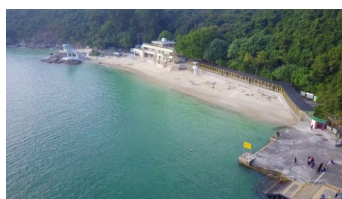


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## Sports Day

**5C Andy Chow**

The first UT is finally over! It was time to have a blast on Sports Day. I saw everyone having a good time together. Our four houses did their very best to win as many awards as possible. The cheerleaders yelled at the top of their lungs. Everyone raced to the finish line, which was exhilarating! Not only that, we were able to interview all four of the house captains about the incredible performances on these two exciting days.

### Man House — Ready for a Comeback

Although Man House did not rise to glory compared to the past, Edward Chan, the house captain, is far from giving up. Quite the contrary, he thinks that this year's Sports Day result was satisfactory. Winning the Grade C overall champion shows that they still have a lot of young and strong athletes. He thinks that Man House is still going to have a comeback, probably stronger than ever! The most touching moment for him is seeing the junior form students jump and cheer for their astonishing achievement, with some even having tears welling up in their eyes. What a proud moment!



But what he is dissatisfied about is the poor time management. Since the Sports Days started right after the first UT, starting the preparation right after was terribly rushed for them. Luckily, everyone helped in the making of the banner. With or without artistic talent, the contribution was made by everyone. There was also the cheerleading to take care of too. But with rigorous training, an energetic, high-spirited cheerleading team was born in a short period of time. All and all, everything worked out well. And that is what he is proud of.

### *Hung House – The Spirit That Never Dies*

Getting the second runner-up may not be a very marvellous achievement, but Cherie Chan, the house captain, still appreciates all of the committee members' help and support. She thanks them for doing their best. Focusing on



the bright side of things, they are happy that the Form One students earned themselves the cheering team championship. 'When the winner was announced, the Form One students went wild! I'm glad that the award gives our cheerleaders validation of their efforts.'

'I think we definitely lack the manpower on Sports Day. Everyone was still busy with other activities,' Samson Cheng, the other house captain said.

'Have we got the help from other senior students, we could have gotten better results in both banner decorating and cheerleading.' He also recommends some of our teachers join in on some running such as 1500m or 3000m if they can. Not only for fun but also to show commitment to the house .

But what they both agree on is that the house has a brave and fearless spirit. 'After the first day, we seemed to have fallen behind from other houses,' Samson commented. 'But we and the other members were far from giving up. We had kept our team together and tried our best to help Hung house to get more points. My house members always supported each other to show that we would not give up. This is the Hung House spirit, determined and fearless against any difficulties.'

### *Chung House – Putting In Their Best Efforts*

Despite their loss on the overall inter-house championship, Chung House still grabbed many awards this year. 'The result is definitely unexpected, but first runner-up is still a great accomplishment. I'll settle on that,' said Nikki Ho, Chung House's captain. 'Our house always strives for the best in every aspect of the competition, no matter it's competing, cheerleading, or decorating banners. With the least number of members, being able to get second on Sports Day is impressive to me.'



Nikki also expresses gratitude to all the committee members, for giving her a helping hand with the sports ground decoration. With great communication and cooperation, they were able to get everything on the banner done on time. 'To be honest, decorating the banner was pretty rushed. I think we should refrain from procrastinating. Without better time management, this would've never happened.'

Despite the positive result, Loby Chan, also the house captain, thinks that some improvements can still be made. 'With fewer people in the house, we expect each student to contribute more on Sports Day.' Committee members in Chung House tried their best to find students to participate in more competitions in hopes of getting more points. 'I hope everyone in Chung House can take part in more competitions. Let us all win together as a team.'

### Shun House – The Ultimate Champion

Congratulations to Shun House for being the victor of the houses! With them being the underdog of all houses, it caught me by surprise that they were able to outperform and snatch the final victory. When asked about the victory, Hikki So, the captain of Shun House, felt especially thrilled about this since Shun House hadn't won for about 20 years! She felt pleased to be the captain and led their house to success. She thinks that proves the efforts of Shun House athletes have not gone down the drain—especially the cheerleaders. With the cheerleading committee training and encouraging the Form One students, they were able to shout loudly in unison, and with their hearts. There were also the committee members that had spent their precious time on helping to decorate the house banner. With their help, they were able to make rapid progress on the banner, so they could care for some minor details to perfect the banner. Thomas Au, also the captain of the house, hopes Shun house athletes can still participate more next year. "One small step for you is one giant leap for Shun House. Even if you are not the strongest, you can still do your best and contribute to the house."



