



Unit 4 Practice

Part A

Task 1 (p.10)

Announcer : Part A. Situation.

You are Brian Lee, a Secondary 1 student. Your parents are planning a weekend away and they have asked you to help arrange the trip.

You will have a total of two tasks to do. Follow the instructions in the Question-Answer Book and on the recording to complete the tasks. You have two minutes to familiarise yourself with Tasks 1 and 2 before the recording begins.

Task 1.

Your parents are talking about which hotel to stay in. Listen to their conversation and fill in the missing parts in the webpage printout below. Put a tick in the box beside the hotel they are going to stay in and a cross beside the hotels they will not book.

You now have 30 seconds to study the task. At the end of the task, you will have 30 seconds to tidy up your answers.

- Mr Lee : We need to decide what hotel to stay in when we go away for the weekend. Have you got time to choose one now?
- Mrs Lee : Yes, let's do it. There is a mixture of 2 to 5-star hotels here. I think we should not look at any hotels that are less than 3 stars.
- Mr Lee : OK, we can forget about the 2-star hotels. We won't choose any of them. Now, what about this one here? It is at the top of the list.

- Mrs Lee : Do you mean the Crown Hotel?
- Mr Lee : Yes, the 5-star one. It has a lot of facilities.
- Mrs Lee ^② : How much does it cost per night?
- Mr Lee : Um, it costs \$1,699 per night for a double room.
- Mrs Lee ^① : \$1,699! For only one night! That's very expensive.
- Mr Lee : Yes, I agree. Let's look at some of the others. There's another 5-star hotel here that has good facilities too. It's called Broad View.
- Mrs Lee ^⑥ : I see it has a gym. That is good for you. You usually like to go to the gym.
- Mr Lee : Yes, but I could swim instead. Let's check the price.
- Mrs Lee ^⑦ : This one is a bit cheaper than the other one — \$990 a night. \$990 is still a lot though.
- Mr Lee : Maybe. Well, we could look at the 4-star hotels. There are quite a few of those.
- Mrs Lee : There's the Castle Hotel and the Crest Hotel.
- Mr Lee : What is the difference between them?
- Mrs Lee ^⑨ : Well, the Castle Hotel has a pool, a spa and a tennis court. We could play tennis! How much is it?
- Mr Lee : It's \$650, that's a lot cheaper than the 5-star hotels.
- Mrs Lee : Is the other hotel \$650 too?
- Mr Lee : No, it's cheaper. ^⑬ The Crest Hotel is \$570 a night. ^⑫ It also has a tennis court but it doesn't have a pool. ^⑪ It has a spa though. Which do you prefer?
- Mrs Lee ^⑩ : I don't think I want a hotel that doesn't

have a pool. Even though \$570 is a good price. We can cross out that hotel. So, now we need to decide between the 4-star hotel we like and the 3-star hotel left. It has a pool too. How much is it?

Mr Lee : Only \$400, really cheap. But maybe it is cheap because it is not as nice as the 4-star hotel.

Mrs Lee : I agree. \$400 is quite low. Let's choose the 4-star hotel because it should be nicer and we can swim and play tennis.

Mr Lee : Great. I will book it.

Announcer : This is the end of Task 1. You now have 30 seconds to tidy up your answers.

Task 2 (p.11)

Announcer : Task 2.

Your parents are at the airport now. Listen to their conversation and arrange the pictures below in the correct order. Write the numbers (1-6) in the boxes provided. You now have 30 seconds to study the task. At the end of the task, you will have 30 seconds to tidy up your answers.

Mrs Lee : Our flight is very short but I think I would like to have something to read on the plane.

Mr Lee : Shouldn't we get something to eat first? They do not serve meals on the flight because it is so short and I haven't had lunch.

Mrs Lee : We can get something to eat in a minute. Look, there is a newsagent's shop just here.

Mr Lee : OK. Pick out something to read.

Mrs Lee : ^① Hmm, I think a couple of magazines should do it. A gossip magazine and a National Geographic magazine.

Mr Lee : OK, let's pay and then get something to eat.

Mrs Lee : Is that an announcement I hear? It's about flight N407 — that's our flight.

Mr Lee : It says our flight is delayed. That's good. We now have time to eat.

Mrs Lee : But we need to know how long it is delayed for. ^② Let's ask at the check-in desk.

Mr Lee : Oh, alright. Let's find out about the delay.

Mrs Lee : Excuse me, how long is flight N407 delayed for?

Staff : Good afternoon madam, according to the computer, the flight is delayed for 40 minutes. I suggest you have a look in our food court. It's just over there.

Mrs Lee : Thank you.

Mr Lee : Well, let's get a sandwich and a coffee. I'm so hungry!

Mrs Lee : Oh, wait a minute. I have just remembered something. I forgot to bring any shampoo! How will we wash our hair?

Mr Lee : I'm sure they have shampoo at the hotel. They usually do.

