得大量使用电脑机器人, 会让我们的工作机会越来越少。有人说以后在飞机场、学校、医院都会看到越来越多的机器人工作。你觉得十年后的世界会是什么样子? 为了以后能找到合适的工作, 你觉得我现在应该做些什么准备呢?</p> <p>南南</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Cut</td> <td>Paste</td> <td>Undo</td> <td>Redo</td> <td>Pinyin Simplified ▾</td> <td>Hide Character Count 0</td> </tr> </table>	Cut	Paste	Undo	Redo	Pinyin Simplified ▾	Hide Character Count 0
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Speaking

## Speaking Part Directions

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

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

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

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

Your cue to start speaking will always be this tone.

Select **Continue** to go on.



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Speaking

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## Speaking Part Directions: Conversation

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

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

You will now begin this part.

Select **Continue** to go on.

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Speaking | Question 1 of 7

**Directions:** You will participate in a simulated conversation. You will hear a series of 6 questions or statements; after each question or statement, you will hear a tone signifying that it is your turn to speak. You will have 20 seconds to record each response. You should respond as fully and as appropriately as possible. When you are ready to begin, select the Continue button.

You will have a conversation with Wu Sumin, an exchange student from China, about physical and wellness activities in your school.

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You may no longer play this audio.

RESPONSE TIME  
00:00:16

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

**Note:** References to the speaker in this item vary from the version of the item administered operationally

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

**Speaking Question 1 of 7**

**WA:** 最近這幾天都沒看到你，你在忙些什麼呢？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 2 of 7**

**WA:** 聽說這裏的學生都喜歡運動，也喜歡上體育課、心理健康課，你覺得多運動或者上這些課有什麼好處？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 3 of 7**

**WA:** 在中國，我們學校每年都有體育比賽。你們學校都有些什麼體育比賽？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 4 of 7**

**WA:** 我很喜歡打乒乓球，你喜歡什麼運動？為什麼？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 5 of 7**

**WA:** 最近學校的功課很多，我都沒有時間運動了。怎麼辦呢？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 6 of 7**

**WA:** 這樣吧，這個週末我們一起去運動吧。你有什麼建議？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

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**Speaking Question 1 of 7**

**WA:** 最近这几天都没看到你，你在忙些什么呢？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 2 of 7**

**WA:** 听说这里的学生都喜欢运动，也喜欢上体育课、心理健康课，你觉得多运动或者上这些课有什么好处？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 3 of 7**

**WA:** 在中国，我们学校每年都有体育比赛。你们学校都有些什么体育比赛？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 4 of 7**

**WA:** 我很喜欢打乒乓球，你喜欢什么运动？为什么？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 5 of 7**

**WA:** 最近学校的功课很多，我都没有时间运动了。怎么办呢？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

**Speaking Question 6 of 7**

**WA:** 这样吧，这个周末我们一起去运动吧。你有什么建议？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

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Speaking

### Speaking Part Directions: Cultural Presentation

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

You will now begin this part.

Select **Continue** to go on.

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Speaking | Question 7 of 7

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

Choose ONE annual Chinese celebration (for example, celebrations that mark the lunar calendar or seasonal changes, celebrations of important political and/or historical people or events, celebrations in honor of women or the elderly, etc.). In your presentation, describe this annual celebration and explain its significance.

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You may no longer play this audio.

Preparation Time: 4 Minutes  
Response Time: 2 Minutes

**PREPARATION TIME**  
00:00:09

The following text is the recording script for the audio portion of the task shown in the previous screen image. Students heard this audio during the exam administration and viewed the text on-screen.

**Speaking Question 7 of 7**

**N:** Choose ONE annual Chinese celebration (for example, celebrations that mark the lunar calendar or seasonal changes, celebrations of important political and/or historical people or events, celebrations in honor of women or the elderly, etc.). In your presentation, describe this annual celebration and explain its significance.

**N:** You have four minutes to prepare your presentation.

(240 seconds)

[GENTLE TONE]

**N:** You have two minutes to record your presentation.

[TONE]

(120 seconds)