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Stage 1 Language skills building: Teaching part

Reading skills 2

Paraphrasing and summarizing paragraphs

You've learnt that the main idea of a paragraph can be stated in a topic sentence. However, paragraphs do not always have a topic sentence. In this case, you need to paraphrase and summarize the paragraph to describe the main idea. Paraphrasing means expressing what someone has said or written using different words. Summarizing means giving a statement of the main points.

To summarize a paragraph, you should:

- Read the paragraph carefully and try to find out what the writer suggests or implies.
- Ignore any supporting information or examples, and focus on the overall idea of the paragraph.
- Summarize by writing the main idea in your own words. Paraphrase the writer's words and write in a clear, simple way.

The world of anime

Anyone familiar with Japanese culture will know the country's cartoons, usually referred to as 'anime'. These brightly coloured animated films are famous for their big eyes, expressive characters, the modern style of anime started in the 1980s and went on to conquer the world.

Types of anime are categorized by their target audiences. Kodomoanime is for young children and features simple, fun stories. Otoko no seinen anime is for teenage boys and contains a lot of fantasy and adventure, while shojo anime is for teenage girls. Women may enjoy the realistic romances of josei, while men may prefer the action of seinen.

So contrary to popular opinion, anime isn't just for children. People of any age, gender or nationality can enjoy it because there are literally thousands of different anime to explore. Whatever your interests are, you can find anime that you like.

Below are statements summarizing the main ideas of paragraphs 1-3. Match the most appropriate idea (A-C) with each of the paragraphs. Write the letter of the main idea next to the paragraph number given. Use each letter **ONCE** only.

Main Idea	Paragraph	Main Idea
A. There are various genres of anime, grouped by the types of people who usually watch them.	1	B
B. Japan's colourful and successful cartoons are known as 'anime'.	2	A
C. Since anime is so varied, everyone can find something they like.	3	C

Listening skills 2

Listening for schedules and itineraries

Schedules list the times of different events or activities. They may also include information such as dates and locations. A schedule usually appears in the form of a table. It usually provides you with more information than the schedule, including the details of a trip, methods of transport and meeting points. They are often used for travel or group activities.

HKVSA Track and Field Weekend Meet Schedule

Event	Date	Time	Location
High jump	Friday, 10 May	08.00	West field
Long jump	Friday, 10 May	08.00	West field
Javelin throw	Saturday, 11 May	08.30	East field
Shot put	Saturday, 11 May	08.30	Shotput diamond

Itinerary for Sports Club

Hong Kong Velodrome Park

Date	Time	Where
Arrival	09:15	Velodrome spectator stands
Introduction to Velodrome Park	09:30-10:15	Velodrome Park outdoor area
Track climbing	10:30-11:00	Velodrome Park
Road climbing	11:15-11:45	Each climbing wall
Lunch	12:00-12:45	Delicious kitchen
Bicycle fitting	09:30-10:15	Repair room
Watching the professional race	10:45-11:30	Velodrome spectator stands

- Comprehensive explanations of skills
- Exam tips and strategies
- Consolidation follow-up exercises

Stage 3 Practice: Mock Test

- Unit-matching themed practice
- 10 units with 10 Mock Tests in two volumes
- Each unit is followed by a thematically linked HKDSE Mock Test

MOCK TEST 79 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1

Task 1: Reading

1. What does 'bitter' (line 10) refer to?

2. What does 'substance like this' (line 10) refer to?

3. What does 'bitter' (line 10) refer to?

MOCK TEST 79 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2

Task 2: Writing

Write a blog post about the problem of illegal downloading of films using torrents.

MOCK TEST 79 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 3

Task 3: Reading

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Stage 4 Assessment: Graded Mock Test

- 7 sets of Graded Mock Tests (uploaded every year)
- Each set includes all four papers (Papers 1-4)

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Stage 2 Retrieval: Exam practice

- Graded Exam practice for consolidating the skills and question types and formats learned in each unit

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Language Skills Building

Enhanced Vocabulary and Grammar Support

✓ Linkage between the units and the relevant items in the **Exam Skills Booster** clearly indicated in the newly designed **Vocabulary and Grammar boxes** in the units

Vocabulary

To familiarize yourself with the thematic vocabulary of this unit, go to page 1 of the *Exam Skills Booster*.
You can also scan the QR code for the **Flash Card Learning Tools** to learn the vocabulary in this unit.



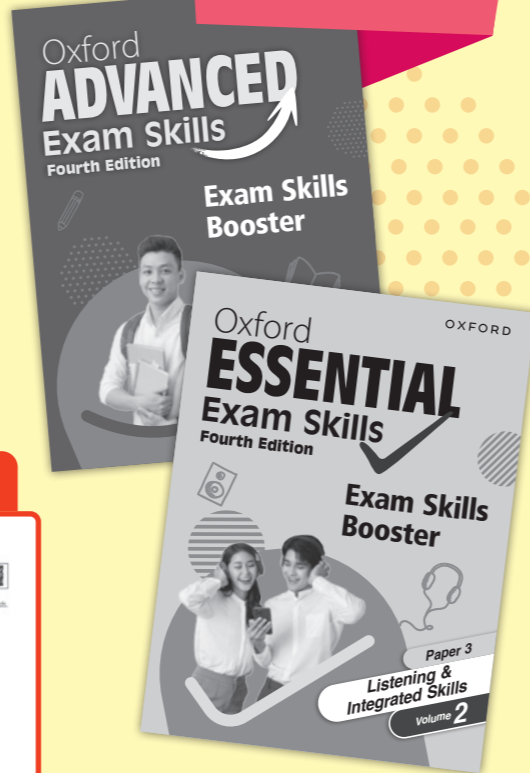
✓ **Thematic vocabulary** introduced in the beginning of each unit in the Exam Skills Booster

Vocabulary

For the glossary of this section, go to page 2 and 3 of the *Exam Skills Booster*.

✓ **Difficult words explained in Glossary**

Each Student's Book comes with an **Exam Skills Booster**



Exam Skills Booster

1 School life is golden!

Taking off

- Match the following words with the correct synonyms. Write the correct letter beside the words.
- | | | |
|---------------------|---|-----------------|
| 1 relax | C | A stress |
| 2 anxious | H | B exercise |
| 3 shrewd | E | C chill out |
| 4 tension | A | D pasture |
| 5 concentration | D | E star title |
| 6 weekend schedule | X | F review (noun) |
| 7 multiple | J | G attention |
| 8 counselor | I | H worried |
| 9 physical activity | B | I therapist |
| 10 hobby | D | J encourage |

Think about the following questions.

