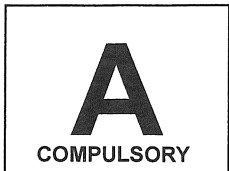


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**HKDSE 2019
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 1 PART A
QUESTION-ANSWER BOOK**



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Read Text 1 and answer questions 1-18. (42 marks)

Text 1

1. According to paragraphs 1-5, decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG). (5 marks)

Statements	T	F	NG
(i) Harford encourages his readers to be very tidy.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Harford has more than one job.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) Harford's first book is called 'Messy.'	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) Harford is friends with many famous creative people.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(v) Harford thinks it is good to be involved with more than one project at a time.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. Which phrase in paragraph 4 refers to all the work that Harford is involved with?

3. What is the purpose of the list of 'different things' in lines 19-20?

A. to prove that mess exists				
B. to show that people are messy				
C. to highlight how mess is related to various aspects of life	A	B	C	D
D. to argue that mess is a positive influence in people's lives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

4. Below is a summary of paragraph 6. In five of the lines, there is ONE mistake. If you find a mistake, underline it and replace the word with one that expresses the correct idea. Write the word in the box on the right. Both grammar and spelling must be correct. In one of the lines there is no mistake; put a tick (✓) in the box. The first has been done for you. (6 marks)

	Summary	Correction
e.g.	Harford's book discusses many <u>similar</u> situations concerning mess.	different
(i)	A common theme is the idea that there are advantages in accepting	
(ii)	the things we can measure, organize or standardize. Such things	
(iii)	usually make people feel calm as they feel they have lost control.	
(iv)	Instead, people hate having a target to achieve, a script to follow,	
(v)	or a messy workstation. Naturally, such things have their benefits	
(vi)	but so too do all those situations that are easy to predict.	

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5. Why does the word 'Messy' (line 26) have a capital letter?

'Messy' is _____

6. Find ONE word in paragraph 7 that means 'collections of old documents'.

7. What does 'this' (line 31) refer to?

8. Complete the following notes based on paragraph 8 by writing ONE word taken from paragraph 8 in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct. (5 marks)

Three reasons why your desk is more efficient than you think.

1. Your piles of paper will become (i) _____ as you add / remove documents.

– People consider a pile to be (ii) _____, but this is not the case.

For example, when you stop using the material, it will move to the (iii) _____.

2. You won't need a (iv) _____ of things to do.

– You have visible reminders right in front of you.

3. You don't need to think about what to put in the trash.

The answer is (v) _____ – keep everything at the top and bin the rest.

9. Find a word in paragraphs 9-11 which has a similar meaning to each word given below. (5 marks)

(i) 'very' _____

(ii) 'unusable' _____

(iii) 'acceptable' _____

(iv) 'mentally' _____

(v) 'completed' _____

10. What does 'cut ourselves some slack' (line 50) mean?

A. consider being less messy

B. judge ourselves less harshly

C. think of guilt more positively

D. compare ourselves to more successful people

A B C D
○ ○ ○ ○

11. Find the metaphor the writer uses to describe 'guilty feelings' in paragraph 11.

12. Why do managers want their offices to 'look like a magazine shoot' (line 53)?

They want their offices to _____

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13. What does 'them' (line 66) refer to?

14. When Harford says 'nudging the pendulum' (line 67) he means...

- A. stopping people from making a mistake.
- B. reminding people of the possible options.
- C. telling people to adopt a particular approach.
- D. encouraging people to rethink their attitudes.

A B C D

15. Why would the reader be 'surprised' (line 69) by an improvement?

16. Several actions from the text are described below, along with their consequences. Complete the information by writing ONE word taken from the relevant paragraph in each blank below. Your answers must be grammatically correct. (4 marks)

	ACTION		CONSEQUENCE
Paragraph 5	Focusing on something different when facing a difficulty on a project.	➔	You will be able to (i) _____ your thinking process.
Paragraph 7	Constantly clearing away your paperwork.	➔	You will have a filing system that is difficult to (ii) _____.
Paragraph 13	Employees being told how to organize their (iii) _____.	➔	They lose their sense of (iv) _____.

17. Which of the following best summarises Harford's message in the text?

- A. Mess is often useful.
- B. Messiness aids creativity.
- C. Everyone should be messier.
- D. Distractions make people less effective at work.

A B C D

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18. Two friends are discussing the extract from the interview with Tim Harford (paragraphs 6-15). Use the information from the text to match each statement in the speech bubbles with a paragraph that contains similar ideas. Write the number of the paragraph next to the speech bubble. Each paragraph number can be used once only. Some paragraph numbers are not used. The first two have been done for you as examples. (5 marks)

Jenny



Paul



Paragraph
e.g. 13

I truly dislike it when my dad tells me to tidy my bedroom – it doesn't feel like it's my room anymore, but his.

Paragraph
e.g. 12

Yeah, my mum's the same. Just because she has to be hyper-organized at work at her dental surgery, it doesn't mean that's right for my things in my own room. Even when things get a bit messy, I still get things done.

Paragraph
(i) _____

You know, I've just read an interview which says we could be astonished to see how messiness might make our lives better.

Paragraph
(ii) _____

Really? How would that work? Last night I spent 30 minutes looking for my chemistry homework because I hadn't put it in the right folder on my desk.

Paragraph
(iii) _____

Well the interview gave one or two famous historical examples where really messy people achieved great things.

Paragraph
(iv) _____

But that can't really work for everyone, can it?

Paragraph
(v) _____

You know, it could save you looking for your chemistry homework next time. The writer describes how a mountain of documents has a system to it so you can quickly find exactly what you need.

END OF PART A

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