**King Ling College**

**Tuesday Morning Newspaper Reading Session**

**12 May 2015**

Refer to the SCMP on 11 May 2015

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| ***Please note that all future articles referred to herein and for the remainder of the year through this medium may be subject to use for examination purposes and the assessment of the Senior Forms as they relate to* Liberal Studies*.*** |

***Article 1: E-cigarette groups unite against proposed ban, (C1)***

**Vocabulary:**

Look up the following vocabulary / phrases for their meaning and usage:

1. distributor (n)
2. manufacturer (n)
3. prohibit (v)
4. regulate (v)
5. brand (n)
6. vapour (n)
7. addictive (adj)
8. consumption (n)
9. designate (v)
10. designated (past participle/adj)

**Questions:**

1. Who specifically is joining together to fight the ban?
2. What is the first argument against the ban in paragraph 3?
3. Who does the government see as the target consumer for this product?
4. What is the group’s rebuttal against this claim by the government?
5. What foreign source does the group also cite?
6. Lalji suggests what other course of action for the government in place of banning e-cigarettes?
7. The 11th paragraph is a quote and is very powerful. What do you think of the quote?
8. What is Prof Chan’s argument against the e-cigarette? Is she compelling?
9. What does Lalji want to do with the Legislative Council next month?

**Article 2:** **Chinese Bosses Paying Below Minimum Wage**

 **in Australia**, **(C2)**

**Vocabulary:**

Look up the following vocabulary / phrases for their meaning and usage:

1. harsh (adj)
2. grueling (adj)
3. nap (n/v)
4. overtime (n)
5. grossly (adv)
6. grocery (adj) /groceries (n)
7. backpacker (n)
8. shift (n)
9. evade (v)
10. hospitality (n)

**Questions:**

1. Go to xe.com and convert A$16.87 into $HK.
2. What allows some Hong Kong travellers to work in Australia?
3. Where are most of these workers finding employment?
4. Where can these backpacker not find employment easily?
5. How are some Chinese businesses scamming Hong Kong backpackers?
6. Why is the local government not dealing with exploitation in Chinese establishments?
7. Why are some backpackers willing to work for a pittance?
8. How else are some of these businesses avoiding taxation?
9. How much money has the Australian government, with the help of the ombudsman, helped to recover for victims of exploitation? What is that in HK$?

**Oth*er recommended articles****:*

*Lu urged us to learn from History*, C2

*Study hopes to find ways to boost economy*, C3

*Chat’s the way to study a language,* C7

*How learning gets lost in quest for high marks*, C7