- What do you do when you feel stressed from exams?
- Do you create a revision schedule before an exam? Why or why not?
- What time of day do you find it easiest to concentrate? When is it the hardest?
- What are the advantages of seeing a counselor about stress?
- What advice would you give to a friend who is having trouble staying motivated to study?
- Where do you most like to study? Why?



Exam Skills Booster

Reading skills 1

Glossary

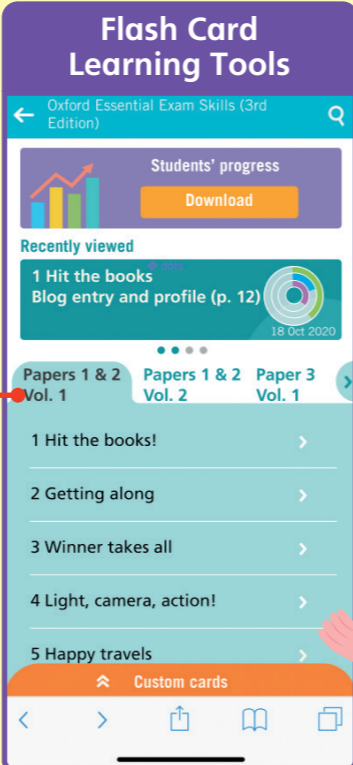
Exercise A2 (p. 3)

- a sigh of relief (line 14) *n.* a feeling of comfort after worrying about something
- blare (line 17) *v.* to project the sound of something loudly, as of music or an announcement
- blush (line 4) *v.* to become red in the face because you are embarrassed or ashamed
- confidently (line 16) *adv.* in a way that shows you feel sure about your own ability to do things and be successful
- crip (line 7) *adj.* clean and orderly
- dress for success (subline) *phr.* to dress in an appropriate or smart manner
- furiously (line 21) *adv.* very and angrily
- indignator (line 21) *n.* a person who is angry
- laundry basket (line 9) *n.* a basket for washing clothes
- let somebody down (line 1) *phr.* to disappoint somebody
- lookily (line 7) *adv.* in a nervous way
- nervously (line 14) *adv.* in a nervous way
- novelty (line 10) *adj.* different and new
- relieved (line 24) *adj.* feeling happy because a problem has ended
- straightforward (line 15) *adj.* simple and direct
- tone (line 6) *n.* a series of musical notes
- with flying colours (line 22) *phr.* to do something very well

Listening skills

Glossary

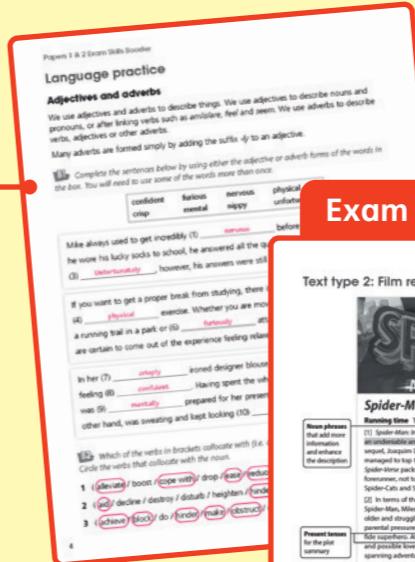
- Preparing for listening (pp. 2-3)
- attitude *n.* a way of thinking or feeling
- mental health *n.* a person's well-being in regards to their thoughts and emotions
- optimistic *adj.* having positive ideas about the future
- recharge *v.* to restore strength or energy
- recharge one's batteries (line 1) *phr.* to rest or regain strength or energy after a difficult task or situation
- spirit *n.* a noticeable quality or attitude of a person
- stressed *v.* to relax
- Listening and taking notes (pp. 4-5)
- anxiety *n.* a feeling of worry and nervousness
- appetite *n.* physical desire for food
- boost *v.* to make something increase, or become better or more successful
- concentration *n.* the act of focusing one's attention
- depression *n.* a mental state involving feelings of hopelessness and a lack of energy
- destructive *adj.* causing, or able to cause, damage
- heart disease *n.* a medical condition that affects the heart
- high blood pressure *n.* a medical condition in which blood travels at a high pressure through the arteries
- immune system *n.* the system of the body that protects an individual from illness
- manipulate *adj.* easily dealt with
- tackle *v.* to make an effort to complete a difficult task
- Listening for keywords (pp. 6-7)
- career *n.* an occupation undertaken for a significant period of a person's life and with opportunities for progress
- degree *n.* a qualification received from a university upon completion of a programme
- non-governmental organization *n.* a non-profit group, usually with charitable goals, that is not run by government
- political science *n.* the study of government and politics



Grammar

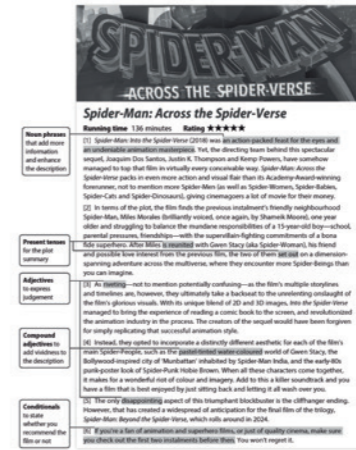
To practise using **adjectives and adverbs, to-infinitives**, go to pages 4 and 5 of the *Exam Skills Booster*.

✓ **Useful grammar and usage items** for each text type introduced in Papers 1 and 2



Exam Skills Booster

Text type 2: Film review



Grammar

For text grammar analysis of a film review, go to page 87 of the *Exam Skills Booster*.

