METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL

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CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 2013
PRIMARY 5
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

(BOOKLET A)

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 35 minutes

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Class: Primary 5._____

Date: 4 March 2013

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Study the following text and then answer questions 1 to 5.

SINGAPORE DANCE THEATRE

COPPÉLIA

SYNOPSIS

A light-hearted and humorous ballet, *Coppélia* opens the 2013 season from March 14 - 17 to celebrate Singapore Dance Theatre's 25th Silver Anniversary. *Coppélia* is both sentimental and charming, with original choreography by Arthur Saint-Léon and music by Leo Delibes. This vibrant three-act ballet tells the story of the mysterious Dr Coppélius who owns a beautiful life-sized puppet, Coppélia. A village youth named Franz, engaged to the gorgeous Swanilda, becomes infatuated with Coppélia, not knowing that she was just a doll. The magic and fun begins when Coppélia springs to life!

Probably one of the best-known and most performed comedy ballets, *Coppélia* promises fun, laughter and enjoyment for the family!

For more information, log in to www.singaporedancetheatre.com

CAST

Swanilda	Rosa Park/ Chihiro Uchida
Franz	Timothy Coleman/ Kenya Nakamura
Dr Coppélius	Janek Schergen

TICKETING DETAILS

DATE: 14 – 17 MARCH 2013

TIME: 14 & 15 MARCH – 8PM
16 MARCH – 1PM, 8PM
17 MARCH – 1PM, 7PM

VENUE: ESPLANADE THEATRE

TICKETS:
EVENING PERFORMANCE - $90, $75, $50, $30
(STUDENTS/ SENIOR CITIZENS/ FULL-TIME NATIONAL SERVICEMEN ENJOY 20% DISCOUNT ONLY FOR EVENING PERFORMANCES)
MATINEE PERFORMANCE - $70, $50, $30

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM:

- www.esplanade.com
- 6348 5555 (SISTIC Hotline)
- Esplanade Box office at Mezzanine level or any authorised Sistic Agents

Adapted from Esplanade Diary, Jan – Mar 2013

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1 *Coppélia* is presented by _____.

(1) Arthur Saint-Léon
(2) Esplanade Theatre
(3) Sistic Authorised Agents
(4) Singapore Dance Theatre

2 You will not enjoy a discount if you _____.

(1) are a student
(2) are a senior citizen
(3) are a full-time national serviceman
(4) buy tickets for the afternoon performance

3 Which of the following statements is true?

(1) *Coppélia* is unsuitable for children.
(2) *Coppélia* is a heart-wrenching ballet.
(3) There are matinee performances on only 16 and 17 March.
(4) *Coppélia* was specially written to celebrate Singapore Dance Theatre's Silver Anniversary.

4 In the advertisement, the word which has the same meaning as "full of life" is _____.

(1) vibrant
(2) charming
(3) humorous
(4) sentimental

5 One has to _____ to purchase tickets for *Coppélia*.

(1) go to the Esplanade Box Office
(2) log in to www.singaporetheatre.com
(3) go to any agent selling concert tickets
(4) call the Singapore Dance Theatre hotline

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6 Neither Gina nor her brothers_____ swimming lessons. They prefer playing table tennis.

(1) enjoy
(2) enjoys
(3) is enjoying
(4) has enjoyed

7 Mrs Lee warned Raju and _____ to be more careful when crossing the road.

(1) I
(2) me
(3) my
(4) mine

8 These are the group leaders _____ we relied on during the camp.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose

9 Father returned home last night while we _____ dinner.

(1) had
(2) have
(3) will have
(4) were having

10 Peter _____ for Sally outside the cinema for the past two hours. He is still there now.

(1) has waited
(2) had waited
(3) has been waiting
(4) had been waiting

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11 They returned to Malaysia _____ train.

(1) to
(2) by
(3) on
(4) from

12 _____ the support of his fans, the concert by the superstar would not have been as successful.

(1) Except
(2) Despite
(3) Without
(4) Besides

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

David loved camping with his family. They would load up their truck with a tent, portable stove, chairs, flashlights and everything else they needed for a weekend at their favourite campsite. Then, there was the food **(13)** hot dogs, baked potatoes and toasted marshmallows for dessert.

This time, David was especially excited as his parents had told him that he could bring a friend. However, David did not know who he should invite. Jack was his best friend but he did not enjoy the outdoors.

The next day at school, David **(14)** classmate, Wei Ming, had to give a speech about his favourite hobby in front of the class. "I wish I could go camping every weekend. There's nothing I love more than camping **(15)** Wei Ming remarked enthusiastically.

"Well, that was easy," David said to himself. Wei Ming was an obvious choice.

13	(1)	[:]	colon
	(2)	[,]	comma
	(3)	[.]	full-stop
	(4)	[?]	question mark
14	(1)	[:]	colon
	(2)	[,]	comma
	(3)	['s]	apostrophe s
	(4)	[s']	s apostrophe
15	(1)	[,"]	comma and inverted commas
	(2)	[."]	full stop and inverted commas
	(3)	[?"]	question mark and inverted commas
	(4)	[!"]	exclamation mark and inverted commas

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

16 "Please _____ your seat belts. The plane is about to land," announced the captain.

(1) bind
(2) fasten
(3) attach
(4) connect

17 Don't _____. You have to clean up the mess and start all over on your project from scratch.

(1) tie the knot
(2) kick the bucket
(3) go the extra mile
(4) cry over spilt milk

18 Mr Tan was _____ over whether he should resign from his present job and take on a new challenge overseas.

(1) judging
(2) doubting
(3) pondering
(4) scheming

19 Siti _____ a coin into the air and caught it with her hands.

(1) tossed
(2) twirled
(3) hoisted
(4) pitched

20 After the examination, the pupils _____ a sigh of relief.

(1) uttered
(2) heaved
(3) exhaled
(4) whispered

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

Most starfish are shaped like five-pointed stars. When a starfish is struck (21) by a hungry fish, three of its arms may be gone! Will this be the end of the starfish? The missing arms begin to grow back. Before long, the starfish is whole again. The starfish is one of a small group of animals with an amazing (22) ability to grow new body parts.

A robin tries to pull an earthworm from the ground. However, it only gets part of the worm. Will the worm die? The earthworm's body is made up of many ring-like segments (23). The worm needs the first 35 segments to live as they contain its most important (24) organs. The worm can lose its whole back end and still be alive. It just grows new segments to replace (25) the ones it lost.

Growing new parts is one of the many abilities that help animals survive.

21
(1) abused
(2) violated
(3) attacked
(4) assaulted

22
(1) a delightful
(2) a resounding
(3) a remarkable
(4) an enchanting

23
(1) slices
(2) sections
(3) partitions
(4) fragments

24
(1) central
(2) essential
(3) dominant
(4) elementary

25
(1) supply
(2) refresh
(3) replenish
(4) substitute

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Read the passage below and answer Questions 26 to 30.

In the late 1800s, the car was invented and it grew in popularity rapidly. Many people had one which allowed them to get around faster. However, the people in New York City and New Jersey wanted to get back and forth more quickly, especially across the Hudson River. The Hudson runs between New York City and New Jersey. In 1906, a commission made up of people from these two places was set up and they looked into building a bridge across the Hudson. That was turned down because it would be much too costly. It was decided that a tunnel would be built beneath the Hudson instead as it would be less affected by weather.

The project to build the tunnel was called the "Hudson River Vehicular Tunnel Project". In 1919 Clifford Holland was chosen to lead the project. Construction began in 1920. The biggest challenge was getting air into the tunnel. The fear was that fumes from cars would be harmful and it would affect those travelling in the tunnel. So, engineers came up with a plan. They built an automatic ventilation system. This system would make the air cleaner in the tunnel. It would actually be purer than the air above ground. This tunnel was the first of its kind. Not only was it was the first fixed vehicle crossing from New York City to New Jersey but it was also the first mechanically ventilated vehicle tunnel.

Two tunnels were dug: one from New Jersey and another from New York City. The work was difficult. In 1924, tragedy struck the project. Holland passed away one day before the two tunnels were to link up but construction continued.

Finally, in 1927, the tunnel opened. It was named the Holland Tunnel after its first chief engineer, Clifford Holland. The toll for the tunnel was 50 cents. It was about 1.5 miles long and took 8 minutes to pass through it. On the first day, 51 694 vehicles passed through. The Holland Tunnel cost about $50 million to build. Today, the tunnel is still being used. Since it was built, over 1.3 billion vehicles have used the tunnel.

For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

26 The main reason the tunnel was built beneath the Hudson River was _____.

(1) there were too many cars on the road
(2) building a bridge would not have been safe
(3) the car becoming the most popular mode of transport
(4) people could drive through it regardless of the weather conditions

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27 Which one of the following statements is true?

(1) Tragedy struck before the project began.
(2) Clifford Holland was the first chief engineer of the project.
(3) Unfavourable weather conditions led to the delay of the project.
(4) Construction of the tunnel could not begin as the project was too costly.

28 The main problem faced by the engineers was _____.

(1) a lack of clean air in the tunnel
(2) the difficulty of digging the tunnel
(3) the high cost of building the tunnel
(4) the absence of a leader for the project

29 The automatic ventilation system allowed _____.

(1) clean and pure air into the tunnel
(2) the safer construction of the tunnel
(3) the conversion of harmful fumes from the cars to become harmless
(4) people in New York City and New Jersey to get back and forth more quickly

30 In line 18, the word "tragedy" refers to the _____.

(1) death of Holland
(2) two tunnels linking up
(3) difficulty of digging the two tunnels
(4) commuters being affected by the ventilation in the tunnel

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PRIMARY 5
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

(BOOKLET B)

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) above	(D) by	(G) is	(K) off	(N) to
(B) although	(E) however	(H) many	(L) these	(P) when
(C) are	(F) into	(J) much	(M) this	(Q) why

Frogs, toads and salamanders, usually make us think of green, slimy little monsters. _____ (31) these 'monsters' actually belong to a very special class of animals: amphibians. Amphibians can live both on land and in the water.

Today, amphibians are vanishing _____ (32) leaps and bounds from all the six continents where they are found. In some places, embryos are dying. In others, adults are missing. _____ (33) are they dying off? Industrial waste and toxic gases given _____ (34) by factories, manufacturing plants and cars are steadily poisoning the breeding grounds of amphibians. Chemicals such as sulphur dioxide rise high _____ (35) the atmosphere and mix with rain. _____ (36) makes the rain acidic which destroys delicate amphibian embryos. _____ (37) rare species of amphibians are already extinct. Another threat _____ (38) amphibians is increased ultra violet radiation. The ozone layer _____ (39) the earth's atmosphere which absorbs ultraviolet radiation _____ (40) being destroyed by harmful chemicals emitted by factories. As a result, more ultra violet rays are reaching the earth and more amphibians are dying.

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

(8 marks)

As a child, Kraisintu was deeply influenced by her grandmother, a Buddhist nun.

(41) [ ]

She would sit outside the house and buy all the wears of the vendors who went by so

(42) [ ]

that they did not have to walk all the way to the market. Kraisintu said, "She often <u>telling</u>

(43) [ ]

*me that I should do good if I have the **opurchewnity**."*

Although she was studying for her chemistry degree, Kraisintu regularly travelled

(44) [ ]

to remote hill districts <u>gave</u> villagers vitamin tablets that she and other students had

(45) [ ]

*made in the **lerboratery**. After getting her doctorate in the United Kingdom, Kraisintu*

(46) [ ] (47) [ ]

returned to Thailand <u>on</u> 1981. In 1989, Kraisintu was <u>choosing</u> by the govemment to

(48) [ ]

*head its newly created research and **devalopement** institute. She was thirty-seven.*

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (12 marks)

Castlepoint is a well-known rocky reef in New Zealand. The cliffs plunge straight into deep water. I had just travelled to Castlepoint to take photographs of the beautiful scenery there _____ (49) being a sunny, calm day there had been a major storm out at sea before I arrived. As a _____ (50) a five-metre wave was swelling up and was coming straight in at the cliffs. It was a spectacular _____ (51) and I decided to climb to the edge of the cliffs to photograph the waves.

I found a suitable perch to sit on the edge, about 15 metres _____ (52) the water. I got some fantastic photographs of the enormous wave plumes. To my horror, it reared up gradually to form a huge vertical face and I knew I had to get out of there _____ (53) I picked up my camera and ran for my _____ (54)! A few seconds later, I heard a rumbling 'boom' and I knew the wave _____ (55) hit. I did not turn to _____ (56) I just kept running _____ (57) panic to the sound of tonnes of water crashing behind me.

I finally stopped when I decided that I had outrun it, which I had to my _____ (58) The _____ (59) where I had been sitting, supposedly high above the sea, was completely washed with white water. No _____ (60) I would have been taken too. That was a big lesson for me – never underestimate the power of the sea.

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For each of the questions 61 to 63, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (6 marks)

61 The film had won many awards. Not many people wanted to watch the film

_____ although

_____

62 "Where did you go yesterday?" Dan asked Jenny.

Dan asked Jenny_____

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63 The waiter was rewarded. The waiter responded politely to the complaints of the customer.

Due to the waiter's _____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 64 to 70. (14 marks)

Rattling towards town in my old, rickety truck, I could think of little but my customary fast-food breakfast. It was a cold morning and I could hardly wait to sit down to a cholesterol-laden sausage-and-egg burger and a cup of coffee. Thus, I was not exactly looking for complications in my life when I noticed the blonde cocker spaniel at the road's edge. I could tell by her low-hanging belly and teats that she would be nursing young ones soon. Her ribs protruded from lack of food.

As my truck rolled onwards, I fought with my conscience. My conscience told me that I should have helped the dog but I had two dogs. How would I be able to feed another? But the image of that face was burning in my mind. While drinking my second cup of coffee, I made the **decision**. Ordering two extra sausage burgers, I returned to the spot where I had first seen her. I waited, calling out to her several times. Nothing. Leaving a burger, I drove off, knowing I would be back. I returned that afternoon and the burger was gone, but she never reappeared.

That night, I was unable to sleep. I kept visualising those sad eyes. Something told me I had missed the chance to ease pain in a suffering world.

I had to find that dog. I heated the extra sausage burger in the microwave and stepped out into the insufficient light of a cold dull-grey dawn. Stinging drops of rain hit my face.

Alone in the roadside thickets, warm burger in hand, I called out to her. However, my voice was swept away by the wind. I turned to leave.

Then I heard a rustle. There peeping through the bushes, was the sad, frightened face. For a few frozen seconds, we looked into each other's eyes. I held out the burger. Her pitiful whine revealed her **dilemma**.

I spoke to her softly. She lay on her belly, reluctant to come closer, I left the burger and made a slow retreat. Crawling forward warily, she grabbed the burger with a snap of her jaws. Then she was gone but reappeared with her brood in tow. We went home.

As the days passed, the dogs thrived. A bond of trust and goodwill formed between us. I also discovered that the young mother responded to the name 'Molly'.

Molly and the pups liked to sit in the bed of the truck when I went to town. I would buy them lollipops and stick them in their mouths. It caused quite a stir wherever we went.

Meanwhile, I continued my ritual of going to McDonald's each day for breakfast. One morning, I was happily eating my sausage burger, when I glanced at the notice board. **A chill of apprehension** coursed through my body. There was a picture of a dog which looked just like Molly.

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

64 Which word in the first paragraph tells us that the narrator was used to fast food for breakfast?

_____

_____

65 What does the sentence "I could tell by her low-hanging belly and teats that she would be nursing young ones soon." (lines 5 and 6) tell you about the dog?

_____

_____

66 Explain clearly why the narrator was hesitant to help the dog.

_____

_____

67 What decision did the narrator make in line 10 and why?

_____

_____

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68 Explain clearly the "dilemma" the dog was experiencing in line 23.

69 Which sentence from lines 24 to 32 shows that the relationship between the narrator and the dogs grew?

70 Why did the narrator feel "a chill of apprehension" (line 35) go through his body when he saw the picture of a dog which looked like Molly?

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ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2013
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4	4	3	1	1	1	2	3	4	3	2	3	1	3	4	2	4

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34
3	1	2	3	3	2	2	4	4	2	1	1	1	E	D	Q	K

Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
F	M	H	N	A	G

41)wares **42)told** **43)opportunity** **44)giving** **45)laboratory**

46)in **47)chosen** **48)development** **49)Despite** **50)result**

51)sight **52)above** **53)immediately** **54)life** **55)had**

56)look **57)in** **58)relief** **59)spot/edge/perch**

60)doubt

61)Not many people wanted to watch the film although it had won many awards.

62)Dan asked Jenny where she had gone the previous day.

63)Due to the waiter's polite response to the complaints of the customer, he was rewarded.

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64)The word is "customary".

65)She had not enough food and nutrients. She would also be giving birth soon.

66)The narrator had two dogs already and it would be difficult to feed another dog.

67)He decided to buy a burger and give it to the dog on the street as he felt so my for the dog.

68)She was hungry for the burger but was not sure whether she could trust the narrator.

69)The sentence is "A bond of trust and good will formed between us".

70)He realised that the dog was a lost dog and he was afraid to part with it.

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PRIMARY 5

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER

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(BOOKLET A)

Section A – Graphic-Stimulus Comprehension (5 x 1) marks

Study the following poster and answer questions 1 to 5.

The most celebrated exhibition for Chinese New Year is back!

Sentosa Flowers

presents

Joys of Spring

春节花会

9 – 17 February 10a.m. — 7p.m.

Palawan Beach

(Special preview for Sentosa VIP on 8 February!)

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- **Get your camera ready for the colourful Rainbow Snake!**
- **Get charmed in village of Nuwa and learn about legends associated with Chinese New Year!**
- **Be mesmerised by the beautiful Floral Displays from day to night**
- **Learn more about snakes at Fun About Snakes!**
- **Be amazed by floral exhibits designed by ITE West, Singapore Polytechnic and ST Kinetics!**

Magic Moments

Snap your most memorable moment in your Sentosa Flowers journey and share the photograph with us at *flowers.sentosa.com.sg* for a chance to win cash prizes!

Psst…Get your camera ready! Submissions open on 9 Feb and close on 18 Feb.

Prizes to be won

Grand Prize: S$2000

1st runner up: S$1000

2nd runner up: S$500

Consolation: S$200

Grab your tickets today!

Standard Ticket	Advance Ticket	Buy 1-get-1 free Islander Card^!
$5	$4	
Available at Sentosa Ticketing Counters	Available online at least one day in advance	Available till 8 February only

Sentosa island admission and carpark charges payable separately.
Promotion code: ONE4ONE required upon ticket booking.

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For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

1. The advertisement shown on Page 1 is about an exhibition on _____ in Sentosa.

   1) snakes
   2) flowers
   3) photography
   4) Chinese legends

   ( )

2. Which of the following statements is true?

   1) The exhibition is held for the first year in Sentosa.
   2) There is a preview of the exhibition on 8 February.
   3) An exhibition ticket allows one to enter Sentosa for free.
   4) Entries for photography contest can be submitted at Palawan Beach.

   ( )

3. Which of the following organisations set up the floral exhibits?

   1) Kodak
   2) Green Turf
   3) ST Kinetics
   4) Far East Floral

   ( )

4. What is the second prize for the online photography competition?

   1) S$200
   2) S$500
   3) S$1000
   4) S$2000

   ( )

5. In order to enjoy the Islander Card promotion, one must purchase the cards _____.

   1) on 8 February only
   2) with a promotion code
   3) at least one day in advance
   4) at Sentosa ticketing counters

   ( )

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Section B – Grammar (7 x 1mark)

For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

6. Tommy cannot go swimming today _____ he has a cold.

   1) unless
   2) even if
   3) because
   4) although ( )

7. Neither John nor the team of boys_____ for training today.

   1) go
   2) is going
   3) are going
   4) was going ( )

8. Emma is going _____ a hard time and she needs our help.

   1) on
   2) over
   3) about
   4) through ( )

9. James is _____ I should look for when I need help to build a table.

   1) who
   2) which
   3) whom
   4) whose ( )

10. According to Peter, the fight _____ before the movie started.

   1) happens
   2) has happened
   3) had happened
   4) have happened ( )

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11. Stella promised us that she _____ buy the tickets for "Wreck it Ralph" later.

1) may
2) must
3) would
4) should

( )

12. John resembles his father, _____?

1) is he
2) isn't he
3) does he
4) doesn't he

( )

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Section C – Punctuation (3 x 1mark)

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

A curious child asked his mother, "Mummy, why are some strands of your hair turning grey (13)

The mother wanted to make use of this occasion to teach her child. She responded, "It is because of you (14) my dear. Every mischievous act you do will cause a strand of my hair to turn grey! You should behave better!"

The child thought about it for a moment and cried out, "Now I know why Grandma only has grey hairs on her head (15)

The next day, the mother bought two bottles of black hair dye — one for herself and the other for her mother.

13.
1) [."] full stop and inverted commas
2) [".] inverted commas and full stop
3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas ( )

14.
1) [:] colon
2) [,] comma
3) [?] question mark
4) [!] exclamation mark ( )

15.
1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas ( )

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Section D – Vocabulary (5 x 1mark)

For each question from 16 to 20, one of the four options is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. "I don't want to leave this place!" my little sister _____ but my mother ignored her tantrum.

1) groaned
2) shrieked
3) chuckled
4) reprimanded

( )

17. Pat is just an _____ I met in school. I hardly talk to her.

1) ally
2) assailant
3) accomplice
4) acquaintance

( )

18. The baseball team was _____ when they failed to clinch the championship.

1) jubilant
2) crestfallen
3) boisterous
4) astounded

( )

19. Ahmad wants to _____ of our agreement! We can no longer carry out our plan!

1) back up
2) back off
3) back out
4) back away

( )

20. Paul can talk a _____. We always have problem understanding him since he speaks so quickly!

1) red tape
2) green horn
3) grey matter
4) blue streak

( )

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Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1mark)

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Have you ever dreamt of climbing the highest mountain of the world?

The Singapore Women's Everest Team (21) is made up of six women who are unafraid to break conventions and pursue their dreams. Coming from diverse backgrounds, they are (22) bound by a common aim to conquer Mount Everest.

Five years of preparation, training and fund-raising (23) led to success when the team put the first Singaporean women on the top of the world.

On 20 May 2009, the first summit team saw success when members Lee Lihui, Esther Tan and leader, Jane Lee, stood on the summit of Mount Everest at 8,850m. Two days later, team members Joanne Soo and Lee Peh Gee added to the (24) resounding success. It was a pity that team co-leader, Sim Yihui, did not ascend due to (25) recurring chest pains.

Now that they are home, the team visits schools to share inspiring stories of their adventure.

Adapted from Website: http://www.womenoneverest.com

21. 1) consists
    2) conjoins
    3) contains
    4) connects ( )

22. 1) held
    2) unified
    3) confined
    4) fastened ( )

23. 1) paid up
    2) paid off
    3) paid back
    4) paid down ( )

24. 1) bountiful
    2) booming
    3) remarkable
    4) reverberating ( )

25. 1) acute
    2) habitual
    3) terminal
    4) continual ( )

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Section F – Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1mark)
Read the given passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Grandma was brought up in a family that lived virtually on luck. Her parents were very wealthy people simply because they had always been lucky in what they did. The family would do what they could to maintain that kind of luck which they had always enjoyed – so much so that they became extremely superstitious. Therefore, Grandma has been superstitious for the past seventy-five years of her life, and will continue to be for many more years to come.

I remember as a young child, I would sit by her bed in the morning and wait patiently for her to rise. Grandma believes that for luck, you should get out from the right side of the bed. If your body is nearer to one edge of the bed when you wake up, you should get out of the bed by the other. There are many other incredibly strange beliefs that Grandma maintains. She once dipped a sprig of pomegranate leaves into some water on a bright red dish and sprinkled the water on my sister's hair on the day she took up a new job. Grandma was pleased despite the murmurs of uneasiness from my sister and giggles from the rest of the family.

My family is very experienced in handling Grandma's extreme superstitions on Chinese New Year. We love this elder too much to hurt her feelings during a period that is so important to her. For instance, on the first day of the New Year, Grandma would insist that none of us wash our hair. She explained that we would wash away our good luck for the New Year if we did so. In order to avoid any squabbles with her, the whole family would wake up much earlier than Grandma to have our showers. Imagine visiting our relatives' homes with itchy heads! **That** would be unbearable!

Grandma also disallows us from using any foul language or unlucky words on this day. Before we have our breakfast, she would ensure that all of us queue up in front of her and greet her with auspicious words. In return, we would each receive a red packet from her. For the rest of the day, we could not make any references to the past year as we are taught to look forward to a new beginning. Following that, a new year of superstitions starts once again!

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer and shade the corresponding oval on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

26. Grandma's superstitious beliefs _____.

1) gave her a long life
2) made her a wealthy person
3) had been passed on to her by her parents
4) came from rising from the right side of the bed ( )

27. By describing Grandma's beliefs as "incredibly strange", the writer suggests that she _____.

1) appreciates the superstitions
2) finds the superstitions effective
3) disapproves of the superstitions
4) finds the superstitions hard to believe ( )

28. The writer's sister accepted the sprinkles of water from the red dish because she wanted _____.

1) please Grandma
2) seek help from the gods
3) have a successful career
4) receive Grandma's blessings ( )

29. **"That"** in line 21 refers to the family_____.

1) having itchy heads
2) not having their hairs washed
3) washing away their good luck
4) waking up early in the morning to have their showers ( )

30. Which of the following is the most suitable title for the text?

1) My Lucky Grandma
2) My Superstitious Grandma
3) Chinese New Year Superstitions
4) That Superstitious Family of Mine ( )

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CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1 – 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 5

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Booklet B

Name: _____ ( ) **Class: Primary 5** _____

Section G – Grammar Cloze (10 x 1) marks

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40 in the passage below. From the list of words in the box, choose the most suitable answer for each blank and write its letter (A to Q) in it. "I" and "O" have been omitted to avoid confusion in marking.
Use each word only ONCE.

A) a	D) at	G) if	K) myself	N) to
B) and	E) be	H) in	L) otherwise	P) you
C) are	F) however	J) is	M) the	Q) yourself

Having good manners will help you to live with other people pleasantly. If you lived by _____ (31) on a desert island, nobody would care whether you were kind or not. It would not bother other people if you were rude. However, _____ (32) someone else happened to live there with you, _____ (33) would have to learn how to get along with each other. _____ (34), the two of you would probably quarrel and fight all the time, or you might have to stay apart _____ (35) be two lonely people on the same desert island! Nobody would like to live like this for long. Most of us do not live on a desert island. We are bound to meet people and we try to pass _____ (36) day with them in a pleasant way.

Courtesy is _____ (37) part of good manners. It is nicest when the courteous person is being truly sincere, when he really means _____ (38) be polite and kind. We expect most people _____ (39) society to show courtesy, and it is important for children to show courtesy to older people.

People who _____ (40) courteous and kind do not have to worry about making friends. Their manners and kind behaviour will persuade others to enjoy their company and look forward to meeting them again.

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Section H – Editing for Spelling and Grammar (10 x 1) marks

Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

Jacob enjoyed playing tricks on his friends as his pastime. One day, he went hiking with a

(41) [ ]

group of friends. He decided to take along an <u>imitate</u> snake which was made of rubber. His

(42) [ ]

intansion was to throw it at one of the girls while they were taking a break.

(43) [ ]

The **oporrtunity** came when they stopped for lunch under a big oak tree. He placed the

(44) [ ]

snake **prekariousll** on one of the branches and shouted excitedly, "Look! There's a big snake

(45) [ ]

above you!" His friends <u>glance</u> up and screamed in horror as they leapt up from the ground and

(46) [ ]

started to run from the tree. Jacob laughed loudly at their <u>panic</u> expressions. Realising his trick,

(47) [ ]

his friends refused to share their food with him, as he had <u>disrupt</u> the lunch they had been so

(48) [ ]

eager to enjoy. When they saw him <u>approached</u> the tree, they turned their backs towards him.

(49) [ ]

This meant that he was **unforchunertly** unable to taste the delicious sandwiches and chicken that

(50) [ ]

the girls had prepared. He had to sit **sepretely** from the rest and all he had for lunch were a few

small biscuits. After that day, he had learnt not to play pranks on his friends again.

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Section I – Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1) marks

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

There are two interesting things that happen to us very often but we take little notice of them and possibly never try to find _____ (51) anything about them. These two small but interesting events are "turning white in the face" and "blushing"

People seldom bother to learn why these things _____ (52) place. We know that under _____ (53) circumstances, when we are relaxed, our heartbeat is usually between sixty _____ (54) ninety beats a minute. When we exert ourselves, our heart beats faster and the rate _____ (55). This is because certain muscles in the body have to do more work and be more efficient so more blood is _____ (56) in these muscles.

When we are frightened, our brain receives a message to transfer blood from certain _____ (57) of our body, such as our face and hands, to the muscles of our legs. This will prepare the legs to run from the _____ (58) of fear or fright. Hence, our face turns pale.

When we blush, we turn red in the cheeks or neck. This happens when a sudden emotion, _____ (59) as embarrassment and happiness, occurs. When this happens, tiny blood vessels just below the surface of the _____ (60) dilate. As these vessels are filled with blood, they are more visible on the face and neck _____ (61) the skin in these areas is thinner. Hence, the skin looks red. When this happens, people begin to _____ (62) hot and uncomfortable.

Young people tend to blush more easily _____ (63) the old. This is because as we grow _____ (64), we become more experienced with the ways of life. Mature adults are generally able to handle situations better without being embarrassed _____ (65) what is said or done. In other words, as the young learn to cope with sudden emotions, they blush less often.

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Section J - Synthesis / Transformation (5 x 2) marks

For questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the given one(s).

66. Cindy's father left for work. She threw a tantrum because of that.

_____ when

_____

67. Jane carries her handbag no matter where she goes.

Wherever _____

_____

68. We may lose all our competitions. We must practise hard.

Unless _____

_____

69. Adam speaks Mandarin and English fluently.

Besides _____

_____

70. She was beautiful. She attracted many princes from far and wide.

Her _____

_____

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Section K – Comprehension (10 x 2) marks

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

Mr Tan returned home after work in the evening. After driving his car into the garage, he walked to his front door and searched in his right trouser pocket for a bunch of keys which included the one for his front door. It was not there. He tried his other trouser pocket. It was not there either.

"Don't panic," he said to himself. "You must have dropped it in the car."

Back in the garage, he searched the front seat of his car. He scrutinised every inch of the floor below his driver's seat, where he had sat during the entire journey. Nothing. He then searched the back seats, although a little voice at the back of his mind told him it was unnecessary. Unsurprisingly, he found nothing there as well.

