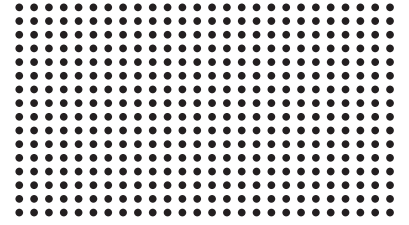




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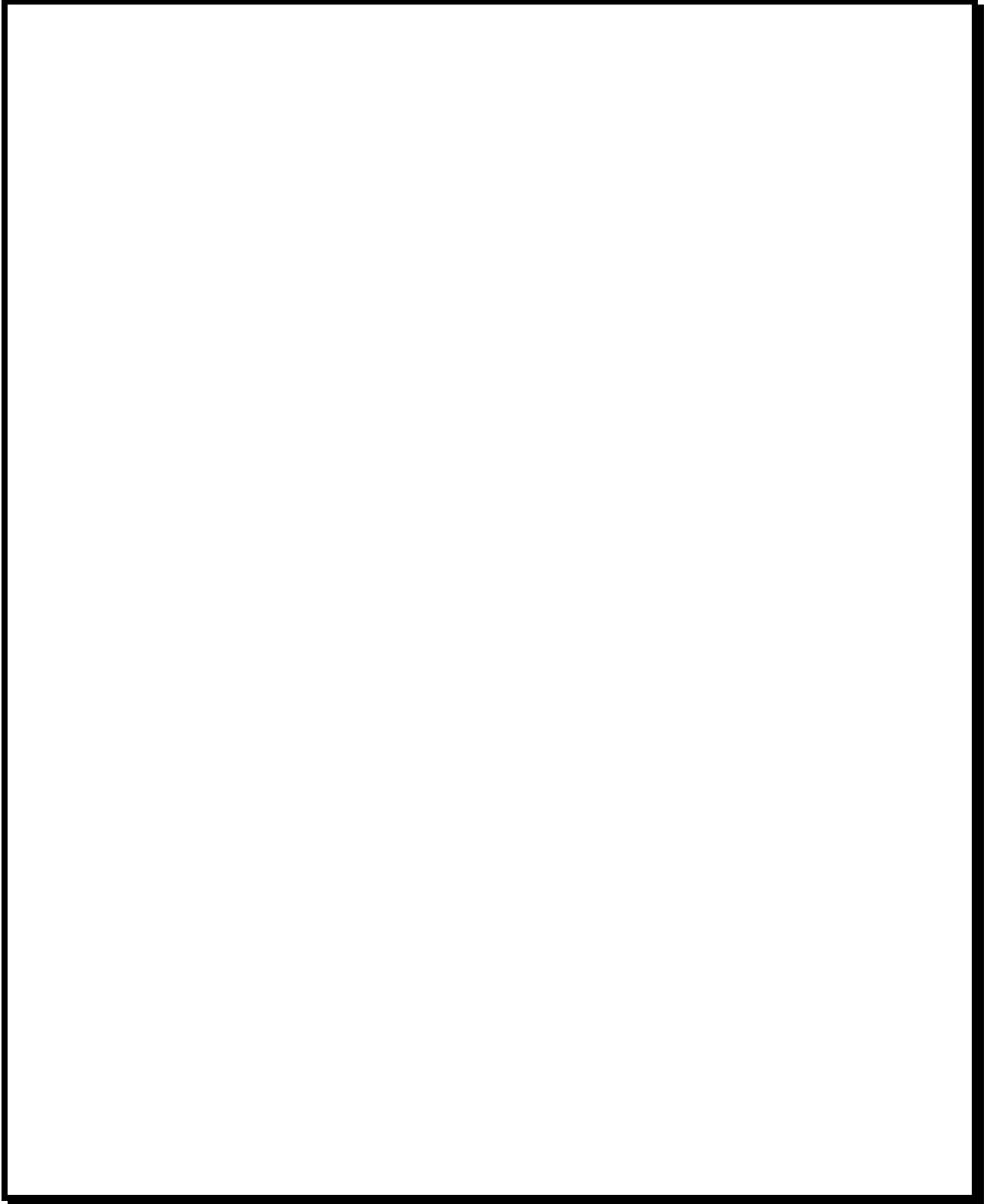