Mrs Lee : But my hair gets very dry. I need a moisturising shampoo. ^③ Let's see if there's a shop here that sells my favourite shampoo.

Mr Lee : OK, there's a store on the left of the food court.

Mrs Lee : Great... Here are the shampoos. I think we just need a small bottle as we cannot take a large bottle on the plane in our hand luggage.

Mr Lee : I think you are not allowed more than 100 ml of liquid. All these bottles are over 250 ml. We can't buy any

shampoo here. We'll just have to buy some when we get to the hotel.

Mrs Lee : You're right. That's too bad. Oh well, let's go and get something to eat then.

Mr Lee : At last!

Mrs Lee : ^④ This sandwich shop has a good deal! A sandwich and tea or coffee for \$45. Do you want to get that? I think I'd prefer noodles but it is up to you. You're hungrier than me.

Mr Lee : Hmm, there's a café that sells noodles? That sounds much better than sandwiches. OK, let's go and have noodles.

Mrs Lee : OK. Oh look! ^⑤ There's a sports shop right here. Let's buy tennis rackets for our lesson first. I don't know if the hotel provides rackets.

Mr Lee : More shopping? If we are going to spend more time shopping, I would like to buy a magazine for myself.

Mrs Lee : You can share mine. Look, it'll only take 5 minutes to get a racket. Then, we can have our noodles.

Mr Lee : Oh OK... 2 rackets... Hmm, these cost \$280 each. That's a lot. Maybe we should wait and see if the hotel has some.

Mrs Lee : But we'll play tennis when we get back to Hong Kong so we'll need to get them anyway. We should buy them now.

Mr Lee : OK. Let's pay. Now can we eat?

Mrs Lee : Yes. ^⑥ All this shopping has made me hungry. Let's order our noodles!

Mr Lee : Finally!

Announcer : This is the end of Task 2. You now have 30 seconds to tidy up your answers.

Announcer : Part B. Situation.

You are Irene Lam, a Secondary 1 student. Your parents are just back from a journey.

You will listen to a conversation between you and your parents. As you listen, you can make notes on page 1 of the Data File.

Follow the instructions in the Question-Answer Book and on the recording to complete the tasks. You will find all the information you need in the Question-Answer Book, the Data File and on the recording.

You now have five minutes to study the tasks and the Data File.

The conversation will begin now.

Irene : You look happy, Mum. How was the trip?

Mrs Lam : It was great!

Irene : Did you get to the airport on time for your flight?

Mr Lam : Oh yes, the flight was delayed so we had plenty of time. But the delay meant that we were late arriving. We were supposed to get there around 2:30 pm, which was 3:30 pm local time, but we didn't touch down until 4:40 pm.

Mrs Lam : ^{T3①} Yes, we got there at 4:40 pm local time. The delay meant we had to rush a bit. ^{T3③ T4①} But luckily the hotel was only a 10 minute taxi ride from the airport so that was very convenient.

Mr Lam : There were many people at the taxi stand. Although we had to wait a long time to get one, the actual ride itself took only 10 minutes. We were a bit late for our dinner reservation.

Mrs Lam : But the restaurant was really kind and fitted us in. ^{T4②} What was the restaurant

Part B (pp.12-13)

called again?

Mr Lam : Um, the Top Taste Restaurant I think.

Irene : Top Taste? And was the food tasty?

Mrs Lam : Oh yes, and very reasonably priced. ^{T4⑦} It was \$400 for the meal for both of us.

Mr Lam : Yes, it was a really nice place to eat and the meal was worth the \$400 it cost. It was a marvellous evening.

Mrs Lam : Yes, it really was. The view was good too. ^{T4③} It was on the 9th floor so we could look out of the restaurant window and see the beach and the sea.

Irene : Did you just stay in the hotel or did you take any trips?

Mrs Lam : We did spend a lot of time enjoying the hotel's facilities, like the pool and the spa, but we also went shopping. ^{T4⑭} We also went on a trip with the hotel guide, George. He was really nice and so polite.

Mr Lam ^{T4⑮} : Yes, George made us feel very comfortable on our trip because he was so friendly.

Mrs Lam : All the staff were really nice at the hotel. I hope we can go back sometimes.

Irene : It sounds like the hotel was perfect.

Mr Lam : Almost perfect. ^{T3⑨} But we had to check out quite early on the last day, I thought 10 am was too early. I would have preferred more time to get ready to leave.

Mrs Lam : I think the 10 am check-out time was OK. ^{T3⑩} It meant we got up early enough to get the free shuttle bus service to the airport at 9:30 am.

Irene : That was quite good because you could get the free shuttle bus instead of having to wait around for a taxi.

Mr Lam : It was hard to get taxis there. It was a good holiday overall. I just wish I didn't

have to go to work tomorrow!

Announcer : That is the end of the recording. You now have 20 minutes to finish the tasks.