As his wife and children were on holiday in Malaysia, there was no one at home to open the door for him. Using his mobile phone, he got in touch with the security guard at his office, where Mr Tan worked as a legal consultant, and requested **him** to check if his bunch of keys was in his personal office. The security guard replied that he could not enter Mr Tan's personal office. He did not have the keys to the individual offices, and so he could not do what Mr Tan wanted him to do.

In his desperation to enter the house, Mr Tan decided to climb a tree in his garden, get on a branch which was near to an upper floor window, and try to break through the window into the house. He knew it was a reckless thing to do but he decided to continue anyway.

He had just finished sweeping up the **glass shards** when he heard the siren of a police car reverberate through the street. This made him remember that the security alarm of his home would always be automatically activated when the house was locked. His entry must have triggered the alarm and alerted the nearby police post. The police car eventually came to a stop in front of his garden gate and three policemen rushed to the front of the house.

Mr Tan decided that the best thing to do would be to get to his front door, face the policemen and explain to them what had happened. With the aid of his next-door neighbour, Mr Tan managed to convince the policemen of his identity and that a burglar had not broken into his house. However, one of the policemen told him off for his rash action. There were other ways he could have solved his problem and saved himself the embarrassment of a confrontation with the police. On hindsight, he realised that a quick trip back to his office would have sufficed.

From that day onwards, Mr Tan and his family made sure to hide a spare key for the front door in their garden, lest any of them ever be tempted to break into their own home.

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For each question from 71 to 80, write your answer in the space provided. All answers must be in complete sentences.

71. What was Mr Tan's occupation?

_____

_____

72. Which word in the first three paragraphs has the same meaning as "to examine very closely and carefully"?

_____

_____

73. Why was it unsurprising that Mr Tan did not find his keys in the backseat compartment of the car?

_____

_____

74. Who does the word "him" in line 12 refer to?

_____

_____

75. Despite knowing it was reckless to break in through the window, why did Mr Tan decide to do so?

_____

_____

76. Based on the passage, where do you think the "glass shards" (line 20) came from?

_____

_____

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77. What did the policemen think had happened as they approached Mr Tan's house?

_____

_____

78. Which **three-word phrase** in the passage has the same meaning as "reprimanded him"?

_____

_____

79. Which sentence in the passage tells you that Mr Tan's keys had been in his office?

_____

_____

80. Do you think Mr Tan is likely to be locked out of his house again? Explain why.

_____

_____

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ANSWER SHEET

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Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34
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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
B	M	A	N	H	C

41)imitation 42)intention 43)opportunity 44)precariously

45)glanced 46)panicked 47)disrupted 48)approaching

49)unfortunately 50)separately 51)out 52)take 53)normal

54)and 55)increases 56)needed 57)parts 58)source

59)such 60)skin 61)as 62)feel 63)than

64)older 65)by

66)Cindy threw a tantrum when her father left for work.

67)Wherever Jane goes, she carries her hand bag.

68)Unless we practise hard, we may lose all our competitions.

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69)Besides Mandarin, Adam also speaks English fluently.

70)Her beauty attracted many princes from far and wide.

71)Mr Tan was a legal consultant.

72)The word is "scrutinized".

73)He had not sat at the back seat.

74)It refers to the security guard at Mr Tan's office.

75)Mr Tan was desperate to enter the house.

76)The glass shards came from Mr Tan breaking through the window of his house.

77)The policemen probably thought that a burglar had broken into Mr Tan's house.

78)The three-word phrase is "told him off".

79)The sentence is "On hindsight, he realised that a quick trip back to his office would have sufficed".

80)No. I do not. He hid a spare key for their front door in their garden.

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BOOKLET A

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 30 questions (Questions 1 to 30).
4. **Answer ALL the questions and shade them in the correct ovals on the OAS provided.**

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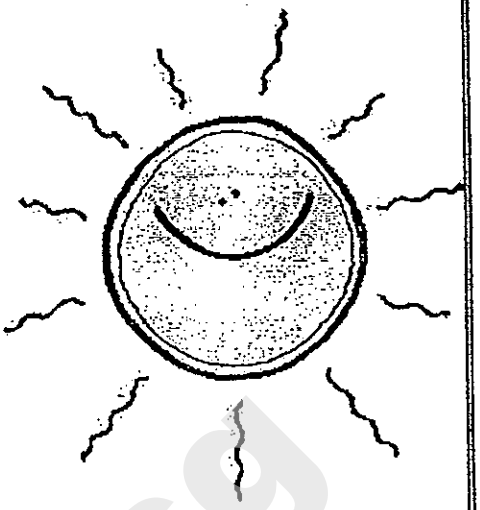
Morning Walk Carnival



Be at the carnival to learn more about the Bone Marrow Donor Programme

Sunday, 8 am
27 January 2013
East Coast Park Area E
(in front of the East Coast Park Food Centre)

Bring your family down for some fun and games

Hosted by
Gurmit Singh
MediaCorp artiste

Free Goodie Bags for participants! (Limited stock)

Register at the Carnival
$5 per participant or $20 for family of 5

For further information, please contact Collin at 62597122

Mass Registration

14 - 15 Jan 2013
Nex Mall
Basement 2
11 am – 5 pm

Organised by
BMDP
The Bone Marrow Donor Programme

Sponsored by
National University Hospital

Name : _____ Tel No : _____

Address : _____

_____

I want to make a monthly cash donation. ( )
I want to make a one-time cash donation. ( )

Mail this form to BMDP office @ 46 South Bridge Road, #03-01, Kingly Building, S(058646)

*Donors wishing to register as a bone marrow donor or make a monthly donation will be contacted by our officers and the respective forms will be delivered by post.

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For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The Morning Walk Carnival is organised to _____.

   (1) register more bone marrow donors
   (2) promote the importance of morning walks
   (3) publicise the Bone Marrow Donor Programme
   (4) encourage people to exercise with their families

2. The Walk will be held at the _____.

   (1) East Coast Park
   (2) Basement 2 of Nex Mall
   (3) East Coast Park Food Centre
   (4) National University Hospital

3. The fun and entertainment at the Carnival will be provided by _____.

   (1) a celebrity
   (2) doctors and nurses
   (3) bone-marrow donors
   (4) participants and their families

4. If you intend to make a donation, you will need to _____.

   (1) contact Collin
   (2) register at Nex Mall
   (3) participate in the morning walk
   (4) send the attached form to the BMDP office

5. Which one of the following statements is correct?

   (1) Donations to BMDP can be made on a monthly basis only.
   (2) Number of participants in a large group must not exceed 5.
   (3) Goodie bags are given to all participants who register at 8 am.
   (4) The National University Hospital supports the Morning Walk Carnival.

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For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (7 marks)

6. The accused fell onto his knees, _____ the judge for mercy.

(1) begged
(2) begging
(3) had begged
(4) was begging

7. If the children promise to clean their rooms regularly, Mrs Wong _____ their weekly allowance.

(1) increase
(2) will increase
(3) is increasing
(4) would increase

8. The mischievous boy was running away from the dog _____ he fell into the drain.

(1) so
(2) while
(3) when
(4) because

9. The explosion was so loud that the children put their hands _____ their ears to shut out the noise.

(1) on
(2) over
(3) beside
(4) between

10. Between you and _____, we should be able to complete the project in time.

(1) I
(2) me
(3) mine
(4) myself

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11. The vehicles in this carpark _____ to the residents of that block.

(1) belong
(2) belongs
(3) will belong
(4) would belong

12. The Primary One pupils will be accompanied _____ their buddies for the first three days at school.

(1) by
(2) for
(3) with
(4) from

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3marks)

Mike was terrified of the dark. When his mother asked him the reason for his fear, he could not answer. At times, he said, "I keep thinking that something might come in through the window." "What is the 'something'?" his mother asked **(13)**

But Mike did not know what to say. "Just something," he replied. Mike**(14)**s reply left his mother feeling helpless. She did not know how to help him. What could be bothering him?

The next day, his mother bought him a pack of modelling clay. Surprisingly, Mike worked at it every day and night. "He's so engrossed in his clay that he's forgotten all about his fear of the dark," his proud mother told her friends. "It's simply amazing how the mind works **(15)**

13. (1) [,] comma
    (2) [.] full stop
    (3) [?] question mark
    (4) [!] exclamation mark

14. (1) [:] colon
    (2) [,] comma
    (3) ['] apostrophe
    (4) ["] inverted commas

15. (1) [.] full stop
    (2) [!] exclamation mark
    (3) [."] full stop and inverted commas
    (4) [?"] question mark and inverted commas

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16. The _____ lined Orchard Road to cheer the soccer team who had emerged champions in the recent AFF Suzuki Cup.

(1) audience
(2) onlookers
(3) spectators
(4) supporters

17. The wrestler decided to _____ as he was totally exhausted and did not want to continue into the next round.

(1) jump the gun
(2) take time out
(3) throw in the towel
(4) give the game away

18. The engine of the old truck _____ as it struggled to make its way to the nearest petrol kiosk.

(1) huffed and puffed
(2) rolled and tumbled
(3) limped and stumbled
(4) coughed and sputtered

19. Serene was asked to read a poem _____ specially for this occasion.

(1) compiled
(2) composed
(3) constituted
(4) constructed

20. Mrs Ho has a _____ memory. She is able to recall everything she reads, word for word.

(1) graphic
(2) psychic
(3) telepathic
(4) photographic

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

I was on my way home from tuition when I noticed a man behaving strangely at the void deck of a block of flats. I looked at him for a while before deciding that he might be up to no good. Just then my neighbour, a primary schoolgirl, walked past him. (21) Unexpectedly, he reached out and snatched her mobile phone. She screamed and tried to get her phone back. It was too late; he had already (22) run off. When I went up to her, she (23) accused me of not coming to her aid sooner. I apologised. I wanted to go after the man when I spotted a policeman. I related to him what had happened and also told him that I (24) reckoned the man was in his twenties. After taking down my statement, the policeman (25) escorted both of us home.

21. (1) In no time
(2) Out of the blue
(3) In the nick of time
(4) On the spur of the moment

22. (1) fled
(2) strayed
(3) departed
(4) absconded

23. (1) framed me for
(2) mocked me for
(3) reproached me for
(4) condemned me for

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24. (1) regarded
(2) supposed
(3) considered
(4) determined

25. (1) guided
(2) followed
(3) shadowed
(4) accompanied

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Read the passage below and answers questions 26 to 30.

Rain pelted down upon the solitary figure in the deserted street. The figure was moving at a snail's pace. A withered-looking hand held down a tattered hat that was jammed tightly on its head. The wind was merciless as it toyed with the pitiful figure, threatening to snatch away his coat as well. Gradually, the bent figure passed under a street lamp and the weary-looking face of Mr Walters was seen momentarily. Mr Walters was a rag-and-bone man. He collected discarded paper boxes, empty drink cans and other unwanted articles from his neighbourhood and sold them to the recycling plant just outside of town. He lived alone in a run-down apartment. Mr Walters shivered as he pulled his coat around him.

"Kitty! Kitty! Where are you?"

Suddenly, a dark shape jumped out at him from one of the side lanes. Jumping back, Mr Walters gave a fearful shout, his heart thumping wildly. It gave a hardly audible purr. The shape turned out to be Kitty, an orphaned cat who had been Mr Walters' constant companion until two weeks ago.

Now, the old man, gently picked it up and said loudly, "Kitty! I am so glad to see you! I missed you so. Where did you go? Where have you been hiding all this while?" This time, the cat mewed pitifully and timidly stretched one paw out.

Bending closer, Mr Walters noticed that Kitty's paw was badly cut and one of its ears was almost half-torn off. One side of its face had several small bites. It looked like Kitty had been attacked by one of the stray dogs. Hugging Kitty, Mr. Walters whispered urgently to it. "Don't you worry. We will see Dr Smith right now. I am sure she knows what to do!"

Then, Mr Walters quickly turned into an alley before stopping in front of a white wooden door. The sign above the door stated 'Smith Veterinary Clinic'. Mr Walters rapped on the door and it opened after a while. "Why, Walters!" greeted a sleepy voice and it continued warmly, "Oh dear, what has happened?"

The door then closed quickly and their conversation was muffled.

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4).
Shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

26. What was Mr Walters doing on the deserted street?

He was _____.

(1) going home
(2) looking for Kitty
(3) on his way to see a doctor
(4) collecting discarded items

27. Why did Mr Walters move 'at a snail's pace' (*line 2*)?

He was _____.

(1) old and had difficulty walking
(2) tired from looking for his lost cat
(3) afraid of walking along a deserted street
(4) slowed down by the strong gusts of wind

28. In line 13, **'It'** refers to _____.

(1) the gusty wind
(2) the pitiful figure
(3) Mr Walters' cat
(4) Mr Walters' heart

29. Why did Mr Walters take Kitty to Dr Smith?

(1) Kitty was Dr Smith's cat
(2) He was attacked by dogs
(3) Kitty needed medical attention
(4) He wanted to visit an old friend

30. What word best describes Mr Walters?

(1) fearful
(2) caring
(3) pitiful
(4) friendless

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CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1, 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
PRIMARY 5

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BOOKLET B

Instructions to Pupils:

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3. This booklet consists of 50 questions. (Questions 31 to 80)

	Maximum	Marks Obtained
Booklet A	30	
Booklet B	65	
Total	95	

Component	Qn Numbers	Marks Obtained
Comprehension Cloze	51 - 65	
Comprehension Open-ended	71 - 80	

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EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) through	(D) they	(G) was	(K) their	(N) below
(B) since	(E) them	(H) towards	(L) what	(P) there
(C) although	(F) were	(J) away	(M) beside	(Q) when

The sunset was beautiful. The setting sun sank (31)_____the horizon. It was going to be night soon. Martin sat on the porch flipping (32)_____ his photo album. (33)_____he looked up for a while, he noticed that the apple trees near the barn (34)_____flowering. The tall trees swaying in the gentle breeze and (35)_____ white flowers were simply breathtaking. Every tree seemed to be waving its branches at him, inviting him to go over to admire (36)_____

(37)_____ Martin loved apples, he decided to go across to see if there were any apples. He put (38)_____ his album and walked down the path towards the barn. Then, he stood there admiring the trees till the sky was completely dark.

Feeling hungry, he turned back (39)_____ the farmhouse because he had to cook dinner for himself. As soon as he had washed his hands, he opened his refrigerator to see (40)_____ he could have for dinner. Then, Martin reached for some eggs. He had decided to make an omelette for dinner.

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

(10 marks)

(41) [ ]

Joseph has several hobbies. Of these, his favourite two are **fotographee** and

(42) [ ]

swimming. He spends less time on the first hobby as it is <u>costly</u> than swimming

because he has to purchase many rolls of film. However, Joseph will still go up to

(43) [ ]

Malaysia to take many picturesque **shotts** of the countryside. Since Joseph does not

(44) [ ]

drive, he commutes back and forth using public **trancepot**.

After Joseph has taken many pictures of the countryside, he will have them

(45) [ ] (46) [ ]

processed **imedietely**. Then, he will arrange them in an album according <u>with</u> how

(47) [ ]

interesting they turn out to <u>been</u>.

(48) [ ]

Joseph often swims at <u>an</u> Serangoon Swimming Complex. After each swimming

(49) [ ]

session, he has his lunch before <u>heads</u> home.

(50) [ ]

Joseph often tells his friends that he **appriceates** having time to indulge in his

hobbies. His friends agree that he is a very lucky man indeed.

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

John stood on the platform quietly waiting for the train to arrive. It was still early in the morning and few people were _____ (51). After a while, he decided to read the newspapers that he had _____ (52) with him. Looking up for _____ (53) moment, John suddenly noticed that an old man had joined him on the _____ (54). John smiled and greeted him. The old man _____ (55) his head feebly and sighed softly. He _____ (56) to be worried about something so John decided to go over and _____ (57) to him.

At that moment, the train was approaching the platform. _____ (58) John could say anything to the old man, he suddenly leaned _____ (59) and fell onto the train tracks. Horrified, John reacted in a split second _____ (60) thinking of the consequences. John jumped onto the tracks after the old man and managed to pull _____ (61) to the side. Luckily, there was _____ (62) space under the platform for them to squeeze into. The train driver, _____ (63) had seen them, stepped on the brakes. _____ (64), the train was not moving very fast and _____ (65) managed to stop just before the station.

John heaved a sigh of relief and the old man sobbed loudly.

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. The robber was chased down by the police. The robber was arrested.

_____ and

_____

67. Mrs Chen told the class, "The boys will clean the classroom during recess."

Mrs Chen told the class _____

_____

68. Mary sits by the window. She is looking at the children playing outside.

_____, looking

_____

69. All the children in my class are participating in the dragon dance competition.

Every one of the children _____

_____.

70. Unless the teacher is present, the children cannot enter the Science laboratory.

_____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

Although Mother had always warned me never to extend the game of Hide-and-Seek to the trees around my home, I had given her the cold shoulder. In fact, for me, her wise words always fell on deaf ears. It was not long before I learnt my lesson the hard way.

That day started well. The sky was a clear reflection of a better day that had lain ahead. I woke up late that morning, prepared myself in a hurry and left for breakfast. After giving me instructions, Mother left for work. In her absence, I did all the house chores as instructed. In a jiffy, I was through. Soon I heard a knock on the door and I knew Judy, my cousin, was ready. After a warm welcome and a short chat, we started our favourite game, Hide-and-Seek.

I rushed to the mango tree nearby. I was almost at the top of the tree when I noticed a deadly-looking creature coiled on a branch next to me. It was a big black python. My heart skipped a beat and I almost let out a soft cry. I did not believe my eyes. It had a very rough and scaly body with eyes that seemed to have popped out of their sockets. It was staring at me as if warning me that its fury would soon reach the volcanic pitch and strike like lightning. Its face glittered as it flashed its tongue as though preparing for its meal. I was scared stiff. I sat glued to the branch wondering what to do next.

Suddenly, with a strong whip of its tail, the snake gave me a strong wallop that sent me crashing down onto the sun-baked ground. I wriggled in pain and agony as tears ran down my face. The snake followed me and coiled itself around my chest, rendering my arms incapacitated. In a desperate attempt to save my life, I valiantly bit its tail and that provoked it. Immediately, it tightened its grip around me again. I let out a feeble cry. I had already lost hope.

A ray of hope suddenly glistened on my face when I saw Judy, followed closely behind by two policemen and my parents. I looked at my mother's eyes and all I could see was pity, guilt and concern. Her eyes welled up with tears as she tried to call my name. The encouraging words from my mother telling me to be brave comforted me. Then I saw one of the policemen aim a tranquilizer gun at the snake.

Just at that moment, the creature uncoiled itself and slithered away. I passed out and the next thing I remember was seeing my mother sleeping next to me in the hospital. She looked relieved. I apologised and promised never to disobey her again. Since that day, I've never disobeyed my parent's advice.

Adapted from a short story 'Bitter Pill To Swallow'

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All answers must be in complete sentences.

71 Which four-word phrase in paragraph 1 tells you that the writer never took his mother's advice seriously?

_____

_____

72 What did the writer's mother instruct him to do before she left for work?

_____

_____

73 'Soon I heard a knock on the door and I knew Judy, my cousin, was ready.'(line 8-9)

What was Judy ready for?

_____

_____

74 Why did the writer's heart skip a beat (line 13)?

_____

_____

75 Explain clearly, in your own words, how the writer fell from the tree branch.

_____

_____

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76 Why did the writer bite the snake's tail (line 23)?

77 Which word in paragraph 4 means 'courageously'?

78 When did the writer think he was going to die?

79 What gave the writer 'a ray of hope' (line 25)?

80 How did the writer feel in the end?

End of Paper

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ANSWER SHEET

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41)photography 42)costlier 43)shots 44)transport

45)immediately 46)to 47)be 48)the 49)heading

50)appreciates 51)there 52)bought 53)a 54)platform

55)shook 56)seemed 57)talk 58)Before 59)forward

60)without 61)him 62)some 63)who 64)Luckily 65)it

66)The robber was chased down by police and arrested.

67)Mrs Chen told the class that the boys would clean the classroom during recess.

68)Mary sits by the window, looking at the children playing outside.

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69)Every one of the children in my class participating in the dragon dance competition.

70)The children can enter the science laboratory if the teacher is present.

71)The phrase if fell on deaf ears.

72)She instructed him to do.

73)Judy was ready to play their favourite game Hide and seek.

74)He was surprised to see a python next to him.

75)The snake struck him with its tail and the writer lost his balance of the branch he was on.

76)He thought the snake would let go of him.

77)The word is "valiantly".

78)He bit the snake tail and the snake tightened its grip again.

79)The arrival of Judy and the writer parent and two policemen.

80)He was guilty because he did not listened to his parents.

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CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 2 - 2013

PRIMARY 5

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER

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(BOOKLET A)

Section A – Graphic-Stimulus Comprehension (5 x 1) marks

Study the following poster and answer questions 1 to 5.

Canon

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A Section $165
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Children aged 3 years and above must purchase a ticket for admission

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For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

1. The musical, "The Phantom of the Opera", is directed by _____.

   1) Raoul
   2) Canon
   3) Harold Prince
   4) Andrew Lloyd Webber ( )

2. According to the advertisement, the story in the musical is _____

   1) sad
   2) foolish
   3) humorous
   4) nerve-wrecking ( )

3. Which of the following is <u>not</u> included in the VIP ticket?

   1) A drink voucher
   2) An official souvenir
   3) A seat in the VIP section
   4) A program of the musical ( )

4. According to the poster, children under 3 years old _____.

   1) must pay for a ticket
   2) can occupy a seat for free
   3) need not pay if they do not occupy a seat.
   4) may pay less to sit on the lap of a parent or guardian ( )

5. Who is the main sponsor of "The Phantom of The Opera" ?

   1) Canon
   2) StarHub
   3) Mastercard Theatres
   4) Marina Bay Sands Singapore ( )

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Section B – Grammar (7 x 1) marks

For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

6. The lady _____ we met just now is an old neighbour of ours.

   1) who 2) whom
   3) which 4) whose ( )

7. Grandpa sold his old car _____ he could not see well enough to drive anymore.

   1) so 2) although
   3) since 4) in spite of ( )

8. They went to the zoo yesterday, _____?

   1) did they 2) didn't they
   3) have they 4) haven't they ( )

9. Every one _____ concerned when Susan failed to turn up for school yesterday.

   1) is 2) are
   3) was 4) were ( )

10. He is very different _____ his twin brother.

    1) to 2) with
    3) than 4) from ( )

11. The team _____ decided not to participate in this year's tournament.

    1) has 2) had
    3) have 4) having ( )

12. We received _____ food hampers last year during Christmas.

    1) much 2) many
    3) most 4) a little ( )

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Section C – Punctuation Discrete (3 x 1) marks

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Mrs Foster stormed into the room, seething with anger.

"It's hot these days," grumbled Mrs Foster (13) "so we need to install air-conditioning in our house."

"That will cost us a fortune (14) exclaimed Mr Foster.

"Never mind, it will be money well-spent. I will be able to sleep better, don't you agree my dear (15) Mr Foster saw the determination on her face and knew he had no choice but to accede to her request.

13.
1) [:] colon
2) [,] comma
3) [.] full stop
4) [?] question mark ( )

14.
1) [,"] comma and inverted comma
2) [."] full stop and inverted comma
3) [".] inverted comma and full stop
4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted comma ( )

15.
1) [,"] comma and inverted comma
2) [."] full stop and inverted comma
3) [?"] question mark and inverted comma
4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted comma ( )

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Section D – Vocabulary (5 x 1) marks

For each question from 16 to 20, one of the four options is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. Susan, who is terminally ill, is suffering so much pain that even the most _____doctors cannot cure her.

    1) eminent
    2) imminent
    3) dominant
    4) significant

    ( )

17. Everyone was glad that in the end, the two parties reached an _____ settlement.

    1) amiable
    2) amicable
    3) ambitious
    4) ambiguous ( )

18. Having been troubled by his conscience for days, Peter finally _____ to his teacher that he cheated in the examinations.

    1) reported
    2) submitted
    3) conceded
    4) confessed ( )

19. The cowardly Samuel _____ of his agreement with his friends to visit the haunted house last night.

    1) backed up
    2) backed out
    3) backed down
    4) backed away ( )

20. Several of the offshore islands are _____ by boat.

    1) available
    2) accessible
    3) obtainable
    4) contactable ( )

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Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1) marks

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Spiders strike fear in the hearts of many and are greatly shunned. However, in recent years, scientists have been enamoured (21) with scrutinizing the spider. They are keen to understand how it manufactures spider silk. Even though a broad range of insects produce silk, spider silk is uncommon (22). It is one of the strongest materials on earth. As one writer said, "It is the stuff that dreams are made of."

Spider silk is so remarkable that a list of its amazing properties would seem implausible (23). Besides being five times as resilient (24) as steel, it is also highly elastic - a rare combination in materials. Spider silk stretches thirty per cent further than the most elastic nylon.

If we could copy the spider's chemical wizardry, imagine how it could be put to use. (25) Two species can even produce seven varieties of silk. The possibilities are indeed boundless and there is a lot more that the humble spider can teach us.

21. 1) attracted
2) smittened
3) fascinated
4) clamoured ( )

22. 1) rare
2) different
3) mundane
4) endangered ( )

23. 1) special
2) wonderful
3) significant
4) unbelievable ( )

24. 1) brittle
2) hardy
3) strong
4) resolute ( )

25. 1) utilised
2) exploited
3) operated
4) manufacture ( )

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Section F – Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1) marks
Read the given passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

The early inhabitants of Papua New Guinea lived off the land around them. They were hunters and food gatherers. As time passed, the people began to acquire the knowledge of gardening and cultivating plants. A nearly self-supporting economy was established. Plants common to tropical regions, such as taro, yam, banana, sugarcane, breadfruit, sago palm and coconut made up a large part of their diet. Ever present were also many pigs, dogs and chickens.

People of Papua New Guinea lived along coastal strips and, at times, on densely wooded islands and in the rugged highland regions. They were split into groups and lived in huts built on the banks of rivers or in remote villages along rain-soaked mountain ridges. Despite their differences, these people shared two common and invaluable friends – the waters of the river and the natural forests of the land. The waters of the river were a life-sustaining necessity for all. To the hunter, the forests meant birds and animals for food, as well as fur and brilliant feathers for personal adornment.

The early inhabitants of Papua New Guinea living in the mountains planted their gardens in the clearings near their huts and villages. From the forest, they obtained wood for carvings. They also made garden tools, spears, clubs, bows and arrows as well as many other weapons for warfare and hunting. Additionally, the forest gave them fuel, bark and material for clothing. It provided logs for their dwellings, thatching for roofs and material for walls. Bamboo and cane bridges were built to link rivers and gorges.

Among the inhabitants of Papua New Guinea, coastal dwellers also looked to the forest to meet their needs. Using various parts of a tree, they made their canoes, fishing nets and traps. The forest provided the materials needed to build their great multiple log boats. In the vast swampland surrounding the Purari River, the log canoe was their sole means of transport, as these people used neither wheel nor animal for transportation.

Yes, indeed, the forest truly was their ever-giving friend.

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer and shade the corresponding oval on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

26. Which one of the following words has the same meaning as "inhabitants" in line 1?

1) tourists
2) citizens
3) dwellers
4) pioneers

( )

27. The early inhabitants of Papua New Guinea lived off the land by _____

1) selling animals and crops
2) hunting animals and selling animals
3) hunting animals and cultivating crops
4) trading in animals and cultivating crops

( )

28. Which of the following reasons **does not explain** why the forest is an invaluable friend to the early inhabitants living in Papua New Guinea?

1) The hunters obtained fur from animals in the forest.
2) The people hunted birds and animals for food in the forest.
3) Birds in the forest provided hunters with feathers for their adornment.
4) The people used the animals in the forest as a means of transport.

( )

29. Based on the text, which of these statements is **false**?

1) The forest provided the materials needed to build great log boats.
2) The coastal dwellers of Papua New Guinea used log canoes to move around.
3) The various communities of Papua New Guinea had nothing in common.
4) The forest provided the inhabitants of Papua New Guinea with fuel, bark and material for clothing.

( )

30. Which one of the following is the **most** suitable title for this story?

1) 'Training to be a good hunter and food gatherer'
2) 'Life of the coastal dwellers of Papua New Guinea'
3) 'Overcoming the difficulties of living in Papua New Guinea'
4) 'Reliance on forests by early inhabitants of Papua New Guinea'

( )

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Section G – Grammar Cloze (10 x 1) marks

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A)	a	(D)	had	(G)	is	(K)	to	(N)	when
(B)	and	(E)	have	(H)	the	(L)	was	(P)	which
(C)	at	(F)	in	(J)	there	(M)	where	(Q)	whom

It was a lovely day in June. My wife and I were standing in the barn that belonged to E. B. White because I wanted _____ (31) see with my own eyes the barn _____ (32) had inspired *Charlotte's Web*. A few years earlier, I was reading E. B. White's collected letters _____ (33) I came across his reply to a child who asked why he _____ (34) chosen a spider to be a main character. "I did not like spiders _____ (35) first. However, I began watching one of them _____ (36) soon saw what a wonderful and intelligent creature she _____ (37) I named her Charlotte."

"Wait a minute," I said aloud to the empty room. "There was _____ (38) real Charlotte?"

That question was my first step toward discovering _____ (39) story behind *Charlotte's Web*. Was _____ (40) a real Charlotte, I wanted to know, or was E.B. White merely performing in this letter?

Adapted from 'The Story of Charlotte's Web', by Michael Sims

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Section H – Editing for Spelling and Grammar (10 x 1 mark)

Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

How do mosquitos fly in the rain? By going with the flow. A single raindrop

(41) [ ] (42) [ ]

can <u>weighed</u> fifty times more than a mosquito. Scaled <u>onto</u> human size, this

(43) [ ]

would be like having a car land on a person. So <u>how</u> aren't mosquitoes squashed

(44) [ ]

by the rain? Most **explainasons** say that their tiny bodies and very strong

(45) [ ]

skeleton <u>certain</u> help, but recent research has revealed that they have a cunning

(46) [ ] (47) [ ]

technick. Scientists observed that instead <u>than</u> resisting the drops, mosquitoes

(48) [ ]

grab onto them **dilibarateli.** They then fall for up to twenty body-lengths before

(49) [ ] (50) [ ]

they **sepearate** from the front of the raindrop by **exdentdin** their long legs and

strong wings. This way they fly free of the raindrop before it hits the ground.

