

### 3. Vocabulary Answers

Fill in the blanks in the sentences below using words from the box.

emphasise	high-stakes	benefited	diverse
lamented	elite	convinced	clichés
quipped	preoccupation		

1. He really believed - in fact he was **convinced** - that aliens had abducted his pet cat.
2. **Elite** students go to the best universities and often get very high-paid jobs.
3. I would like to **emphasise** the importance of reading as good preparation for the HKDSE English exam.
4. This is a **high stakes** test. This means that if you pass, the consequences can be extremely important.
5. The students **benefited** from doing extra English classes after school as they got higher marks in the final exam.
6. “At the end of the day”, “It’s not my cup of tea” and other expressions that are overused are known as **clichés** .
7. He has a **preoccupation** with cleanliness and hygiene. He washes his hands 10 time a day and showers in the morning and before going to bed.
8. She **quipped** means she said a clever, witty or funny remark.
9. London is one of the most culturally **diverse** cities in the world. Many people from many different countries live there.
10. She **lamented** the fact that so many of her friends had moved away from Hong Kong. It left her feeling so sad.