Please check your answer. Thank you.

**TANJONG RHU (SAMPLE ANSWER)**

1. Ah-Ma is a person who is honest about her humble background and enjoys the simple life. She is a mother of nine children, grandmother of thirty-four and great-grandmother of seventeen. Her children, like Mr. Li, her eldest son, are grown-up, independent and successful. She has every reason to be proud and to enjoy the success of her children. Yet, she prefers to rear a few chickens in her son’s garden, and ten to the family altar. She shuns material gifts. Her happiness is based on her memories of the carefree days in a hut on the beach when her husband was still alive. Her character is admirable.
2. The most important lesson I can learn from the short story Tanjong Rhu is respect for elders. The main characters, Mr. LI, is a successful businessman who has little time and patience for the old ways of his culture. Yet, he is a filial son who respects his mother and tries his best to please her. He buys a pair of binoculars for his mother so that she would be able to see more clearly. He respects her wish to have a family altar. He teaches his daughter, Ying, to treat her grandmother with greater respect. I think this value is very important in our culture.
3. I would be more conscious of how I treat the elders in my family. I would remind myself to be more patient when I do not see eye to eye with an elder and I would speak respectfully to them at all times.