

HSK5 – student checkpoint

Chinese

Original course checkpoints; not official mock papers, scaled HSK scores or unseen assessments.

Work with help closed first. Play each listening passage twice. Complete reading before checking answers. Speaking and writing require human feedback; use the models for review after attempting the task.

Suggested time: listening 15 minutes, reading 18 minutes, writing 30 minutes, speaking 7 minutes. These are short-course practice times, not official examination timings.

Listening

Play the audio at exercises.lol/chinese/checkpoint/hsk5 or ask a teacher to read the separate script twice. Keep the script closed.

■ Passage 1

1. What did the survey measure?

- A. students' feelings about the arrangement
- B. long-term exam improvement
- C. the results of every class

My answer:

2. What additional evidence is proposed?

- A. a more attractive report cover
- B. learning results over a period of time
- C. a vote by teachers alone

My answer:

■ Passage 2

3. What is the problem with the original conclusion?

- A. it gives no personal experience
- B. it is too short to read
- C. it generalises too broadly from one experience

My answer:

4. What revision is planned?

- A. narrow the claim and state conditions
- B. remove every example
- C. make the claim more absolute

My answer:

Reading

■ Passage 1

一家书店把晚间活动改成小组讨论后，参加者普遍表示更愿意开口。店方因此考虑增加活动次数。不过，现有反馈来自主动报名的人，不能代表所有读者。此外，报名人数增加也可能与活动时间改变有关。若要判断小组形式本身的效果，需要在相近的时间条件下比较不同形式，并观察参加者是否持续参与。

5. Why might the feedback not represent every reader?

- A. nobody attended the activity
- B. it came from people who chose to sign up
- C. the bookshop never asked for feedback

My answer:

6. Which alternative explanation is mentioned?

- A. the books were free
- B. every reader moved house
- C. the activity time changed

My answer:

■ Passage 2

我第一次主持读书会时，把每个问题都安排得很紧，生怕现场安静下来。后来，一位参加者告诉我，她需要一点时间组织语言，并不是没有想法。第二次活动，我少准备了两个问题，也不急着接着说。讨论反而更深入。这段经历让我意识到，主持人的准备不仅包括要说什么，也包括何时给别人留出空间。

7. What did the writer initially misunderstand?

- A. silence could mean someone needed time to organise an answer
- B. readers always wanted more questions
- C. preparation was unnecessary

My answer:

8. What is the writer's final insight?

- A. a host should speak continuously
- B. preparation includes leaving room for others
- C. fewer questions always guarantee success

My answer:

Writing

Write at least 200 Chinese characters discussing whether a school should extend library opening hours. Give a clear position, reasons, a relevant example and a limitation or alternative. Distinguish an example from evidence about every student.

Speaking

Explain a small learning change you recommend. Give a reason, an example and a limitation. Your partner asks whether the recommendation would work for everyone.

Review one uncertain detail and try a fresh response tomorrow. This checkpoint does not produce an official HSK score.