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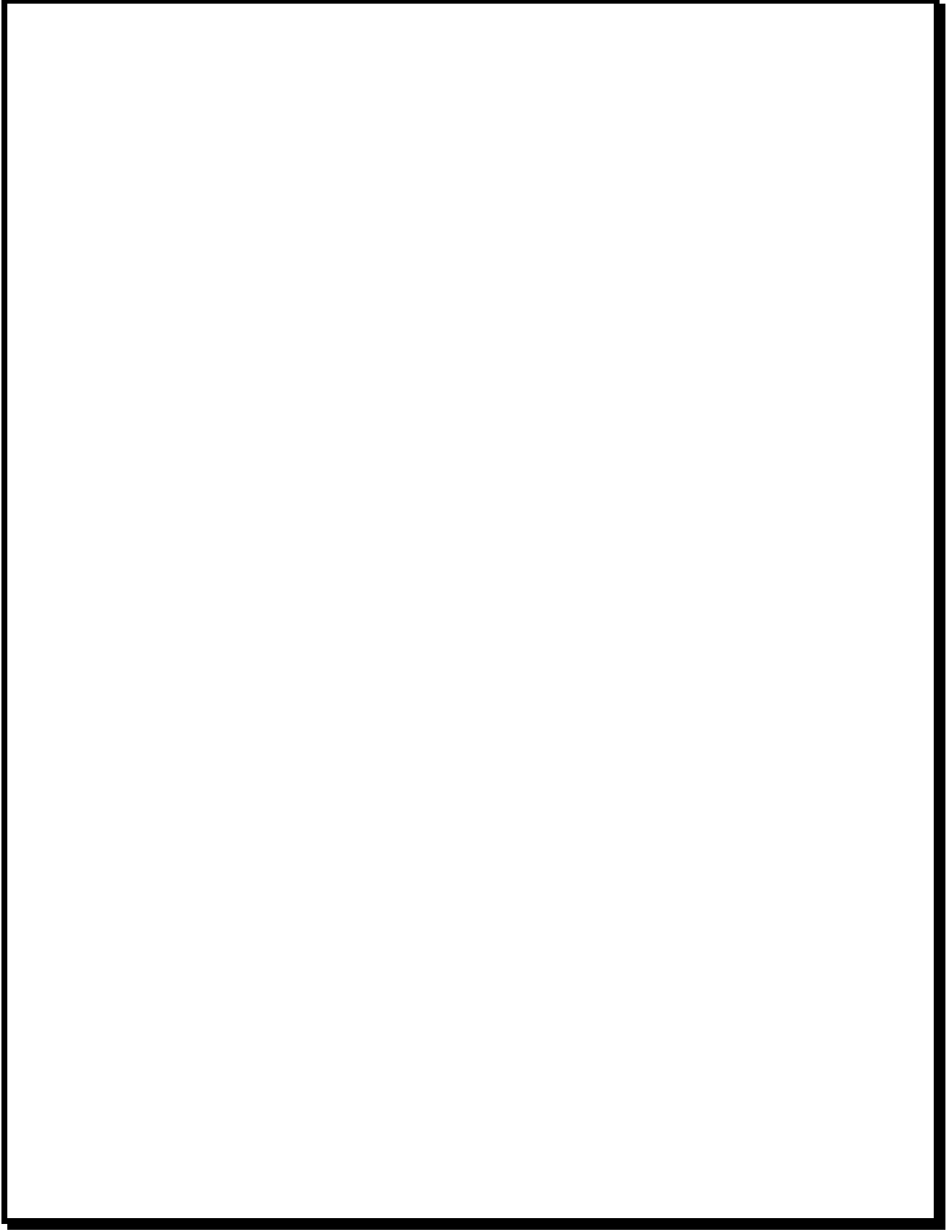
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## LESSON 0

