#### Sample Assessment Task 23 (Part B)

Name of Task: A suitable candidate to the post				
Oral Text-type for the Assessment:  individual presentation				
<b>Communication Functions:</b>				
describing reporti	ng Explaining			
☐ classifying ☐ compar	ing persuading	others:		
Audienceteacher plus:	Target audience:	Role(s) of audience:		
a student partner	☐ fellow students	giving non-verbal responses only		
⊠ small groups	students from other classes	questioning/commenting		
class	teacher(s)	interacting with no limitations		
more than one class	others:			
Where on this continuum would y	ou place the assessment task?			
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	nteractive, planned yet  individual	long turn of individual long turn		
dialogue, e.g. small	alogue, e.g. small dialogic, e.g. planned, spoken text, that is planned, formal			
group interaction	semi-formal group e.g. news r	eporting, and coherent, e.g.		
	discussion story tellin	g spoken report, a speech		
Choice/task of the elective(s) used	for the assessment:			
☐ Drama ☐ Poe	ems and Songs	☐ Popular Culture		
☐ Sports Communication ☐ Soci	☐ Sports Communication ☐ Social Issues ☐ Debating ☐ Workplace Communication			
Topic/text/materials/resources use	d for the assessment activities (e.g. web	sites, debate topics/social issues, books):		
UE past exam paper A (1	994/1996), useful websites (e.g.	http://jump.mingpao.com/cfm/index.cfm ,		
		ers (e.g. Recruits & SCMP, Classified Post);		
	ume, worksheet for group discussion; pee	er/self-assessment form, self-reflection sheet		
if necessary	" 00 W			
	ndix 26), Handout Two: For group discus			
and Liberal Studies Teacher (see Ap		on B: Application for the post of Economics		
_	_	f company posts a g salasman sagratury		
leading to assessment	<ol> <li>Ask students to brainstorm a list of company posts e.g. salesman, secretary, accountant, human resources manager, etc.</li> </ol>			
_	<ol> <li>Speculate on the sort of people most</li> </ol>			
		job opportunities (1994 UE Paper A), take		
	notes and complete the listening task			
	4. Ask students what sort of job they i	ntend to take up when they leave school or		
	graduate.			
	5. Shortlist the four most popular caree	ers for the next learning task (see Appendix		
	26).			

6. Ask students to collect, keep in a file and read job advertisements about the three most popular careers among themselves by browsing various websites & newspapers. They may want to look at:

http://jump.mingpao.com/cfm/index.cfm

http://www.jobsdb.com/hong\_kong/

http://hongkong.recruit.net/

Recruits, the Classifieds

- 7. Ask students to read job advertisements and decide on which job interests them the most.
- 8. Ask students to complete Handout One (see Appendix 26) on the job nature and qualities/qualifications needed for these jobs.
- 9. Put students in groups of 4 to share the information they have collected on the assigned job from the three they have been working on.
- 10. Put students in groups of 4 to choose the 2 most favourite jobs in their groups and complete Handout Two (Appendix 27)
- 11. Ask each group to present the jobs including qualities/qualifications needed and job duties to the class and why they like these two jobs (with reference to Handout Two)
- 12. Teach students how to write an application letter and a resume and provide a sample.
- 13. Show the assessment criteria for the group discussion to the class and explain how to use them for self- or peer-assessment.
- 14. Ask students to discuss which of the two jobs is most suitable for one assigned student in their groups→ scaffold the discussion through the use of a worksheet listing a set of phrases such as "I think...", "This is because...", "I agree/disagree with ...", "However,...", Firstly,...", "Secondly, ...", "Thirdly,...", and so on.

# Assessment activity (Group interaction)

Form students into groups of four. Each student is given 2 application letters (Application A & B; see Appendix 28-29). Ask them to read both of the application letters and prepare for the following discussion task:

You are a member of the recruitment committee of ABC Secondary school which is looking for a teacher who can teach Liberal Studies — a new subject in your school. Having short-listed two applications who are interested in the post your school is offering, you are now having a meeting with the other committee members to decide which one is more suitable for the vacancy. You need to consider:

- The needs of your school
- The applicants' qualifications
- The applicants' experiences with children
- The applicants' working experience

	♣ The applicants' strengths and weaknesses	
	Any other relevant points	
	Before the meeting, you need to read their application letters and resumes. Decide which	
	one is the best candidate for the job in your school.	
	(Teacher sits with one group and makes notes while students are discussing their	
	applications or resume. Other groups record themselves using audio-recorders)	
Post assessment activity	1. Ask students to do a self-assessment of their performance after the group	
	interaction.	
	2. Give feedback on the overall performance of the class and advice on how to make	
	improvements by using the assessment criteria.	

