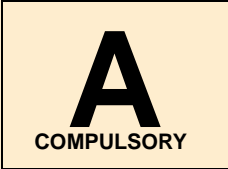




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ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PAPER 1 PART A  
QUESTION-ANSWER BOOK**



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Read Text 1 and answer questions 1-28. (41 marks)

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1. What is the point the author is making when she says ‘second only to a smartphone’ (line 3)?

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2. What does the ‘hotbed of innovation’ (line 5) refer to?

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3. What is the challenge in paragraph 6?

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4. Why does the author think it is a challenge?

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5. What does the writer mean when she says ‘Here, cash used to be king, but no longer’? (2 marks)

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6. What does ‘it’ (line 24) refer to?

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7. The writer did not buy anything in Dong Men Ding Plaza because...

- A. things there are too cheap.
- B. it is not hygienic.
- C. she decides to spend her money elsewhere.
- D. the elderly are on the bandwagon.

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8. Based on paragraphs 7 and 8, decide whether the following statements are **True**, **False** or the information is **Not Given**. Blacken ONE circle only for each statement. (3 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
i) China is the first country where old people use mobile payment.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
ii) QR codes are widely used in Dong Men Ding plaza.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
iii) All vendors in Dong Men Ding Plaza are not hygienic.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

9. Why does the writer say 'no fuss' in paragraph 10? (2 marks)

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10. We can use Alipay and WeChat Pay to...

A. top up Octopus cards.	A	B	C	D
B. take different kinds of public transport.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
C. rent vehicles				
D. top up our bank cards				

11. What is the purpose of paragraph 11?

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12. Find a word in paragraph 12 that could be replaced by 'disadvantages'?

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13. How does the writer feel when the member of the staff at the arcade shrugs?

A. Irritated	A	B	C	D
B. Upset	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
C. Helpless				
D. relieved				

14. What does 'its' (line 44) refer to?

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15. Why does the writer wish to get her hands on old-fashioned physical tokens? (2 marks)

- i) \_\_\_\_\_
- ii) \_\_\_\_\_

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16. What is the main idea of paragraph 14? (2 marks)

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17. Find a word which have an opposite meaning of 'optional' in paragraph 14.

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18. Why can't Kelechie Emetuche order a Didi in paragraph 15?

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19. According to paragraph 16, Alipay and WeChat Pay...

- A. transform everyone's life.
- B. are the best invention ever.
- C. allow citizens to make transactions anywhere they like.
- D. make local people's life easier.

A	B	C	D
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20. According to paragraph 16, what two impacts do Alipay and WeChat Pay have in Shenzhen residents? (2 marks)

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21. What does Alipay do to attract people to use its payment system in paragraph 17? (2 marks)

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22. What are the two major concerns related to MPS mentioned by the writer in paragraph 21? (2 marks)

- i) 

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- ii) 

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23. Why does she have the worry? (2 marks)

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24. What does 'they' (line 84) refer to?

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25. Find a word in paragraph 25 that could be replaced by 'problem'?

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26. According to the article, we should be worried when using MPS because...

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|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| A. we need to link the e-wallet to a new bank account      | A                     | B                     | C                     | D                     |
| B. everyone can see our geolocation and financial records. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| C. how the data are handled remains unknown.               |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| D. it is commonly used in China.                           |                       |                       |                       |                       |

27. Which of the following is a suitable alternative title of the article?

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|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| A. Shenzhen beating Hong Kong hands down | A                     | B                     | C                     | D                     |
| B. A world without cash                  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| C. A privacy disaster in the making      |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| D. Payments in the Chinese way           |                       |                       |                       |                       |

28. Based on the information in paragraphs 23 and 24, complete the summary by writing ONE word to fill in each blank. You should make sure that your answers are grammatically correct, paying attention to word forms, plurals, etc. (4 marks)

Many users of MPS do not think privacy is an issue worthy of any (i)\_\_\_\_\_. Some think Alipay is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ to a bank holding their (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ information, and they do not care about whether the information will be used for other (iv)\_\_\_\_\_.

**END OF PART A**

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