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Section I – Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1 mark)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

Dengue fever is caused by a virus which is transmitted by an infected Aedes mosquito. Mosquitoes _____ (51) infected when they bite infected humans and later pass the infection to others they _____ (52) Most of the time, it does not result _____ (53) death. However, in some people it can be life - threatening. Dengue is not contagious and does not _____ (54) from person to person by physical contact.

The symptoms usually _____ (55) within 4 to 7 days after being bitten by an infected mosquito. Symptoms include joint _____ (56) muscle pain, fever, headache, nausea and a body rash _____ (57) appears on day 3 or 4. Most _____ (58) with dengue fever recover completely within two weeks. However, those _____ (59) suffer a more clinically severe dengue. fever might start bleeding _____ (60) the nose, gums, or under the skin causing purplish bruises.

There is no specific treatment for dengue, although _____ (61) papaya leaf juice is touted as a traditional _____ (62) The best advice _____ (63) to go to the doctor To help with recovery, it would be beneficial to get ample bed rest, drink _____ (64) of fluids and take medicine in order to reduce the fever. The best way to prevent dengue fever is by taking _____ (65) to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes. The battle against dengue would need everyone's effort in order to safeguard the health of all.

Adapted from "Dengue Fever", Health Promotion Board

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Section J - Synthesis / Transformation (5 x 2 marks)

For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

66. Mindy bought a swimsuit. Mindy could go swimming with me during the summer holidays.

_____ so that

_____

67. Billy has not visited his pen pal in New Zealand.

_____ yet

_____

68. "We are having a barbeque at the beach this Friday," Mabel reminded Joe.

Mabel reminded Joe that _____

_____

69. She was diligent. She finally achieved her objectives.

Due to _____

_____

70. All the girls did not go to the playground last night.

None of _____

_____

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Section K – Comprehension (10 x 2 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80

Mohini skipped as she walked towards the construction site where her parents worked as labourers. She winced as the hot tar burned into the soles of her feet. "I want a pair of slippers," she whispered to herself, clutching a bottle of water with one hand and holding her baby brother, Keshav, with the other.

She had been growing so fast that her parents could only afford to get her a skirt and blouse to last her through the year. They had barely enough money for meals and currently, the family was staying in a temporary shelter erected in the half-constructed apartment building. "I wish Keshav hadn't been born!" she thought viciously, "without him around, I'm sure Father could buy me a pair of slippers!"

The building progressed quickly and soon summer was over. Mohini still did not get a pair of slippers. There was always something a little more important to buy for the family when the weekly wages came in – until the day Keshav decided to chase a stray dog. At first, it was only a game and Mohini ignored her brother's squeals. Then, he grabbed the dog's tail and pulled. The pain made the dog turn and snarl. Fearing the worst, Mohini raced desperately to get Keshav away. She did not see the shard of glass until she stamped right onto it with her bare feet. She screamed in pain. Her wail made Keshav let go of the dog's tail and it slunk away.

Mohini looked at her foot which was bleeding profusely. She felt giddy. Keshav came up and held her arm, too scared by the blood and what had just happened to her. "She'll need stitches," said her mother, but her father shushed her saying that it would heal in a few days.

It did not. Finally that weekend, her father counted out a few notes and said to Mohini, "Come, let's get you a pair of slippers." With the softness of the slippers to cushion her feet, she could barely feel the pain of the wound. "It's like magic!" she thought happily, feeling as though the new slippers had healed her wound.

It was early morning when a deep rumbling awakened Mohini. She froze, her heart was pounding as she anticipated another clap of thunder. Suddenly, the rumbling gave way to a cracking sound and she looked out of the shelter, mystified. To her horror, the pillars of the building were cracking and the walls were slowly coming down. Her parents were running out of the shelter and calling out to her. She turned to lift Keshav when darkness came crashing down on her.

When she regained consciousness, she realised that there was rubble all around. She sat up slowly, her heart pounding. She looked around desperately. Was that troublesome brother of hers dead? There was no sound and tears came to her eyes. At that moment, she spied Keshav's yellow shirt among the fallen bricks. She tugged and dug in the dirt until she could see her brother completely.

He groaned and she began to cry with relief. He was alive!

Mohini began to crawl towards a ray of light, dragging Keshav behind her. It

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seemed like hours before she managed to poke her head out of the hole and see relieved faces looking down at her. She lifted up Keshav and passed him to her father. When at last she was out of the rubble, safe in the arms of her mother, she looked down at her feet and noticed that she only had one slipper on. 40

"I must find it!" she cried, moving back towards the building. As she did, the only remaining wall collapsed and she knew her slipper was gone.

Keshav waddled up to her and put his hand in hers. She squeezed it. Suddenly, the slipper no longer mattered to her. 45

Adapted from 'A Pair of Slippers' by Cheryl Rao

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. What was Mohini's parents' occupation?

_____

_____

72. Why did Mohini skip as she walked on the road?

_____

_____

73. Where was the family's home temporarily located?

_____

_____

74. Which word from lines 3 – 15 has the same meaning as 'fiercely'?

_____

_____

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75. Why do you think Mohini raced to get Keshav away from the dog?

76. Who does "her" in line 20 refer to?

77. Mohini was woken up by a "deep rumbling" (line 26) sound. What did she think had made the sound?

78. In lines 34 – 35, why was Mohini so upset by the silence that "tears came to her eyes"?

79. Who did the "relieved faces" (line 40) belong to?

80. Do you think Mohini would blame her brother for her lost slipper? Explain your answer fully.

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ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2013
SCHOOL : NAN HUA
SUBJECT : PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH

TERM : CA2

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41)weigh 42)to 43)why 44)explanations 45)certainly

46)technique 47)of 48)deliberately 49)separate 50)extending

51)get 52)bite 53)in 54)spread 55)develop

56)and 57)that 58)people 59)who 60)in

61)drinking 62)medicine 63)is 64)lots 65)precaution

66)Mindy bought a swimsuit so that she could go swimming with me during the summer holidays.

67)Billy has yet to visit his pen pal in New Zealand.

68)Mabel reminded Joe that they were having a barbeque at the beach that Friday.

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69)Due to her diligence, she finally achieved her objectives.

70)None of the girls went to the play ground last night.

71)They were construction workers.

72)She wanted to avoid the soles of her feet from being burned by the tar.

73)It was located at a half-constructed apartment building.

74)The word is "viciously".

75)She raced to the dog to prevent it from hurting Keshav.

76)It refers to Mohini's mother.

77)She thought that a clap of thunder had made the sound.

78)She could not find her brother and thought that he was dead.

79)The faces belonged to Mihini's parents.

80)I think Mohini's would not blame Keshav for the lost slipper. Her brother mattered more to her than the slipper.

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ROSYTH SCHOOL
CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 2, 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
PRIMARY 5

Total Marks: 30

Name: _____

Class: Pr 5-_____

Register No. _____

Date: 26 August 2013 Parent's Signature: _____

TOTAL DURATION FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 MIN

BOOKLET A

Instructions to Pupils:
1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 30 questions (Questions 1 to 30).
4. **Answer ALL the questions and shade them in the correct ovals on the OAS provided.**

* This paper consists of 10 pages altogether (including the cover page)

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Study the following brochure and answer questions 1 to 5

Northcoast Children's Carnival

School's out! Come and check out the mall. Take part in the fun-filled activities that are lined up for your kids!

The excitement begins@Northcoast Shopping Mall
7 - 15 September 2013

Meet & Greet Angry Birds – Level 2

(Tue – Fri) 3 p.m.
(Sat – Sun) 5 p.m. 7 p.m.

- Snap a photograph at $4 per picture
- Limited to the first 20 children on stage

- To take part, pay $5 at our booth
- Suitable for kids aged 6 to 12
- Parents who take part with their kids stand to win $50 worth of Northcoast Shopping Mall shopping vouchers daily

Indoor Rock Climbing

- Only for kids aged 10 to 12
  $5 a try
- Safety harnesses will be provided
  Our qualified trainers will guide you

Venue: Basement 1, next to the Gingerbread Cookies stall

Special Daily Deals!!

For the first 60 shoppers
Valid with minimum purchase of $70
(maximum of 3 combined same-day receipts)
Limited to 1 gift per shopper per day

Art & Craft Booth – Parent & Child Activity

- Bond with your children - Make animal masks, origami and get your faces painted
- Register at Customer Service Counter, N at Level 1

Only available on weekends

Free popcorn and candy floss for all who participate!

$2 carpark rebate on weekdays, exclusively for ladies with UOC Lady's card.
Free parking on weekends!

Organisers:
Northcoast Shopping Mall
Northcoast Community Club
Jalan Kaya Residents' Committee

Sponsor:
YUMMY NOODLES

Co-Sponsors:
GINGERBREAD COOKIES
ROYAL SPORTS PLANET

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For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

1) One of the sponsors of *Northcoast Children's Carnival 2013* is _____.

(1) Gingerbread Cookies
(2) Northcoast Shopping Mall
(3) Northcoast Community Club
(4) Jalan Kaya Residents' Committee

2) According to the brochure, which one of the following activities is free of charge?

(1) Photo taking
(2) Face painting
(3) Rock climbing
(4) Scavenger Hunt

3) Which of the following is true of the carnival?

(1) Everyone is entitled to car park rebates on weekdays.
(2) Safety harnesses have to be purchased for rock climbing.
(3) Only the Art and Craft booth offers free candy floss and popcorn.
(4) Adults who participate alone in the Scavenger Hunt will win shopping vouchers.

4) Mrs. Tan will be able to redeem a gift if _____.

(1) she spends more than $70 per day
(2) she spends up to $70 within 2 days
(3) she has 4 combined receipts totalling $70
(4) she has already claimed a gift on that day at the mall

5) The main purpose of the carnival is to _____.

(1) provide family bonding opportunities
(2) encourage everyone to visit the mall
(3) get ladies to sign up for UOC member cards
(4) keep children occupied during the September break

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For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (7 marks)

6. This is the famous actor with _____ they have just taken a photograph.

(1) that
(2) who
(3) which
(4) whom

7. Unless there _____ enough students, the enrichment class will not commence.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

8. Although Rani has a melodious voice, she has never _____ before a large audience.

(1) sing
(2) sang
(3) sung
(4) sings

9. All the boys, including Salim, _____ to take part in the charity run next week to raise funds for the needy children.

(1) plan
(2) plans
(3) planned
(4) has planned

10. I woke up very late this morning. _____, I managed to reach school in time for the morning assembly.

(1) Although
(2) Therefore
(3) Nevertheless
(4) Consequently

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11. My sister made me _____ all the housework without lifting a finger to help.

(1) do
(2) did
(3) done
(4) doing

12. Darren takes pride _____ the tasks that he is assigned and does them to the best of his ability. He is certainly a role model to his peers.

(1) in
(2) on
(3) for
(4) with

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

This incident happened not too long ago. One day, I was serving a customer at the takeaway counter of the café I was working at. Suddenly, a lady pulled up to my drive **(13)** through window. Peering at the menu on the wall, she requested something from the lunch menu.

"I'm sorry, but it's ten in the morning," I told her **(14)** "We're still serving breakfast now."

After thinking it over for a while, she asked me in a chirpy tone, "Do you have anything on your breakfast menu that tastes like lunch **(15)** "Well, Madam, you could try something for yourself and give us your valuable feedback," I replied with a wink.

13. (1) [-] hyphen
    (2) [,] comma
    (3) [.] full stop
    (4) [;] semicolon

14. (1) [:] colon
    (2) [,] comma
    (3) [.] full stop
    (4) [,"] comma and close inverted commas

15. (1) [.] full stop
    (2) [?] question mark
    (3) [."] full stop and inverted commas
    (4) [?"] question mark and inverted commas

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16. No one noticed anything _____ about the ten-year-old child until he started performing his amazing magic tricks.

(1) magical
(2) awkward
(3) problematic
(4) extraordinary

17. Before beginning a lecture on why staying out too late is inappropriate, my aunt tells me a/an _____ about her friend's encounter with a stranger.

(1) fable
(2) parable
(3) anecdote
(4) experience

18. The stand-up comedian put up a/an _____ act and the audience laughed.

(1) heroic
(2) honest
(3) hilarious
(4) horrendous

19. Maxine was so overwhelmed with emotion when she heard the _____ news about the accident.

(1) interesting
(2) destructive
(3) informative
(4) devastating

20. As a thoughtful _____, I baked a cheese cake for my neighbour who was unwell.

(1) act
(2) offer
(3) move
(4) gesture

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.
(5 marks)

"Lie back," our guide said, as he paddled towards the narrow cave opening. Propelling us carefully by holding on to the rocks jutting (21) from the ceiling, he pulled our canoe through the entrance. Rocks came dangerously close to shearing (22) our flesh as the canoe made its way through the cave. A bright spot marked (23) the end of the cave and past this exit, the canoe broke into the tranquil lagoon. Tiny fishes could be seen below the canoe. We entered the untarnished (24) world of the natives who lived there for years. Looking around, everyone was awe-struck (25) by the beauty of the place.

21. (1) bulging
(2) sticking
(3) protruding
(4) expanding

22. (1) taking off
(2) hitting off
(3) cutting off
(4) knocking off

23. (1) labelled
(2) denoted
(3) indicated
(4) symbolized

24. (1) unspoilt
(2) unlooted
(3) unexplored
(4) undisclosed

25. (1) amused
(2) amazed
(3) petrified
(4) shocked

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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

She was just an old Golden Retriever. Her name was Brownie and for eleven years, she was the sole companion of an elderly woman, Mrs Watsons, who lived in a bungalow across the street. Neighbours often saw the two of them together in the garden. The woman usually hunched over picking flowers and there was that old dog, close at her heels or lying in the middle of the grass watching her pull weeds. When the woman passed on, her relatives came and collected anything they thought was valuable and put a "For Sale" sign on the front lawn. Then, they locked the dog out and drove away.

Some of the neighbours left food out for Brownie, but mostly the dog stayed near the house and waited for her owner to come back. Mrs Sara Whalen who lived next door with her two-year old son, Adam, noticed the old Golden Retriever. As she thought the dog was friendly enough, she did not feel it was any of her concern.

One afternoon, Adam's mother left him in the soft grassy yard to play while she answered the phone. When she returned, he was gone. She was frantic. The neighbours came over to help in the search, together with the police who combed the area for six hours. But no one could find the child, and as the sun set over the horizon, whispers of abduction, injury or even death crept into conversations.

A neighbour, who had just returned home, wondered where Brownie was. Adam's mother, hysterical with worry, did not understand why anyone was asking about the old dog at a time like this. When someone suggested she might be with Adam, there was the sound of a dog barking deep in the woods. Suddenly, everybody started calling for Brownie.

They heard faint barking and followed the sound until they found Brownie with the toddler. He was standing up fast asleep, pressed against the trunk of a tree. That old dog was holding him there with her shoulder as one of her own legs dangled over a thirty-five-foot drop to a stream below.

Brownie had followed Adam when he wandered off. When she saw danger, she had pushed him out of harm's way and held him safe for all those hours, even as the child struggled to get free. As soon as the rescue team picked up Adam, the old dog collapsed. A policeman carried Adam back home, while his mother, sobbing with relief, carried Brownie.

She was so grateful to the old Golden Retriever that Brownie spent the rest of her days with them. In Brownie's honour, Adam's mother, Sara Whalen, founded Pets Alive, a rescue sanctuary that takes in unwanted animals. While she cannot save them all, she feels comforted that she can help at least some of them. She knows that if someone had put that old Golden Retriever to sleep, she could have easily lost the light of her life.

Adapted from *Chicken Soup for the Dog Lover's Soul*

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4).
Shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

26. In paragraph 1, who was Brownie?
Brownie was _____.

(1) Mrs Watson's pet
(2) Adam's neighbour
(3) the policeman's pet
(4) the founder of Pets Alive

27. The Golden Retriever "stayed near the house and waited..." (*line 10*) because she was _____.

(1) old and had difficulty walking
(2) unaware of the old woman's death
(3) fond of the food the neighbours gave
(4) eager to be noticed by the neighbours

28. In paragraph 4, Adam's mother became "hysterical" because she was worried that her _____.

(1) dog was missing
(2) son had been abducted
(3) son had almost fallen off the cliff
(4) son had been harmed by Brownie

29. Why did Brownie collapse?

(1) She was old and frail.
(2) Adam was too heavy for her to carry.
(3) She was relieved that help had arrived.
(4) She was tired from holding onto Adam for a long time.

30. Sara Whalen set up Pets Alive _____.

(1) to sell all the unwanted animals
(2) to remember the day Adam was saved
(3) to provide shelter for abandoned animals
(4) to express her gratitude that Adam was alive

End of Booklet A

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ROSYTH SCHOOL
CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 2, 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
PRIMARY 5

Name: _____

Class: Pr 5-_____

Register No. _____

Date: 26 August 2013

Total Marks : 65

Parent's Signature: _____

TOTAL DURATION FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 MIN

BOOKLET B

Instructions to Pupils:

1. DO NOT open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 50 questions. (Questions 31 to 80)

	Maximum	Marks Obtained
Booklet A	30	
Booklet B	65	
Total	95	

Component	Qn Numbers	Marks Obtained
Comprehension Cloze	51 - 65	
Comprehension Open-ended	71 - 80	

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN ONLY BE USED ONCE.

(A) just	(D) will	(G) in	(K) into	(N) if
(B) where	(E) had	(H) has	(L) were	(P) would
(C) and	(F) to	(J) who	(M) of	(Q) such

A stray white cat turned up at my parent's home one afternoon while they (31) _____ relaxing on the couch watching television. Having already had another cat, Dibbie, my parents were reluctant (32) _____ feed their visitor. But the cat soon stole their hearts. She was named 'Snowy' because of her silky white fur and quickly became part (33) _____ the family.

Over the years, as age caught up with Dibbie, he lost his sight. The two cats had formed (34) _____ a strong bond that Snowy became Dibbie's 'new pair of eyes'. (35) _____ Dibbie walked to the end of the driveway and tried to cross the busy road where my parents lived, Snowy would run hurriedly ahead (36) _____ drag him back into the front yard. It was a heartfelt moment to watch one mate helping another.

Dibbie (37) _____ since passed on and my parents have entered a nursing home for closer medical attention. We have adopted Snowy (38) _____ our family. She is such an adaptable and easygoing pet (39) _____ is now a buddy to our dog, Honey. We hope that the two animals (40) _____ eventually develop a lovely bond in future – just like the one she shared with Dibbie.

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

It is estimated that 100 million sharks are killed worldwide every year by fishermen.

(41) [ ]

Most are killed **intensionally** but millions die as untargeted species caught by fishing

(42) [ ]

gear. In North Atlantic alone, **populaysions** of large predatory fish have declined.

When I grew up in Nantucket in the 1950s, the sea on a calm day appeared to be carpeted by blue sharks. The dark triangles of their dorsal fins sliced through the surface

(43) [ ] (44) [ ]

of the water, <u>cause</u> swimmers to have nightmares. Nowadays you are <u>unlike</u> to see a shark around Nantucket.

The decline in most fisheries can be attributed to the use of many big, fast and

(45) [ ] (46) [ ]

efisient boats, equipped with very effective new technology <u>to</u> catching fish,

(47) [ ]

all pursuing too few fish in <u>a</u> world's oceans.

With sharks, however, there is an extra, horrible industry that is putting them in

(48) [ ]

potentially terminal danger – finning. It is an eventual product of Asian **dalicacy** costing

(49) [ ]

$100 a bowl in a fancy **restrant**. Huge factory ships haul in their 95-kilometre-long lines,

(50) [ ]

cut the sharks away from the hooks, slash <u>out</u> every fin, and toss the still-living animals back into the sea to fall to the bottom and drown.

Adapted from Readers Digest/Swimming With Sharks

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

The sun was peeping over the hedges as the teenagers slammed the door of the chalet and started walking down the road. It was cold and misty and the trees (51) _____ ghostly in the semi-darkness.

"Brr! It (52) _____ cold," said Judy, "I wish I'd brought my sweater." "Don't worry," said Rosie, "it'll get hotter once the sun is fully up. And a walk will definitely (53) _____ you up." They passed a playground, with a merry-go-round that was painted a bright, childish colour. The road began to slope steadily downwards and the air (54) _____ noticeably cooler. "The waterfall must be quite (55) _____, said Max. "I can smell moisture in the air."

The road wound around the hillside. Every now and then they crossed over small, rushing streams (56) _____ chattered noisily over stony pebbles of many colours. After some time, they came to an open space with a path leading (57) _____ from the road.

"This is it," said Chris. "There's (58) _____ sign stating *Waterfall Ahead.*" The path wound lazily beside a gurgling stream, which was much wider and faster than the ones they had (59) _____. Suddenly, the stream fell over a cliff almost eight metres high. They had reached the waterfall!

"It's too hot," Max exclaimed. "Let's go for a dip!" Laughing, they jumped (60) _____ the clear water. They had a fun time splashing around. Suddenly, there was a scream from Chris," Snake! Snake!" They all rushed over to (61) _____ Chris was. He was on a rock, looking down at the rock opposite. There slithering over the wet surface was a water snake. Rosie gingerly took a stick and put it under (62) _____ body. The snake squirmed and tried to escape. Without hesitation, she flicked it into the air. (63) _____, it fell on Max's lap. "Eww!" he cried and flung it into the rushing (64) _____ and it was swept away. "Ugh!" exclaimed Max. "I hate snakes!" Chris burst into laughter, (65) _____ realising that Max was staring daggers at him. "It's not funny!" Max snapped.

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentences, using the words provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. The bear needs to live in the wild. The bear should not be kept in the cage.

_____ since

_____

67. The football team is not having training. The basketball team is not having training either.

Neither _____ nor _____

_____

68. "I drew a picture for my sister during Art lesson just now," John said.

John said _____

_____

69. The instructor praised the student for being diligent and obedient.

The student _____

_____.

70. Lily likes to play the piano. She likes to play the violin more.

_____ prefers _____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80

Aaron did not want to admit the danger, but he knew just the same that if they did not find shelter, they would freeze to death. It was a mighty blizzard. The snowfall had reached his knees. His hands were numb, and he could no longer feel his toes. Finny's bleating began to sound like crying.

Suddenly, Aaron made out the shape of a hill. He wondered what it could be. Who would pile snow into such a huge heap? He moved towards it, dragging Finny after him. When he came near it, he realised that it was a large haystack which the snow had blanketed.

Aaron saw immediately that they were saved. With great effort, he dug his way through the snow. He was a village boy and knew what to do. When he reached the hay, he hollowed out a nest for himself and the goat. No matter how cold it might be outside, it would be warm in the hay and the hay was food to Finny. The moment she smelled it, she became contented and began to eat. Outside, the snow continued to fall. It quickly covered the passageway Aaron had dug. But a boy and an animal needed to breathe, and there was hardly any air in their hideout. Aaron bored a kind of window through the hay and snow. He then carefully kept the passage clear.

Finny, having eaten her fill, sat down on her hind legs. Aaron ate his two slices of bread and cheese. Through the window, Aaron could catch a glimpse of the pandemonium outside. It was terrifying. The wind carried a whole drift of snow in the raging blizzard. Aaron did not know whether night had already come or whether it was the darkness of the storm. The dried grass provided warmth like the summer sun. Finny ate frequently; nibbled from above, below, from the left to the right. Her body gave an animal warmth, and Aaron cuddled up to her.

Aaron loved Finny and now she was like a sister. He was alone, cut off from his family. He began to talk to Finny. "Finny, what do you think about what has happened to us?" he asked. "Maaa," Finny answered. "If the snow keeps on falling like this, we may have to stay here for days," Aaron explained. "Maaa," Finny bleated. "What does 'Maaa' mean?" Aaron asked. "You had better speak up clearly." "Maaa, maaa," Finny tried. "You can't speak, but I know you understand. We need each other. Isn't that right?"

Adapted from Pet Stories for Children

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES. (20 marks)

71. What was the danger that Aaron faced?

_____

_____

72. What does the phrase "the snow had blanketed" in lines 7-8 tell you about the snow?

_____

_____

73. What does the word "they" refer to in paragraph 3?

_____

_____

74. Give two reasons why Aaron had to make his way towards the haystack.

_____

_____

75. In your own words, explain how Aaron ensured that there was air in the haystack.

_____

_____

76. Which word in paragraph 4 has the same meaning as 'chaos'?

_____

_____

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77. What kept Aaron warm in the haystack?

_____

_____

78. In the last paragraph, what was Aaron's concern?

_____

_____

79. Identify two words from the passage that describe the snowstorm.

_____

_____

80. Based on the last paragraph, describe how Aaron felt about Finny.

_____

_____

End of Booklet B

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ANSWER SHEET

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SUBJECT : PRIMARY 5 EMGLISH

TERM : CA2

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N	C	H	K	J	D

41)intentionally 42)populations 43)causing 44)unable

45)efficient 46)for 47)the 48)delicacy 49)restraint

50)off 51)looked 52)is 53)warm 54)was

55)near 56)that 57)away 58)a 59)seen

60)into 61)where 62)its 63)Thus 64)water 65)before

66)The bear should not be the cage since it needs to live in the wild.

67)Neither the football team nor the basketball team is having training.

68)John said he had, had drawn a picture for his sister during art lesson just then.

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69)The student was praised by the instructor for being diligent and obedient.

70)Lily prefers playing the violin to playing the piano.

71)He was in anger of freezing to death.

72)The snowfall was heavy.

73)The word refer to Aaron and his goat finny.

74)The haystack would provide shelter and the nay would be for finny.

75)He made a hole through the haystack.

76)The word is 'pandemonium'.

77)The nay dried grass and finny kept Aaron warm.

78)He worried that he and finny would be trap in the haystack for days.

79)The word are 'might' and 'terrifying'.

80)He love a finny like a sister.

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MID-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2 (BOOKLET A)
PRIMARY FIVE

Name:_____ ( ) Class: Primary 5 ___

Date: 9 May 2013 Thursday Duration of paper: 1h 50 min

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Study the advertisement below and then answer the questions that follow it.

Now I'm Reading! ($10)	*The Cat in the Hat Walks Back* ($7)	*The Big Counting Book* ($5)	*A Book of Shapes* ($5)	*My First Alphabet Book* ($5)

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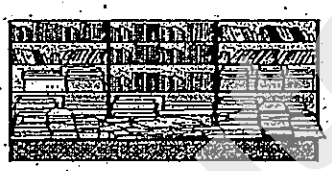

VENUE: #01-01 The Clubhouse, Sun Park Condominium
DATE: 13-25 June 2013 (June school holidays)
TIME: Mon-Tues (5.00p.m. - 9.00p.m.)
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00Sat (2.00p.m.- 6.00-p.m.)

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). (5 marks)

1. The bookshop is located _____.

   (1) at a park
   (2) near a school
   (3) in a community club
   (4) within a condominium

2. The books available in the bookshop are targeted at _____.

   (1) adults
   (2) parents
   (3) teenagers
   (4) young children

3. Who would **most** likely read "Now I'm Reading" series of books?

   (1) avid readers of all ages
   (2) pupils who are in primary school
   (3) residents of Sun Park condominium
   (4) children who have just started to learn how to read

4. The book sale is only held _____.

   (1) on weekdays
   (2) on weekends
   (3) during the June holidays
   (4) in the entire month of June

5. Which one of the statements is **true**?

   (1) The books are suitable for 4-year-olds.
   (2) One can visit the bookshop on 26 June 2013.
   (3) School books are sold at a discount during the sale.
   (4) The sale is open only to residents of Sun Park condominium.

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For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (7 marks)

6. I had _____ time left so I could not complete the remaining questions in the English test.

(1) few
(2) less
(3) little
(4) much

7. Neither Thomas nor the girls _____ at the canteen this morning.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

8. Taylor exclaimed as he pointed at the red sports car across the road, "_____ is my dream car!"

(1) This
(2) That
(3) These
(4) Those

9. Maria has been playing the piano _____ she was three years old.

(1) at
(2) for
(3) since
(4) when

10. The boy _____ father is a lawyer is very arrogant.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose

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11. Mother goes to the market every morning, _____ she?

(1) has
(2) does
(3) hasn't
(4) doesn't

12. The boys were still eating even though the bell had _____.

(1) ring
(2) rang
(3) rung
(4) rings

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

Paula's alarm clock rang. With a groan, she crawled out of bed and dragged herself to the bathroom.

"Aren't you early, Paula **(13)** her mother asked.

"I have to be in school early today," Paula grumbled.

"Well, maybe you can help me with the household chores instead since it's the weekend **(14)** her mother said with a wink.

"It's Saturday?" Paula asked feeling confused (15) "I must be so tired."

She went back to bed, glad that she could finally take a break from a long and busy week at school.

13. (1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

14. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(3) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [?"] question mark and inverted commas

15. (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16. Faizal realised his mistake and was _____.

(1) hurtful
(2) resentful
(3) mournful
(4) remorseful

17. The injured victim _____ along the pavement and finally collapsed on the ground.

(1) sashayed
(2) staggered
(3) sauntered
(4) scampered

18. Due to the spread of the influenza virus, more than ten workers _____ sick today.

(1) called in
(2) called on
(3) called up
(4) called away

19. The twins are like peas in a pod. They _____ each other.

(1) adore
(2) match
(3) favour
(4) resemble

20. The old man was _____ from the house as he could not pay the rent.

(1) ousted
(2) evicted
(3) expelled
(4) banished

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

Every bite of a juicy apple delivers **vital** nutrients and other food

(21)

compounds that curb appetite and nourish the heart. Chief among them is

fibre, **specifically** soluble fibre. All forms of roughage are good for you, but

(22)

soluble fibre is **critical** for controlling blood sugar. It slows down digestion,

(23)

which means the sugar in an apple – and it has plenty – is absorbed

slowly; eating one **barely** increases your blood sugar levels.

(24)

Apples also have an antioxidant called quercetin. This very **potent**

(25)

compound may lower the risk of asthma, heart disease, and possibly even

some forms of cancer.

Adapted from *Reader's Digest*

21. (1) powerful
    (2) essential
    (3) significant
    (4) fundamental

22 (1) precisely
    (2) definitely
    (3) accurately
    (4) particularly

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23. (1) fatal
(2) crucial
(3) severe
(4) hazardous

24. (1) faintly
(2) merely
(3) scarcely
(4) exceptionally

25. (1) lethal
(2) sturdy
(3) effective
(4) competent

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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Bears and humans have an ugly history. In the 1800s, an estimated 50,000 grizzlies roamed from California to America's Great Plains. Since then, people have shot, poisoned and trapped bears until only some 1200 remain in small pockets in the states of Wyoming, Idaho, Washington and Montana. For their part, bears typically kill two to three people a year, a low number considering the thousands of human-bear encounters. Still, many campers lie wide-eyed and wrapped in fear every night.