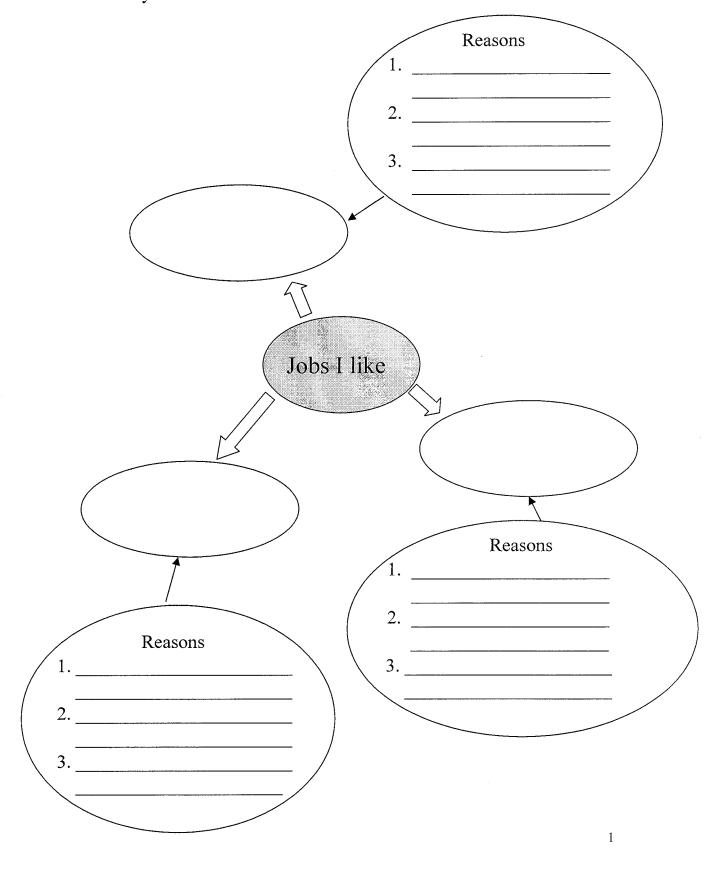
Adapted from an assessment task developed by S.T.F.A. Tam Pak Yu College

## Appendix 26

## Handout One – Easter Holiday

## Workplace Communication Project

**Task One**: List three jobs that you would choose from and take up in your future



## Handout One – Easter Holiday

**Task Two**: Collect, stick on pages 3-4 & read job advertisements about the three jobs that you have put down on page 1 by browsing various websites & newspapers

e.g. <a href="http://jump.mingpao.com/cfm/index.cfm">http://jump.mingpao.com/cfm/index.cfm</a>
<a href="http://www.jobsdb.com/Hong\_Kong/">http://www.jobsdb.com/Hong\_Kong/</a>
<a href="http://hongkong.recruit.net/">http://hongkong.recruit.net/</a>

e.g. Recruits, the Classifieds

Then analyze the job nature and the required qualities in the table below.

