

## MARKING SCHEME

### MANDARIN CHINESE — GRADE 10

#### SECTION A: [30 MARKS]

#### I. PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS & LISTENING (10 Marks)

1. **Blending:** (1 mk each)

- (a) lǎoshī (Teacher)
- (b) yīshēng (Doctor)
- (c) túshūguǎn (Library)

2. **Tone Discrimination:** (1 mk each)

- (a) mā ma (1st tone)
- (b) bà ba (4th tone)
- (c) gē ge (1st tone)

3. **Listening Cues:** (2 mks each)

- (a) **Rìcháng** (If the sentence described a daily school activity).
- (b) **Wàichū** (If the sentence described visiting a park/attraction).

#### II. GRAMMAR & STRUCTURE (20 Marks)

1. **Measure Words:** (1.25 mks each)

- (a) 口 (kǒu) — Used for family members.
- (b) 本 (běn) — Used for books.
- (c) 只 (zhī) — Used for animals like lions.
- (d) 个 (gè) — General classifier for people.

2. **Sentence Structure:** (2.5 mks each)

- (a) 我们昨天去看了博物馆吗? (Wǒmen zuótiān qù kànle bówùguǎn ma?)
- (b) 电视在桌子上。 (Diànshì zài zhuōzi shàng.)

3. **Adverbs of Degree:** (1.5 mks each - 0.5 for spelling, 1 for context)

(a) 太 (tài) ... 了

(b) 比 (bǐ)

(c) 非常 (fēicháng)

4. **Demonstrative Pronouns:** (2.5 mks each)

(a) 那 (nà) — Refers to "there" (far).

(b) 这 (zhè) — Refers to an item being eaten (close).

**SECTION B: [50 MARKS]**

**III. NAMING FROM PICTURES (10 Marks)** *(Accept Pinyin with tones or Characters)*

1. 超市 (Chāoshì) - Supermarket (2 mks)
2. 医生 (Yīshēng) - Doctor (2 mks)
3. 厨房 (Chúfáng) - Kitchen (2 mks)
4. 长颈鹿 (Chángjǐnglù) - Giraffe (2 mks)
5. 八点一刻 (Bā diǎn yī kè) - 8:15 (2 mks)

**IV. READING COMPREHENSION (15 Marks)**

1. 四口人 (4 people). (2 mks)
2. 他是医生，在医院工作 (He is a doctor, works in a hospital). (2 mks)
3. 因为数学太难了 (Because math is too difficult). (3 mks)
4. 内罗毕国家公园 (Nairobi National Park). (3 mks)
5. **True/False:** (1 mk each + 2 bonus for all correct)

(a) 错 (Cuò) - Mother is a teacher.

(b) 对 (Duì) - Saw giraffes.

(c) 错 (Cuò) - Thinks it's hard, not interesting.

**V. DIALOGUE COMPLETION (10 Marks)**

多少 (duōshǎo) (2 mks)

贵 (guì) (2 mks)

便宜 (piányi) (2 mks)

件 (jiàn) — Measure word for clothes (2 mks)

(Accept logical variations like 我要这个). (2 mks)

**VI. WRITING & ORTHOGRAPHY (15 Marks)**

1. **Stroke Order (家):** (5 Marks)

Award marks for correct top-to-bottom and left-to-right sequence (Roof radical first, then the "pig" radical underneath).

## 2. Creative Writing: (10 Marks)

**Relevance:** Did they mention school time, subjects, and locations? (4 mks)

**Grammar:** Correct use of S+V+O and Time words. (3 mks)

**Characters/Pinyin Accuracy:** Legibility and correct tones. (3 mks)