Charlie wanted to change all that. This unlikely **peacemaker** was a soft-spoken 62-year-old with unruly silver hair, large glasses and a toothy smile. Born on a Canadian ranch, Charlie questioned for years the way humans dealt with bears, which was to shoot first before determining if it was hostile. He wanted to prove that grizzlies and humans could co-exist without bloodshed.

Charlie told me about what happened. He was resting deep in a British Columbia forest when a female grizzly began stepping across the log he was sitting on. The bear moved closer, one metre, half a metre, and then centimetres away. She edged so close that Charlie could hear her breathe and feel her warmth. Charlie knew he was experiencing something that could change his life forever, if only he could stay still. He did. For long moments, man and bear stared at each other, centimetres apart.

Then, the grizzly did something unexpected - she reached out her paws and touched him. That proved to him that bears were not bloodthirsty killers. Could he prove this to others?

One evening, Charlie took me to a nearby river. We counted sixty-three bears along the river. Later on, we spotted Biscuit, a bear Charlie rescued ten years ago from hunters, fishing just up the shore. We watched her eat five fish. By the sixth, we had come close enough to see the crimson of blood on her muzzle but we were too close – there was no time to move between the boulders as she lumbered our way.

In just a few steps, she was there, so close I felt the brush of fur against my leg. I froze. Her huge head swung in my direction and I felt the surprisingly soft touch of her nose against my arm. There was a quiet 'woof' as she inhaled to catch my scent and then she turned and pounced back into the lake fishing for another salmon.

My heart was pounding so wildly in my chest that I could barely look. When I did, Charlie was smiling.

Adapted from *Reader's Digest*

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(5 marks)

26. Bears and humans have an ugly history because _____.

(1) people are hostile towards the bears
(2) only 1200 bears remain in the plains
(3) campers lie awake in fear every night
(4) an estimated 50,000 grizzlies roamed the plains

27. Why was Charlie described as a "peacemaker"?

(1) He knew what to do in an attack.
(2) He managed to make peace with only one bear.
(3) He strongly believed that all bears are harmless.
(4) He wanted humans and bears to co-exist without bloodshed.

28. In line 17, Charlie did not move because he _____.

(1) was paralysed
(2) was afraid of the bear
(3) wanted to hear the bear breathe
(4) wanted to know what the bear would do

29. Why was Charlie convinced that bears were not bloodthirsty killers?

(1) He could tell from the bear's stare.
(2) Bears could touch without harming.
(3) Bears could come closer towards him.
(4) He could hear bears breathing near him.

30. Which of the following statements is **true**?

(1) Biscuit was hunted ten years ago.
(2) Biscuit made the author smile with joy.
(3) Biscuit did not notice the author and Charlie.
(4) Biscuit took a quick sniff to catch Charlie's scent.

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MID-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2 (BOOKLET B)
PRIMARY FIVE

Name: _____ ( ) Class: Primary 5 ___

Date: 9 May 2013 Thursday Duration of paper: 1h 50 min

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Paper	Maximum Marks	Marks Obtained
1. Composition	55	
2. Language Use & Comprehension	95	
2.1 OAS (Booklet A)	30	
OE (Booklet B)	65	
2.2 Grammar Cloze	10	
2.3 Editing (Spelling & Grammar)	10	
2.4 Comprehension Cloze	15	
2.5 Synthesis & Transformation	10	
2.6 Comprehension	20	
3. Listening Comprehension	20	
4. Oral Communication	30	
Total	200	

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) are	(D) from	(G) into	(K) off	(N) up
(B) at	(E) if	(H) is	(L) to	(P) were
(C) by	(F)	(J) of	(M) the	(Q) was

Are aliens attacking the Sea of Japan? These gigantic blobs are unwelcome visitors _____ (31) another place. Called Nomura's jellyfish, the wiggly, pinkish giants can weigh _____ (32) to 204 kilogrammes. Each can be as heavy as a male lion and they gather _____ (33) the millions.

The supersize sea creatures normally found _____ (34) the coasts of China and North and South Korea occasionally drift east into the Sea of Japan _____ (35) feed on tiny organisms called plankton. Now, one hundred times _____ (36) usual number of jellyfish are invading Japanese waters and local fishermen are feeling as _____ (37) they are under siege.

No one knows for sure what _____ (38) causing this jellyfish traffic jam. It is possible that oceans heated by global warming _____ (39) creating the perfect jellyfish breeding ground. For now, all the fishermen can do is design special nets to try to keep the jellies out. Some of them hope to turn the catastrophe _____ (40) cash by selling jellyfish snacks.

Adapted from *Giant Jellyfish* by Ruth A. Musgrave

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

Bathing has been around for a long time because people have always had a

(41) [ ]

deezaire to get clean. Even before soap was invented, people would wash themselves

(42) [ ] (43) [ ]

<u>through</u> streams or rivers. However, the water only washed away dirt. It <u>can</u> not

(44) [ ]

dissolve the oily residue and grime that built <u>in</u> over time.

The first people to write about using soap to bathe were the Egyptians. They made soap from animal and vegetable oils. The mixture worked relatively well for

(45) [ ]

cleaning and for treating skin **deezeezes**. However, there is an earlier record of soap-making. Researchers have found small amounts of a soap-like material in clay jars from

(46) [ ]

the ruins of the **ainsheant** city of Babylon. Writing on the outside of the jars says that the material was made by boiling animal fats with ashes.

(47) [ ]

The Greeks **prefured** not to use soap to clean themselves. Instead, they would

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(48) [ ]

scrub their skin with blocks of clay, sand, pumice and ashes to removed dirt and grime.

(49) [ ]

They would then anoint themselves with oil, and scrape it away. The Greeks did using soap, but only to wash their clothes in the stream.

(50) [ ]

We had come a long way since the days of the Egyptians. Today, finding a bar of soap is as easy as going to the store. We have got it easy these days because of good chemistry!

Adapted from Soap Stories from Celebrating Chemistry

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

As Paul Horton rolls his wheelchair around his home, his six-year-old golden retriever, Yogi, trails closely behind him. Horton was paralyzed _____ (51) the waist down two years ago in a cycling accident. Horton and Yogi _____ (52) always been buddies, but now there is an unbreakable bond due to the accident.

One morning, Horton climbed _____ (53) his mountain bike and took off through his neighbourhood. Yogi came _____ (54), as he had every morning for nearly three years, trotting happily beside his master. The route wound through hilly roads to a narrow, forested trail. Shortly after turning around to _____ (55) home, Horton jumped the curb _____ (56) somehow did not get enough height and the bike's front wheel _____ (57) the curb and twisted sharply. Horton, who was not wearing a _____ (58), slammed headfirst onto the pavement. He was knocked unconscious. When he came to, he _____ (59) himself lying crumpled on the ground.

By Horton's side was Yogi, anxious to _____ (60) the trip home. As Horton tried to rise, he realized he could not feel anything below his chest. Horton whispered, "Go home. Go get Shearon." Shearon was Horton wife. Horton watched as Yogi _____ (61) for home.

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Two of Horton's neighbours were on a walk in the area when they _____ Yogi running loose down the street. He darted towards them
(62)
and then away, seeming to beg for _____ attention. When they
(63)
followed, Yogi dashed off, leading them somewhere. Yogi bounded towards Horton. They were right behind him, saw Horton's condition and called for help. Horton was rushed to a hospital _____ surgeons did what they could to mend
(64)
his damaged spine.

Horton has regained some _____ in his arms and hands and he is
(65)
able to move around the house on a wheelchair. "He's my watchdog and hero," says Horton.

Adapted from *A Truly Golden Retriever* – Reader's Digest

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66 Pour the flour and yeast into the mixing bowl. After that, stir in a cup of milk.

_____ after

_____.

67 Paul had to feed his family. Paul had to work overtime on most nights.

In order to _____

_____.

68 The stadium was filled with spectators even though it was raining heavily during the rugby match this afternoon.

_____

in spite of _____

69 Your fever will not come down if you do not take your medicine.

Unless _____

_____.

70 Tom is a caring son. He is also generous towards his parents.

Not only _____

_____.

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

"Our last moments of freedom," Lloyd muttered. He glowered round at the battered walls of the playroom, at the motorbike posters peeling off the wallpaper and Harvey's model aeroplanes neatly arranged on top of the bookcase. "She'll be putting up picture of flowers and ballet dancers when she comes, I bet." He sulked, kicking at the furniture. "Mum instructed us to take care of her," he added. "What does she expect us to do? Hold her hand and tell her bedtime stories?"

Harvey, curled in his chair, impassively went on reading *The Aeromodeller*.

"Harvey!" Lloyd hit him crossly on the shoulder. "Why don't you say something?"

Harvey looked up and grinned. That only made Lloyd angrier. "Don't you realise how awful it'll be to have a girl come to live here?"

Harvey said mildly, "Mum has always wanted to take in someone else's child to look after."

"I thought she meant a baby," Lloyd spluttered. "That would have been fine. Just a bit of screaming at night but a girl! A horrible girl, as old as me! She'll never be out of our hair. We'll have to take her to school with us! We'll have to behave all the time! It'll be like having a spy in the house."

Meanwhile, Miss Wilberforce was driving Dinah to meet her new foster family. "They're such a nice, normal family," Miss Wilberforce said encouragingly. "I'm sure you'll like living with them, Dinah. Lloyd and Harvey are very sensible and ordinary."

Dinah stared expressionlessly into the distance. Miss Wilberforce acknowledged that it was difficult for Dinah to change schools, what more live with two boys for the first time. Dinah remained silent. Miss Wilberforce sighed.

Finally, they arrived at the Hunters' house. Dinah climbed out of the car and stood stiffly on the pavement. Then, the two of them marched up the front path of the Hunters' house and Miss Wilberforce rang the doorbell.

The door opened. Mrs Hunter held out her arms and gave Dinah a friendly hug and kiss. Dinah's body stayed quite stiff. Mrs Hunter greeted her warmly and ushered her into the living room.

"Here they are," Mrs Hunter said proudly. "Lloyd's the big one and Harvey's the little one." Dinah looked them up and down. Lloyd was taller than she was, with a mop of wild hair and an arrogant look. Harvey was plump and cheerful. She held out a cold, rigid hand and greeted them unenthusiastically.

Lloyd stared down at her hand but he did not take it. She gazed awkwardly at the two of them and they gazed back.

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Mrs Hunter said briskly, "I'm sure you'll get on better without a lot of grown-ups **breathing down your necks.** Why don't you boys take Dinah into the playroom? Then you can get to know each other properly. Off you go."

Up in the playroom, the silence was awkward. "Go on then," Lloyd prodded her. "Say something. Tell us about yourself." 40

Dinah drew a breath. "My name is Dinah Glass. I'm eleven. My mother and father died when I was one. I've lived in the Children's Home for ten years." Her mouth snapped shut again.

Adapted from *The Demon Headmaster* by Gillian Cross

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 Which word in paragraph 1 suggests that Lloyd was sulking?

_____

_____

72 Give 2 reasons why Lloyd is apprehensive about Dinah coming to live with them in paragraph 1.

_____

_____

73 Explain clearly why Lloyd hit Harvey on the shoulder (line 8).

_____

_____

74 Explain fully what "that" in line 10 refers to.

_____

_____

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75 Why did Harvey think that Lloyd should not be so upset with Dinah coming to live with them?

76 What exactly does "She'll never be out of our hair?" (lines 15-16) mean?

77 What two actions tell you that Dinah was worried about living with a new family (lines 21-23)?

78 State two ways how Mrs Hunter tried to make Dinah feel welcomed in the house?

79 Quote a sentence from lines 30-33 that suggests that Dinah was least interested in meeting the boys.

80 Explain clearly what the phrase "breathing down your necks" (line 37) means.

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41)desire **42)in** **43)could** **44)up** **45)diseases**

46)ancient **47)preferred** **48)remove** **49)use** **50)have**

51)from **52)have** **53)on** **54)along** **55)get**

56)but **57)hit** **58)helmet** **59)found** **60)continue**

61)left **62)saw** **63)their** **64)where** **65)movement**

66)Stir in a cup of milk after pouring the flour and yeast into the mixing bowl.

67)In order to feed his family Paul had to work overtime on most nights.

68)The stadium was filled with spectators in spite of the heavy rain during the rugby match this afternoon.

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69)Unless you take your medicine, your fever will not come down.

70)Not only is Tom a caring son, but he is also generous towards his parent.

71)The word is "glowered".

72)They will lose their freedom and she may put up pictures of flower and ballet dancers.

73)He was annoyed that despite the fact Lloyd was upset with Dinah coming to live with them. Harvey did not seen bothered at all and continued reading his book.

74)It refers to Harvey looking up and grinning.

75)Mother had always wanted to look after someone else child so he should expected this to happen.

76)It means that Dinah will always be in their way.

77)She stared without expression and always remained silent when Mrs Wilberforce spoke to her.

78)She held out her arms and gave Dinah a friendly hug and kiss.

79)The sentence is "She held out a cold, rigid hand and greeted them unenthusiastically.

80)It means watching someone and making them feel awkward.

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CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

MID-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013

PRIMARY FIVE

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET A

Name: _____ ( )

Class: Primary Five _____

17 May 2013

30 Questions
(30 Marks)

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

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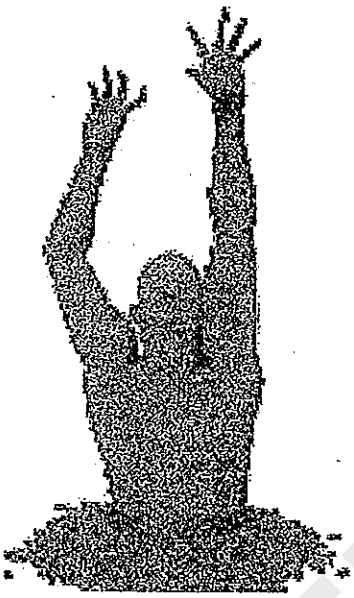
Study the following advertisement and then answer questions 1 to 5.

THE ART OF THE BLOCK

Be blown away by the marvel of LEGON bricks

23 May 2013 - 30 November 2013

@ Quirky Science Museum, Bay Sands Mall



Building dreams with LEGON!

For the first time in Singapore, New York-based artist Nate Sawi will be showcasing his largest collection of 50 large-scale LEGON sculptures at the Quirky Science Museum. Deemed as one of the world's 12 'Must-see Exhibitions', The Art of the Block will treat visitors to stunning displays of intricate sculptures made from LEGON bricks.

Unlike most people, Sawi never stopped building and exploring his imagination using LEGON bricks which he has been playing with since the age of 3. Here, he transforms them into awe-inspiring and thought-provoking sculptures, elevating the status of LEGON bricks from a toy to a realm of art. Hundreds of thousands of pieces of LEGON bricks will be used and an impressive LEGON sculpture of this iconic museum will also be unveiled. Mini-replicas can be purchased at the museum shop as well.

Type of Ticket	Ticket Prices	
	#Early Bird	Standard
Adult	$20	$25
Child (2 to 12 years old)	$10	$15

Tickets can be purchased on the Quirky Science Museum website www.quirkyscience.com.sg and at all Bay Sands box offices.

OPERATING HOURS
Daily: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Last admission at 9 p.m.

**COMPLIMENTARY PARKING*
Mondays to Thursdays
(except public holidays)

Must be purchased before 1 May 2013

* Minimum spending of $20 required at the mall

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

1. The main aim of the exhibition is to _____.

   (1) create and explore using LEGON blocks
   (2) appreciate the use of LEGON blocks in creating sculptures
   (3) appreciate the LEGON sculptures then purchase their mini replicas
   (4) showcase the LEGON sculptures created by Nate Sawi and meet him in person.

2. Both Mrs Tan and her 12-year-old son bought tickets on 1 May 2013. They bought _____.

   (1) 2 adult tickets at $20 each
   (2) 2 adult tickets at $25 each
   (3) 1 adult ticket at $20 and 1 child ticket at $10
   (4) 1 adult ticket at $25 and 1 child ticket at $15

3. You can park for free when you _____.

   (1) only visit the Quirky Science Museum
   (2) spend $25 at the Bay Sands Mall on a Monday
   (3) spend $25 at the Bay Sands Mall on a Saturday
   (4) buy tickets on the Quirky Science Museum website

4. Tickets can be purchased _____.

   (1) at the museum shop only
   (2) on the museum website only
   (3) online and at the museum shop
   (4) online and at the Bay Sands box offices

5. Which of the following statements about Nate Sawi is **true**?

   (1) He started playing with LEGON blocks recently.
   (2) He built a LEGON sculpture live at the museum.
   (3) He has proven that LEGON toys can be appreciated as art.
   (4) He has been showcasing his LEGON collection in Singapore annually.

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6. Alicia heard Betty _____ in terror.

(1) scream
(2) screams
(3) screamed
(4) is screaming

7. In view of the current flu epidemic, the school has _____ precautionary measures.

(1) stepped in
(2) stepped up
(3) stepped out
(4) stepped forward

8. _____ my father was ill, he reported for work.

(1) Despite
(2) Owing to
(3) Although
(4) In spite of

9. When I was younger, fish and chips _____ my favourite dish.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

10. If I had studied more diligently, I _____ my class.

(1) will top
(2) would top
(3) will have topped
(4) would have topped

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11. Denise, as well as her sisters _____ visiting London during the next holidays.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

12. The man _____ you had met at Mr Samy's office is the new director of the company.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

"I have some questions for the three of you and I think it will be best if we do it individually. If you two," he pointed at Harry and Hermione **(13)** can wait upstairs, I will start with Ronald."

"We're not going anywhere," said Harry while Hermione nodded vigorously **(14)** You can speak to us together, or not at all."

"Very well, then **(15)** together," he said, shrugging.

Adapted from: *Harry Potter and The Deathly Hallows*

13. (1) [:] colon
    (2) [,] comma
    (3) [:"] colon and inverted commas
    (4) [,"] comma and inverted commas

14. (1) ["] inverted commas
    (2) [:"] colon and inverted commas
    (3) [,"] comma and inverted commas
    (4) [."] full stop and inverted commas

15. (1) [-] dash
    (2) [:] colon
    (3) [,] comma
    (4) [.] full stop

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16. The people in the street _____ towards the shelter when there was a sudden downpour.

(1) ambled
(2) strutted
(3) scurried
(4) hobbled

17. We were in an _____ mood when we emerged as champions in the Inter-School Swimming Championship.

(1) exquisite
(2) extensive
(3) exuberant
(4) extravagant

18. The fireworks display during the Chingay parade was _____. The audience at the stadium was awestruck.

(1) scenic
(2) pictorial
(3) charming
(4) breathtaking

19. Let's go to the concert. I have two _____ tickets.

(1) commissary
(2) commentary
(3) complimentary
(4) complementary

20. The spoilt boy was throwing such a tantrum in the mall that all the shoppers _____ at him in disapproval.

(1) ogled
(2) beamed
(3) squinted
(4) glowered

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

Being a film-maker means that you have to be adventurous and a risk-taker, says Michelle Chong, **(21)** **undoubtedly** one of Singapore's top comedic talents. She is known for her spot-on impersonations of character stereotypes on the parody show 'The Noose'.

In 2011, she chose to go behind the scenes to make her **(22)** **debut** in filmmaking. It was a decision that many people had little **(23)** **confidence** in, she says. "People were wondering why I wanted to stop acting and do something so different and **(24)** **risky** like directing a movie." In fact, she was so determined that she even put in a six-figure sum to fund the movie, which earned a **(25)** **hefty** $1.4 million at the box office.

Chong is currently working on her second feature flick '3 Peas In A Pod', which begins shooting in Australia next month.

Adapted from: *The Straits Times on 12 February 2013*

21. (1) possibly
    (2) certainly
    (3) probably
    (4) questionably

22. (1) entry
    (2) living
    (3) launch
    (4) progress

23. (1) assurance
    (2) satisfaction
    (3) determination
    (4) apprehension

24. (1) safe
    (2) serious
    (3) dangerous
    (4) detrimental

25. (1) high
    (2) bulky
    (3) mighty
    (4) massive

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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

One afternoon, Adam came home from school with a puzzled look on his face. After I had asked him what was on his mind, he asked, "Are all people the same even if their skin colour is different?"

I thought for a moment, before saying, "I'll explain if you can just wait until we make a quick stop at the supermarket. I have something interesting to show you."

At the supermarket, I told him that we needed to buy some apples to make a pie. We went to the fresh fruits section where we found apples of different colours – red, green, and **even yellow**. We bought some apples of each colour and went home.

As we put all the groceries away back home, I told Adam, "It's time to answer your question." I placed an apple of each colour on the table; first a red apple, followed by a green apple and finally, a yellow one. Then I looked at Adam who was sitting on a high stool on the other side of the table.

"Adam, people are just like these apples. They come in different colours, shapes and sizes. See, some of the apples have been bumped around and are bruised. On the outside, they may not even look as delicious as the others." As I was talking, Adam began examining each one carefully in an attempt to take in all that I had said.

Then, I took each of the apples and peeled them, placing them back on the table but in different spots. "Alright, Adam, tell me which one is the red apple, the green apple and the yellow apple."

He said, "I can't tell. They all look the same after you peeled off the skin!"

"Take a bite of each one. See if that helps you to figure out which one is which."

He took big bites but he still could not tell them apart. A huge smile spread across his face. "People are just like apples! They are all different but once you peel off the outside, they are pretty much similar on the inside."

"Right," I agreed. "Just like how everyone has their own personality but are still basically the same." He understood this completely. It was the perfect analogy.

Now when I bite into an apple, it tastes a little sweeter than before. What a perfect fruit for thought.

Adapted from: *Chicken Soup for the Preteen Soul*

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26. Adam came home with a puzzled look on his face because he _____.

(1) could not see how apples are similar to people
(2) was worried about being treated differently in school
(3) needed to understand what exactly makes people different
(4) was pondering over the relationship between skin colour and people

27. The purpose of the author highlighting "even yellow" in line 9 is to show that _____.

(1) yellow apples are not common
(2) the freshest apples are certainly yellow
(3) apples turn yellow when overripe or rotten
(4) yellow apples are not ideal for making pies

28. Adam examined each apple carefully (line 18) as he was trying to _____.

(1) look for flaws in the apples
(2) guess which was the most delicious apple
(3) comprehend what the author had explained
(4) memorise details in the appearance of each apple

29. What does the author mean by, "Now when I bite into an apple, it tastes a little sweeter" in line 31? She _____.

(1) thinks that the apple is truly sweet.
(2) recalls this lesson she taught Adam.
(3) is making a conscious effort to savour the apple.
(4) is admiring her own wisdom in forming the analogy.

30. What is the moral of the story?

(1) Racism should not be condoned.
(2) People are just as colourful as apples.
(3) Everyone is the same yet special in his own way.
(4) We should use apples to teach children about skin colour.

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CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
MID-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013
PRIMARY FIVE
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET B

Name: _____ ( )

Class: Primary Five _____

17 May 2013

50 Questions
(65 Marks)

Components	Marks
Booklet A	30
Booklet B	65
TOTAL	95

Parent's Signature: _____

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) all	(D) another	(G) can	(K) or	(N) this
(B) among	(E) any	(H) from	(L) that	(P) to
(C) an	(F) but	(J) of	(M) their	(Q) with

A former fishing village turned British military base, Sentosa was transformed into an idyllic island resort in 1972 for the enjoyment and recreation of everyone. To describe Sentosa as merely just (31) _____ resort would do no justice to the multiple faces of (32) _____ island jewel half a kilometre south of Singapore. After all, it is the variety and versatility (33) _____ make Sentosa different and special for millions of visitors (34) _____ all around the world. Unlike (35) _____ other vacation destination, you are right on the fringe of the city's buzz, which is just minutes away either by cable car, ferry (36) _____through a 700-metre road link.

Once you step foot on the island, you (37) _____ find your own slice of paradise (38) _____ the many exciting attractions where history and culture come alive: Lush green surroundings allow you (39) _____ explore nature, admire the dancing fountains and international golf courses (40)_____ scenic views. Today, Sentosa is a recreational haven, boasting a kaleidoscopic range of attractions and activities that cater to a wide audience.

Adapted from: The Straits Times June 2012

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

Anyone who has experienced an earthquake at least once in their lifetime will never forget the natural **penomenon**. The first reaction to the sudden, violent shaking is usually panic. Then as plates tumble on shelves and crash to the floor and lights overhead begin to sway, one begins to comprehend what is happening. Even though scientists have learned a great deal about the cause of earthquakes <u>it</u> remain as one of the most unpredictable of all naturally **ocuring** events. After pondering about the pattern of earthquakes <u>for</u> long periods of time, we do know that earthquakes are not simply **randam** events. Instead, they generally happen at what are referred to as fault lines. We also know that certain areas <u>were</u> more likely to have earthquakes than others. One of the most **devesteting** earthquakes in recorded history happened on 23 January 1556 in the Shaanxi province, China, killing more than 830,000 people. Most of the population in the area at the time lived in **artifichal** caves in cliffs, many of whom collapsed during the catastrophe with great loss of life.

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42. [ ]
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Adapted from: Vocabulary Builders

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Fill in the blanks with the most suitable answer. (15 marks)

When he was 7, Brian played his first computer game. At 12, without his parents' permission, he would (51) _____ to the hall in the middle of the night to play computer games. Brian was on a straight path to computer gaming (52) _____ until he was diagnosed by a doctor. Brian then decided to get rid of his computer. Brian is the typical gaming addict, said Laura Bensen, who works for the Swiss-based 'Lost in Mars' project.

People who end up in (53) _____ with the condition usually only admit themselves as patients after they have lost nearly everything including their family. Most people affected by the condition said that they prefer the virtual (54) _____ to the real one as they can instantly gratify their needs for friendship and recognition.

Brian, now in his 20s, said he realised his problem when he found himself barely (55) _____ living off iced tea because he did not want to (56) _____ gaming time to prepare a meal. His case is not unusual.

Addiction is not determined by the (57) _____ of hours one plays a game. However, if someone gets aggressive because he cannot (58) _____, that is a sure sign of addiction. Going cold turkey is not (59) _____ to handle addiction. That is because the addiction is usually masking larger (60) _____ in the person's life and allowing the person to forget his worries. That is how the vicious cycle begins. Playing means problems can be (61) _____ but disregarding the problems usually makes them worse. Many need (62) _____ help to break the cycle. Most usually turn to addiction centres which are equipped to deal with their addiction problem.

Brian realised his problem when he almost (63) _____ to complete his studies because of his gaming. A doctor (64) _____ him with depression and gaming addiction. Brian got rid of his (65) _____ wrote a list of 200 things he should have done long ago and began working on the list. His story had a happy ending. Today, he has managed to continue with his studies and is also in charge of a few self-help groups for gaming addicts.

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For each of the questions from 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. "You must bring your assessment book tomorrow," Mrs Tan told Jason.

Mrs Tan told Jason that _____

_____

67. The teacher marked these books yesterday.

These books _____

_____

68. This man owns the flat. You saw him just now.

_____ whom

_____

69. We cannot watch the concert. We do not have tickets.

_____ unless

_____

70. James would rather play basketball. He does not like volleyball.

_____ prefers

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

"As you can see before you," the ferry captain said over his bullhorn, "a plane has crashed into the World Trade Centre!"

It was 8.48 a.m. and our commuter boat had just left Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey, for New York City. It was the kind of morning pilots usually referred to as "severe clear". We could see the skyscrapers of lower Manhattan – still 40 minutes away – with aching clarity.

Like everyone else, I watched in horror as smoke spewed from the upper floors of the north tower. Metal strips that had encased the building began to unfurl like cans of tuna, putting it in a precarious position. The fact that my brother, Michael, was somewhere inside that 110-storey building, made me even more terrified.

A week earlier, Mike had joined one of his best friends, Spike Tucker, at Cantor Fitzgerald, an international law firm. Before that, Mike had worked at Prudential, an insurance company for 18 years. Mike and Tucker took the same bus each morning, reaching their desks by 7.30 a.m. without fail.

I knew they would be in their office, but I was not aware of which floor it was located on. I tried to call Mike then his wife, Lynn and then my brother, Nick. No one answered.

Just as I looked up, a second plane sliced through the upper floors of the south tower. My fellow commuters and I gasped as it was not a usual sight. That ruthless smack **knocked the wind out of all of us.** This was no accident. America, we realised, was under attack!

Still, we sailed on. We hurriedly passed the Sandy Hook Lighthouse and the Statue of Liberty, all eyes glued on those twin towers. We watched in disbelief as shards of glass and paper rained down on the streets below. I tried to imagine Mike and Tucker running down the stairs to safety.

As we approached New York Harbour, the captain announced that no one could disembark. Instead, we would pick up those who had fled office buildings near

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the World Trade Centre.

Black soot and ash now cloaked much of the sky. The smell of burning plastic and rubber soured the air. Already, thousands of people had crammed the pier looking eagerly, hoping to see their loved ones. Hoping against all hope, I looked for Mike's face in the crowd. 30

As we headed back to Atlantic Highlands, I went up to the top deck. Lower Manhattan looked ghastly. However, **nothing could prepare me for what came next**: the collapse of the south tower. Within seconds it seemed, a huge swirl of ash and debris took down the once soaring skyscraper, changing a landscape I had known and loved since childhood. 35

Adapted from: Reader's Digest Apr 2002

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. What did the passengers on the ferry witness when they first set sail that morning?

_____

_____

72. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as 'passenger'?

_____

_____

73. Explain fully why the writer felt particularly horrified watching the upper floors of the north tower in lines 7-8

_____

_____

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74. Give one reason why the writer was sure that Mike was in the building when the incident occurred.

_____

_____

75. What does "it" in line 19 refer to?

_____

_____

76. What does the phrase 'knocked the wind out of all of us' in line 20 tell you about the writer's feelings?

_____

_____

77. Which three-word phrase in paragraph 7 shows that the passengers on the ferry were shocked by the incident?

_____

_____

78. How do we know that the writer was hoping that Mike would still be alive?

_____

_____

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79. What does the writer mean by the phrase "nothing could prepare me for what came next"? (lines 34 - 35)

_____

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80. According to the passage, in what way did the landscape change after the incident?

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SUBJECT : PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH

TERM : SA1

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41)phenomenon 42)off 43)they 44)occurring 45)over

46)random 47)are 48)devastating 49)artificial 50)which

51)sneak 52)addiction 53)hospital 54)world 55)eating

56)waste 57)number 58)play 59)enough 60)problems

61)forgotten 62)professional 63)failed 64)diagnosed 65)addiction

66)Mrs Tan told Jason that he had to bring his assessment book the next day.