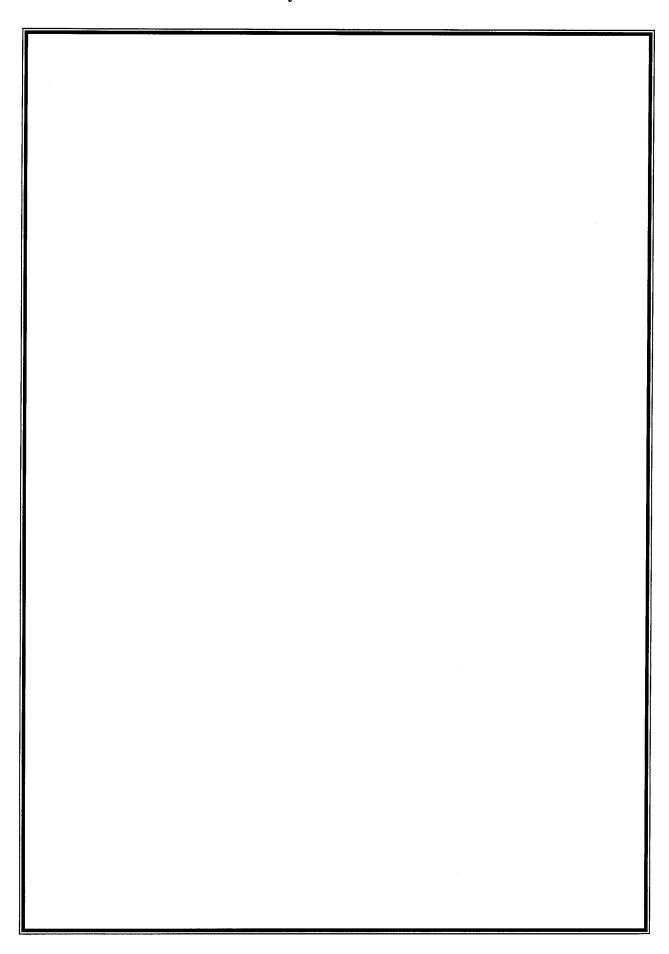
Job	Job Nature/Duties	Required Qualities& Qualification

# **Handout One – Easter Holiday**

space, keep them in a folder.	
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Task Three: Stick the job advertisements here. If there is not enough

# Handout One – Easter Holiday



Handout Two-Notes For Group Discussion

	Appendix 27	
Disadvantages		
Benefits		
Required Qualities & Qualification		
Job Nature/Duties		
Job		

April 8 2009

Dear Principal,

#### **Application for a Teaching Post**

I am writing to inquire whether your school will have any vacancies for a teaching post (Economics/Liberal Studies/Integrated Humanities) in the academic year 2009-10 and to express my genuine interest in serving your students if I am honoured to.

By way of background, I graduated in June 2006 with a Bachelor of Social Sciences degree, majoring in Psychology and Economics & Finance, attaining the Second Class Honors Division One. This three-year undergraduate education, apart from preparing me to be a professional in my majors, has also given me a thorough foundation in humanities such as Social work and Administration, Politics and Sociology. As it is my ultimate goal to pursue my career as a teacher, I took the Postgraduate Certificate Diploma of Education (PGDE) upon graduation.

To pursue my ultimate goal of teaching, I further equipped myself with considerable teaching experience, both inside and outside the ambit of classrooms. I had been a private tutor since F.6 until the commencement of full-time teaching. In 2005, I went to Mainland China as a volunteer teacher in World Vision, where I was responsible for teaching English and computer technologies to the students in living rural areas. In the summer of 2006, I taught HKCE level English Language in a secondary school and Mathematics in a primary school. From all these experience, I did acquire valuable skills in teaching and communicating with students sharing a spectrum of abilities and background.

Consistently, I aim at developing myself more than on the academic ground. During my university studies, I brought the same level of commitment and dedication to the various student bodies or teams of which I was an executive committee member. The highlights of these extra-curricular activities were my elections as the General Secretary and Chairperson of a committee of the Faculty of Social Sciences, representing the follow students on university and faculty affairs. I have learnt a great deal, ranging from leadership to inter-personal skills in these activities.

I joined the Top pycority Secondary School in August 2007. in respect of teaching, I have been a class teacher of Secondary One to Two, teaching the subject of Integrated Humanities (IH). I am the IH form coordinator and responsible to teach IH to Secondary One to Three. As such, I have been substantively involved in the formulation and construction of the IH curriculum, including teaching schedule, teaching materials and learning activities. Being a coordinator as well as managing three forms of teaching has truly been a challenge for me. But once again, challenges posed mean a precise time to learn and as such, I have obtained a comprehensive and in-depth understanding towards the subject in junior forms. Also, I am confident that what I have acquired will also be Application A/P1

useful for me to evaluate, plan and improve any subject curriculum during my teaching career of many years to come.

Concerning the other disciplines, I actively participated in and in many occasions, contributed to various school events and activities of students' societies so as to dedicate to the school whenever it is deemed appropriate and also to integrate myself fully into the students. Furthermore, I am the coordinator of Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) and member of various school management teams. Indeed, I am more than delighted to engage in other areas concerning school affairs apart from my principal teaching subject. It is my genuine aspiration to develop professionalism requisite for my career through these duties and responsibilities.