**Paper 1: Reading**





**Illustration 1**

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**[HKDSE 2015 Reading Part A (Question 11)]**

**A few chapters are about K-pop. Are you into K-pop?**

[7] Generally K-pop is for teenagers. I'm not saying it's wrong. It's a good business. But I like music played by people who mean what they're writing. Some people think all Korean music is K-pop, but there's really good music in Korea that's not superficial or played on the radio or on TV and doesn't go outside of Korea. One of my favourite bands is 3rd Line Butterfly: these guys are not rich and famous; they're ordinary guys you can be friends with. I am friends with them. There's an interview with [*Gangnam Style* singer] Psy [*in Geek*]. He's funny and cheeky, in a Robbie Williams kind of way, and making fun of Gangnam [an affluent district of Seoul], which is superficial and flashy.

Question:

Why doesn't Daniel like K-pop? Give 2 reasons.

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**[HKDSE 2012 Reading Part B2 (Question 70)]**

[9] What the ‘Chinese tiger mom’ debate swirling around Amy Chua’s book fails to adequately consider is the fact that American classrooms, and society in general, are more conducive to individual expression and innovation. The ‘tiger mom’ approach that she stresses at home might work for her Chinese daughters because, outside the home in America, they are encouraged to think independently.

[10] Many young Chinese lament there is no Bill Gates of China. And the most cutting-edge scientific institutions are research centers run by Western-educated administrators wooing Chinese-born scientists back from the West, where they had relocated in order to enjoy the more rewarding research environment abroad. If they had the money and the clout and the personal connections to do so, Chinese moms would want to send their kids to Harvard (as several top-level Chinese leaders have done). In other words, the key to success is seen as a hybrid of East and West, at least when viewed from the lair of the Tiger Moms.

Question:

According to the passage, why is there no ‘Bill Gates of China’ (line 7)?

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**Illustration 3**

The subtropical ridge is currently dominating the southeastern coastal regions of China, but there may still be a few scattered showers during the day.

Question:

What is the weather like generally when the region is dominated by the subtropical ridge?

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**[HKDSE 2020 Reading Part B2 (Question 58)]**

Dear Graham,

[23] The past 40-odd years have for me been an often fruitless search for a barber who can do a good job on my challenging hair. Now I have found one with whom I am perfectly satisfied, but while he cuts my hair, he continually picks his nose. I found appreciate your advice.

*P Smith, Bracknell, UK*

Dear P,

[24] What comes out of the top of your head? Steel wool? But you aren't driving a car or operating heavy machinery, so next time, why not do this thing I've discovered when confronted with something I don't want to see—shut your eyes! A longer fringe may also help.

Question:

What does North imply when he says 'a longer fringe may also help' (line11)?