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68)This man whom you saw just now owns the flat.

69)We cannot watch the concert unless we have tickets.

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70)James prefers playing basketball to volleyball.

71)They witnessed a plane crash into the world Trade Centre.

72)The word is "commuter".

73)The writer was horrified as the metal strips that had coved the building began to unfold, causing it to be in a dangerous position and because the writer's brother was something inside the building.

74)Mike would reach his desk by 7.30a.m every morning without fail.

75)It refers to a second plane sliced through the upper floors of the south tower.

76)It tells me that the writer was shocked.

77)The phrase is "watched in disbelief".

78)She was looking for Mike in the crowd at the pier.

79)The writer did not expect the south tower to collapse.

80)The once soaring skyscraper was not there anymore.

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Class : Primary 5 _____

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Primary 5

Semestral Assessment 1

10 May 2013

English Language

Listening Comprehension

Duration of Paper: 45 minutes

20 questions
20 marks

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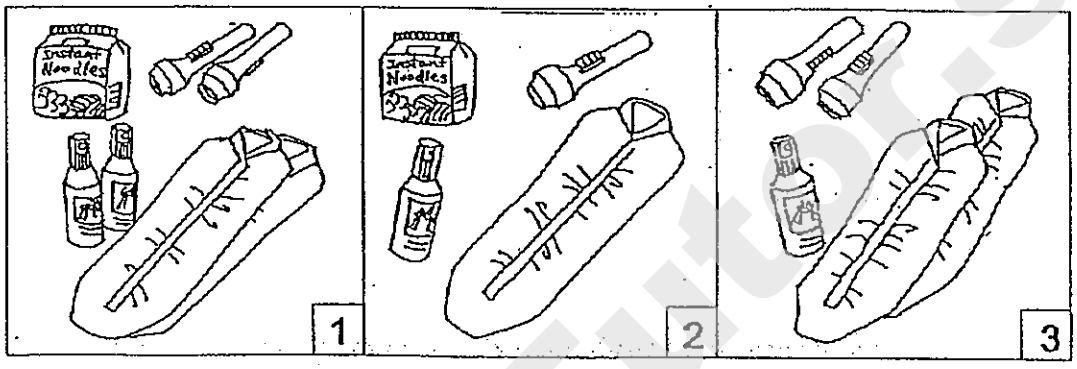
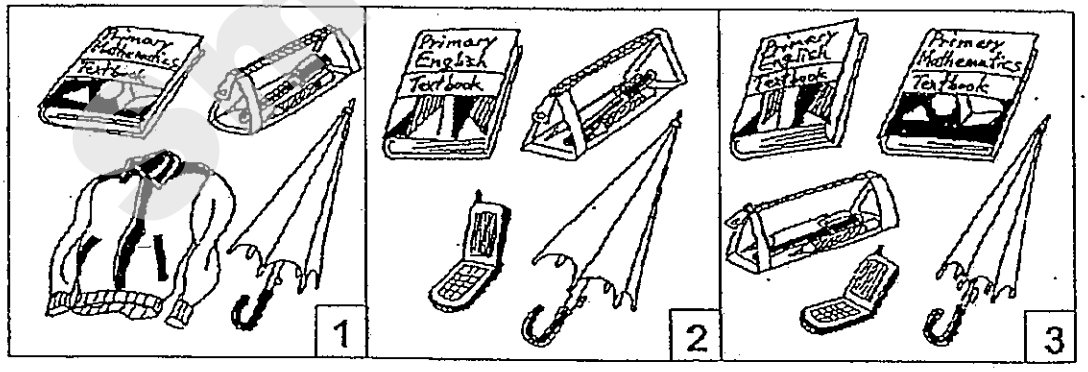
Text 1

Q1. Which of the following are items that have been packed by Jackson and Mary in total? .....( )



Text 2

Q2. Which item is in Tim's schoolbag? .....( )



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Text 3

Q3. Which route shows the boys' intended programme for the day? ..... ( )

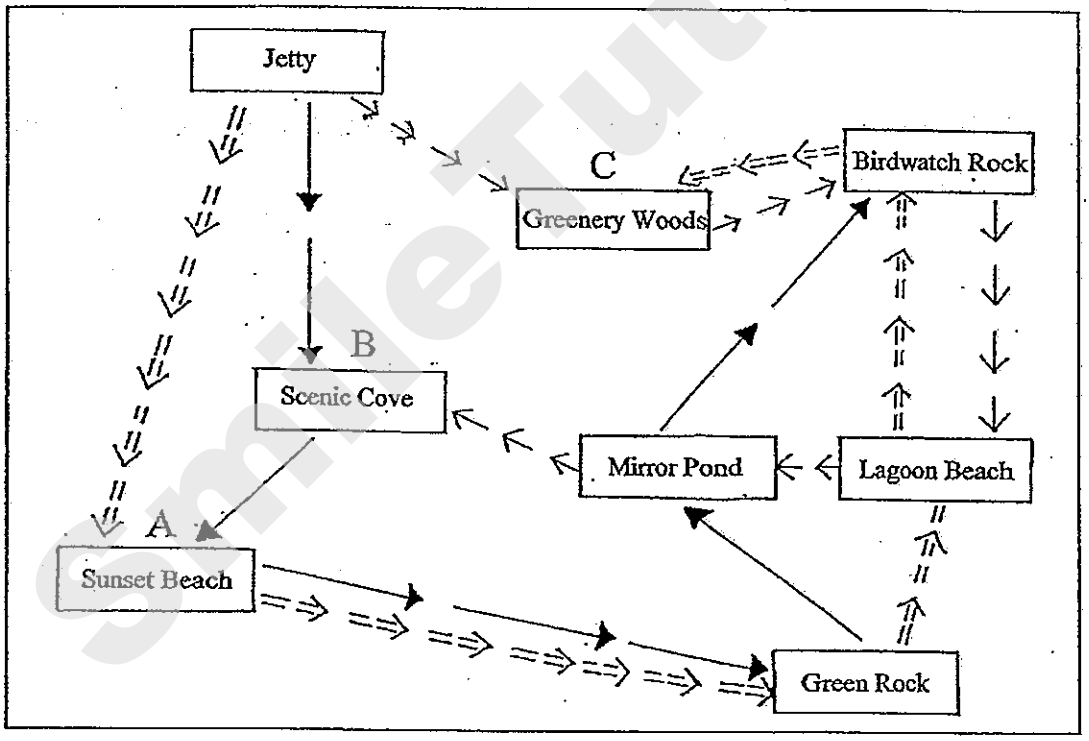
(1) → → → → →

(2) ==> ==> ==> ==>

(3) ——————▶

Q4. Janet is a botany student. She arrived at Sunny Island later that same day. Where should she go if she is looking for information related to her studies? .....( )

(1) A
(2) B
(3) C



Text 4

Q5. Why was the mall crowded?..... ( )

(1) The Great Singapore Sale had just started.
(2) There was a 50% discount at all the shops.
(3) There is a very famous boutique there.

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Q6. Why was Lisa so happy when she arrived at the boutique?..... ( )
(1) There was a 50% discount on everything in the store.
(2) The blue dress that she wanted to get was out of stock.
(3) It was very crowded in the shop but there were many new arrivals.

Q7. Why didn't Lisa buy the dress in the end?..... ( )
(1) She wanted to let the other lady have it.
(2) There was a tear in the dress.
(3) It would not fit her.

<u>Text 5</u>

Q8. What leadership positions do Pat and Sue hold?..... ( )
(1) Drama Club Leaders
(2) Art Club Leaders
(3) Prefects

Q9. What role is Sue going to play in the concert item? .....,....( )
(1) Snow White
(2) The evil stepmother
(3) One of the dwarves

Q10. What co-curricular activity did Sue's brother join while he was in school?..... ( )
(1) Choir
(2) Art Club
(3) Drama Club

Q11. Why is Sue's brother free to help the Art Club members?.....( )
(1) He is from the Art Club.
(2) He can do it after class.
(3) He does not need to attend classes at the moment.

<u>Text 6</u>

Q12. According to the text, what was the Great Wall of China listed as in 1987?..... ( )
(1) One of the seven wonders of the world
(2) A national tourist attraction
(3) A world heritage site

Q13. Why was the Great Wall of China originally built?..... ( )
(1) To protect the Chinese Emperors
(2) To protect the nomadic groups who lived in that region
(3) To protect the northern borders of the Chinese Empire against invasions

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Q14. How did the many different emperors in the history of China leave their mark on the Great Wall?.....( )

(1) By constructing a huge portion of the Great Wall with bricks
(2) By the modifications they made to different parts of the Wall
(3) By protecting their people with the Great Wall

Q15. Why have some sections of the Great Wall of China in Beijing been renovated?.....( )

(1) They are historically significant.
(2) They are frequently visited by many tourists.
(3) They were built during the Ming Dynasty.

Q16. What has the Great Wall of China become as a result of its architectural grandeur and historical significance?.....( )

(1) An area in ruins
(2) A specially protected area
(3) A world famous attraction

Text 7

Q17. What is herbalism?.....( )

(1) The extraction of plants
(2) A modern medicinal practice
(3) The use of plants or plant extracts for medicinal purpose

Q18. Why is it that for many herbs with medicinal value, only certain parts of the plant can be used?.....( )

(1) There are many different ways in which herbs can be used.
(2) Not all parts of the herb are useful and some parts may be harmful.
(3) Plants that were used for medicinal purposes in the past are not relevant today.

Q19. What can aloe vera be used for? .....( )

(1) To treat skin ailments, arthritis and conjunctivitis
(2) To make Vitamin A and mineral pills
(3) To grow other plants healthily

Q20. Why is it easy to grow the aloe vera in our homes?.....( )

(1) It is a herbal plant.
(2) It needs minimal care.
(3) It is found in many countries.

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Semestral Assessment 1

6 May 2013

English Language

Paper 1

Duration of Paper : 1 hour 10 min

2 questions
55 marks

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Part 1: Situational Writing (15 Marks)

Study the poster below carefully.

A date

with world-renowned author

Michael Boustead

Presenting his latest book

Wonderful World of Wizards

Rave Reviews

'An enchanting tale of magic'

Singapore Book Club

'Another masterpiece from Michael Boustead'

Book Munchers Club

Date : Saturday, 26 May 2013

Time : 1 – 3 pm

Venue : The Writer's Room @ the National Library, 11 Goodwood Road

***The Writer's Room Welcome Pack:**

Be the first 50 to attend Michael Boustead's event at the National Library and receive a complimentary welcome pack (notepad, souvenir pen and ruler)

(Proof of purchase of Michael Boustead's latest book from Stamford Bookstore required)

*Redemption valid only on 26 May 2013 from 12pm onwards. Limited to 1 redemption per customer. While stocks last.

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Your Task:

You saw a poster outside Stamford Bookstore. A famous author is coming to Singapore for a "Meet the Writer" session to promote his latest book. You immediately thought of your best friend who loves reading his books.

Write an email to your best friend, Marcus, giving him details of the event.

You are to refer to the given poster.

In your email, include the following information:

- who the author is
- date and time of the event
- where the event will be held
- the title of the author's latest book
- who is eligible for the redemption of the free pack

You may re-order the points. You should write in complete sentences.

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Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

There are two questions in Part 2.
Answer only one of them.

(2) Write a story based on the picture below. Your story should be at least 150 words long.

For your story, make use of the points below.

- who the people were
- what had happened
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

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(3) You were in the school library when you heard a ripping sound.

Based on the above situation, write a composition of at least 150 words.

In your composition, make use of the points below.

- how you responded
- what happened next
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

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Semestral Assessment 1

10 May 2013

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

30 questions
30 marks

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Study the poster below carefully and then answer questions 1 to 5.

A *Flametree Community Club* event

Happy 48th Birthday, Singapore!

Flametree Community Club's (FCC) various committees have organised these activities for you. Come with your family members and neighbours to show your support!

National Day Party

9 August 2013 (Friday)
5.00pm to 10.00pm
Flametree Community Club Hall

Admission:
$10 (Adults); $5 (Student Pass and Senior Pass holders); free for children below 7 years old

Tickets will be available from 1 July 2013.
A packed dinner set will be provided for each participant with a paid ticket.

National Day Heritage Exhibition

2 to 11 August 2013
10.00 am to 5.00 pm
Flametree Community Club Atrium
*Free Admission**

Local artists and authors will be making guest appearances at scheduled time slots.
Go to *www.fcc.com.sg/heritage.exhibition* or check the Flametree Community Club Activities Board for more details.

*Free admission for all dressed in our national colours. Other admission charges apply.

Take the 'I Love Singapore' Quiz
Go to www.fcc.com.sg/quiz to take the quiz before 9 August. Attractive prizes await you!

Dress in Red and White
From 2 to 11 August, be spotted in our national colours! You may be the lucky winner of the latest Aztez mobile phone!

Fly the Singapore Flag
Singapore flags can be purchased at $5 from the Flametree Community Club Office.

Buy the National Day Songs Compilation CD
The CDs can be purchased at $15 from the Flametree Community Club Office.

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In support of the 'I Love Singapore' initiative

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

1 The activities are organised by _____.

(1) Aztez Mobile
(2) 'I Love Singapore' Committee
(3) Flametree Community Club's family members
(4) the various committees of Flametree Community Club

2 Which one of the following is true of the National Day Party?

(1) Senior citizens will be able to attend for free.
(2) Tickets can only be purchased on 1 July 2013.
(3) The National Day Party will be held on a weekday.
(4) Everyone at the party will receive a packed dinner set.

3 James wants to view the National Day Heritage Exhibition. He _____.

(1) should go dressed in his favourite T-shirt
(2) might be able to meet local artists and authors
(3) needs to first register at the Flametree Community Club website
(4) must check the schedule and book a time slot to view the exhibits

4 From 2 to 11 August, you may win prizes if you _____.

(1) fly the national flag
(2) take the 'I Love Singapore' quiz
(3) are seen wearing Singapore's national colours
(4) purchase a National Day Songs Compilation CD

5 According to the poster, the main aim of the activities is to _____.

(1) foster neighbourliness
(2) celebrate Singapore's birthday
(3) generate income for the community club
(4) promote services offered by Aztez Mobile

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6 The motorbike stunt rider sailed 100 metres _____ the air to much applause.

(1) in
(2) to
(3) on
(4) with

7 As gracious hosts, we _____ speak to our guests politely all the time.

(1) could
(2) might
(3) would
(4) should

8 Before the pupil made his speech on stage, he _____ it several times.

(1) rehearses
(2) is rehearsing
(3) has rehearsed
(4) had rehearsed

9 The machines at the factory _____ daily for faults.

(1) are monitored
(2) are monitoring
(3) were monitored
(4) were monitoring

10 If my father _____ five centimetres taller, he could be a pilot.

(1) is
(2) am
(3) are
(4) were.

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11 _____ from a short family vacation, Tammie spent the entire June holidays at netball training.

(1) Excluding
(2) Besides
(3) Except
(4) Apart

12 The government hopes to reduce the _____ traffic congestion with a more efficient public transport system.

(1) worse
(2) worsen
(3) worsened
(4) worsening

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

After the younger child left **(13)** Mr Irizarry sat down in the chair across from Will. "Do you want to talk about it?" he asked.

"Not really," Will replied, but he did. He lifted his head and looked at his teacher. "It's not fair," he continued. "Why can't I learn like everyone else?" As he thought about it, he got even more frustrated **(14)** Mr Irizarry had heard about the problems with his reading, about wanting to be friends with a new classmate but knowing it would never happen.

"It's been a rough time for you, hasn't it **(15)** Mr Irizarry consoled.

"Am I ever going to get cured?" Will asked, visibly upset.

"Not cured, no," Mr Irizarry explained. "Your learning disability – dyslexia – is always going to be a part of your life. But you are going to overcome it. If you want to be an anthropologist, you certainly can."

Adapted from 'Why Can't I Learn Like Everybody Else' by Sheila Stewart and Camden Flaith

13
(1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark

14
(1) [:] colon
(2) [,] comma
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [?] question mark

15
(1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16 Jennifer promised not to give _____ her best friend's secrets.

(1) up
(2) out
(3) over
(4) away

17 A nightlight placed in the bedroom can _____ a child's fear of darkness.

(1) cure
(2) treat
(3) ease
(4) adjust

18 When shooting close-up or macro shots, use a tripod to _____ sharp images.

(1) grab
(2) seize
(3) capture
(4) acquire

19 The screening of the new film marked the _____ of the new actor.

(1) debut
(2) initiation
(3) appearance
(4) presentation

20 Many youths give in to peer pressure and make _____ decisions like taking drugs.

(1) irregular
(2) irrational
(3) impaired
(4) imprecise

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

Drug use is viewed (21) as a growing threat to young people in many countries. Every day, more and more people try drugs and are hooked. Many continue (22) to use them and over time, this affects their physical and mental health.

Glue sniffing, or solvent abuse, is the most common form of drug-taking, particularly among children. Certain types of glues and household products contain solvents which give off (23) fumes. When breathed in, they produce a kind of intoxication, rather like drunkenness. Further sniffing causes giddiness, confusion and often aggressiveness. Sometimes, sniffing produces hallucinations (24) – imaginary pictures that can cause panic.

Contrary to (25) popular belief, solvent sniffing is not truly addictive. It seems to run in brief fashions in a school or area. Furthermore, most young people give it up after a period of experimentation. For some, however, it may become a dangerous habit.

Adapted from 'Drugs and Drug Abuse' by Brian Ward

21 (1) read
(2) seen
(3) known
(4) spotted

22 (1) stay
(2) remain
(3) endure
(4) persist

23 (1) emit
(2) ooze
(3) exude
(4) secrete

24 (1) dreams
(2) mirages
(3) illusions
(4) fantasies

25 (1) Although
(2) Despite
(3) Across
(4) Like

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Read the passage and answer questions 26 to 30.

Open up your refrigerator and you might find beans from South America, apples from New Zealand or cheese from Switzerland. Your shoes may have come from Vietnam, the family car could be from Japan and your cell phone may be from Finland. Without fast and affordable transportation, we would not have any of these things. We also need reliable transport options to move around. Many people live in the countryside but work in the city, take vacations in faraway places and make regular trips to visit family or friends. They want comfortable rides to get to their destinations punctually.

Unfortunately, modern forms of transportation have a great impact on the environment. Nearly all our modern methods of transportation rely on engines powered by fossil fuels. Without them, modern transportation would not be possible. Fossil fuels are very good sources of energy. They are easy to extract, fairly cheap and are available in large quantities. However, they also pose serious problems.

Firstly, fossil fuels are non-renewable. In the past 150 years, we have used up huge amounts of fossil fuels. We could run out of oil, the most important fossil fuel, in the near future. Secondly, engines that burn fossil fuels produce carbon dioxide that kills wildlife, damages human health and causes acid rain. In the atmosphere, carbon dioxide acts as a greenhouse gas, trapping some of the sun's heat. The extra carbon dioxide released from burning fossil fuel is making Earth warmer. If carbon dioxide emissions continue, the world will get too hot for human beings.

Polluting emissions are not the only problems caused by transportation. Traffic in cities also cause congestion. Major cities around the world suffer from traffic jams. One traffic jam in Beijing lasted for nine days. Huge amounts of time and money are wasted as people sit in traffic on their way to and from work.

Noise is another kind of pollution produced by transportation. Noise is unwanted sound. It may not seem like a very serious problem but noise pollution, especially from road traffic, makes people feel stressed. Over time, it can also damage their hearing.

Roads, railway tracks, docks, airports, oil refineries, petrol stations and other structures that support the transportation network also cause damage to the environment. Massive portions of land and natural habitat have been destroyed to make room for these various parts of the transportation network.

Governments have stepped up efforts to address these problems. Much time and money has been spent on researching and building reliable and affordable public transportation systems. Also, environmentalists are persuading people to carpool when travelling and to buy local produce and products whenever possible. These will help to decrease the distances 'travelled' by these foods and goods. However, the transportation systems in most cities are struggling to cope. Roads and railroads are perpetually carrying far more traffic than they were designed for. As the world population grows, this headache will get worse.

Adapted from 'The Impact of Environmentalism: Transportation' by Andrew Solway

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For each of the questions from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make a choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

26 We can buy products from other parts of the world because transportation is _____.

(1) fast and affordable
(2) affordable and punctual
(3) reliable and comfortable
(4) comfortable and punctual

27 According to the passage, fossil fuels pose problems because they _____.

(1) are expensive
(2) can be replaced
(3) produce harmful gases when burnt
(4) are not readily available in huge quantities for use

28 Which of the following statements is true?

(1) Traffic jams are temporary problems in major cities.
(2) Most cities are coping well with their transportation problems.
(3) Road traffic is a key source of noise pollution caused by transportation.
(4) Building transportation networks has caused slight physical damage to the environment.

29 The phrase **'this headache'** in line 37 refers to _____.

(1) carpooling
(2) traffic congestion
(3) roads and railroads
(4) having limited fossil fuels

30 A suitable title for this passage is '_____.

(1) Impact of Pollution on Health
(2) Today's Transportation Concerns
(3) The Importance of Transportation
(4) The Disadvantages of Fossil Fuels

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Semestral Assessment 1

10 May 2013

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet B

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B) : 1 h 50 min

50 questions
65 marks

Booklet A	30
Booklet B	65
Total	95

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

(A)	as	(D)	between	(G)	her	(K)	of	(N)	their
(B)	at	(E)	but	(H)	in	(L)	so	(P)	though
(C)	back	(F)	from	(J)	now	(M)	that	(Q)	up

Jen knew she was being followed as soon as she turned the corner from the library into the long quiet street. She did not bother to cross _____ (31) continued to walk on the same side, her hand resting on the book that was stretching her coat pocket. However, she had not passed more than three of four houses before the sense _____ (32) being followed began slowly to seep back into her mind. Knowing _____ (33) there was nobody there, she refused to allow herself to look _____ (34)

She walked on, trying to keep a steady pace and hearing the regular clumping of _____ (35) own footsteps. She was also looking into the dark houses _____ (36) she passed, dreading the pools of darkness when she was exactly _____ (37) two lamp posts. She was relieved, _____ (38), to watch the next post growing steadily nearer to her. But as she drew level with the next lamp post she saw, _____ (39) the corner of her eye, a huge shadow grow on the pavement behind her to her left. It then silently swung round beside her. She spun round to face the follower who had closed _____ (40) so soundlessly.

There was no one there.

Adapted from The Dream Thing by Judy All

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

You must have heard the saying, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull

(41) [ ]

boy." It's ***absalootly*** *true. Everyone is better off with a little fun. But don't feel that*

you have to get a football team together, spend a lot of money on sports

(42) [ ]

iqueepment*, or have a repertoire of skills to enjoy a game. There are a number of*

games that you can play on the spur of the moment, either on your own or with your

(43) [ ]

friends, that will be just as <u>excitement</u> as a big football game. All you need are quick

(44) [ ] **(45)** [ ]

reactions, good ***tekneeks*** *and plenty of energy. There are games for all* ***okasions*** *–*

parties, or just private get-togethers. There are games you can play by yourself and

(46) [ ]

there are those that <u>needed</u> at least two to play. Some games are fun only if played

(47) [ ]

by a crowd, such as <u>music</u> chairs.

Winning is great fun and you don't have to win to enjoy a game. It would be

(48) [ ]

boring if the same people always won all the time. There have to be <u>losing</u> in every

game. It doesn't really matter, so long as you enjoy playing. You can even get a lot

(49) [ ] **(50)** [ ]

of ***plazure*** *out of letting someone younger or less skillful than <u>your</u> win a game now*

and then.

Adapted from Children's Games by Walt Disney's Sport Goofey Encyclopedia

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

Richard Branson's most successful business venture was in an airline – Virgin Atlantic. When Branson started the airline, there was a first inspection flight for his newly purchased plane. It seemed a formality, but as the plane's engine grumbled during take-off, there was a loud _____ (51). From the windows, Branson and the aircraft inspector could _____ (52) flames shooting from one of its engines. To his _____ (53), a journalist had it all on film. There could easily be another inspection flight, but with a _____ (54) of a fire in the newspapers, there would probably be no airline. However, _____ (55) was on Branson's side. The cameraman, friendly and smiling, destroyed the film.

On 22 June 1984, Virgin Atlantic made its first flight to the USA. Soon a rival airline _____ (56) its prices and the other airlines followed. They were trying to undercut Branson because they could not afford to _____ (57) passengers to a new airline. Branson needed to advertise to compete with them.

Branson decided to use himself to promote his airline. In 1985, Branson attempted to _____ (58) the existing record for the fastest boat crossing of

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the Atlantic Ocean. The high-powered boat pounded across the _____ (59) for more than two days before smashing into floating debris off the south coast of Britain. It was only hours _____ (60) from the record. Branson and the crew had to abandon ship. One newspaper estimated that the _____ (61) attempt to cross the Atlantic had earned 50 million dollars in free _____ (62) for Virgin. Bookings on Branson's airline _____ (63) almost immediately. That was a _____ (64) point for the airline because before that incident, no one had heard of Virgin Atlantic.

Using himself to promote Virgin at that time worked for Branson because he was likable. He was not slick and _____ (65) like other businessmen. If journalists wanted to interview him, they could phone and, most of the time, they would actually get to talk to him. People thought of him as 'one of them'.

Adapted from Heinemann Profiles Richard Branson by Rob Alcraft

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word provided. Your answer must be in **one sentence**. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66 I had boiled the noodles before I ate it.

_____ after

_____

67 She was frail but she could lift the crate.

Although _____

_____

_____

68 "Remember to submit your homework tomorrow," Mrs Lim told the class.

Mrs Lim reminded the class to _____

_____

_____

69 The plant has to be watered daily to prevent it from withering.

_____

_____

_____

70 If you do not deliver the books on time, payment will be delayed.

_____ unless

_____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80 (20 marks)

Mr Bacon charged up the steps in the dormitory. He tried at first to beat the flames out with a blanket. We could hear him choking and spluttering inside. The flames were fewer now. My heart sank. The curtains were on fire, but nothing else seemed to have caught the flames. Mr Bacon yanked off the curtains, cursing loudly.

Moments later, Mr Bacon came rushing out of the study room. He ran to the kitchen for pails of water. At this point, our leader – Jimmy – tried to stop him, but Mr Bacon pushed him aside angrily and sent him sprawling. With a pail in each hand, the water spilling out and over, Mr Bacon disappeared inside again. There were no more flames seen after that, only smoke. The next time we saw him, he had come staggering out, bent double and was **coughing his lungs out**. When he stood up, he was smiling. Jimmy was lying there crying on the verandah, sobbing as if his heart would break. His only plan had failed.

Suddenly Tim began singing, quite softly at first but very deliberately, *'For He's a Jolly Good Fellow'*. Soon we were all singing loudly. It had become, in that moment, our song of defiance. We sang it right at Mr Bacon to show him what we thought of him. Just as much, we sang it for Jimmy to show him that we were behind him. Mr Bacon screamed at us to stop, but we did not. We kept on and on, all of us fired with new courage and new fury too. Then, I did perhaps the bravest thing I ever did in all my life. I went up those steps and helped Jimmy to his feet. I got caned ten strokes for it but then, the twenty of us all got caned that day. I saw vengeance in Mr Bacon's eyes and I knew Jimmy would be his next target.

That night, the whole place still reeked of smoke. It was a constant reminder to us of how Jimmy had so nearly succeeded in his brave attempt to set us free. By burning the orphanage down, Mr Bacon would be forced to let us go. We felt completely deflated and defeated. I cried into my pillow. Very few of us did not cry ourselves to sleep that night.

The next day during breakfast, Tim came running into the kitchen and shouted hysterically. Together with Mrs Bacon, we followed him. We saw Jimmy lying next to the verandah. For a few seconds Mrs Bacon stood there motionless, her whole face frozen. Then she walked towards Jimmy, kissed his forehead and touched his bruised and bloodied cheek tenderly. She straightened up. She looked long and hard at Mr Bacon, pushed past him, and went out of the door. The paramedics came to take Jimmy out on a stretcher and put him in the back of an ambulance. That was the last we saw of Jimmy.

That night, Tim shook me awake, his hand over my mouth. "Get up," he whispered. "Get up. Get dressed. We are getting out of here!" We tiptoed to the door.

"Mrs Bacon left the door unlocked for us," he whispered. "I told her we were making a break for it tonight. Come on!" We ran into the night. Neither Tim nor I spoke, not for a long time, not until we had put at least half an hour between ourselves and Mr Bacon. We were laughing, revelling in our new-found freedom. But after a while, I got into thinking about all the others we had left behind. Maybe we should have taken them all with us.

Adapted from Alone on a Wide Wide Sea by Michael Morpurgo

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 Which items in the room were on fire?

_____

_____

72 How did Mr Bacon finally manage to put out the fire?

_____

_____

73 What made Mr Bacon 'cough his lungs out' (line 10)?

_____

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74 Why did the writer think that Jimmy would be Mr Bacon's next target?

_____

_____

75 Which word in paragraph three has the same meaning as disobedience?

_____

_____

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76 How was the writer punished for helping Jimmy to his feet?

_____

_____

77 In paragraph five, what do you think had happened to Jimmy that morning?

_____

_____

78 Why did Mrs Bacon leave the door unlocked?

_____

_____

79 Based on the passage, how would you describe Mr Bacon's relationship with the orphans?

_____

_____

80 Explain clearly why the writer had mixed feelings when he escaped from the orphanage.

_____

_____

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Listening Comprehension

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
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Paper 2 Booklet A

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15
4	3	2	3	2	1	4	4	1	4	4	4	1	3	3
Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
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Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40					
E	K	M	C	G	A	D	P	F	H					

Q41	Q42	Q43	Q44	Q45	Q46	Q47	Q48
absolutely	equipment	exciting	techniques	occasions	need	musical	losers
Q49	Q50	Q51	Q52	Q53	Q54	Q55	Q56
pleasure	you	explosion	see	horror	report	luck	lowered
Q57	Q58	Q59	Q60	Q61	Q62	Q63	Q64
lose	break	ocean	away	failed	advertising	increased	high
Q65							
unapproachable							

66. I ate the noodles after I had boiled it.

67. Although she was frail, she could lift the crate.

68. Mrs Lim reminded the class to submit their homework the next day.

69. The plant has to be watered daily so that it would not wither.

70. Payment will be delayed unless you deliver the books on time.

71. The curtains in the room were on fire.

72. He brought pails of water from the kitchen to douse the flames and put out the fire.

73. The smoke he had inhaled from the fire made him cough his lungs out.

74. Jimmy was the one who had planned the fire to burn down the orphanage and tried to free the children.

75. It is "defiance".

76. The writer got caned ten times for helping Jimmy to his feet.

77. I think Jimmy must have been hit very badly by Mr Bacon.

78. Mrs Bacon felt that Mr Bacon was abusing the children and after hearing that Tim wanted to make a break for it that night, decided to help him.