I, once being a freshman in the education field, have seized every occasion to learn and advance. I hope that the said experience could prove me a confident, accomplished and promising candidate who would be ready for and least-susceptible to the incoming trials, and join your school, the years ahead will be a welcome challenge, for which I plan to face with my arsenal of passion, dedication and discipline.

In supporting my application, I attach herewith my personal curriculum vitae for your reference. I sincerely hope that my application will be considered. Thank you for your attention and I look forward to meeting you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Encl. Personal Curriculum Vitae

#### Resume

Personal Name: Address: Information Telephone: Education **Tertiary Education** Postgraduate Diploma of Education (HKU) 2006-2007 2003-2006 The University of Hong Kong Bachelor of Social Sciences (Majoring in Psychology and Economics and Finance) (with Second Class Honors Division One) Secondary Education HK Ho Ho Ho Memorial College 1996-2001 Victory Secondary School 2001-2003 **HKCEE Examination Result:** Chinese Language D English (Syllabus B) C Mathematics D **Economics** A **HKALE Examination Result:** Chinese Language and Culture D Use of English  $\mathbf{C}$ **Economics** В C Mathematics and Statistics (AS) **IELTS:** 7.5 out of 9 LCCI Examination (Second Level): Passed The Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music Piano (Grade 8): Passed with merit Awards Name of Award Date Received Grantor HKU Worldwide Exchange The University of Hong Kong October 2005 Scholarship Sir Edward Youde Victory Secondary School March 2003 Memorial Prize The Leung Chan King Chi Victory Secondary School November 2002 Memorial Scholarship

HK Ho Ho Ho Memorial College

June 2001

5-year Punctuality Reward

Activity

2005-2006

Being an exchange students in Simon Fraser University in Canada for

one semester

2003-2004

The executive Committee of Social Sciences Society, hkusu

Councilor of Social Sciences Society Council

Chairman of Central Election Commission

Group leader of Social Sciences Summer Program

Farewell Committee of Lee Hysan Hall

2002-2003

Group leader of Orientation Camp

2001-2002

Financial Secretary of House Committee

Vice-chairman of Peer Counseling Team Choir

Experience

Teacher – The Top Provity Secondary School (08-09)

Being a S.1 Integrated Humanities Coordinator

Teaching S.1-S.3 Integrated Humanities

Being a S.2 Class Teacher

Being a S.2 PSHE Coordinator

Core member of Student Affairs and Welfare Team

Teacher – The Typoic Prconty Secondary School (07-08)

Teaching S.1 Integrated Humanities

Being a S.1 Class Teacher

Practicum – St. Baby College (02/07-05/07)

Teaching S.3 and S.6 Economics

Summer Tutor – St. Peter College (07/06-08/06)

Teaching HKCEE English

Summer Tutor – Long Island Memorial School (08/06)

Teaching P.3 and P.4 mathematics

Internship- World Vision in Yunnan (06/05-08/05)

Organizing English lessons and computer workshops for the children in villages

Organizing summer camp

Conducting research about the formation of orphans in villages

Summer trainee- PCCW (07/01-08/01)

Selling and promoting telephone lines and internet services

Answering customers' queries

Hobby

Playing badminton, Reading,, Web browsing, Playing piano

Skill

Typing Skills

English Typing 70WPM; Chinese typing 30WPM

Language Skills Fluent Cantonese, English and mandarin (both written and spoken)

Computer Skills MS Windows, MS Offices

## Appendix 29

## Application B

Dear Principal,

Application for the Post of economics and Liberal Studies Teacher

I am writing to enquire whether you have any teaching post in Economics and Liberal Studies in your esteemed school in the coming academic year. I would appreciate the opportunity to put the skills I have acquired in Hong Kong Institute of Education. I graduated from the Hong Kong University of Science & Technology in 2004. Currently, I am a final year student at the HKIED student at the HKIED studying, Postgraduate Diploma in Education.

During this study period, I have apply a number of voluntary work at Hong Kong Federation Youth Groups and HKIED, such as the school voluntary work – Student Helper in school information day and being a subject representative in Liberal Studies. Participating in these workshops and volunteering with these organizations has better prepared myself to become an effective and efficient teacher. It has given opportunities for me to develop leadership skills and counseling skill. Also, under the Peer Counselling Training Programme, I have learn to facilitate my personal growth and the spirit of mutual help, the programme have given me to develop a better self-awareness, problem solving skills, capable of self-help and helping others.