## Inter-school Badminton Competition

**5D Vincent Lau**

The Grade A inter-school badminton competition had come to end with us snatching the boy's championship. It was an exciting, stressful and emotional experience for the senior form students, especially the Form Six students. As the competitors, we were jovial and carefree when we were on the court and enjoyed the hectic pace of the game but we were also on our toes when we encountered some skilful players like our opponents in the finals. This was a payback to take the first place as we lost to PLK Centenary Li Shiu Chung Memorial School last year. Apart from the traditional rival team, there was also a new school vying for the championship, which was Harrow International School Hong Kong, our opponent in the semi-finals. For one to win a game, they must take three victories in five sets which are three singles and two doubles. The first to score 21 points will take the set and we fortunately earned the eligibility to get into the finals by beating Harrow with three to one, and further won the finals also with three sets to one.

The most skilful player in the senior form, Matthew Lau, believes that it was his job to lead the LKKC badminton team to win the championship and he accomplished his mission. Although he is the best player in LKKC and he helped the boys team win two sets, the championship wouldn't be ours without other teammates' effort. He is grateful to his teammates and hopes that he can keep up his good work so as to lead the boys team to championship next year.

One of the Form Six students, Yanson Wong was relaxed and gleeful after the competition. He was not satisfied with his performance that day and felt he could have done better but was also fortunate to have such great teammates to support him when he was down. This result had left him no regrets in his school life.

Meanwhile, the girls' team has been performing their best and got through the group matches, but unfortunately lost to Tam Lee Lai Fun Memorial Secondary School in the elimination match, and failed to get into the finals.

The girls were anxious about their opponents at first when they first saw one of the best teams, Madam Lau Kam Lung Secondary School in the same group with them, but they carried on. Fortunately, they defeated the conventional strong team in the fifth set which gave them hope of winning and a sense of success. But still they were eliminated in the quarter finals which made them feel bitter. As the girls A Grade

was short on players, one of the form 1 students was forced to play with the senior form students. Imagine having both Form 1 and Form 6 playing in Grade A together! But it was an unforgettable and invaluable experience to them.



Despite the fact that we have not achieved the best results we could have, we would never lose our faith and fighting spirit. We will not be overwhelmed and too proud of our glorious title of the championship nor be dragged down by dissatisfaction as we know that there are still a lot of hurdles that we need to overcome in the future. We are still devoting ourselves to regular practices. No matter how tough and difficult the competition next year will be, with adequate practices and unfailing efforts, we will strive for the best results in the coming competitions.

## **The Teen Guide to Hong Kong**

**SD Selby Ho**

Teens in Hong Kong are always busy with their school work, extra-curricular activities, and sports. But youngsters still have time to "chill" with their friends, and they should. Here are some activities or locations that cater to all sorts of teens. Take a look if any of these interests you.

### **Skateparks: Indoor & Outdoor**

For those who enjoy skating, you'll be glad to know that Hong Kong has plenty of outdoor and indoor skateparks to practice your skills. Mei Foo Skatepark (aka "The Foo") in Lai Chi Kok is a favorite, especially because it caters to beginners, amateurs, and experts. Don't fret if it rains—you can check out the great indoor park Checker Sports and Arts Academy in Tai Koo that offers an excellent spot for in-line skating.



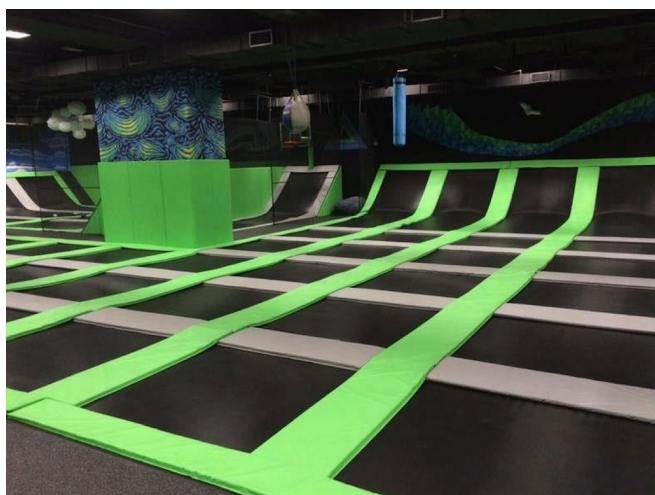
### **Hit The Seas: Surf + Zoom Ribs + Kayak And Hike**

For those who prefer a more adventurous day out, you're in luck! Be grateful that you're living in a city like Hong Kong that is by the ocean. There are plenty of cool activities that you can have in the sea. You can learn or perfect your surfing skills and also hike and kayak.