79. They disliked each other.

80. The writer was excited that he had gained his freedom but felt guilty that he did not rescue the rest of the children.

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 5
PAPER 2 BOOKLET A

NAME : _____

CLASS : P5 _____

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30 QUESTIONS

30 MARKS

TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 HOUR 50 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

Booklet A :	_____ / 30
Booklet B :	_____ / 65
TOTAL :	**_____ / 95**

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Comprehension (Graphic Stimulus)		5
Grammar		7
Punctuation		3
Vocabulary		5
Vocabulary Cloze		5
Comprehension MCQ		5
Total		**30**

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Study the information leaflet given below and then answer questions 1-5.

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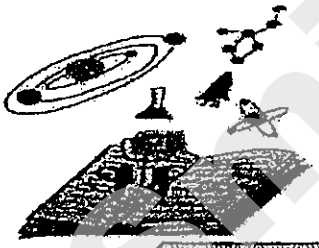

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The Science Centre and Omni Theatre are closed on _____.

   (1) Mondays
   (2) weekends
   (3) Good Friday
   (4) public holidays

2. If Mary wants to watch a movie at the Omni-theatre after school, she should be there _____.

   (1) after 8 pm
   (2) at 9.10 pm
   (3) between 1pm to 8 pm
   (4) before 9 am and after 9 pm

3. Mr and Mrs Chua would like to introduce their six-year old twin boys to Science at an early age. Which do you think is the most suitable place for them to visit?

   (1) Omni-theatre
   (2) Virtual Theatre
   (3) Kinetic Garden
   (4) Discovery Zone

4. When a visitor visits the Science Centre on 30th August, she will not be able to experience _____.

   (1) the Kinetic Garden
   (2) the Virtual Theatre
   (3) the Science Time Capsule exhibition
   (4) the short trip to Mars with the rescue crew

5. Michael is keen to learn about what life was like in the 60's, so he should visit the _____.

   (1) Virtual Theatre
   (2) Kinetic Garden
   (3) Discovery Zone
   (4) Science Time Capsule

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For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. Could you please switch off the lights before you _____ the room?

(1) leave
(2) left
(3) have left
(4) are leaving

7. The teacher _____they were talking to a while ago used to teach me when I was in school.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) what
(4) whom

8. All the pupils except May Lin _____at the National Day concert last Saturday.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

9. The class solved the problem after Mrs Wong _____them how to do it.

(1) show
(2) shows
(3) showed
(4) was showing

10. The restless pupils were unable to sit _____the two-hour concert.

(1) before
(2) during
(3) for
(4) through

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11. Sophia is going to the Gardens by the Bay this weekend and so _____ I.

(1) am
(2) is
(3) was
(4) were

12. Hector saw Isaac _____ over a stone as he was playing at the playground.

(1) trip
(2) trips
(3) tripped
(4) had tripped

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Long ago, there was a lazy young man who refused to work. He travelled from town to town and one day (13) he came to a house in a strange town. He knocked and when an old man came to the door, he said to him (14) Kind sir, I've bad luck and have been without food and sleep for many days. Will you help me (15) "

The old man looked at him sadly, and then said, "Come in." The old man sat him down at the table that had nothing on it but a piece of wood.

13. (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark

14. (1) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(2) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
(3) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(4) [. "] full stop and inverted commas

15. (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. Mr Wong asked Donald to_____ Africa on the world map.

(1) identify
(2) locate
(3) recall
(4) recognise

17. As I walked into the kitchen, I saw a mouse _____ into a hole in the wall.

(1) fledging
(2) skipping
(3) scampering
(4) swaggering

18. The bitter taste of the herbal brew _____in her mouth for hours.

(1) endured
(2) extended
(3) lingered
(4) prolonged

19. Howard _____his project manager to the construction site to check the progress of the work that had been carried out.

(1) accompanied
(2) escorted
(3) pursued
(4) stalked

20. The traffic police signalled to the motorist to _____at the road shoulder as he had been speeding down the highway.

(1) pull out
(2) pull over
(3) pull through
(4) pull up

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Danger – real danger – seemed to be rather remote but I need not have worried as the safari soon ran into it. Herman and I wanted to take a photograph of the weaver birds at work so we made our way silently to a (21) likely thicket. Setting up the camera, we settled down to wait and soon the (22) disturbance we had caused was forgotten. The birds had (23) resumed their normal way of life. While we were waiting, we occupied ourselves with books and then we saw the busy black and yellow birds (24) sporting themselves in the sun and beginning to build their nests. They flew back and forth with strands of fibre in their beaks. Hanging on to the trees with their small feet, they intertwined the fibres with marvellous skill. The reward of their skill is a female bird that will occupy the nest with them.

We began filming and it was so (25) absorbing that I had no eyes for anything but the scene before the camera. Then, I sensed an interruption and as I looked away, I saw two lion cubs coming towards our direction. My first reaction was one of delight but Herman immediately gripped my arm and it was then, I realised that their mother would not be far away.

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21. (1) likeable
(2) similar
(3) probable
(4) unusual

22. (1) interruption
(2) obstruction
(3) racket
(4) tranquility

23. (1) continued
(2) forgotten
(3) recalled
(4) retaliated

24. (1) enjoying
(2) straining
(3) striving
(4) toiling

25. (1) amusing
(2) blinding
(3) engaging
(4) revealing

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Jacinta Negrelli, an environmental project manager in Australia, has become the sponsor of the 200,000th child currently supported through World Vision Australia, a non-profit organisation.

The milestone was celebrated in February when Jacinta met long-term supporter, Noela Hobbs who has been sponsoring children consistently since 1968, just two years after World Vision first opened an office in Australia. Both were presented with certificates of appreciation by World Vision.

Jacinta took out sponsorship of five-year-old Xiang Hong He after seeing a World Vision promotion during the recent Chinese New Year celebrations in Melbourne, a city in Australia.

"The idea to sponsor a child had always been at the back of my mind," said Jacinta. "I spotted this little girl's photograph among others at the promotion. I selected her as she has the same birthday as I."

Xiang Hong He lives in Yongsheng, a remote village in China's south western province of Yunnan. She is in pre-school and has one sister. Her parents are farmers and through Jacinta's sponsorship, the family will receive the costs of Xiang's school supplies and uniforms. Their community will also receive funds for school buildings, road repairs, health services and other facilities. World Vision Australia's project in Yongsheng began in March 1998 and currently assists 300 children and their families.

Noela Hobbs currently sponsors four children and has sponsored a total of 22 in an unbroken, 32-year relationship with World Vision. She has no children and to her, her sponsored kids are her very own.

World Vision child sponsorship began with modest numbers. It climbed to 50,000 by 1981 and then 100,000 just eight years later. The 150,000 mark was achieved in 1995. By February 1999, the 200,000 milestone has already been reached, sponsored by 177,497 Australian individuals, corporations and families.

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26. World Vision was set up in Australia in _____.

(1) 1966
(2) 1967
(3) 1968
(4) 1970

27. What is the relationship between Xiang Hong He and Jacinta?

(1) Jacinta adopted Xiang Hong He.
(2) Jacinta worked for Xiang Hong He.
(3) Jacinta is sponsored by Xiang Hong He.
(4) Jacinta is the sponsor for Xiang Hong He.

28. Which of the following is **NOT** a reason why Jacinta has chosen to sponsor Xiang Hong He?

(1) Xiang Hong He is a Chinese.
(2) Jacinta has always wanted to sponsor a child.
(3) Xiang Hong He and Jacinta have the same birthday.
(4) She saw Xiang Hong He's photograph at the World Vision promotion.

29. World Vision showed that they valued the contributions of Noela Hobbs and Jacinta Negrelli by presenting them with _____.

(1) gold medals
(2) monetary funds
(3) obedient children
(4) certificates of appreciation

30. Which one of the following statements about World Vision is **NOT** true?

(1) It is a non-profit organisation.
(2) It has offices around the world.
(3) It helps poor communities around the world.
(4) It only gives donations to the sponsored children.

End of Booklet A

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY FIVE
PAPER 2 BOOKLET B

Name: _____ ( ) Class: P5 _____

Section	Marks	
Grammar Cloze		10
Editing for Spelling and Grammar		10
Comprehension Cloze		15
Synthesis / Transformation		10
Comprehension Open Ended		20
Total		65

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A)	with	(D)	of	(G)	over	(K)	that	(N)	up
(B)	at	(E)	on	(H)	a	(L)	which	(P)	out
(C)	to	(F)	at	(J)	and	(M)	into	(Q)	whether

It was the holiday season again. I was growing tired (31)_____ staying at home. I decided to look for a vacation job. One evening, I met (32)_____ with a couple of my good friends at the Coffee Bean Café. I asked them (33)_____ they had any jobs to recommend (34)_____ me. I had enough of being a "couch potato".

"I know of two jobs," one of them offered. "The first one is (35)_____ a law firm, handling administrative matters. The other one is (36)_____ the 7-11 chain of stores at the Mount Sinai branch. The manager there needs someone to take (37)_____ his place to man the shop every night. Will you be interested?"

The second job sounded easy. So I said, "I'm keen (38)_____ the 7-11 job. Let's go and see the manager first thing tomorrow morning." My friends then looked at me and burst (39)_____ laughter.

It was then (40)_____ I realised 7-11 stores are open the whole day. They do not close in the night.

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

41) _____

It was a perfect day for canoeing. The **skoching** sun hung in the clear

42) _____

blue sky while ivory white sand <u>feel</u> as soft as baby powder between my toes.

43) _____ 44) _____

The sea <u>were</u> turquoise green and calm. I dragged my canoe <u>over</u> the crystal

45) _____

clear water and started **paddaling**.

46) _____ 47) _____

The water **reveeled** a school of blue and yellow fish swimming **beneeth** the canoe. Further below, I saw seaweed and colourful corals. After being at sea

48) _____

for an hour, it was becoming <u>increase</u> difficult to move against the current. I

49) _____

wondered if I could reach the beaches of Boracay <u>in</u> nightfall. As I drifted out to the open sea, I could see dark clouds gathering, where a storm was imminent. I

50) _____

had to return to shore **immedatly** before I got caught by the rain in the open sea. I was a little concerned that I might not be able to reach the shore safely.

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

Singapore's crime rate fell last year to its lowest in almost 30 years but commissioner of Police, Mr Ng Joo Hee, believes it can be better.

"It doesn't matter if the population hits 6.9 million, we can go lower (51)_____ a lot of crime here is preventable," he said. That explains a renewed focus on crime (52)_____ since he became police chief 3 years ago. He wants (53)_____ work towards making Singapore "the (54)_____ place in the world".

The most significant move (55)_____ the Community Policing System (COPS) (56)_____ last year, which has officers getting out of their patrol cars and Neighbourhood Police Posts. They (57)_____ to cycle or walk to get to know the (58)_____ who live and work around the area.

It is a big change because Mr Ng does not want people to (59)_____ with police officers only when crimes happen. He wants the police officer to be a (60)_____ face in the neighbourhood, someone the public recognises and can count (61)_____ .

In addition, a network of police cameras will be (62)_____ at all estates by 2016. (63)_____ the cameras are deployed mainly to deter

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and solve crime, the police are also prepared to share the footage (64)_____ other agencies such as the Land Transport Authority and National Environment Agency. This is to combat illegal parking and high-rise (65)_____.

"We are wiring up every HDB block in Singapore. Every block will have about eight surveillance cameras. This is a massive police infrastructure," he said.

But will there be a day when there is zero crime in Singapore?

Adapted from The Straits Times "Making Singapore the world's safest place"
24th March 2013

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For each of the questions from 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. Miss Zhang is a Primary Five teacher. Mr Sebastian is also a Primary Five teacher.

Both _____

_____.

67. You had better put on a jacket. You might catch a cold.

Unless _____

_____.

68. Dora prefers drinking green tea to peach tea.

_____ would rather _____

_____.

69. Shiqi forgot to bring her passport. She also forgot to bring her identity card.

Not only _____

_____.

70. Grace said, "I will be visiting the dentist today."

Grace said _____

_____.

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

I came from a poor family. My father was a factory worker who supported my mother and my two younger sisters with his meagre income. Life was hard for the family and I was determined to give my parents a better life. I worked very hard in my studies to do well in my 'A' Level examinations. Then I served my National Service before I went to the university.

However, my dreams were shattered when I was studying in the National University of Singapore. In September 2010, I was diagnosed with kidney failure. It all happened so suddenly. I was in a daze and then I plunged into depression. My parents were in despair when they saw how the illness had affected me. What could they do? I could no longer concentrate on my studies and often felt tired. I lost a lot of weight and was in low spirits. My parents tried their best to conceal their pain from me but I could see the look of sadness on their faces.

I turned to my friends for support. They rallied round me which gave me great comfort. Still, it was I who had to bear the torment of the illness. Many times, I felt angry with myself. I could still remember the frequent nights when I used to get up and sob alone. The words reverberated, "Why me? Why me?" I had no answer.

The doctor told me that dialysis was the only way to keep me alive. It would cost two thousand dollars per month to sustain me and I had to go for dialysis sessions at least three times a week. My father exhausted his savings. and then borrowed from friends and relatives to pay my medical fees. He even thought about selling the family flat. I felt that it was better for me to die rather than be a **burden** to my family and everyone. I gave up on life.

It was this moment of my life that the National Kidney Foundation (NKF) came to my rescue. In February 2010, I was admitted into the NKF dialysis programme at low affordable fees. NKF nurses and social workers counselled me and gave me the resolve to fight the rejection and depression which all kidney patients faced – the feeling that they were totally useless to anyone.

After going through dialysis for five years, an anonymous donor came forth to donate his kidney. Even though I have to take anti-rejection medications for the rest of my life to prevent my body from rejecting the new kidney, I am glad that I can be finally freed from the frequent and painful dialysis sessions. My life changed day by day with the support I received as I found renewed determination to rebuild my life. It was like I was given a **second chance to live** again. I could only thank my lucky stars.

My illness has taught me something about the nature of humanity, love and relationships that I never understood, and probably never would have. So, from that standpoint, there is some truth and good in everything.

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71. Why was life hard for the writer's family?

_____

_____

72. From **paragraph 1**, which word has the same meaning as "little"?

_____

_____

73. Describe in your own words how the writer felt when he discovered that he had kidney failure.

_____

_____

74. List **one** physical and **one** emotional effect of the illness on the writer.

_____

_____

75. Despite the support from friends, the writer was tormented by his illness. How?

_____

_____

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76. What was the immediate solution to save the writer? Was it costly?

77. Explain fully why the writer considered himself to be a "burden" (line ~~23~~) to his family.

78. How did the NKF programme help the writer emotionally?

79. What does "second chance to live" (line ~~34~~ 36) tell you about how the writer feels?

80. Did the writer's life change for the better? Explain your answer.

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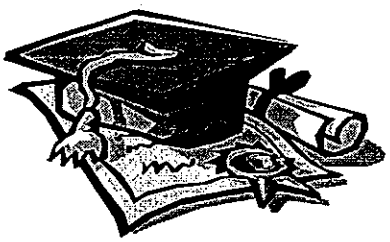

ANSWER SHEET

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Q51) as
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Q56) introduced/ launched/ started/ made/ conducted
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Q60) familiar/ common/ known/ recognisable/ friendly/ regular
Q61) on
Q62) installed
Q63) Although
Q64) with
Q65) littering

Q66) Both Miss Zhang and Mr Sebastian are Primary Five Teachers.
Q67) Unless you put on a jacket, you might catch a cold.
Q68) Dora would rather drinl green tea than drink peach tea.
Q69) Not only did Shiqi forget to bring her passport, she also forgot to bring her identity card
Q70) Grace said that she would be visiting the dentist that day.

Q71) The writer's father was a factory worker who supported the writer's mother and two sisters with his meagre income
Q72) The word is 'meagre'.
Q73) The writer was so shocked and sad, when he discovered he had kidney failure, that he plunged into depression
Q74) The writer lost a lot of weight and was in low spirits
Q75) Many times, the writer felt angry about himself. He could still remember the frequent nights when he used to get up and sob alone
Q76) Kidney dialysis was the only way to keep the writer alive. Yes , it was costly.
Q77) The writer's father used up all his savings, borrowed money from friends and relatives to pay for the medical bills. His father also thought of selling the family flat
Q78) NKF nurses and social workers counselled him and gave him the resolve to fight rejection and depression
Q79) The writer felt relieved and happy.
Q80) Yes, it did. His life changed for the better with the support he received as he found renewed determination to rebuild his life./ He was freed from the frequent and painful dialysis sessions

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Study the following brochure and then answer questions 1 to 5.

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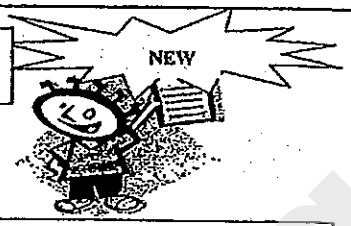

Educational One-day Camps for Children

Objectives

Educational Camps provide a way for students the necessary learning skills to improve their overall performance in school. There are a variety of camps available, including computer camps (also known as Edu-tech camps), science camps and leadership camps.

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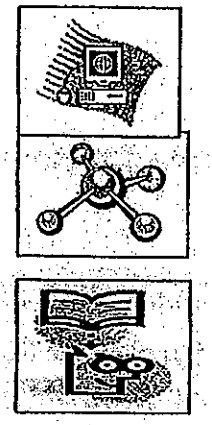

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Develop important skills and how to help others with these skills.

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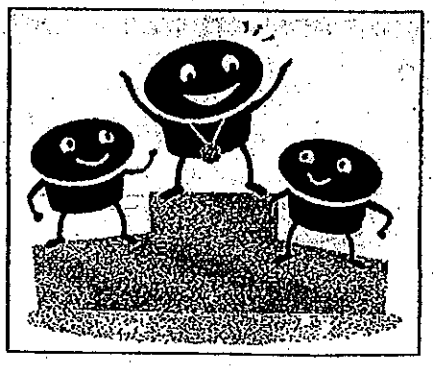

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(5 marks)

1 Which of the following is not one of the objectives of the camps? It is to _____.

(1) develop more critical readers
(2) develop communication skills
(3) improve the pupils' Internet Technology skills
(4) increase the pupils' knowledge of our heritage from museum visits

2 According to the brochure, pupils will qualify for the special package price of $300 if they _____.

(1) attend any one camp
(2) sign up for any two camps
(3) sign up for all three camps
(4) sign up for two specific camps

3 A trainer needs approval from _____.

(1) Edu-Tech
(2) Science Centre
(3) The Ministry of Education
(4) Super Education Campus

4 Due to her busy schedule, Mrs Tan decides to register her daughter for the one-day camp online. The best mode of payment is by _____.

(1) cash
(2) cheque
(3) instalment
(4) credit card

5 Sarah enjoys designing and creating her own digital programmes. Which one of the following camps is most suitable for her?

(1) Science Camp
(2) Reading Camp
(3) Computer Camp
(4) Leadership Camp

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For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(7 marks)

6 Much to our delight, she insisted _____ footing the bill.

(1) to
(2) by
(3) on
(4) in

7 Sarah told the teacher that she _____ her project before she left the class.

(1) has completed
(2) had completed
(3) was completing
(4) had been completing

8 _____ Mrs Lee is our table tennis coach, she is unable to serve a ball well.

(1) As
(2) Since
(3) Despite
(4) Although

9 No one saw the burglar_____ into our neighbour's house last night.

(1) break
(2) broke
(3) breaks
(4) broken

10 The pretty young lady _____ you were speaking to just now is my music teacher.

(1) who
(2) whom
(3) which
(4) whose

11 "When you have_____ your coat up, please come and sit down here with me," Jane's mother said.

(1) hang
(2) hung
(3) hangs
(4) hanged

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12 Neither the girls nor Mrs Ng _____ going to the party tonight.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

"I've never seen rain like this **(13)** Sylvia cried out her face alight and alive. "I'd like to walk in it!"

"And I want to smell it – up close!" Mary Tucker said excitedly **(14)** and we'll both walk in it

There were a couple of bags lying on a stool behind them, and she caught them up.

"Why not put this across your shoulders, Sylvia **(15)**" she suggested; and holding the ends of her own bag under her chin, she opened the door and stepped out into the rain.

Adapted from *The Min-Min* by *Margaret Brownie*

13
(1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

14
(1) [,] comma
(2) [!] exclamation mark
(3) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(4) [. "] full stop and inverted commas

15
(1) [.] full stop
(2) [,] comma
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

16 This is not the master key. It is only a/an _____ key.

(1) false
(2) imitation
(3) duplicate
(4) photocopied

17 We shall continue the tennis game when the rain _____.

(1) declines
(2) subsides
(3) subdues
(4) diminishes

18 The two girls decided to _____ and be the best of friends again.

(1) see eye to eye
(2) bury the hatchet
(3) be in the same boat
(4) be a dog with two tails

19 We decided to change the venue of our picnic when we saw that a heavy downpour was _____.

(1) obvious
(2) eminent
(3) imminent
(4) irrevocable

20 Nicole _____ her mother. They have similar features.

(1) takes on
(2) takes up
(3) takes out
(4) takes after

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

The Eiffel Tower is one of the seven wonders of the world. Today, it would be difficult to **(21)** <u>**visualise**</u> the Paris skyline without its most distinctive **(22)** <u>**landmark**</u>. But few people appreciated Gustave Eiffel's architecture because they thought it was too **(23)** <u>**radical**</u> and twenty years later it was almost taken down. The Eiffel Tower was planned to be demolished in 1909. It was saved at the last moment to be used as a telecommunication tower.

Fortunately, the tower **(24)** <u>**survived**</u> and continues to delight visitors from around the world, particularly on special occasions when it is lit up in a **(25)** <u>**spectacular**</u> laser show. Eiffel's other world-famous creation, the Statue of Liberty, was given to the United States and stands in New York City.

Adapted from *Banks of the Seine* by National Geographic

21
(1) view
(2) reflect
(3) imagine
(4) understand

22
(1) sight
(2) guide
(3) feature
(4) remains

23
(1) basic
(2) original
(3) extreme
(4) traditional

24
(1) lived on
(2) forged forward
(3) withstood all odds
(4) made a comeback

25
(1) special
(2) impossible
(3) pretentious
(4) impressive

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Read the passage below and answer Questions 26 to 30.

Located in the centre of Japan, Mount Fuji (whose name means 'without equal') is a sacred site. Japan's native religion, Shintoism, considers Fuji a holy place. Other people believe the mountain and its waters have the power to make a sick person well. For many, climbing Fuji is also a rite of passage. Some do it as part of a religious journey; for others, it is a test of strength. Whatever their reason, reaching the top in order to stand on Mount Fuji's summit at sunrise is a must for many Japanese.

Fuji is more than a sacred site and tourist destination. It is also an active volcano around which four million people have settled. The last time Fuji exploded, it sent out a cloud of ash that covered the capital city and darkened the skies for weeks.

Today, new data have some volcanologists concerned that Fuji may soon erupt again. According to the National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Prevention, there has been an increase in activity under Fuji recently, which may be caused by low-frequency earthquakes. This information helps the scientists predict when Fuji will come back to life again. In the meantime, locals living near Fuji hold special festivals each year to offer gifts to the goddess of the volcano so that she will not erupt and destroy the land and its people below.

Halfway across the globe from Fuji, Popocatepetl -one of the world's tallest and most dangerous active volcanoes stands just 60 kilometres southeast of Mexico City. Although the volcano (whose name means 'smoking mountain') has erupted many times over the centuries, scientists believe its last great explosions occurred around 820 A.D. In recent years, however, El Popo, as the Mexicans call the mountain, has been threatening to explode once more; in December 2000, almost 26,000 people were evacuated when El Popo started to send out ash and smoke. As with all active volcanoes, the question is not *if* it will erupt again (an eruption is inevitable); the question is *when* it will happen.

"Every volcano works in a different way," explains Carlos Valdes Gonzalez, a scientist who monitors El Popo. "What we're trying to learn here are the **symptoms** signaling that EL Popo will erupt." These include earthquakes, or any warning that the mountain's surface is changing or expanding. The hope is that scientists will be able to warn people in the surrounding areas so they have enough time to escape. A powerful eruption could displace over 20 million people – people whose lives would be saved if the warning is delivered early enough.

For many living near El Popo, especially the farmers, abandoning their land is **unthinkable**. As anyone who farms near a volcano knows, the world's richest soils are volcanic. They produce bananas and coffee in Central America, fine wines in California and enormous amounts of rice in Indonesia. For this reason, people will stay on their land, even if they face danger.

Today, many people who live near El Popo continue to see the mountain as their ancestors did. According to ancient beliefs, a volcano can be a god, a mountain and a human at the same time. To appease El Popo and to ensure rain and a good harvest, locals begin a cycle of ceremonies that start in March and end in August. Carrying food and gifts for the volcano, they hike up the mountain. Near the summit, they present their offerings, asking the volcano to protect and provide for them for one more season.

Adapted from *Sacred Mountains* by Heinle Gengage Learning

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26 The main idea in the first paragraph is about _____.

(1) the visitors to Mount Fuji
(2) why Mount Fuji is a sacred place
(3) reasons people climb Mount Fuji
(4) the healing properties of Mount Fuji

27 In lines 24-25, it is more important to focus on *when* rather than *if* the volcano will erupt because _____.

(1) the eruption can be prevented
(2) people cannot do anything about it
(3) people will have enough time to escape
(4) people will have time to save their crops

28 The word 'inevitable' in line 24 has the same meaning as _____.

(1) fixed
(2) instant
(3) necessary
(4) unavoidable

29 Which one of the following is not a symptom of an erupting volcano?

(1) earthquakes
(2) the mountain's surface expanding
(3) sudden changing of weather patterns
(4) ash and smoke seen coming from the mountain

30 Why is it 'unthinkable'(line 34) for the farmers to abandon El Popo?

(1) They do not want to abandon the fertile land.
(2) They are afraid of breaking the cycle of ceremonies.
(3) They rather appease the erupting volcano with offerings.
(4) They do not think the erupting volcano would endanger them.

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write the letter (A to Q) in the blank.
The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) a	(D) around	(G) from	(K) on	(N) the
(B) are	(E) both	(H) furthermore	(L) just	(P) to
(C) another	(F) either	(J) however	(M) of	(Q) were

Nepal is one of the remotest countries on earth. It lies to the north _____ India, and the world's highest mountains, the Himalayas, separate it
(31)

_____ Tibet, which is part of China.
(32)

The population of Nepal is _____ 20 million. Most people live in rural
(33)

areas, _____ on mountain valleys or on the wide plains to the south. The majority
(34)

_____ farmers. Most farms produce _____ enough to support one
(35) **(36)**

family. The urban population lives mainly in _____ capital, Kathmandu.
(37)

Poor health is _____ major problem in Nepal. _____ problem is
(38) **(39)**

the high rate of illiteracy, which is currently around 79%. _____ the government
(40)

has made great efforts to improve both health and education. This has encouraged many people to move to Kathmandu from the mountains.

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

A volcano is usually a hill or mountain from which lava sometimes bursts out. This lava

(41) [ ]

comes from deep down below the Earth's ***krahst.***

(42) [ ]

A volcanic <u>erupt</u> is terrifying. Lava, hot enough to melt steel, streams down from the mountainside. Clouds of ash, steam and poisonous gases rise high into the sky. Huge pieces of

(43) [ ] **(44)** [ ]

rock are ***herled*** *into the air. This can cause enormous <u>destroy</u> to property and*

(45) [ ] **(46)** [ ]

great <u>lost</u> of lives. It is ***astimeited*** *that in the last five hundred years, volcanoes have killed over a quarter of a million people.*

(47) [ ]

Few volcanoes are active all the time; a famous ***ikseption*** *is on the Italian island of*

(48) [ ]

Stromboli. This volcano <u>smoking</u> constantly by day, and glows red at night.

(49) [ ]

The greatest eruption <u>record</u> happened on 26 August, 1883. Krakatoa, a small island

(50) [ ]

in the Pacific ocean, exploded. A ***kolum*** *of cloud rose twice as high as Mount Everest. Volcanic dust blocked out the heat and the light of the sun, and caused brilliant hues.*

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

Some people say they have no memory at all. But of _____ (51) we all have a memory. Our memory tells us _____ (52) we are. Our memory helps us to make use of the present what we have learnt in the _____ (53)

In fact we have different _____ (54) of memory For example, our visual memory helps us recall faces and places. Some people have such a strong visual memory, they can _____ (55) exactly what they have seen, for example, pages of a _____ (56), as a complete picture. Our verbal memory helps us remember words and figures we may have heard but not _____ (57) in writing. For example, items of a shopping list, a chemical formula, dates or a recipe.

With our emotional memory, we recall situations or places where we experienced strong _____ (58) perhaps of happiness or unhappiness We also have special memories for smell, _____ (59) touch and sound and for performing physical movements.

We have two ways of _____ (60) any of these memories. Our short-term memory stores item for up to thirty seconds – enough to remember a telephone _____ (61) while we dial. Our long-term memory, on the other _____ (62) may store items for a lifetime. Older people in fact have a much _____ (63) long-term memory than short-term

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memory. They may _____ what they have done only a few hours ago, but yet have
(64)

the clearest remembrance of their childhood days.

Sometimes people _____ their memory completely. Suddenly, they do not
(65)

know who they are, not even their names, where they live, or their families. Sometimes they recover from this illness, regaining all or some of their memory.

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66 Rafi was very disappointed. He lost to a newcomer in a tennis match.

_____ **much to**

_____

67 Mr Yeo asked his wife, "Do you know where I left my car keys?"

Mr Yeo asked his wife _____

_____

68 Like her friends, Divya does not speak Malay.

Neither _____

_____

69 She did not apologise for her bad behaviour at the party because of her pride.

She was too _____

_____

70 Peter had tricked Lindsay many times before. She still believed him.

Although _____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

Pa and Mr Scott had made a stout windlass, a device for winding in a rope. It stood over the well, and two buckets hung from it on the ends of a rope. When the windlass was turned, one bucket went down into the well and the other bucket came up. In the morning Mr Scott slid down the rope and dug. He filled the buckets with earth, almost as fast as Pa could haul them up and empty them. After dinner, Pa slid down the rope into the well, and Mr Scott hauled up the buckets.

Every morning, before Pa would let Mr Scott go down the rope, he set a candle in a bucket and lighted it and lowered it to the bottom. Once Laura peeped over the edge and she saw the candle brightly burning, far down in the dark hole in the ground.