✓ **Additional text grammar** introduced in Paper 2

Thematic Vocabulary Lists and Exercises

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- ✓ Thematic vocabulary across four papers
- ✓ Facilitating lesson planning, preparation and revision
- ✓ Accompanying exercises

Papers 1-4 Thematic Vocabulary List and Exercises Theme: Popular Culture

- The vocabulary items below are taken from:
- Papers 1&2 Unit 4 Lights, camera, action!
 - Paper 3 Unit 4 To buy or not to buy?
 - Paper 4 Unit 5 Becoming a star

Pop Culture Influence

Word	Paper	Page	Part	Meaning
acclaim	Paper 1	p. 140	v.	讚揚
all the rage	Paper 1	p. 140	idm.	風行一時
driving force	Paper 1	p. 138	n. phr.	推動力
fame	Paper 4	p. 78	n.	名聲
forerunner	Paper 1	p. 130	n.	先行者
groundbreaking	Paper 1	p. 144	adj.	開創性的
height	Paper 1	p. 140	n.	高度 / 巔峰
hit	Paper 1	p. 144	n.	受歡迎 / 十分暢銷
hot	Paper 4	p. 75	adj.	受歡迎的
influential	Paper 1	p. 143	adj.	具影響力的
magnificent	Paper 1	p. 150	adj.	盛大的 / 宏偉的
notable	Paper 1	p. 138	adj.	顯著的 / 值得注意的
peak	Paper 1	p. 127	n.	高峰
pioneer	Paper 1	p. 129	v.	做先鋒 / 當開拓者 / 倡導
popularity	Paper 1	p. 137	n.	流行 / 普及
prospect	Paper 1	p. 134	n.	前景
rating	Paper 4	p. 76	n.	評分
reputation	Paper 1	p. 144	n.	名聲
revolutionize	Paper 1	p. 130	v.	使...發生巨大的改變
superior	Paper 1	p. 138	adj.	上等的 / 佔優勢的
triumph	Paper 1	p. 131	n.	偉大勝利
verdict	Paper 2	p. 161	n.	結論 / 裁決
well received	Paper 1	p. 149	v. phr.	廣受歡迎的

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Practice

Complete the sentences below using words in the specified categories. Fill in each blank with one word only. Make changes to the words where necessary. Your answers must be grammatically correct.

- Pop Culture Influence (p. 1), Business and Marketing (p. 2)**
 - Dedicating her whole life to showbiz, the late actress received many awards and nominations for her magnificent/notable performances on stage and screen. All her films were major hits and earned international reputation.
 - Following a series of negative news reports, the CEO believed a change in advertising strategy would repair their brand image.
 - The company decided not to produce another episode of the *Y-Men* series as it was deemed not profitable enough.
 - The author's latest work, titled *Incredible Me*, received a high rating and proved to be a real money-spinner, selling over three million copies in just a week.
 - Thanks to big data analytics, social media sites such as Instagram and Threads have become ideal platforms for companies to reach their target audience in a cost-effective manner.

Papers 1 & 2 Reading & Writing


✓ Reading texts as input to introduce target writing text types

Paper 1 Reading

Well students to scan the QR code and listen to the audio recording of the text.

Featured text type

AS1 Skim the film review below and think about the main idea of each paragraph.



Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse
Running time 136 minutes Rating ★★★★★

[1] Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse (2018) was an action-packed feast for the eyes and an undeniable animation masterpiece. Yet, the directing team behind this spectacular sequel, Joaquim Dos Santos, Justin K. Thompson and Kemp Powers, have somehow managed to top that film in virtually every conceivable way. Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse packs in even more action and visual flair than its Academy-Award-winning forerunner, not to mention more Spider-Men (as well as Spider-Women, Spider-Babies, Spider-Cats and Spider-Dinosaurs), giving cinemagoers a lot of movie for their money.

[2] In terms of the plot, the film finds the previous instalment's friendly neighbourhood Spider-Man, Miles Morales (brilliantly voiced, once again, by Shameik Moore), one year older and struggling to balance the mundane responsibilities of a 15-year-old boy—school, parental pressures, friendships—with the supervillain-fighting commitments of a bona fide superhero. After Miles is reunited with Gwen Stacy (aka Spider-Woman), his friend and possible love interest from the previous film, the two of them set out on a dimension-spanning adventure across the multiverse, where they encounter more Spider-Beings than you can imagine.

[3] As riveting—not to mention potentially confusing—as the film's multiple storylines and timelines are, however, they ultimately take a back seat to the unrelenting onslaught of the film's glorious visuals. With its unique blend of 2D and 3D images, Into the Spider-Verse managed to bring the experience of reading a comic book to the screen, and revolutionized the animation industry in the process. The creators of the sequel would have been forgiven for simply replicating that successful animation style.


Paper 2 Writing

Text type focus 2

Writing film reviews

A film review gives opinions of a film, and tells the reader whether the film is worth watching. It also gives information about the film, e.g. the genre, plot and actors. Film reviews can be found in newspapers and magazines, and on websites. A film review may also contain a rating and the film's running time.

Structure



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✓ In depth analysis of target writing text types including text structure, and grammar and usage

✓ Text grammar in Exam Skills Booster

✓ Language support for writing in Exam Skills Booster

Text type 2: Film review



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Papers 1 & 2 Exam Skills Booster

Writing focus

Writing responses and reviews

Descriptive language

Responses and reviews often use descriptive language to help readers picture what the writer is describing in their minds. There are several ways to make your language more descriptive. For example, you can use specific, rather than general, adjectives to describe qualities and feelings:

soft, roomy leather chairs the on-screen image was sharp, with vivid colours

You can also use descriptive nouns and noun phrases:

Hong Kong's more demanding cinephiles (= people who love cinema)

a high-tech array of electronics

blockbuster spectacle extensive and wide-ranging selection
incandescent with rage luxurious palatial

1 The Luxe Cinema is one of the nicest I've ever been to.
The Luxe Cinema is one of the most luxurious I've ever been to.

2 When you enter it, it looks big.
When you enter it, it looks palatial.

3 There are also many choices of films.
There is also an extensive and wide-ranging selection of films.

4 I went there last week to watch a sci-fi film.
I went there last week to watch a blockbuster sci-fi epic/fantasy.

5 My friend Simone was angry when I refused to give her my ticket.
My friend Simone was incandescent with rage when I refused to give her my ticket.

Part B2
Read Text 5 and answer questions 42–62 on pages 66–68.

Text 5 Values education

Generation Z is rewriting the love game, send help!