## Play: Trampolines + Mini Golf + Batting Cage & More

Need to release some stress but can't do it because of Hong Kong's extreme weather sometimes? There is an abundance of options for teens to be safely indoors. The indoor SuperPark in Tai Kok Tsui is a venue from Finland where you'll find a wide range of sports like climbing a wall and riding your scooter. There is also a batting cage, a trampoline, golf range, obstacle course, and so much more. Or go over to North Point to try the Ryze Ultimate



Trampoline Park for indoor fun galore for the

whole family with 50 interconnecting trampolines and a new floor of obstacle fun. For something a little more laidback, go mini golfing at Strokes.



## Beach: Tan, Swim, Picnic

With Hong's wide selection of beaches, you should have no problem choosing where to go—there is Repulse Bay, Deep Water Bay or Shek O Beach. For cleaner water, it's best to go to Sai Kung for some gorgeous views and lovely white sand. Trio beach is one of my favourites and it is also known as the cleanest beach in the city.



## Food: Where To Eat?

Besides hanging out in fast food chains like KFC or McDonald's, why not try The Flying Pan in Wan Chai. They've got the all you can eat eggs in every style imaginable, free-flow coffee, excellent wifi and the delicious smothered in maple syrup waffles and pancakes. Or if you fancy Japanese style infused with Italian cuisine,

there is Saizeriya, with a few branches in Hong Kong. Enjoy free-flowing drinks and a wide selection of their dishes to share.



## Cinema: The Big Screen

With so many action hero movies being released, it is not a surprise that more movie-goers, especially the young are going out to the cinema. Horror films and action-packed films from Marvel are always big hits, and who doesn't love hot dogs and sweet and salty popcorn from the huge list of cinemas in Hong Kong? It's definitely a great way to enjoy time off from school and to spend time with buddies or family.

## **Anime: Back then and Now**

**5C Cecilia Hong**

Talking about Anime, the concepts popping up in your mind might be “cartoon”, “non-mainstream” or even “childish”. In fact, Anime is totally different from cartoons like the Pleasant Goat and Big Big Wolf. Cartoon was defined as a type of illustration, possibly animated, but targeted at toddlers, with a plot that tends to be funny and easy to understand. In contrast, Anime is a mixture of hand-drawing and computer animation, usually containing profound messages, leading one to reflect on to society and even life.

Since 1917 when the earliest commercial Japanese animation was created, Anime production has grown steadily. Osamu Tezuka is one of the representative figures. His artworks led the characteristic anime art style in the 1960s. Throughout the late twentieth century, Anime has gained a large local and international fanbase.

What makes it successful over the century is that animation focuses more on the smoothness of characters' movement and realism of progressing along with the technological development. On top of that, the usage of special effects like panning, zooming and angle shots, is also meticulously planned. The unique style of character proportions and features, including large emotive or oversized eyes, gives a breath of fresh air to the audiences.

Several genres are used to classify the target of an Anime, including children's', girls', boys' and a huge range for adults. For those targeted at teens, popular elements like good-looking characters and dramatic love stories are used frequently. Slow pace and complex plots are not appealing to the youngers, but a sight for sore eyes for the mature ones' or adults, like “Psycho-pass” taking place in an authoritarian future dystopia or the 1996 classic “Tobaku Mokushiroku Kaiji” (Gambling Apocalypse Kaiji) featuring the art of gambling. Homosexual romances also emerged in genres, for example, “Sekai-ichi Hatsukoi” (The World's Greatest First Love) is a boys-love manga series illustrated by Shungiku Nakamura.

This was followed by a culture named “Fujoshi” that appeared, denoting how a female who enjoys fictional gay content is too ruined to be married, which is quite an interesting description. Although there is classification of genres, a simple identity can't fit any Anime as numerous elements are put in a single piece.



Changing with the times, the society is becoming more open-minded than before. That's why the subject matters of Anime nowadays are getting more multi-elemental. In the middle of 2018, an Anime called “Goblin Slayer” was released to the media, resulting in strong criticism of departure from humanity, depicting materialized women and loose censorship of violent pictures. Originally, it is a dark fantasy light novel series written by Kumo Kagyu. The manga series first appeared in the Monthly Big Gangan magazine, which was turned into an animation in 2018. As a die-hard fan of Anime, I am really enthusiastic about watching any kinds of Anime. The story was set in an era when humans and goblins are enemies, beginning with the main-character, a young Priestess who joins a group of beginner adventurers. Lack of experiences quickly get them ambushed by goblins, resulting in some of them being killed, raped or captured. The appearance of the Globin Slayer, a man with a whole set of armor, helps the Priestess. Aside from a few seconds of uncomfortable pictures, the plot and message of the story are definitely profound and refreshing. For people who love adventurous and fast stories, “Goblin Slayer” would be your cup of tea.