Then Pa would say, 'Seems to be all right,' and he would pull up the bucket and blow out the candle.

'That's all foolishness,' Mr Scott said. 'The well was all right yesterday.'

'You can't ever tell,' Pa replied. 'Better be safe than sorry.'

One morning Mr Scott came while Pa was eating breakfast, they heard him shout, 'Hi Ingalls! It's sunup. Let's go!' Pa drank his coffee and went out.

The windlass began to creak and Pa began to whistle. Laura and Mary were washing the dishes and Ma was making the big bed, when Pa's whistling stopped. They heard him say, 'Scott!' He shouted, 'Scott! Scott!' Then he called, 'Caroline! Come quick!'

Ma ran out of the house. Laura ran after her.

Scott's fainted or something down there. Pa said. 'I've got to go down after him.'

'Did you send down the candle?' Ma asked.

'No, I thought he had. I asked him if he was all right, and he said he was.' Pa cut the empty bucket off the rope and tied the rope firmly to the windlass.

'Charles, you can't. You mustn't,' Ma said.

'I'll make it all right. I won't breathe till I get out. We can't let him die down there.'

Ma said, fiercely, 'Laura, keep back!' So Laura kept back. She stood against the house and shivered.

'No, no, Charles! I can't let you,' Ma said. 'Get Patty from the stable. Ride to the town to get help.'

'There isn't time. I've got to,' Pa said. He swung into the well. His head slid out of sight, down the rope.

Ma crouched and shaded her eyes, staring down into the well.

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All over the prairie meadowlarks were rising, singing, flying straight up into the sky. A warm wind was blowing, but Laura felt cold.

Suddenly Ma jumped up and seized the handle of the windlass.She tugged at it with all her might. The rope strainedand the windlass creaked. Pa's hand came up,holding on to the rope.His other hand reached above it and took hold of the rope.ThenPa's head came up. His arm held on to the windlass.Then somehow he got to the ground and sat there. 35

Ma told Laura to run to fetch water. When she got back, Pa and Ma were both turning the windlass. The rope slowly wound itself up, and the bucket came up out of the well, and tied to the bucket and the rope was Mr Scott. 40

Mr Scott had breathed a kind of gas that stays deep in the ground.It stays at the bottom of wells because it is heavier than the air. No one can breathe it very long and live. Pa had gone into that gas to tie Mr Scott to the rope so that he could be pulled up out of the gas.

Before Mr Scott went home, he said to Pa, 'You were right about that candle business. I thought it was all foolishness and would not bother with it, but I've found out my mistake.' 45

(Adapted from *The Little House on the Prairie* by Laura Ingalls Wilder)

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 Which word in paragraph 1 tells us that the device that Pa and Mr Scott made was able to support the weight of the buckets?

_____

_____

72 Based on the line 'Better be safe than sorry' (line 13), why did Laura's father send a candle into the well?

_____

_____

73 Why did Laura's father stop whistling (line 17)?

_____

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74 Why did Pa say 'I won't breathe till I get out' (line 25)?

75 In line 28, Ma told Charles, 'Get Patty from the stable.' What do you think Patty was?

76 What is the main reason why Laura felt cold even though the wind was warm (line 34).

77 What does the word "it" in line 35 refer to?

78 Which word from lines 35 – 38 has the same meaning as 'tightened'?

79 How did Pa get out of the well?

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80 Mr Scott said he had found out his mistake (line 46). What was it?

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ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2013
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SUBJECT : PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH

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41)crust 42)eruption 43)hurled 44)destruction 45)loss

46)estimated 47)exception 48)smokes 49)recorded 50)column

51)course 52)who 53)past 54)types 55)recall

56)book 57)seen 58)feelings 59)taste 60)staring

61)number 62)hand 63)better 64)forget 65)lose

66)Rafi lost to a new comer in a tennis match much to his disappointment.

67)Mr Yeo asked his wife if she knew where he had left his car keys.

68)Neither Divya nor her friends speak Malay.

69)She was too proud to apologise for her bad behaviour at the party.

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70)Although Peter had tricked Lindsay many times before, she still believed him.

71)The word is "stout".

72)He wanted to check if there was oxygen to breathe in as candles need oxygen to burn and if the candle burned, there would be oxygen.

73)He realised that Mr Scott had not come out of the well and did not reply to the calling of his name. He feared Mr Scott may have fainted and was very anxious.

74)He did not want to breathe in the poisonous gas from deep in the ground which could be fatal.

75)I think Patty was a horse.

76)She was very tense worried and anxious that her father could die any moment her heart was pumping fast.

77)The word 'it' refers to the handle of the windlass.

78)The word is "strained".

79)He was holding on to the rope while his other hand reached above it and took hold of the rope and was pulled up by Ma tugging at the handle of the windlass.

80)He did not bring a candle into the well to test the air before he went down.

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SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 - 2013

PRIMARY 5

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Name:_____ ( )

Class: Pr. 5_____

Date: 15 May 2013

Booklet A	/ 30
Booklet B	/ 65
TOTAL	/ 95

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Parent's Signature & Date

Total Time for booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

1. Write your Index Number in the boxes at the top right-hand corner.
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3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions carefully.
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Section A – Graphic-Stimulus Comprehension (5 x 1 mark)
Study the following text and then answer questions 1 to 5.

Gaia Environmental Club

Do you know that our school produces 30 tonnes of rubbish each year?

Gaia Environmental Club wants to work with our school to **Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!**

We are recruiting interested students to be part of the effort to make our school a better place.

CONTROL OFFICERS	WASTE OFFICERS	GO GREEN OFFICER
• sort rubbish from recycling bins • maintain glass, plastic, aluminium and paper • learn to make 'new' paper from using our mini cost-effective recycling plant	• collect paper rubbish and old newspapers for recycling • conserve electricity in your class to help cut costs • attend weekly sessions to organise class-based recycling activities, contests and games	• interested in reading magazines, newspapers, etc. • research on environmental issues • write relevant articles, design and publish termly 'Environmental Club' newsletters

COMPOST OFFICER

- help out in gardening activities to improve the school garden e.g. watering the garden, pruning plants, etc.
- maintain a special bin for food scraps which can be made into compost
- add clippings from the garden to the compost which can then be used to improve the soil and make the plants healthier

New Initiative

Please log on to the following for more details:
Gaia Environmental Club website: http//www.gaiaenvironmentalclub.com.sg
Or
Gaia website: http://www.gaia.edu.sg

Brought to you by Gaia Environmental Club of Planetary Primary School

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For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

1. If you wish to find out how recycled paper is made, you should sign up to be a _____.

   1) Waste Officer
   2) Control Officer
   3) Compost Officer
   4) Go Green Officer

2. According to this poster, Gaia Environmental Club would **not** appeal to a student who is _____.

   1) an avid writer.
   2) a keen reader
   3) interested in gardening
   4) interested in sports activities

3. Which one of the following best describes the roles of "Go Green Officer"?

   1) Write articles related to environmental issues
   2) Sort out the rubbish according to different materials
   3) Organise recycling activities, contests and games for classes
   4) Involve in gardening activities of the school to improve its garden

4. Students who were interested to join Gaia Environmental Club as Waste Officers could receive more information from _____.

   1) school posters
   2) relevant online sites
   3) magazines and newspapers
   4) 'Environmental Club' newsletters

5. Which one of the following is **not** true?

   1) Waste Officers help to cut down the school's utility bills.
   2) It is a new initiative by Gaia Environmental Club to recruit Control Officers.
   3) Go Green officers would have to gather information on environmental issues.
   4) This poster is recruiting students to join Gaia Environmental Club to play their part to reduce, reuse and recycle waste materials.

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Section B – Grammar (7 x 1 mark)

For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

6. We watched a jetliner _____ off from the viewing gallery a while ago.

   1) take
   2) took
   3) had taken
   4) was taking

7. The restaurant _____ we had arranged to meet was under renovation.

   1) when
   2) whom
   3) which
   4) whose

8. "We will not go out _____ you behave yourselves," Mrs Lim told her children.

   1) if
   2) unless
   3) except
   4) because

9. Paul, together with his friends, _____ the soccer match now.

   1) is watching
   2) are watching
   3) was watching
   4) were watching

10. Either Mrs Mia or the group of boys _____ the whereabouts of Tim.

   1) know
   2) knows
   3) has known
   4) have known

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11. During the Great Singapore Sale, we were surprised by the generous discounts offered at Robinsons, _____ we?

1) aren't
2) won't
3) haven't
4) weren't

12. Nadal and Roger had been friends for years as they had something _____ common. They both played tennis for their schools.

1) in
2) at
3) for
4) from

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Section C – Punctuation (3 x 1 mark)

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

Dorothy looked down and gave a little cry of fright. Under the corner of the great beam, two feet were sticking out, covered in silver shoes with pointed toes.

"Oh, dear **(13)**" cried Dorothy, clasping her hands together in dismay, "the house must have fallen on her. Whatever shall we do?"

"There is nothing to be done **(14)** said the little woman, calmly.

"But who was she?" asked Dorothy. "She was the wicked Witch of the East," answered the little woman **(15)** "She has held all the Munchkins in bondage for many years. Now they are all set free and are grateful to you for the favour."

Adapted from :**The *Wizard of Oz*, L.** Frank Baum

13.
1) [,] comma
2) [.] full stop
3) [?] question mark
4) [!] exclamation mark

14.
1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

15.
1) [,] comma
2) [.] full stop
3) [?] question mark
4) [!] exclamation mark

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Section D – Vocabulary (5 x 1 mark)

For each question from 16 to 20, one of the four options is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

16. Frank was reluctant to embark on the _____ task of running the 42km marathon without a proper training.

    1) desolate
    2) daunting
    3) deliberate
    4) dissuasive

17. Maria works as a/an _____. She writes articles for newspapers and magazines.

    1) editor
    2) journalist
    3) illustrator
    4) newscaster

18. Jane _____ her lady boss and complimented, "This is the most impressive proposal that I've ever seen!"

    1) jested
    2) hissed
    3) flattered
    4) criticised

19. The murder suspect was _____ by the police officers for further interrogation.

    1) accused
    2) detained
    3) prohibited
    4) restrained

20. The mother became _____ when she could not find her child and she started to scream uncontrollably.

    1) frigid
    2) forfeit
    3) frantic
    4) flabbergasted

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Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

For each question from 21- 25, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Make your choice and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

The SARS virus first appeared in the news in February 2003. The highly (21) **contagious** virus swept across the planet in a matter of six weeks, spreading to 29 countries and infecting more than 8,000 people over the following three months.

SARS quickly claimed the lives of many during the first 10 weeks of the outbreaks. Of the 5,327 mainland Chinese who contracted the virus, 346 eventually (22) **succumbed**. Singapore also took a hard hit: among its 238 infected, 33 died. This number (23) **constitutes** one-sixth of Taiwan's death toll.

The million-dollar question remains: Is SARS truly a thing of the past? In 2012, exactly a decade later, a new virus from the same family as SARS (24) **sparked** a global alert as it killed two people in Saudi Arabia.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) received a total of six laboratory-confirmed cases of this "novel" coronavirus –with the all-too-familiar symptoms of fever, cough and acute breathing difficulties. Will the world see a (25) **resurrection** of the deadly SARS virus and catch us all off guard? One could only hope that we would better prepare this round.

Adapted from: Asian Geographic , Asia without Borders, No 95 Issue 2/2013

21.
1) deviant
2) harmful
3) infectious
4) dangerous

22.
1) perished
2) recovered
3) conquered
4) extinguished

23.
1) infers
2) means
3) comprises
4) summarises

24.
1) spread
2) started
3) ceased
4) announced

25.
1) start
2) revival
3) survival
4) restoration

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Section F – Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1 mark)
Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

When I got home, Father was still out at work, so I unlocked the front door and went inside and took my coat off. I went into the kitchen and made myself a raspberry milk shake. Then I went to the living room to watch one of my Blue Planet videos about life in the deepest part of the ocean.

The video was about the sea creatures that live around the sulphur chimneys, which are underwater volcanoes where gases are ejected from the earth's crust into the water. Scientists did not expect any living organisms to be found **there** because it was so hot and poisonous. However, there are whole ecosystems down there.

I like how it shows you there is always something new that science can discover. All the facts that you take for granted can be completely wrong. I also like the fact that they are filming in a place which is harder to get to than the top of Mount Everest. It is one of the quietest, darkest and the most secret places on the surface of the earth. I like to imagine that I am there in a spherical metal submarine. I also imagine that I can control it and move anywhere I want to on the seabed and I can never be found.

Father came home. I heard him come through the front door. I carried on watching the video and Father went into the kitchen.

I had forgotten that I left my book lying on the kitchen table because I was too interested in the Blue Planet video. This is what is called **letting your guard down**, and it is what you must never do if you are a detective.

Soon, Father came back into the living room. He was holding the book in his right hand and said in a low voice, "What is this?" I did not realise that he was angry because he was not shouting.

I looked up and replied, "It's a book I'm writing."

Without a word, Father grabbed hold of my arm really hard and bellowed, "Christopher, what did I say before? Not to go around sticking your nose into other people's business. Now you go around raking up the past and sharing it with every Tom, Dick and Harry you bump into. What am I going to do with you?"

There and then, I realized I was in deep trouble.

Adapted from: **The Curious Incident Of The Dog In the Night-time** *by Mark Haddon*

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer and shade the corresponding ovals on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

26. What is the Blue Planet video that the writer was watching about?
It is about _____.
1) the depth of the ocean.
2) sea creatures in the whole ecosystem on earth.
3) the ecosystems found in the deepest part of the ocean.
4) all creatures found in the quietest and highest place on earth.

27. In line 7, "there" refers to _____.

1) the earth's crust
2) whole ecosystems discovered
3) the deepest and part of the ocean
4) underwater volcanoes that ejected sulphur

28. According to the passage, why did the writer hope to visit the deepest part of the ocean?

1) He wanted to make a discovery.
2) He wished to prove his father wrong.
3) He wanted to film the plants in the ocean.
4) He wished to move anywhere on the seabed with the submarine.

29. What does the writer mean when he says "letting your guard down" in line 18?
He meant that he should not_____.

1) tell his father that he was a detective.
2) stick his nose into other people's business.
3) relax and forget to greet his father when he came in.
4) leave his book lying on the kitchen table and allow his father discover it.

30. Which one of the following is **true** about the passage?

1) The writer wrote a book about people around him.
2) The writer was too lazy and did not do his homework.
3) The writer's father encouraged him to rake up the past of others.
4) The writer's father loved to watch the Blue Planet video with him.

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Booklet B

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Section G – Grammar Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40 in the passage below. From the list of words in the box, choose the most suitable answer for each blank and write its letter (A to Q) in it. "I" and "O" have been omitted to avoid confusion in marking.

Use each word only ONCE.

(A) a	(D) for	(G) of	(K) the	(N) whose
(B) and	(E) from	(H) on	(L) when	(P) with
(C) by	(F) in	(J) to	(M) who	(Q) up

Catherine Geach was a great musician. She was three (31)_____ she heard the music. Her mother, a sculptor, had put a Brahms violin concerto on the turntable in her studio in London, England. The child froze, stunned (32)_____ the rich sounds of an instrument that she did not know. She wanted to make music like that.

Soon, Catherine was studying violin. Her talent was exceptional. By the time she was five, she had played (33)_____ solo in public. At seven, she was practising two hours a day.

Absorbed (34)_____ her music, Catherine could forget the hardships of home. Her parents were divorced (35)_____ money was tight. By the time Catherine had entered her teens, her mother, (36)_____ had once been so supportive, was suffering (37)_____ severe depression.

After school, the teenager would come home (38) _____ their small apartment and help with chores and cooking. Alone in her room, she would take her violin out (39)_____ its case and practise. It helped her to cope (40)_____ her despair. Music had given her hope.

Adapted from: Music of Hope, Karen Emmons

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Section H – Editing for Spelling and Grammar (10 x 1 mark)
Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

When we reached the beach, Silver turned to one of the sailors and ordered him to

41) _____

take the pirates' side. Without warning, Silver plunged his dagger on the man's heart and

killed him instantly. Turning around to look at the rest of the group, Silver warned us that

42) _____

whoever disobeyed him would share a **semilier** fate.

We walked on, leaving the dead man behind the beach. Feeling alarmed, I ran up the

43) _____

beach and **disapeered** into the forest. Silver's men did not bother to give chase for they

44) _____

poberbly thought that a small frightened boy like me could do them no harm.

45) _____

I stopped to catch my breathing on the top of a stony hill. Suddenly, I saw a movement on the

46) _____ 47) _____

hillside. I could not see how the creature was and thought that it would be better to facing

48) _____

Silver and his men rather than an unknown enemy. I turned around and ran up the shore and

49) _____

the creature ran faster than me. The creature turned out to be a man with thick **uncempt**

50) _____

hair. He was dressed in **tetered** clothes that had been mended many times over. Catching up

with me, the man threw himself on the ground.

Adapted from: Treasure Island, *RL Stevenson*

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Section I – Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1 mark)
Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Slow lorises have been around for a long time. However, we don't know much about these creatures because they are extremely (51) _____ to study. Since they are active at night, researchers find it tough to (52)_____ them down. These animals move so slowly that they do not even disturb leaves or branches as they (53)_____ their way silently through the jungle.

Two researchers, Anna Nekaris and Rachel Munds, decided to rely (54)_____ museum, specimens, photographs and their own observations to see (55)_____ they could find out anything more about these elusive creatures. They realised that slow lorises in Borneo (56)_____ in size, had distinct marks on their faces and also lived in different places. It became obvious (57)_____ them that there were four different types of the slow loris in these forests.

While this is exciting news, it also means that we now have to take extra (58) _____ to make sure that we safeguard each of the four species. "Four separate species are harder to protect (59) _____ one," explained Ms Munds. Each one (60)_____ sufficient space in the forests as space is necessary for them. However, human beings are cutting (61)_____ the trees here at such speed that slow lorises have little space to (62)_____ their own.

"Unfortunately, in (63)_____ to habitat loss that is due to deforestation, there is also a blooming black market that (64)_____ for the illegal demand for the animals," continues the researcher. The slow loris' large anime-like eyes and cute appearance makes it a favourite target among people who like interesting pets. Such people may not know that, before they receive these pets, the animals' (65)_____ are sometimes cruelly pulled out so that they will not bite. Without them, they cannot eat properly and may die.

Adapted From: **Gentle creature in danger**, *What's Up, Issue 96*, January 2013

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Section J - Synthesis / Transformation (5 x 2 mark)

For questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the words provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the given one(s).

66. Rahim had a fever. Rahim turned up for the volleyball practice.

_____ although _____

_____

67. Billy will not eat. The food must be delicious.

Unless _____

_____

68. My teacher reminded, "You have to submit the project tomorrow."

My teacher reminded me that _____

_____

69. Sandy will not leave for school. The rain has stopped.

_____ until _____

_____

70. Jim hopes to do well in the physical fitness test. He exercises regularly.

By _____

_____

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Section K – Comprehension (10 x 2 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

With rhythmical sweeps of its tail, the humpback whale swam in the eastern seaboard of Australia. The creature was beginning its migration to the rich feeding grounds of Antarctica, thousands of kilometres to the south and still many weeks away.

Either it failed to pick out the shark net anchored off the coast near Brisbane or it did not know how to avoid it. Within seconds, six hundred metres of braided nylon mesh and rope enveloped the whale. It was unable to reverse because humpbacks cannot swim backwards and going on was impossible, because the net was welded to the ocean bed by a hundred kilograms of chain and two heavy anchors. In an effort to break free, the animal spun round and threw itself out of the water. The net wrapped even more tightly around it. The creature struggled to surface for air. Still bound by a massive weight of rope and chain, and one anchor, but slave to an overwhelming impulse to head south, the whale resumed its migratory path.

Sometime later, the marine centre in Queensland received a call that the whale had been spotted and a rescue team was hastily assembled. After hours of fruitless search, the captain of the boat received a message on his marine radio. It had strayed from its migratory path and it was not alone. Humpbacks sing to one another across vast stretches of ocean and support injured companions, so the whale had been joined by three others. Now that there were four whales present, the rescue mission had suddenly become potentially dangerous.

As they approached the trapped whale, the divers lowered themselves into the water to assess the situation. The divers began slicing the net in which the whale was caught. It was exhausting work. Since the whale was moving forward, the divers had to swim back to its head to start again. The trapped mammal watched the divers intently as they worked on their rescue mission. Sensing that they wanted only to help, it grew calmer. Then one of its companions swam underneath and nudged its head to the surface, assisting the creature to breathe.

The long hours spent enmeshed in a shroud of rope and chains had weakened the whale and it did not react as the divers lined up for the final cut. Eventually the rope parted and the snare fell away. Minutes passed and still the whale did not respond. At last, it slowly swam away from the boat.

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Picking up speed, it headed towards its companions. When it reached them, all four mammals began tail-slapping the water, as if applauding the achievement of the rescue team. Then, they swam south towards Antarctica. 35

Adapted from: **"To Free a Giant"** by John Parish

For each question 71 to 80, write your answer in the space provided.
ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. According to the first paragraph, where was the humpback whale heading to ?

_____

_____

72. Quote a sentence from paragraph two which tells you that the whale was trapped within a short time.

_____

_____

73. Explain why it was difficult for the whale to go on after it was enveloped with mesh and rope?

_____

_____

74. Which two-word phrase in paragraph three tells you a group of people was put together hurriedly to rescue the trapped whale ?

_____

_____

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75. Why did the rescue team have difficulty locating the humpback whale ?

76. What does the word "it" in line 25 refer to?

77. Why was the trapped whale watching the divers intently?

78. Explain clearly in your own words how the captive whale managed to obtain enough air?

79. Why did the whale not swim away as soon as it was freed by the divers?

80. According to the writer, why did the four mammals began tail-slapping the water before they swam south together?

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
B	M	E	J	G	P

41)into 42)similar 43)disappeared 44)probably 45)breath

46)what 47)face 48)but 49)unkempt 50)tattered

51)difficult 52)track 53)make 54)on 55)whether

56)varied 57)to 58)steps 59)than 60)needs

61)down 62)call 63)addition 64)caters 65)teeth

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70)By exercising regularly, Jim hopes to do well in the physical fitness test.

71)It was to the rich feeling ground of Antarctica.

72)The sentence is "Within seconds, six hundred metres of braided nylon mesh and rope enveloped the whale".

73)The net which enveloped the whale was welded to the ocean bed by a hundred kilograms of chain and two heavy anchors.

74)The phrase is "hastily assembled".

75)The whale had strayed from its migratory path.

76)It refers to the slicing of the net in which the whale was caught.

77)It knew that the drivers were there to set it free.

78)It was nudged to the surface by one of its companions.

79)The long hours spent enmeshed a shroud of rope and chains had weakened the whale.

80)They wanted to thank the rescue team for saving the whale.

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NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL
FIRST SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION 2013
PRIMARY 5

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2: BOOKLET A

TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min

Name: _____ ( ) Pr 5 ( )

There are a total of 80 questions – 30 MCQ and 50 open-ended questions.

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. Andy decides to subscribe to the NY News for two years. What can he choose for his subscription gifts?

   (1) two sound systems
   (2) a digital camera and an MP3 player
   (3) a sound system and a digital camera
   (4) a vacuum cleaner and a pair of headphones

2. You should subscribe to NY News by 30 June 2013 so that you can _____.

   (1) enjoy exclusive rewards
   (2) receive a subscription gift
   (3) take part in the lucky draw
   (4) choose your subscription package

3. Meimei should _____ to increase her chances of winning the lucky draw.

   (1) register at www.nyrewards.com
   (2) buy NY News from news vendors
   (3) choose the most expensive subscription package
   (4) charge her subscription to her Everyday Credit Card

4. Ewan is eligible for the lucky draw if he _____.

   (1) buys NY News from a book store
   (2) subscribes to NY News from the news vendors
   (3) already has a direct subscription with NY News
   (4) subscribes to NY News at www.nysub.com for the first time

5. For a subscription of $26.65 a month, which of the following statements is **NOT TRUE**?

   (1) You can read the NY News on your iPAD.
   (2) You can read the NY News on the internet.
   (3) You will receive a hard copy of the NY News.
   (4) You can read the NY News on your smartphone.

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Section B: Grammar Discrete (7 x 1m = 7m)
For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. Selena draws well, _____ she?

   (1) isn't
   (2) won't
   (3) hasn't
   (4) doesn't

7. We were told to hand _____ our homework to our group leaders.

   (1) in
   (2) up
   (3) out
   (4) down

8. Meiyin, as well as the boys,_____ basketball now.

   (1) is playing
   (2) are playing
   (3) was playing
   (4) were playing

9. Esther is a national swimmer and _____ competitively since she was ten years old.

   (1) is swimming
   (2) was swimming
   (3) has been swimming
   (4) had been swimming

10. Mother made Tim _____ his project before she allowed Tim to watch his favourite cartoon.

   (1) complete
   (2) completes
   (3) completed
   (4) completing

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11. Jim cannot go out to play _____ he completes his homework.

(1) if
(2) since
(3) unless
(4) although

12. "_____ of the pupils can show me the way around the school?" the visitor asked Mrs Leung.

(1) Who
(2) What
(3) Which
(4) Whose

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Section C: Punctuation (3 x 1m = 3m)

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1,2,3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Down in the tunnel, the foxes crouched, listening to the terrible clanging and banging above them.

"What's happening, Dad (13) cried the small foxes.

Mr Fox did not know what was happening or what the farmers were doing.

"It's an earthquake (14) shouted Mrs Fox.

"Look!" exclaimed one of the small foxes. "I can see daylight! Our tunnel's got shorter!"

They all looked around and indeed (15) the mouth of the tunnel was only a few metres away from them. In the daylight, they could see the two huge black tractors almost on top of them.

13. (1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
    (2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
    (3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
    (4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

14. (1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
    (2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
    (3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
    (4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

15. (1) [:] colon
    (2) [–] dash
    (3) [,] comma
    (4) [!] exclamation mark

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Section D: Vocabulary (5 x 1m = 5m)

For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. Grandma _____ the hardship she had suffered during the Japanese Occupation.

    (1) recited
    (2) relayed
    (3) reported
    (4) recounted

17. Many motorists _____ the law by not wearing their seatbelts.

    (1) fail
    (2) flout
    (3) flaunt
    (4) follow

18. We decided to _____ and head for home as we were too tired to train anymore.

    (1) call it a day
    (2) give it a shot
    (3) sit on the fence
    (4) turn over a new leaf

19. The hostages _____ in fear as the robbers brandished their guns at them.

    (1) fawned
    (2) pulsated
    (3) cowered
    (4) whooped

20. Diana could barely _____ her excitement at being given a role in a film.

    (1) retain
    (2) release
    (3) contain
    (4) confine

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Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1m = 5m)

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

"I can smell the sea from here," said the prisoner. That seemed highly

<u>improbable</u> (21) coming from a man in a soundproof cell in northern Malaysia, far away

from the sea. All I could smell in this prison was the faint <u>tang</u> (22) of ammonia used to

clean the floors.

It was hard to know what to believe of the prisoner's <u>claims</u> (23). At times, his

statements were contradictory. He would <u>declare</u> (24) his innocence but would later

confess to being a <u>willing</u> (25) criminal. Though his jailers remained unsure of who he

was, they knew exactly what he was: a pirate.

21. (1) realistic
(2) possible
(3) confusing
(4) unthinkable

22. (1) tint
(2) taste
(3) image
(4) odour

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Section F: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1m = 5m)
Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

" Hurry up, Amy. it's Market Day !" Amy's mother exclaimed. Amy stirred drowsily, reluctant to open her heavy lids.

" Come along now." her mother said. "Heaven forbid that we should miss the bus !" Her mother's impatient command sent her hurrying yo get ready.

Amy and her mother barely managered to find room in the bus as the passengers were packed like sardine. Off the rickety bus went, rattling along over the dirt road, until it eventually came slowly to a stop in the market area. Amy's mother bundled her off, eager to join the jostling crowds thronging the narrow streets.

Flashy displays of jewllery were spread out haphazardly on the walkways, with their coloured bangles, crudely fashioned rings, and roughly polished stones. Amy and her motjher hurried past them making for the stalls selling textiles. Amy's mpther quickly began sifting through the repetitive patterns of colurs, fashioning in her mond's eye some new apparel for herself or for her husband.

Amy, however, had her mind set on the caves near the market. She had heard of the attractions there: the tempting iced drinks, the quaint handmade dolls and the fascinating puppet shows. Up till now, she had not been allowed to go on her own. For the moment, though, the displays of luscious-looking fruits across the road were too tempting. She counted the coins in her purse, and treated herself to a small bag of juicy plums.

Back at the textile stall, her mother was bargaining earnestly with the owner over some cotton fabric. The process of bargaining was something that her mother enjoyed at the market, perhaps even more than the sights and sounds of the market.

"There!" she said, smiling triumphantly at Amy. "Enough to make a dress, or even two. Now, something for your father."

"Mother, can I go and have a look inside the caves?" asked Amy. Amy's mother frowned slightly. She was not too keen on Amy wandering too far on her own, but she quickly relented.

"Be back here in an hour, and not a minute later," Amy's mother said as she pressed a few coins into Amy's hand. Amy gratefully promised that she would and bounded off to the biggest cave. Once inside, she was immediately stunned by its vastness. She felt uneasy. The next moment, she forgot about her uneasiness as **she saw what she had come for**.

She rushed to the far corner of the cave where a large white cloth screen was being erected. People were taking their places for a show. Suddenly, there was a roll of drums and an expectant hush fell over the audience.

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26. Amy's mother was impatient with Amy because _____

(1) Amy was still in bed
(2) Amy was hurrying to get ready
(3) they had missed a bus to the market
(4) Amy did not want to go to the market

27. The word "rickety" (line 6) tells us that the bus was _____

(1) old
(2) late
(3) crowded
(4) speeding

28. Immediately after arriving at the market, Amy _____.

(1) stopped by the jewellery stall
(2) bought plums from the fruit stall
(3) went with her mother to the textile stall
(4) bought drinks from the iced drinks stall

29. Amy's mother smiled triumphantly (line 25) as _____.

(1) she had made some dresses for herself
(2) she had got a good bargain for her purchase
(3) she had bought some textile for her husband
(4) she enjoyed the process of bargaining with the stall owner

30. When Amy went into the cave, "she saw what she had come for" (line 34). She had been looking forward to _____.

(1) buying the quaint handmade dolls
(2) exploring the vastness of the cave
(3) savouring the luscious fruits sold there
(4) watching the fascinating puppet shows

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FIRST SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION 2013
PRIMARY 5

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2: BOOKLET B

TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min

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Booklet A	/30
Booklet B	/65
Total	/95

Any query on marks awarded should be raised by 22 May 2013. We seek your understanding in this matter as any delay in the confirmation of marks will lead to delays in the generation of results.