1 [1] Generation Z, people born between 1995 and 2012, are entering adulthood. While older generations assume we are a group of entitled, depressed, technology-addicted antisocials, we are simply learning to live by our own rules. Known for our independence, wit, creativity and charisma, Gen Zers are a highly individualistic group that crave freedom and adventure.

5 [2] It is no surprise, then, that our generation has rejected the values of older generations while creating our own rules for love in the digital age. Gen Z has veered away from the previous societal gender norms within relationships, even writing new guidelines as love expands to the LGBTQ+ community.

[3] But what is it that sets our generation apart, especially from Millennials? I am not sure.

10 of around 170 college students and recent graduates, the older half of Generation Z.


Attachment versus Apathy Issue

[4] Gen Z, commonly known as iGen, are the first digital natives, having grown up with technology. It is often assumed that we have our faces stuck in our phones too much to properly communicate with each other. However, Gen Z is actually more connected than previous generations. In fact, the dependency on connecting online created an environment where communication is expected and desired in long-term relationships, which 86% of Gen Zers say is something they presently wanted.

PART B2
Read Text 5 and answer questions 48–69 in the Question-Answer Book for Part B2.

Text 5 Popular Culture

A Swift rise



1 [1] To say that Taylor Swift—Tay-Tay to her hundreds of millions of fans—is a successful artist would be the understatement of the century. Swift is nothing short of a phenomenon, a pop juggernaut that has completely demolished all her competition in the music industry. For the nearest historical comparison we'd need to go all the way back to Michael Jackson's 80s heyday, but still, due to the impact of social media and modern information technology over the intervening years, not even the King of Pop was as ubiquitous at the height of his career as Swift is today.

PART B2
Read Texts 5–6 and answer questions 50–76 in the Question-Answer Book for Part B2.

Text 5 Environment

People hate cruelty to animals, so why do we do it?

By David Killoreen and Robert Streifler

1 [1] Animal welfare experts warned our pets could suffer during the coronavirus pandemic, including from abuse or abandonment.

[2] When we hear about animals being neglected, we're often outraged. Consider the revelation of the mistreatment of racehorses at a Queensland abattoir, or the man who decapitated a lookalike. These stories left us many of us shocked and appalled.

[3] But harm to animals is common in our society. Tens of billions of animals are killed in farms and slaughterhouses every year. Their deaths are sometimes truly horrific. Humanity's relationship with animals is dysfunctional: humans love animals yet simultaneously perpetrate extreme violence against them. This is not

✓ Engaging and authentic reading texts

Latest HKDSE formats

Below is a summary of paragraph 3. In three of the lines there is ONE mistake. If you find a mistake, underline it and replace the word with one that expresses the correct idea. Write the word in the box on the right. Both grammar and spelling must be correct. In one of the lines there is no mistake; put a tick (✓) in the corresponding box. One has been done for you as an example.

Summary	Correction
i) Cowboy Bebop is a TV show from the eighties. It is set	nineties
ii) in space and is about bounty hunters who punish villains.	catch
iii) It is suitable for people new to anime because it is	✓
iv) funny and the plot moves slowly. Foreign viewers will	quickly
e.g. find it hard to understand, thanks to its English version.	easy

This is an error in content. Cowboy Bebop is from 1998, and thus the nineties, not the eighties.

This is an error in content. The bounty hunters catch villains; they don't punish them.

This is an error in content. The show is accessible, so viewers will find it easy to understand.

This is an error in content. The plot is fast-paced.

There is no mistake in this line.

53 Complete the following summary of paragraphs 2 and 3 with a word or phrase taken from the paragraphs. relationship between ideas

Cause	Result
For people who have dementia, their brains experience an (i) <u>impairment</u> (line 6).	They can show symptoms as extreme as (ii) <u>hallucinations, delusions and paranoia</u> (lines 9–9).
Liu's mum suffered (iii) <u>a stroke</u> (line 11).	She developed Alzheimer's disease (iv) <u>(completely) out of the blue</u> (line 12).

Q53ii & iv: The brought on by.

Q53i & ii: These are supported by 'it's a brain impairment that manifests in symptoms [...] in more severe cases— hallucinations, delusions and paranoia' (lines 9–9).

33 Use the information in Text 2 to match each of the following comments with a person mentioned in the text. Write the letter of the comment in the Answer column. One comment is NOT used. One has been done for you as an example. Use each letter ONCE only. identifying views

Person	Answer	Comments
A GM crop farmer	A (example)	A—My profits have doubled.
Yoky Matsuoka	i) E (line 14)	B It'll help people with age-related vision problems.
Thomas Dieterich	ii) B (lines 17–18)	C I've got to equip myself with new skills.
The writer	iii) D (lines 24–25)	D If we overuse it, it'll create more problems to the society than it solves.
		E It'll be life changing for people with disabilities.

Q33iii: The writer states that 'we cannot forget the social impact that technological advances are having. Increased reliance on AI machines will increase human unemployment' (lines 24–25).

✓ Latest HKDSE question formats clearly indicated with labels

Paper 3 Listening and Integrated Skills

✓ Clear explanation of **Data File manipulation skills**

✓ List of Data File manipulation skills compiled in the **DFMS Overview Table** to facilitate lesson planning and preparation

DFMS **NEW**

Paper 3 Listening and Integrated Skills
Data File Manipulation Skills Overview

Unit	Data File manipulation skill	Assess
Unit 1 School life in grades	Introducing the Data File	—
Unit 2 Friends forever	Extracting information from email exchanges	Task Completion, Language
Unit 3 Go the distance	Using content from the Data File to write formal letters/emails	Language
Unit 4 To hop or not to hop?	Dealing with distractors in the Data File	Task Completion
Unit 5 Culture matters	Using information from charts and graphs	Task Completion
Unit 6 It's showtime!	Identifying linkage in the Data File	Task Completion
Unit 7 On the cutting edge	Manipulating the language to achieve the desired tone	Language, Appropriacy
Unit 8 Society and me	Synthesizing information	Language
Unit 9 A greener earth	Adapting language presented in the Data File	Language
Unit 10 A hard day's work	Understanding appropriacy	Appropriacy

DFMS **NEW**

Data File manipulation skill

Dealing with distractors in the Data File

You are likely to come across distractors when reading through the texts in the Data File. A distractor is any kind of information that is:

- irrelevant to the task you have to complete;
- changed, corrected or repeated within the same Data File item; or
- changed, corrected or repeated in a different Data File item.