No matter what people think of these new genres, I'm sure it will stick around for a long time.

# Remembrance Day 2018

5C Robbie Cheung

On 11th November 1918, the First World War ended. European countries had paid tremendous costs to fight against one another in the war. For this year, it marks the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War.

Here is a quiz about the First World War. Enjoy!

revengeful	colonize	dreadnoughts	ultimatum (n.)	compromises
coalition	nationalism	Triple Entente	Triple Alliance	League of Nation

The First World War was a hard-fought battle between the Allied Power and the Central Power. It lasted for 4 years and 3 months. The Allied Power was an alliance mainly composed of Britain, France and Russia. They signed the 1. \_\_\_\_\_ on 31 August 1907. Meanwhile, the Central Power was a 2. \_\_\_\_\_ that included three countries who had signed the 3. \_\_\_\_\_ on 20 May 1882. The countries are Germany, Austria-Hungary and Italy.

The First World War was heavily influenced by the rise of extreme 4. \_\_\_\_\_. A notable example was France, who had a 5. \_\_\_\_\_ feeling towards Germany after her defeat in the Franco-Prussian War. On the other hand, the armament race of European powers had caused the fear of war. New weapons invented in the era included machine guns, 6. \_\_\_\_\_ and tanks. The rise of imperialism pushed the aggression of several European powers. The Scramble of Africa and China allowed them to 7. \_\_\_\_\_ these places and gain precious resources and market for their industrial production.

The First War broke out after a young Serbian student killed the heir presumptive to the Austro-Hungarian throne and his wife. It is known as the Sarajevo Assassination. Austria-Hungary sent an 8. \_\_\_\_\_ to warn Serbia. However, she rejected it. Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia, with countries joining the war soon.

The war was settled with the Armistice of 11 November 1918. Europe was back to stability. Nonetheless, they had to deal with wounds and scars of the war. The Paris Peace Conference was called, making several important 9. \_\_\_\_\_ with the signing of the Treaty of Versailles. 10. The \_\_\_\_\_, the predecessor the United Nations, was formed as an international organization. Furthermore, defeated countries like Germany and Austria-Hungary paid a large sum of compensation, with some of their territories being ceded.

Answers:  
 1. Triple Entente  
 2. coalition  
 3. Triple Alliance  
 4. nationalism  
 5. revengeful  
 6. dreadnoughts  
 7. colonize  
 8. ultimatum  
 9. compromise  
 10. League of Nations



# MI Young Writers Award 2019 English Writing Competition



## Objectives

- To encourage secondary school students in Hong Kong to realize their English writing talents.
- To advocate the good habit of magazines reading for Hong Kong teenagers and develop insights on social affairs issues and related subjects that are affecting their daily lives.
- To share well-written articles with the public through Mag Digest e-magazine and provide opportunities for students to become a young contributor/editor!

## Eligibility

All local secondary schools students (S.1-S.6)  
(Year 7 or upper students for international schools)

## Topics of Writing

• Junior section: S.1-S.3 (Year 7-9):  
**I'm Happy When...**

• Senior section: S.4-S.6 (Year 10-13):  
**A Day I Will Always Remember**

## Competition Rules and Registration

- To join the competition, school registration is required on or before 30th Nov 2018. School teacher in-charge can download the online registration form from [www.magazines88.com/miywa](http://www.magazines88.com/miywa) and email to [miywa@magazines88.com](mailto:miywa@magazines88.com)
- Only students of registered schools in Hong Kong are entitled to participating the competition. No individual entry will be accepted.
- Only Word format submission is accepted.
- \*PDF, Excel or PowerPoint format will not be accepted

Registration Period  
**1 Oct to 30 Nov 2018**

Submission Period  
**1 Dec 2018 to 28 Feb 2019**



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Junior section & Senior section

### Winner

- Trophy and Certificate
- Free seat to Taiwan Exchange Tour (Winner + School representative)
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### 1st runner-up

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- Joint Publishing cash coupon of HK\$800

### 2nd runner-up

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### Merit Awards (10 finalists)

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- Trophy for the school with highest number of entries per section



Those who are interested in this writing competition, please contact Ms. De Guzman before 23 November 2018.

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