

## HKCEE, HKALE and HKDSE text types

\*The **boxes in yellow** indicate the most popular text types.

### Reading

	Text types	CE 07	CE 08	CE 09	DSE 12	DSE 13	DSE 14	AL 05	AL 06	AL 07	AL 08	AL 09	AL 10
narrative - literary	poem		✓										
	excerpt of story						✓						
narrative - non-literary	biography						✓						
information texts	magazine article (several parts)	✓			✓	✓✓							
	newspaper article	✓	✓	✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	list (summer courses)												
	website												
	book review				✓								
	film review												
exchanges	forum posts		✓										
	interview			✓									
	email												
persuasive texts	advertisements	✓											

### Writing

	Text types	CE 07	CE 08	CE 09	DSE 12	DSE 13	DSE 14	AL 05	AL 06	AL 07	AL 08	AL 09	AL 10
narrative - literary	story	✓			✓	✓	✓						
narrative - non-literary	diary entry					✓							
	blog entry				✓								
information texts	leaflet			✓									
	photo caption					✓							
	report (descriptive)												
	speech				✓	✓							
	article (descriptive / expository)	✓	✓		✓✓	✓✓	✓✓✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
	article (argumentative / commentary)		✓						✓	✓	✓		✓
exchanges	Forum post				✓✓								

letter to the editor (argumentative / commentary)	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
letter to the editor (descriptive / expository)							✓		✓	✓			
letter to an organisation (descriptive / expository)				✓	✓	✓			✓				
email / letter to a peer (descriptive / expository)		✓											
email / letter to a peer (commentary)						✓							
email / letter to teacher (descriptive / expository)					✓					✓			
email / letter to the principal (argumentative)			✓										✓
email / letter to the principal (persuasive)						✓	✓						
email (argumentative)			✓										

More:

	Text types
narrative - non literary	film review
	drama review
information texts	newsletter
	report
	proposal
	memo
exchanges	letter of complaint
	reply to letter of complaint
	letter of application

### Listening and integrated task

Task (✓=listening task, ✓= listening integrated task / practical skills task)

	Text types	CE 07	CE 08	CE 09	DSE 12	DSE 13	AL 05	AL 06	AL 07	AL 08	AL 09
narrative - literary											
narrative - non-literary											
information texts	note sheet				✓						
	leaflet	✓	✓		✓						
	calendar			✓							
	table and chart	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓✓	✓	✓	✓
	speech	✓									
	quiz								✓		
	application form		✓								
	booking / order form										
	report form					✓					
	survey form					✓					
	floor / sitting / layout plan	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓		
	map						✓			✓	
	questionnaire		✓				✓				
	article		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓✓		✓		✓
	report										
	PowerPoint slides										✓
	website / homepage			✓		✓✓					
	photos / pictures	✓						✓	✓	✓	✓
	passport								✓		
	shopping list										
	poster										
	FAQ							✓			✓
	flowchart								✓		✓
	press release							✓			
editorial						✓					
summary					✓						
description / introduction					✓✓						
fact sheet / form						✓					
exchanges	letter of invitation	✓									
	letter of request / application								✓		
	letter to the editor									✓	
	letter reply to the complaint										
	email (informative)										
	email of clarification						✓✓				

	email of reply				✓						
persuasive texts	advertisement	✓									
	proposal										

More:

	Text types
information texts	speech
	briefing sheet
	calendar
	guidelines
	application form
	feedback / evaluation form
	performance form
	accident report
	memo
	dos and don'ts
notice	
exchanges	fax

**Data file**

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narrative - literary												
narrative - non-literary	film review (rating)			✓								
	biography									✓		
information texts	note sheet (for jotting notes)		✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	
	mind map	✓	✓				✓	✓			✓	
	list and points	✓					✓			✓	✓	
	note	✓					✓		✓			
	dictionary							✓				
	blog				✓	✓			✓			
	website / homepage	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
	floor plan	✓										
	map											
	quote / comment						✓			✓		
	minutes				✓	✓				✓	✓	✓
	questionnaire		✓									
	report								✓			✓
	leaflet							✓	✓			
	certificate								✓			
	cost breakdown form											
	pictures / photos	✓							✓			
	personal profile			✓								
	tables and charts	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	back cover of a book		✓									
	foreword of a book							✓				
	synopses of books											
	book jacket				✓							
	newspaper article	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓
	research article				✓							
	magazine page		✓				✓					
	newsletter			✓	✓							
	regulations											
	survey results											
	statistics				✓	✓				✓		
	certificate								✓			
	promotional pamphlet							✓				
	FAQ											
	postcard											
	time table											

	outline						✓						
	user manual						✓						
	guidelines					✓	✓						
	press conference					✓							
	business card												
	memo / notes					✓							
	fare table												
	timeline											✓	
exchanges	letter to the editor					✓			✓	✓			
	letter (semi-formal)						✓						
	letter (formal)												✓
	phone message												
	discussion board / forum						✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
	email	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓			✓
	transcript						✓						
	interview			✓		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	
procedural texts	direction												
persuasive texts	advertisement	✓		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓			
	proposal												

More:

information texts	brochure / pamphlet / handbook
	appointment card
	position description
	flyer
	policy
	telephone directory
	student card / business card
	press release
	flight / train schedules
	book blurb
	annual report
	market research data
	letter of recommendation
	letter of employment
	terms and conditions
	criteria
	dos and don'ts
	statement / invoice
coupon / voucher	

	travel insurance
	luggage label
	catalogue
	contract
	cheque
	entertainment guide
	notice
	itinerary
exchanges	fax
	text message
	letter of confirmation
	postcard

### Recording

Text types	CE 07	CE 08	CE 09	DSE 12	DSE 13	AL 05	AL 06	AL 07	AL 08	AL 09	AL 10
conversation (2 people)		✓	✓								
conversation (3 people or more)	✓	✓		✓	✓					✓	
phone conversation (2 people)	✓										
conversation in TV show (3 people or more)									✓		
conversation in interviews (2 people for each interview)			✓		✓						
conversation in interview (4 people)						✓					
conversation in a talk (4 people)				✓				✓			
conversation in a talk (4 people, with inserted conversations of 2 people)								✓			
conversation in a visit (5 people)							✓				
conversation about doing a project (3-4 people)											
conversation in podcast (2 people )				✓							
conversation in podcast (3 people or more)					✓						
podcast (with inserted conversations of 2 people)				✓							