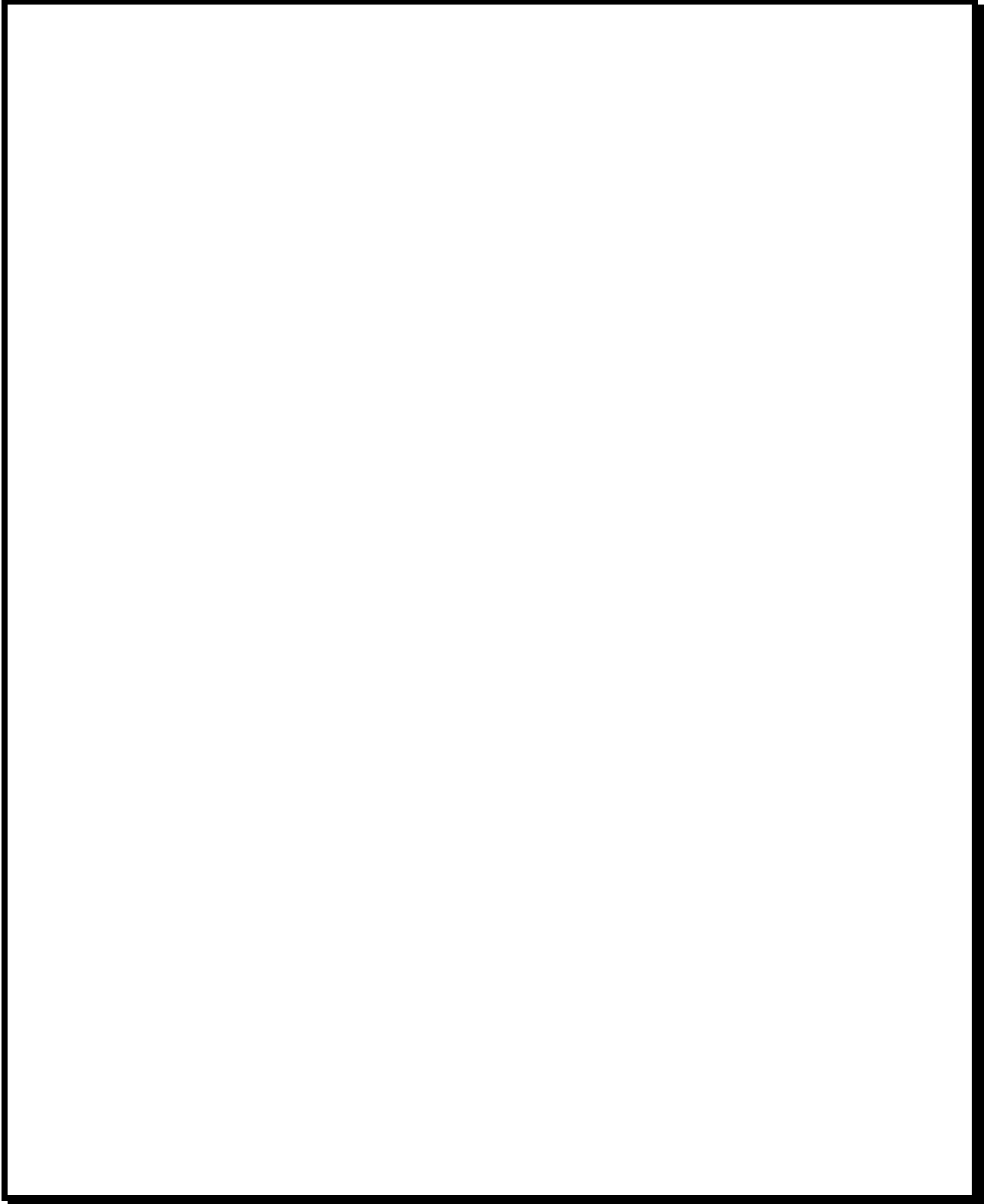
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