With the block practice experience I have gained in the Number One Secondary School, I believe I am sufficiently qualified to apply for the position. I am patient, diligent and willing to learn. I can deal with the problems in student's behavior; handle the day-today class teaching and work under pressure. This experience has helped me to learn how to deal with students, and handle the different situation of classroom management. Besides the above I have mentioned, in the school sport day held in Number One Secondary School, it has also field. I am confident that yours school requires these skills. I enclose my resume and look forward to having the opportunity to answer any questions you may have regarding my application. I am free for interview at any time.

Yours faithfully,

Encl. Resume, Educational Aspiration

Name: CHAN TAI MAN

Gender: Male

Date Birth: 14th Feb, 1980

Address: Hong Kong

E-mail address: taimanchan@yahoo.com

Contact No. 2345 6789

#### Career Objectives

I am eager to develop my career in the field of education. With my enthusiasm and commitment in teaching, I want to apply my knowledge and experience in teaching students to learn effectively and happily in school.

#### Educational Background

2008-Present The Hong Kong Institute of Education

Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Secondary) Programme Liberal Studies

(One-year Full time)

2003-2004 The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Master of Science in Economics

1999-2003 University of Leicester

Bachelor of Arts in Economics

#### Professional Qualification

February-March 2009 Adventure Based Counselling Practitioner Foundation Diploma

February-March 2009 First Aid of St. John

February-March 2009 Mental Health of First Aid

Working Experience

November-December 2008 Teaching Practice in Number One Secondary School

Duties: 1. Taught Form 2 student Liberal Studies

2. Assisted the Form teacher in the Sport Day

October-January 2007 Hong Kong College of Technology

Position: Part Time Teacher

Duties: Taught Principle of Economics

April 2005-September 2008 Excellent Development (HK) Ltd

Position: Marketing Executive

**Duties: Organized Marketing Activities** 

Extra-curricular Activities

November 2008 – 2009 Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups

Certificate Leadership Course for Students of

The Hong Kong Institute of Education

Position: Member

Duties: Participated in a variety of co-curricular activities to prepare

my self to have leadership skills

2008-2009 Peer Counselling Training Programme

Position: Peer Counsellor

Duties: 1. Peer Counselling Training

2. Services to the primary and secondary schools by peer

counselors

2008-2009 The Hong Kong Institute of Education

Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Secondary) Programme

(One-year Full time) Liberal Studies Student society

Position: Student representative

Duties: 1. Held student committee meeting with school officer

2. To hold different functions for Liberal Studies students

2008-2009 The Hong Kong Institute of Education Open Day 2008

Position: Student helper

Duties: Helping to promote Liberal Studies Education Program

Skills

PC Knowledge: Windows, Microsoft Word, Excel PowerPoint

Languages: Cantonese- fluent in speaking, writing and reading

Mandarin-conversational

Good English

Interests & Hobbies

Cycling, reading and ball games

References

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**Assistant Professor** 

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Associate Professor

Department of Psychology, Counselling and

Learning Needs

The Hong Kong Institute of Education

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Tai Po, New Territories

#### **Education Aspiration**

I have a goal, which is to make every student, not only perform well academically, but also showing passion in learning new ideas as well as behave as a responsible and charitable citizen.

I consider education as a mission, which is long lasting and requires heavy responsibilities. Its very objective is facilitate youngling to think independently and critically. My role is to create learning opportunities as well as provide a good learning atmosphere, which allows my students to explore possibilities. They will be thirst for new techniques and ideas, and actively develop their own way of independent thinking. Such attitude and habit will benefit the rest of their lives.

Education is not only a step for students to become intelligent students. More importantly, this subject acts as a medium to develop students' ability to "observe, analyze and create/" through innovative different means of activities and workshops held during lessons, students' visions would be broadened and their social awareness and ideology acceptance would be developed.

I being a green to this field, realize that I still get much to learn. The up ahead challenge teaching fellow students academically, guide them the right path to become responsible and charitable citizens is tough. I am well equipped and ready to commit – to teach, and learn from the students.