Amy Tan’s mother wants her to be a prodigy, a child who does something so well she becomes famous, and decides Amy will have piano lessons even though her daughter doesn’t want them. Mr. Chong is Amy’s teacher.
Now answer the questions in the answer booklet.

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Answer all questions.
You should pay attention to punctuation, spelling and handwriting.
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The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

The total number of marks for this paper is 50.
Section A: Reading

1 (a) What type of story is this?

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(b) Give a reason from the passage to support your answer.

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2 Look at lines 5 to 15. How is Mr Chong described?

Write one phrase in your own words to describe him.

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Give a brief quotation from these lines to support your answer.

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3 Look at lines 10 to 22. In your own words, describe Amy.

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Give a brief quotation from these lines to support your answer.

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4 Before the day of the talent show, how did Amy’s parents feel about her performing?

Write one brief phrase in your own words.

Give a brief quotation from the passage to support your answer.

5 In your own words, give two descriptions of the atmosphere in the audience during the performances before Amy played.

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6 (a) Give two brief quotations which describe how Amy feels immediately before she starts playing and after she finishes.

1 Before she starts playing

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2 After she finishes playing

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(b) Why does the writer create this contrast in Amy’s feelings?

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7 From the passage, give **three** words or brief phrases, which the writer uses, to show how the audience responded to Amy’s performance.

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8 Explain what effect the writer is trying to create by using the words highlighted in bold in these sentences:

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Section B: Writing

9 Recovering from a disappointment is important at the end of this passage. Write a story in which getting over a disappointment is important in changing a character’s life. Try to show how the emotions and feelings of your character change.

Space for your plan

Write your story on the next page.