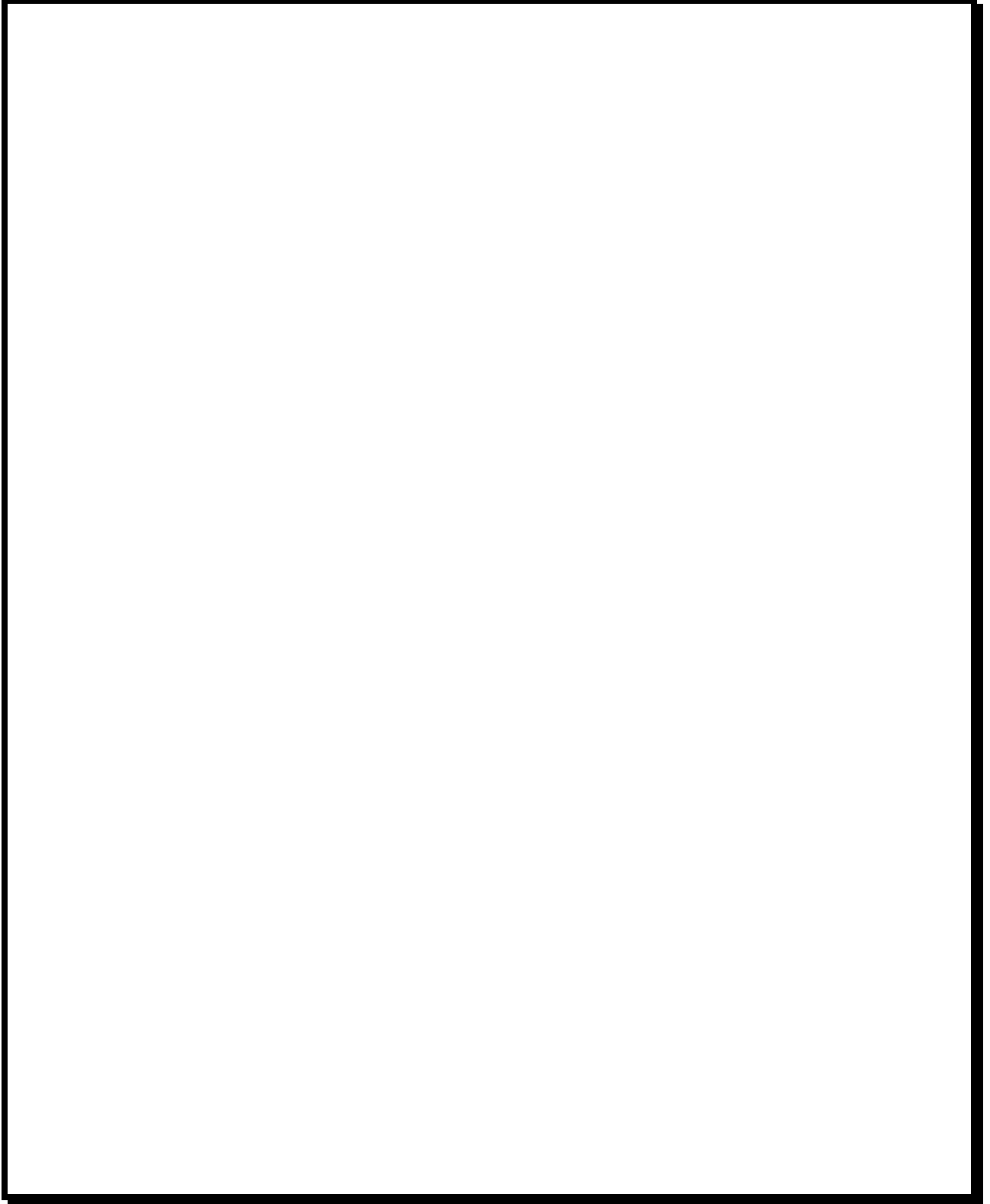
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**Multiple-Choice Questions**