To spot important information, make sure you read all the instructions in the Data File carefully. Look at the following examples from Exercise 31 on page 107.

Package 1: Baby Sleep

Package 2: Shared Sleep

Package 3: Shared Sleep

Package 4: Shared Sleep

Package 5: Shared Sleep

Package 6: Shared Sleep

Package 7: Shared Sleep

Package 8: Shared Sleep

Package 9: Shared Sleep

Package 10: Shared Sleep

Package 11: Shared Sleep

Package 12: Shared Sleep

Package 13: Shared Sleep

Package 14: Shared Sleep

Package 15: Shared Sleep

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Package 33: Shared Sleep

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Package 35: Shared Sleep

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DFMS PPT **NEW**

Bar chart

Bars are used to show different amounts and for easy comparisons.

- Bar charts can be constructed horizontally and vertically.
- Look at the y-axis and the x-axis to see what data is presented.
- Pay attention to the highest/longest bar and the lowest/shortest bar.

Number of UNESCO World Heritage cultural sites by country

Country	Number of sites
Spain	5
Italy	5
Germany	5
France	5
China	5

DFMS **NEW**

Paper 3 Listening and Integrated Skills
Unit 4 To buy or not to buy?
Paper 3 Revision Pack

Data File Manipulation Skills
Dealing with distractors

What are distractors?

- information that is irrelevant to the task you need to complete
- information that is changed within the same DF item
- information that is changed in a different DF item

Example 1: This paragraph is a distractor!

Example 2: "School hall" is a distractor!

Example 3: "11 a.m." is a distractor!

✓ **DFMS PowerPoint** presentation to facilitate teaching DFMS in class and self-study

✓ Summary of the Data File manipulation skills in **Paper 3 Revision Pack** for self-study

✓ **Marking tips** for teachers' easy reference **NEW for Part A Listening**

Parvati feels (9) frustrated because it is (10) not the club's / their responsibility.

Joey feels (11) excited (to get started) because he (12) loves a challenge.

Ben feels (13) worried because they (14) don't have much/enough time.

The rest of the group (16) guess(es) what the lie is.

Answers written in the margins will not be marked.

The adjective 'frustrating', as used in the tapescripts, is not an acceptable answer here, because a past participle should be used to describe how someone feels.

END OF TASK 1

Task 6: Email (17 marks)

Write an email to Sarah Chin using information from the B1 Data File and your notes. Write around 100 words.

Model writing

Dear Sarah,

6.1 (TS)

Thank you for offering to volunteer for School of the Future Week. We do still need a volunteer for the Classroom of the Future exhibition. We'd like you to help set up the exhibition between 7 and 8.30 a.m. on the Monday, and then supervise it between 3 and 5 p.m. on the Friday, after which we'd also like you to help take down the exhibits.

6.2 (DF4) 6.3 (DF4, DF5)

6.4 (DF4) 6.5 (DF4, DF5)

6.6 (DF5)

* Knowing from Faye's email (DF4) that Sarah will help set up the exhibition and supervise it, students should focus on these two duties when they look at the volunteer schedule (DF5). Alternatively, if students know from the recording that a volunteer is needed for the COTF exhibition, they should be able to extract relevant information quickly, i.e. Monday and Friday.

✓ **Latest HKDSE question formats**

Advice

Write each person's advice in the correct speech box:

(42) Spend time outdoors, even when you don't feel like it.

(43) Make a list of fun activities for days with poor weather.

(44) Get high-quality

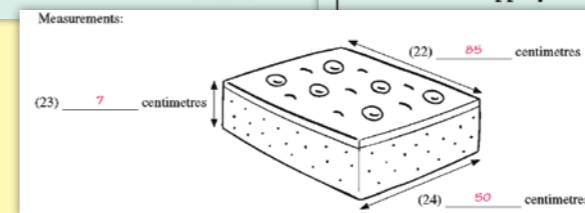
Ashley

Lynn

(11) Problems caused by last year's weather (Tick (✓) TWO)

Streets were flooded	✓
Streets were closed	
Streets were slippery	✓

2024 DSE



Story of how the competition was founded

Sunisa Chanthara was a talented (5) sprinter, but she was not able to take part in competitions because she was (6) (too) poor. Some local (7) business owners decided to help Sunisa organize a competition in their town. The story got a lot of attention in (8) the media, and as a result, the competition received several major (9) sponsorships.

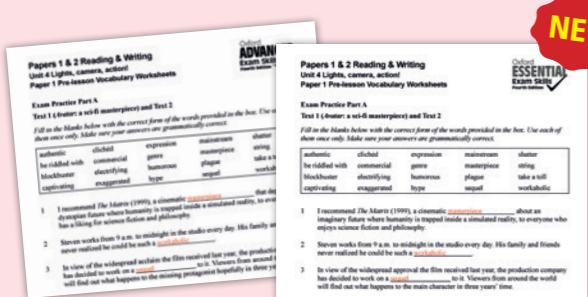
2023 DSE

Abundant Support to Cater for Learner Diversity



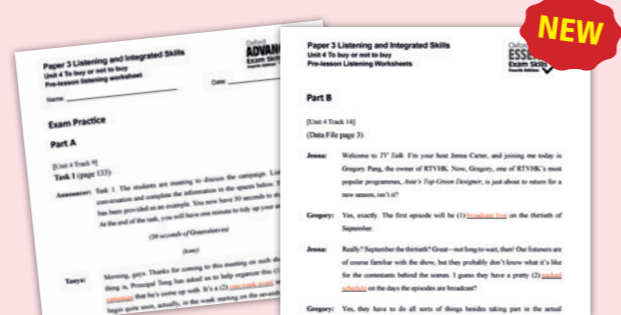
Pre-lesson support

★ Paper 1 Pre-lesson Vocabulary Worksheets



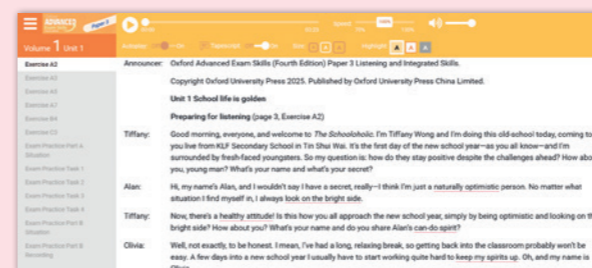
✓ Help students familiarize with the words in the Exam practice

★ Paper 3 Pre-lesson Listening Worksheets

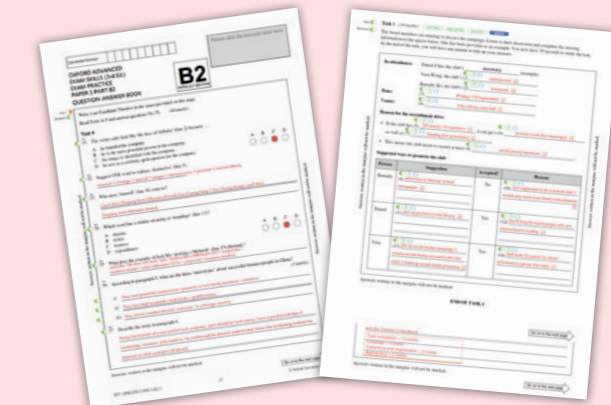


✓ Allow students to practise listening to the key words and phrases in the Exam practice

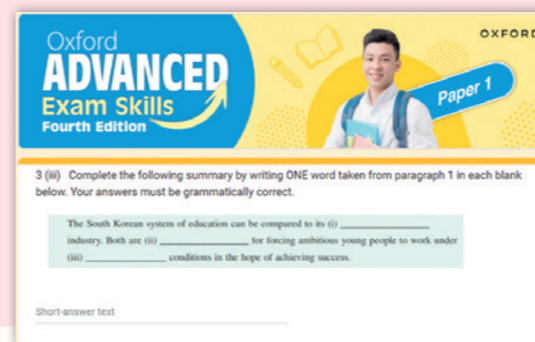
★ Interactive Audio Scripts (Paper 3)



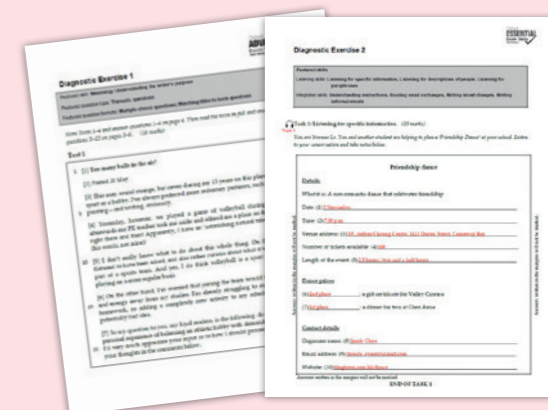
★ Interactive Answer-checking PDFs (Papers 1 & 3)



★ Exam Practice Google Forms (Paper 1)

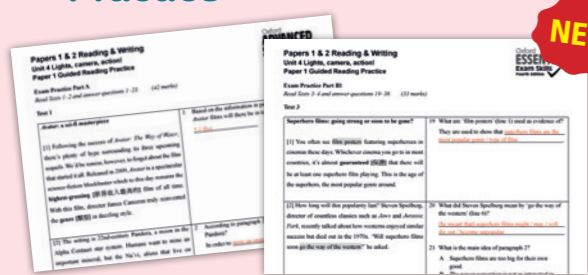


★ Diagnostic Exercises (Papers 1 & 3)



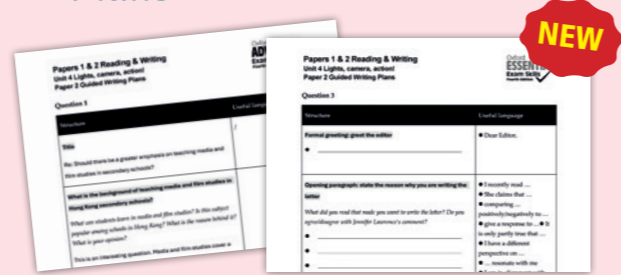
During-lesson support

★ Paper 1 Guided Reading Practice



✓ Guide students through the text to attempt the Exam practice questions with Chinese definitions

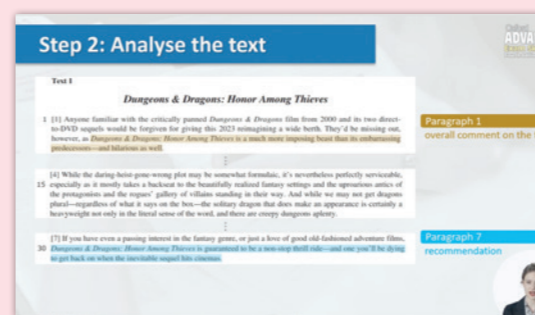
★ Paper 2 Guided Writing Plans



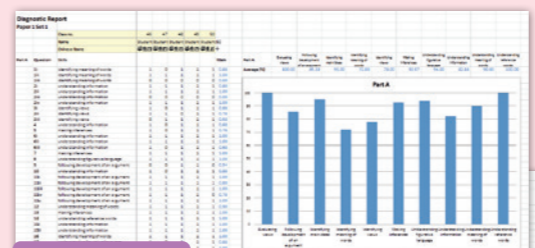
✓ Provide students with text structure, guiding questions and useful language for each of the questions in the Exam practice

Post-lesson support

★ Tutorial Videos (Paper 1)



★ Diagnostic Reports (Paper 1)

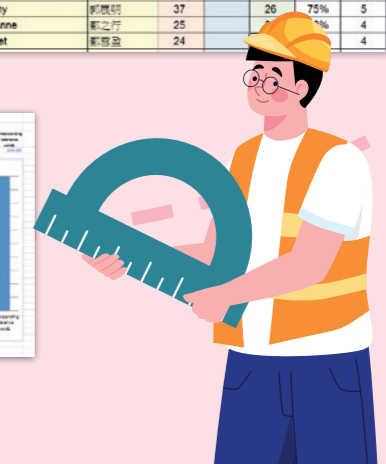


Class report

Individual report

★ Cut Score Calculator (Papers 1 & 3)