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**Question1 :**

Success requires hard work, luck and a good personal network. Many have been endeavouring for their whole life but the odds have never been in their favour.

According to the text, the author holds the belief that ...

- A. it is important to work hard in order to succeed.
- B. success entails a number of factors.
- C. endeavours cannot beat the odds.
- D. you can never succeed without friends.

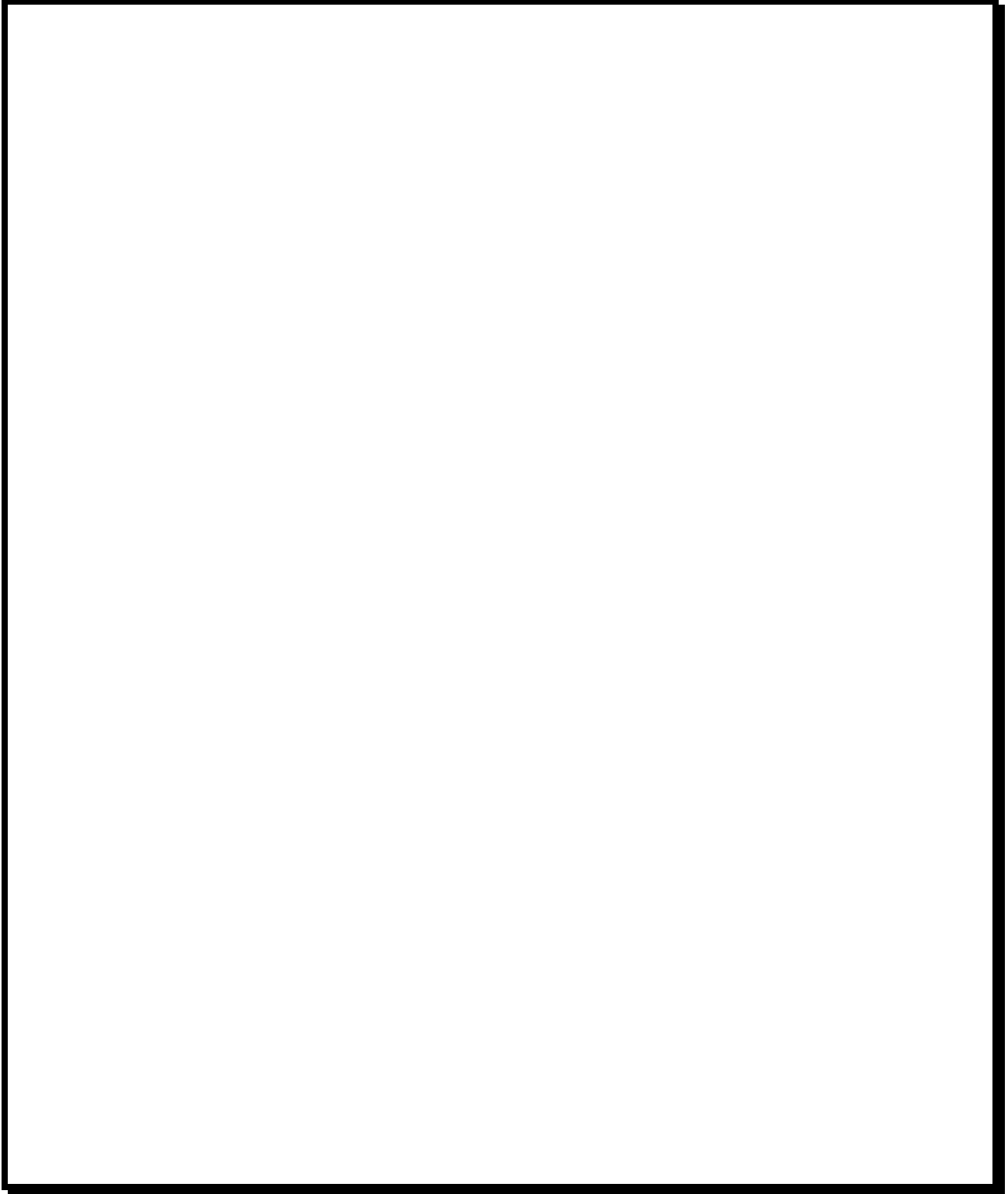
**Question 2:**

Tomoko Komiyama, a 74-year-old Japanese woman, lives with a fuzzy, koala-like robo-pet called 'Wanda' as part of a year-long experiment to determine the extent to which humans can bond with robots. Mrs. Komiyama says the experiment was successful. 'When I looked into his large brown eyes, I fell in love after years of being quite lonely,' says the widow. While Wandakun is not much more interactive than a houseplant – it wriggles when cuddled – Mrs. Komiyama considers Wanda a fine companion. She snuggles up with it, talks to it and even knitted her robo-pet a sweater last winter to keep its electronic circuits warm. 'I swore to protect and care for the little animal,' she says.

According to the paragraph, Mrs. Komiyama's life has been transformed by Wanda because ...

- A. she always looks after him.
- B. she feels he needs her.
- C. he enjoys her cuddles.
- D. she has someone to talk to.

**Paper 3: Integrated Skills**



### **Illustration 1: General Skills – Marking Scheme Format**

**Question:** Explain why Hong Kong teenagers should run more often.

**Extracts of Data File:**

Recent statistics concerning the exercising pattern has drawn the concern of health experts. Half the young people interviewed do not actually do exercise and the figure has increased by 30 per cent compared with the same survey conducted a decade ago. To counter this trend, Dr Martin suggests teenagers take up the habit of running. "Running helps people maintain physical health." He shares the view of many other medical specialists who recommend taking up the habit of running and points out that many people like running not just because it's fun, it's completely free.

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