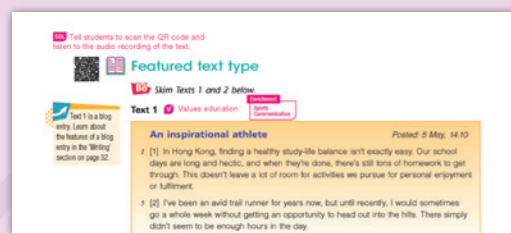
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2	Chan, Adrian	陳卓軒	20	16	32%	2		
3	Chan, Andy	陳卓基	33	19	47%	3		
4	Chan, Cecilia	陳嘉華	40	32	85%	5**		
5	Chan, Cheryl	陳嘉文	33	36	81%	5*		
6	Chan, Claire	陳志潔	24	32	66%	4		
7	Chan, Claudie	陳佩儀	28	28	66%	4		
8	Chan, Eleanor	陳佩玲	37	15	62%	4		
9	Cheung, Eva	張佩欣	38	24	74%	5		
10	Fong, Gladys	馮凱儀	25	29	63%	4		
11	Fung, Gordon	馮國強	24	15	46%	3		
12	Fung, Iris	馮凱儀	24	24	57%	3		
13	Ho, Isabella	何嘉莉	37	20	75%	5		
14	Kwok, Jimmy	郭家明	25	15	46%	4		
15	Kwong, Joanne	鄧卓恩	24	14	44%	4		
16	Kwong, Juliet	鄧卓恩	24	14	44%	4		



Diverse Resources for Self-directed Learning

Rich resources accessible via QR codes

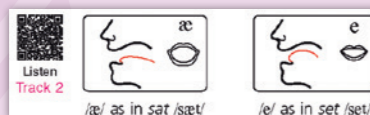
✓ Paper 1 Featured reading texts



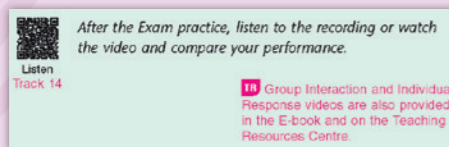
✓ Paper 3 Exercises



✓ HKDSE vocabulary (updated every year)



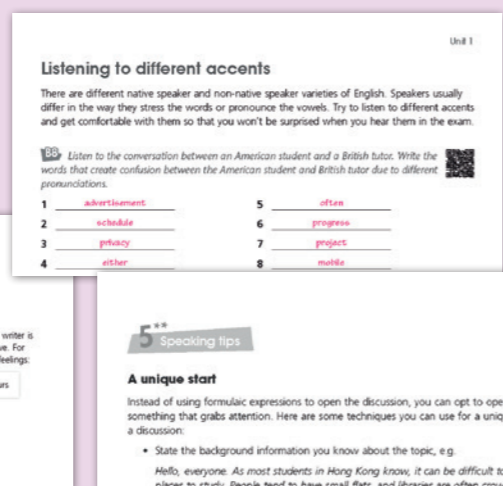
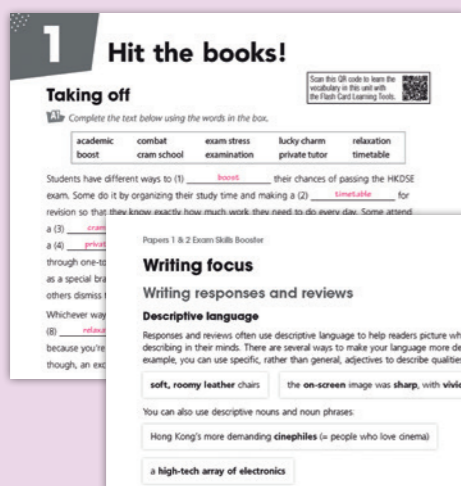
✓ Paper 4 Pronunciation



✓ Paper 4 Sample Group Interaction and Individual Response Videos

Exam Skills Booster

- ✓ Warm up exercise for **topic familiarization** and **vocabulary pre-teaching**
- ✓ Learn how different **grammar** items can be applied in a particular text type
- ✓ Learn **grammar rules** related to the target **writing type**
- ✓ Glossary supported by **audio** and **definition**; can be viewed using the Flash Card Learning Tools
- ✓ Further practice and additional resources



E-Activities

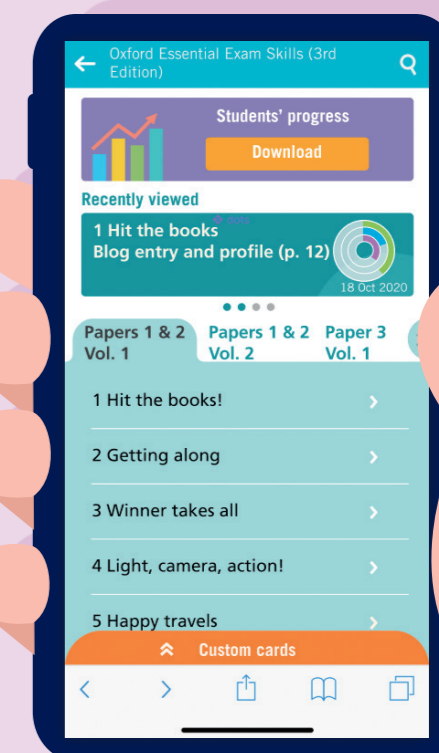
✓ Assignable resources on Oxford iSolution for self-study



Flash Card Learning Tools

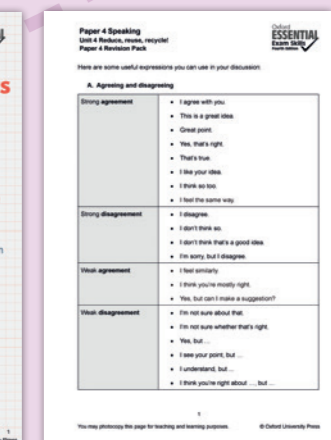
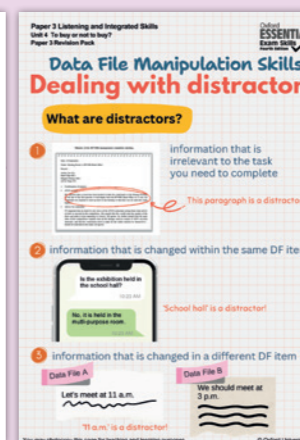


- ✓ Card sets customizable for personalized learning
- ✓ Card sets assignable to individual classes, allowing easy progress monitoring by teachers



Papers 1-4 Revision Pack NEW

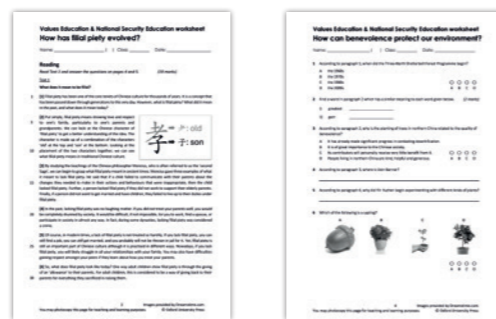
- ✓ Handy support for effective revision
- ✓ Summary of language and skills



Exam Skills Resources Package*

Lesson Planning and Teaching Resources

- ★ Thematic Vocabulary Lists and Exercises (Papers 1–4) **NEW**
- ★ Scheme of Work (Papers 1&2, Paper 3 and Paper 4)
- ★ Values Education Unit Overview (Papers 1&2, Paper 3 and Paper 4)
- ★ Data File Manipulation Skills Unit Overview (Paper 3) **NEW**
- ★ Text Analysis and Detailed Explanations (Paper 1)
- ★ Model Writings (Paper 2)
- ★ Tapescripts (Paper 3)
- ★ Marking Schemes (Paper 3)
- ★ Model Scripts (Paper 4)
- ★ SBA Kit (Paper 4)



★ Values Education and National Security Education Worksheets **NEW**

- ✓ 12 sets of worksheets
- ✓ Each featuring one of the **12 values** and one **National Security Education** domain

E-learning Resources

- ★ iSolution
 - Main book E-book (Papers 1&2, Paper 3 and Paper 4)
 - Exam Skills Booster E-book (Papers 1&2, Paper 3 and Paper 4)
 - Mock Test E-book (Papers 1&2 and Paper 3)
 - Speaking Practice Book E-book (Paper 4)
 - E-activities (Papers 1&2, Paper 3 and Paper 4)
- ★ Interactive Answer-checking PDFs (Paper 1 and Paper 3)
- ★ Audio Recordings (Paper 1, Paper 3 and Paper 4)
- ★ Google Forms (Paper 1)
- ★ Tutorial Videos (Paper 1)
- ★ Interactive Audio Scripts (with adjustable speed player) (Paper 3)
- ★ Data File Manipulation Skills PowerPoint (Paper 3) **NEW**
- ★ Sample Group Interaction and Individual Response Videos (Paper 4)

Diagnostic Resources

- ★ Cut Score Calculator (Paper 1 & Paper 3)
- ★ Diagnostic Exercises (Paper 1 & Paper 3)
- ★ Diagnostic Reports (Individual and Class) (Paper 1)



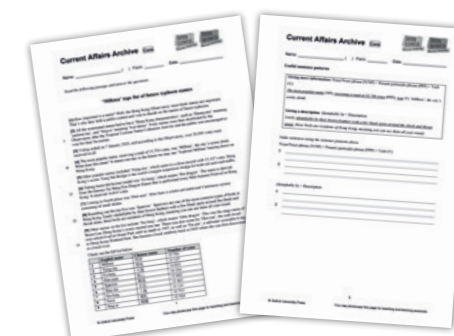
Learner Diversity and Self-directed Learning Resources

- ★ Flash Card Learning Tools
- ★ Paper 1 Pre-lesson Vocabulary Worksheets **NEW**
- ★ Paper 3 Pre-lesson Listening Worksheets **NEW**
- ★ Paper 1 Simplified Reading Practice **NEW**
- ★ Paper 1 Guided Reading Practice **NEW**
- ★ Paper 2 Guided Writing Plans **NEW**
- ★ Paper 3 Guided Writing Tasks **NEW**
- ★ Papers 1–4 Revision Pack **NEW**
- ★ Exam Skills Boosters
 - Pre-lesson vocabulary exercises (Papers 1&2, Paper 3 and Paper 4)
 - Glossary with audio (Paper 1, Paper 3 and Paper 4)
 - Language practice (Paper 1 and Paper 2)
 - Exam question tips (Paper 1)
 - Writing focus (Paper 2)
 - Text type focus (Paper 2)
 - Exam practice support (Paper 2)
 - Expanding your vocabulary (Papers 1&2, Paper 3 and Paper 4)
 - Listening skills practice (Paper 3)
 - Listening to different accents (Paper 3)
 - Integrated skills practice (Paper 3)
 - Writing outlines (Paper 3)
 - Essential listening skills (Paper 3)
 - Essential skills for the integrated tasks (Paper 3)
 - Commonly confused words (Paper 3)
 - Writing templates (Paper 3)
 - Tips and strategies for the exam (Paper 3)
 - Pronunciation and delivery with audio (Paper 4)
 - 5** Speaking tips (Paper 4)
 - Example Group Interaction analysis (Paper 4)
 - Ideas and organization (Paper 4)



Continuous Support

- ★ Current Affairs Archive (Monthly) **NEW for Exam Skills**
 - ✓ **Additional reading practice** with up-to-date topics of current affairs
- ★ HKDSE Exam Analysis Reports



- ★ Graded Mock Tests (including Papers 1, 2, 3 and 4)
 - ✓ **7 sets** of Graded Mock Tests (uploaded every year)

Oxford Essential and Advanced Exam Skills (Fourth Edition)

- Student's Edition (Papers 1 & 2, Paper 3 & Paper 4)
- Teacher's Edition (Papers 1 & 2, Paper 3 & Paper 4)
- Mock Tests (Papers 1 & 2, Paper 3 & Paper 4)
- Speaking Practice Book (Paper 4)
- Exam Skills Boosters (Papers 1 & 2, Paper 3 & Paper 4)



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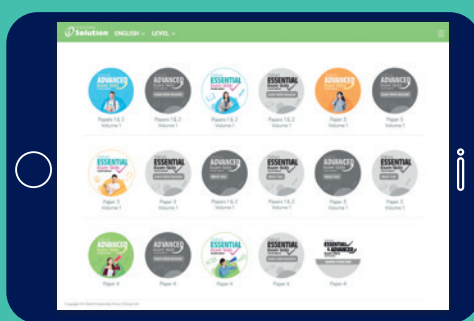
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