PAPER 1 - Writing	/55
PAPER 2 - Language Use & Comprehension	/95
PAPER 3 - Listening Comprehension	/20
PAPER 4 - Oral Communication	/30
TOTAL	/200

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Section G: Grammar Cloze (10 X 1m = 10m)

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

Use each WORD once ONLY

A)	a	D)	as	G)	in	K)	that	N)	when
B)	also	E)	by	H)	nor	L)	the	P)	with
C)	and	F)	I	J)	so	M)	to	Q)	us

When I was growing up, my parents took up jobs in a remote town in another province, leaving my brothers and me in the care of my grandparents.

Nanay, as we called my grandmother, neither hugged _____ (31) kissed children. Her tongue was sharp and her words made _____ (32) heart bleed. She was a tyrant, but she was there for us. As early _____ (33) I could remember, Nanay had always been a part of my life. _____ (34) believed grandmothers lived forever.

When we were little, she adopted orphaned cats _____ (35) slept on the sofa with her and left _____ (36) much hair on the beds that they made me sneeze. The cats defecated inside the house and it stank so badly but Nanay did not have the heart _____ (37) punish them.

With us, it was a different story. When we displeased her, she threatened to die _____ (38) haunt us. My grandfather was a submissive, quiet man who never interfered _____ (39) Nanay spewed the curses that would befall _____ (40) if we did not behave. As a result, I never feared anything like ghosts or vampires because I lived with the "Real Thing" that could terrorise both young children and old men.

Marks

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Section H: Spelling and Grammar (10 x 1m = 10m)

Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

(41) [ ]

Going to school is a daily activity for many children. It is a **preveleage** many of them

(42) [ ]

take for granted. Yet, <u>in</u> some, it is something they have to work for. The students in Sikkim

are a good example. Located way up in the far north of India, Sikkim is a remote

(43) [ ]

mounternas province. It has a wet climate that lets almost anything grow, thanks to the large

amounts of rainfall. Besides helping the plants to grow, it has another major effect – it

(44) [ ] (45) [ ]

<u>wrecking</u> the roads every year. In the dry season, the roads cling **prekarously** to steep

(46) [ ]

hillsides and ridges. During the monsoon, they lose the battle and end up <u>into</u> the river at the

(47) [ ] (48) [ ]

bottom of the valley. This makes <u>get</u> to the local schools difficult for students, many of <u>whose</u>

(49) [ ]

live in **eysolayted** communities. If the road has only been partly washed away, they still have

(50) [ ]

to **wayd** through mud to get to school. If the road is destroyed, which is often the case, the

students simply cannot go to school.

Marks

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Section I: Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1m =15m)
In the following passage, there are 15 blanks numbered 51 to 65. Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

The intelligent dolphins are the charismatic stars of many aquarium shows. Their curved mouths give the _____ (51) of a friendly, permanent smile and they can be trained to _____ (52) many complex tricks. Dolphins are also _____ (53) liked by humans who make it a _____ (54) to observe them in their _____ (55) habitats. They live in the water, with most of them living in saltwater. Dolphins can _____ (56) greatly in size, ranging from one metre to ten metres in _____ (57). These mammals have long enchanted both children and _____ (58) alike with their intelligence and playful nature that. Currently, there are about forty known species of dolphins in _____ (59) today.

These adorable animals are known to eat a _____ (60) of food including herring, cod, squid, plankton, and fish. Although dolphins have teeth, many species tend to _____ (61) their food whole, using their teeth mainly to catch and grasp their _____ (62). Dolphins can consume up to thirty kilogrammes of food every day.

Even _____ (63) dolphins are well loved by humans, there are still many risks for them. Pollution in the water exposes them to chemicals that are not good for them. Noise pollution due to industrialization and boating can cause high _____ (64) of stress. Commercial fishing can cause them to get _____ (65) up in nets. A few of the species are already considered to be extinct and hopefully, there will not be any more of them added to that list.

Marks

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Section J: Synthesis/Transformation (5 x 2m = 10m)
For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

66. Mark seemed to be losing the match. He refused to give up.

_____ although _____

_____

_____

67. The twins do not wish to join the contest. Shaun also does not wish to join the contest.

Neither _____

_____

_____

68. Mr Tan is a wealthy man. He does not live extravagantly.

_____

_____

_____

69. "The meeting ended at ten o'clock yesterday," Adam announced.

Adam announced_____

_____

_____

70. The woman's handbag was stolen. She is my aunt.

_____ whose_____

_____

_____

Marks

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I will always remember Mr Teo and his candy bars. I never got to eat any of them. They were too precious to be eaten. I kept each bar for weeks. Each time, I would find it gone from under my pillow, my drawer or wherever I had kept it. Mother would tell me she had thrown it away. The ants had devoured it or it had all melted. Nevertheless, candy bars will always remind me of Mr Teo and nothing will devour that sweet memory.

ANSWER IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. What does "that" in line 3 refer to?

72. Why did Mr Teo give the class an English test?

73. In paragraph 2, which two-word phrase shows that the author and his classmates became more cheerful?

74. "Singaporeans were not affluent in those days and candy bars did not come our way easily." (lines 7-8) What does this sentence tell us about the background of the students?

75. What does the word "smirked" in line 12 tell you about how the author was feeling?

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76. How did the later candy acts differ from the first?

_____

_____

_____

77. What was the mission that Mr Teo gave the author?

_____

_____

_____

78. "Mr Teo's face turned red." (line 30) How did Mr Teo feel and why?

_____

_____

_____

79. Which sentence in the **second last paragraph** tells us that Mr Teo had brought out the best in the author?

_____

_____

_____

80. What did the author mean when he wrote, "nothing will devour that sweet memory"? (line 42)

_____

_____

_____

Marks

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
K	J	M	C	N	B

41)privilege 42)for 43)mountainous 44)wrecks 45)precariously

46)in 47)getting 48)whom 49)isolated 50)wade

51)impression 52)do 53)mostly 54)point 55)natural

56)vary 57)length 58)adults 59)existence 60)variety

61)swallow 62)prey 63)though 64)levels 65)caught

66)Mark refused to give up although he seemed to be losing the match.

67)Neither Shaun nor the twins wish to join the contest.

68)Mr Tan does not live extravagantly despite the fact that he is a wealthy man.

69)Adam announced that the meeting had ended at ten o'clock the previous day.

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70)The woman, whose handbag was stolen,is my aunt.

71)It refers to Mr Teo taking the cane down and placing at the back of the class capboard.

72)He wanted to gauge how much they knew.

73)the two-word phrase is 'perked up'.

74)It tells us that the students came from poor homes.

75)He was feeling proud of himself.

76)In the first candy act, all the pupils received a candy bar no matter how they did. In the later candy acts, only those did well or made progress received a candy bar.

77)Mr Teo asked the author to coach his classmate.

78)He was angry at Wong's rude and rebellious reply.

79)It is that year, under Mr Teo was the year I unleashed my potential.

80)He would never forget Mr Teo's kindness.

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SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT (1)

2013

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13 May 2013 English Language Paper 2 Duration: 1 h 50 min

BOOKLET A

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Section A: Graphic Stimulus (5 x 1 mark)

Study the advertisement below carefully and answer questions 1 to 5.

JONAS CAFE

Winner of the Healthier Choice Award 2012!

Serving Authentic British Fish & Chips!

Dear Valued Customers,

Thank you very much for your continual support for the past 2 years!
With effect from 1 June 2013, our café will be at a new location at:
No. 5, Clarke Quay Street
#01- 364
Singapore 679345

We will have a more spacious dining area to serve you better. There are also plenty of parking lots at the multi-storey car park behind the café and parking is free!

To celebrate our opening, we are giving a 12% discount on all food items from 1 June 2013 to 8 June 2013. We hope that you will continue to give us your support.

Please call 68831303 during operating hours for reservations. For enquiries on catering, please email sales@jonascafe.com

We are open daily from 11am to 6.30pm. (except Mondays and Public Holidays)

Special Promotion!
Fish & Chips Set Lunch
(from 12.30pm to 2.30pm only)
Served with a side dish choice of Caesar's salad or coleslaw and coffee or iced lemon tea.

Set 1 (small)	$7.50
Set 2 (medium)	$10.50
Set 3 (large)	$13.90

**Flash your student pass to get a free flow of drink that you've ordered with your set lunch.*

Enjoy 1 **FREE** Meat Pie with a minimum spending of $20 at the café!

Terms & conditions

- Valid only on weekdays from 1 June 2013- 31 August 2013
- Valid for dine-in only
- Valid with a minimum spending of $20 per bill.
- Choose from 3 flavours: Black pepper
  Teriyaki
  Sweet & Spicy

No Goods and Services Tax

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1. The purpose of the advertisement is to inform customers that Jonas Café _____.

   (1) has closed down
   (2) is hiring new staff
   (3) has moved to a new premise
   (4) has won an award for one of its food items

2. Mrs Wong went to Jonas Café on 3 June 2013. She ordered a small fish and chips set lunch. She is entitled to _____.

   (1) a free meat pie
   (2) a free flow of drink
   (3) a salad and coleslaw
   (4) a discount on her set lunch

3. To be eligible for the free meat pie, a customer must _____.

   (1) eat at the café
   (2) choose only Teriyaki flavour
   (3) order one of the three set lunches
   (4) spend at least $30 on each receipt

4. A customer would most likely be able to make a reservation at Jonas Café if she calls _____.

   (1) after 6.30pm on any weekday
   (2) between 9.30am and 6.30pm on a Monday
   (3) between 12.30pm and 2.30pm on a Saturday
   (4) between 12.30pm and 2.30pm on New Year's Day

5. Which of the following statements is true?

   (1) Jonas Café started its business in 2011.
   (2) Jonas Café is opening a second branch at Clarke Quay in June.
   (3) All food and beverages are subjected to Goods and Services Tax.
   (4) A customer can call up Jonas Café to enquire on the menu that is available for catering.

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Section B: Grammar (7 X 1 mark)

For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. Neither Tim nor his friends _____ present when the incident took place yesterday.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

7. Mary and her sister were surprised that _____ of the doors to the castle was opened.

(1) all
(2) none
(3) most
(4) some

8. We saw Jenny _____ towards the pond when a swarm of bees was chasing after her.

(1) ran
(2) run
(3) runs
(4) had run

9. The attitude of the members _____ one of the many factors that will enable them to succeed in this game.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

10. The girls went to the library to continue with their discussion after they _____ their lunch.

(1) eat
(2) ate
(3) had eaten
(4) were eating

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11. Jess, _____ mother is a teacher, works in that school.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose

12. Mei Ling hardly ever goes swimming with her sister, _____ she?

(1) is
(2) isn't
(3) does
(4) doesn't

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Section C : Punctuation (3 X 1 mark)

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Lightning can also leave its mark. Its heat can shatter a tree or leave dark burns on metal poles. When lightning strikes sand, its heat fuses the sand grains together. The result is a rocky tube in the shape of the lightning bolt.

Lightning has left its mark on me too, but in a good way. People often ask me why I chase lightning(13)

If you ever watched a thunderstorm, you already know part of the answer - the power of this force of nature is unbelievable.

The bigger thrill for me though (14) is exploring the unknown. There's so much about lightning we don't know. I exclaimed to my friends, "The excitement of witnessing this incredible force of nature is intoxicating (15)

Article by Tim Samaras with Glen Phelan.

13.
(1) [.] full stop
(2) [?] question mark
(3) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [? "] question mark and inverted commas

14.
(1) [:] colon
(2) [,] comma
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [?] question mark

15.
(1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

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Section D: Vocabulary (5 × 1 mark)

For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. The fight between the boys was _____ only because their teacher intervened.

(1) averted
(2) inverted
(3) reverted
(4) diverted

17. This place looked _____ as no one lived here.

(1) distant
(2) destitute
(3) desolate
(4) discarded

18. That lady was very unpopular in her neighbourhood as she liked to _____ her wealth.

(1) flaunt
(2) exhibit
(3) expose
(4) manifest

19. The oil spill did _____ damage to the bay. It was impossible for any life to thrive in that area.

(1) incorrigible
(2) irreparable
(3) inconsiderable
(4) insurmountable

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20. The pickpocket was caught _____ and taken to the police station.

(1) in the act
(2) facing the music
(3) at sixes and sevens
(4) playing someone up

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Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Water is a precious resource to Singapore. Hence, PUB (Public Utilities Board) will be introducing a timer to save water.

The timer to prompt (21) the person to finish showering is part of a new plan of action (22) by PUB. The timer which will be distributed to schools and communities is among two new plans PUB will tap on to encourage Singaporeans to spend less time under five minutes.

The measures (23) are part of a drive to cut the average household water use by 2020. PUB is targeting the shower nozzle because baths make up the highest proportion of a home's water use. For each minute a person shortens (24) his bath time, he can help Singapore save nine litres of water.

PUB will commission a five-minute shower dance complete with a catchy jingle to encourage school children to restrict (25) their bath times.

21. (1) cue
(2) stop
(3) prevent
(4) provoke

22. (1) regimen
(2) strategy
(3) schedule
(4) timetable

23. (1) moves
(2) changes
(3) variations
(4) transactions

24. (1) chops off
(2) shaves off
(3) finishes off
(4) switches off

25. (1) limit
(2) modify
(3) restrain
(4) diminish

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SECTION F: COMPREHENSION MCQ (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage and answer questions 26 to 30.

"I really don't know why I am late for school, Miss Anna," Savushkin said with a gesture of surprise. "I leave home an hour before school."

" But it's fifteen minutes from the sanatorium to the highway, and no more than half an hour's walk down the highway!"

"But I never go down the highway. I take a shortcut through the forest," he said earnestly.

"I'll have to see your mother then," said Anna.

Savushkin led Anna along the path that started at the back of the school. As soon as they entered the forest and the heavy, snow laden spruce branches closed behind them, they found themselves in a different, enchanted world of peace and quiet. The path followed a frozen stream. Parts of the stream's surface were covered with a thick layer of snow; in other parts, its icy armour lay clear and sparkling and there were spots where unfrozen water stood out in dark blotches like evil eyes.

"Why hasn't it frozen there?" Anna asked.

"Warm springs. Look, you can see one coming up right there."

Bending over the clear water, Anna saw a thin, quivering thread which rose from the bottom of the stream and burst into tiny bubbles before reaching the surface.

"Plenty of these springs here," Savushkin replied eagerly, "that's why the stream never freezes over completely."

They came to another unfrozen stretch, with pitch-black but transparent water. Anna threw a handful of snow into it. The snow did not melt, but grew bulkier at once and sank. This pleased her so much that she started knocking the snow into the water. Carried away by the game, she did not notice Savushkin had gone on ahead. He perched up on a low tree branch hanging right over the stream and sat waiting for her. A thin layer of ice covered the surface of the stream there and light, fleeting shadows kept moving over it.

"Look how thin the ice is, you can see the water flowing underneath," said Anna, coming up to the boy.

"Oh, no, Miss Anna it's the branch I'm sitting on. It sways and the shadows it throws over the ice sway with it."

Anna blushed. It looked as if she had better hold her tongue here, in the woods.

Savushkin trod on ahead and Anna followed behind. The winding path led them on and on. The path rounded a nut bush and a vast clearing flooded with sunlight opened up before their eyes. In the middle of the clearing stood an old oak, tall and majestic like a cathedral. Its branches spread far out over the clearing and snow nestling in the cracks of the bark made its gigantic trunk look as if inlaid with silver. It was now covered to the very crown with snow-capped leaves.

"The winter oak!" gasped Anna. She reverently approached the tree and halted under its glittering branches.

"Look!" shouted Savushkin. He pushed aside a large clump of snow with earth and old grass clinging to its underside. A little ball plastered with decayed leaves lay in the hollow below. The skeleton-like remnants of the leaves were pierced with sharply pointed needles.

"A hedgehog!" cried Anna.

"See how well he concealed himself?" commented Savushkin as he carefully restored the protective covering of earth and snow over the immobile hedgehog. Then he dug at another spot and revealed a tiny cave with icicles hanging at its opening. It was occupied by a brown frog, its tightly stretched skin shiny as if lacquered. Savushkin touched the frog. It made no movement.

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"Isn't he a sly one?" remarked Savushkin. "Pretending he's dead. But just watch him leap as soon as the sun warms him up a bit."

He guided Anna on through the world he knew so well. **There were numerous other tenants in and around the oak.** Some hid among the roots, others in the deep creaks of the bark. Thin, withered, and apparently lifeless, they hibernated there all through the winter. The powerful tree accumulated in itself a store of vital warmth, and those poor creatures could not wish for a better shelter. Fascinated, Anna watched this hidden forest life, so little known to her. 50

Adapted from "The Winter Oak" by Yuri Nagibin

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

26. Why was Savushkin always late for school?

(1) He spent his time in the forest.
(2) He took the highway to school.
(3) He did not take the short cut to school.
(4) He stopped by the sanatorium for fifteen minutes every day

27. Why were parts of the brook not frozen?

(1) The ice was melting.
(2) It was going to be spring.
(3) Flowers were growing near the stream.
(4) There were many warm springs in the stream.

28. Why did Anna **"had better hold her tongue here"** in line 29?

(1) It was so cold that she could not talk.
(2) She was shy and did not know what to say.
(3) Savushkin was more knowledgeable about the forest.
(4) She was afraid of the shadows and decided to keep quiet.

29. The hedgehog was covered with earth and snow as it _____

(1) was hibernating
(2) wanted to hunt for food
(3) was pretending to be dead
(4) was hiding from its enemies

30. **"There were numerous tenants in and around the oak."** in line 48-49. The **"tenants"** refer to _____.

(1) the trees in the forest
(2) the people living in the forest
(3) Savushkin and Anna Vasilyevna
(4) the creatures living in and around the oak tree

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BOOKLET B

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SECTION G: GRAMMAR CLOZE (10 x 1 mark)

There are ten blanks numbered 31 to 40 in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blanks. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) against	(D) around	(G) for	(K) on	(N) through
(B) an	(E) at	(H) in	(L) that	(P) to
(C) and	(F) before	(J) of	(M) though	(Q) with

Ali Shahbaz has always been interested in speaking up for what he believed in. At (31)_____ age where many of his peers aspire to get the latest sneakers or video games, Ali wanted to attend the Rio+20, the biggest conference (32)_____ the history of the United Nations with over 45,000 participants. The United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (UNCSD) took place in June and from the moment he found out about it (33)_____ a news article, the then 15-year-old Pakistani embarked (34)_____ relentless campaign to convince his government's leaders (35) _____ his generation needed to be represented. Ali spent several hours a day, every day, emailing officials and anyone who would listen.

In May, the Lahore-based teen was invited to represent the country's youth at the National Consultation on Green Economy in Islamabad, where he gave a presentation. "I said that they are obliged (36) _____ include a youth delegate as the next UNCSD conference, the Stockholm+40, is not going to happen (37)_____ another 20 years, so we need to start awareness at this point so that we can deal (38) _____ the situation before it is too late. They were also convinced because they thought a 15-year-old could only play soccer (39) _____ be at school but there I was," says Ali, who is now 16.

His impassioned speech, which can be viewed on YouTube, had the desired effect and with just two weeks to go (40)_____ the June 20 convention, Ali got word that he was going to Rio de Janeiro as the youth ambassador for The Sustainable Development Policy Institute.

Adapted from the story Asian of the Year 2012 by Siti Rohani

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Section H: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (10 × 1 mark)

Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

Nine-year-old Antonio "Dan Boy" Fernandez Jr was playing with his younger

41) [ ] 42) [ ]

brother, Ken, in their yard last June which he noticed smoke **belowing** from the roof of their

43) [ ]

house on Cebu's Carcar city. Realising that his five-year-old brother, Nathaniel, was napping

44) [ ]

inside, Dan Boy shielded his head from the **swelltaring** heat with his hands and rushed inside

the wooden house.

45) [ ]

"I was so scared to see the flames on the roof but when I heard my brother cried, I

just closed my eyes and rushed in," says Dan Boy, who stopped schooling two years ago to look

46) [ ]

after his younger brothers between the ages of 2 years old to 7 years old.

47) [ ]

He find his brother sitting in the corner of the room, frightened and crying. Nathaniel

48) [ ]

was **desorented** from the smoke, so Dan Boy grabbed him with his right hand. "Don't worry, big

brother is here," Dan Boy said as he shielded Nathaniel from the flames with his own body.

49) [ ]

Just as they reached the front door, Nathaniel stopped. A **proutrueding** nail had

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caught his shorts. The shrill screams of Nathaniel reverberated through the house. With one last

50) [ ]

dasparate tug, they ran into the yard as the fire devoured the property.

Adapted from the story "Through the Fire" by Mars W. Mosqueda Jr.

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SECTION I: COMPREHENSION CLOZE (15 x 1 mark)

Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

When the sun first showed above the jagged mountains, Janette jumped from the wagon. At first it was easy to _____ (51) the tracks left by her father and brothers. However after a few miles, the trail disappeared in the powdery sands of a dry riverbed. Janette ran along the banks in both directions crying, "Papa! Tom! Billy!"

At the foot of the mountains Janette shouted, but only her own voice _____ (52) back from the overhanging rocks. Hour _____ (53) hour, she wandered among the hills around the valley, calling. However, there was no_____ (54). In the evening, she returned to camp finding nothing.

Now, standing utterly alone in the wilderness under the stars, she trembled with fear. The two oxen were grazing nearby and Janette _____ (55) her arms around one of them. "Surely they'll come back soon," she said. Then she set about preparing for another long, sleepless _____ (56) in the wagon – alone.

The days that followed became a blur in Janette's memory. Every morning, she set out _____ (57) a new direction, calling and searching for her father and brothers.

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At night, she returned, exhausted, to the empty meadow and the patient oxen. She grew

_____ to sleeping alone in the wagon and even to the _____of the wolves,
(58) (59)

but her dreams were filled _____visions of her father and brothers, lost and perhaps
(60)

hurt somewhere in the wilderness around her. Once she thought she heard Tom's _____
(61)

calling to her from the darkness, but it was only the wind sighing in the pine trees.

Finally one morning, Janette just stood and stared at the tall mountains rising all around her.

She did not know where _____ to look for her family. Hours later, when the sun began
(62)

to set, she forced herself to _____ the horrible truth. Her father and brothers were not
(63)

coming back. She was alone in the middle of a vast, fierce wilderness. Turning to the oxen, she

cried, "What's to _____ of me? I can't drive the wagon through those passes!" She sank
(64)

to the ground and sobbed. She cried until she could cry no more. Then at last she tried to shake off her

grief. She knew that she had to stay in the valley until help come. However, to _____ the
(65)

winter, she would need a shelter.

Adapted from "Janette's Winter " by Barbara Bloom

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Section J: Transformation / Synthesis (5 x 2 marks)

For each question from 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as that of the given sentence(s).

66. The football match will start at three if it does not rain.

Unless _____

_____

67. Ben is going to the zoo. It takes one hour to reach there.

It will _____

_____

68. The boot is spacious enough to accommodate all the boxes. Put them in the boot of the car.

_____ which _____

_____

69. "Mindy fell from the stairs and is badly injured," he said.

He said _____

_____

70. Mr Lee does not like gambling. Mrs Lee also does not like it.

_____ against _____

_____

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Section K: Comprehension Open-Ended (10 x 2 marks)

Read the passage and answer the questions 71 to 80.

Maricel Ann, 22, stands in the kitchen of the Edsa Shangri-La Hotel in Manila, preparing to decorate a cheesecake. It would seem to be a routine task for a pastry chef, but Maricel is no ordinary chef.

Her disability, however, barely slows her down. Using her wrists, Maricel coats the sides of the cake with crushed nuts. Next, she grips a chef's knife tightly between her hip and left inner elbow and uses her left wrist to delicately slice grapes, kiwi and strawberries in half. In short order, she arranges the fruit on the cake.

Chef Ariel, Maricel's manager, said, "When I first saw Maricel, I was worried she might hurt herself when using a chef's knife but I know now this will never be a problem."

Maricel has come a long way since the day in September 2000 when she and her uncle were attacked near their farm in a remote area of Zamboanga City, Mindanao. Five machete-wielding men barged into her home one day and brutally attacked her uncle, then turned on 11-year-old Maricel. She passed out as she tried to protect herself from the savage blows.

After she came to, Maricel pretended to be dead until she was sure the attackers were gone. As she staggered home, she looked down and was shocked to see her hands dangling, almost severed. Miraculously, she survived a long, arduous trip to the hospital, but doctors could not save her hands. Her uncle also survived the attack and eventually they testified against two of their attackers, whom by then confessed that they were trying to force Maricel's family off their land.

Despite financial help from Anthony Marc , a distant relative, Maricel struggled as she was totally dependent on her mother for daily routines such as bathing, feeding and wearing of clothes. She returned to school, but teasing by classmates often left her in tears. Her mother, heart-broken, then asked Anthony Marc for help.

In 2004, Anthony arranged for Maricel to live in the "House with No Steps", a Manila rehabilitation and training centre for people with disabilities. She learned how to write and do chores and these helped her to accept what she had become.

Maricel eventually graduated from high school and enrolled in a two-year Hotel and Restaurant Management course in Cagayan City.

Thanks in large part to her mother's efforts, Maricel flourished even though she was the only disabled student in the course.

After Maricel moved back to Manila to continue her studies, the media started reporting on this young woman. She did not shy away from the attention. "I wanted others living with disabilities to believe it's possible to live a normal life," Maricel said.

When managers at the Edsa Shangri-La Hotel saw Maricel on television, they hired her as part of the hotel's Care for People project. Fellow chef , Alex Lea, marvels at Maricel's skills. "She asks for assistance only if she needs to move a hot kettle or large saucepan from the stove, or open slippery bottle caps," Alex said.

Maricel had also accomplished her goal of inspiring others. One of them was Rose Tess, a 21-year-old with cerebral palsy. Confined to a wheelchair, she rarely left her Manila home and had never attended school. Then she saw Maricel on television. "I watched her demonstrate how to prepare vegetables for a salad with so much confidence," she recalled. Rose, who now lives at the training centre and will soon start classes, is already planning a career in IT.

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Maricel's three younger siblings have moved to Manila. She pays for the rent of their small apartment, while their parents look after the family farm in Mindanao. "It is difficult to make ends meet but I don't lose hope. I believe anything is possible if you dream, work hard and pray," she said. *Adapted from the Recipe for Inspiration by ROSS HARPER ALONSO*	45

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Answer questions 71 to 80 in COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. What was Maricel's disability?

_____

_____

72. What does "**this**" in line 9 refer to?

_____

_____

73. Why was Maricel's family attacked in September 2000?

_____

_____

74. How did Maricel know that she was seriously injured in the attack?

_____

_____

75. On the day of the attack, why did Maricel pretend to be dead (line 15)?

_____

_____

76. Which word from paragraph 5 in the passage has the same meaning as strenuous and difficult?

_____

_____

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77. Besides the financial difficulties, what were the two other problems Maricel faced after the attack?

78. What were the skills Maricel picked up in the training centre that allowed her to come to terms with her disability?

79. What does Maricel mean when she said "It is difficult to make ends meet..." in line 46-47?

80. How has Rose's life changed for the better after seeing Maricel on television?

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
L	P	G	Q	C	F

41)when 42)billowing 43)in 44)sweltering 45)crying

46)and 47)found 48)disoriented 49)protruding

50)desperate 51)trace 52)echoed 53)after 54)answer

55)with 56)night 57)in 58)accustomed 59)howling

60)with 61)voice 62)else 63)accept 64)became

65)survive

66)Unless it rains, the football match will start at three.

67)It will take one hour for Ben to reach the zoo.

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68)Put all the boxes in the boot of the car which is spacious enough to accommodate all of them.

69)He said that Mindy had fallen from the stairs and was badly injured.

70)Mr Lee and Mrs Lee are against gambling.

71)He was no hands.

72)It refers to Maricel hurting herself when using a chef's knife.

73)The attackers were trying to force Maricel's family off their land.

74)She saw that her, hands were dangling.

75)She had to be dead so that her attackers would stop attacking her as they thought that she was dead.

76)The word is "arduous".

77)She was teased by her classmates and she had to depend on her mother/cannot do the daily routines on her own.

78)She learned to write and do chores.

79)She was poor and her income was low.

80)At first, she rarely left home and never attended school. After she had seen Maricel on television, she will soon start class/plan a career in IT.

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BOOKLET A

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 30 questions (Questions 1 to 30).
4. **Answer ALL the questions and shade them in the correct ovals on the OAS provided.**

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All prices indicated are already discounted.

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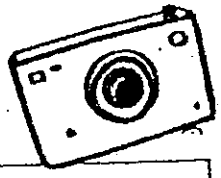

For more information on the sale, please call our office at 6454 9988.
Office Address: 89 Alexandra Avenue, Singapore 892106

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

1. Customers who purchase television sets _____.

   (1) will get a 20% discount
   (2) are not entitled to free gifts
   (3) will be paying discounted prices
   (4) have only three models to choose from

2. A free thumb drive is only given _____.

   (1) to the first 200 customers each day
   (2) to customers who purchase computers
   (3) for purchases of any advertised product
   (4) for computers that offer at least a 20% discount

3. If you are the first customer on 26 May, which of the following items will definitely be available for purchase?

   (1) 48-inch ZONNY HD TV
   (2) DOSIBAR Brand Printers
   (3) NICKON Brand Digital Camera
   (4) NELOVO Brand Desktop Computers

4. Which of the following is <u>not</u> sold at a discount?

   (1) CHERRY Brand laptops
   (2) ISUS model digital camera
   (3) 40-inch HATACHEE LED TV
   (4) 60-inch BANASONIC SMART TV

5. Which one of the following statements is true?

   (1) The venue of the sale is at 89 Alexandra Avenue Singapore 892106.
   (2) Soon Lam Electronics is holding the sale to make way for new stocks.
   (3) The first 200 customers who make a purchase each day will receive a gift.
   (4) There are other products on offer besides those featured in the advertisement.

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For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (7 marks)

6. Kendall _____ Switzerland during the coming school holidays.

(1) visits
(2) visited
(3) is visiting
(4) has visited

7. _____ the most experienced player, Suba was appointed the captain.

(1) As
(2) For
(3) Since
(4) Though

8. This traditional folk song has been _____ by generations of children.

(1) sing
(2) sung
(3) sang
(4) singing

9. Kumar will only agree to join the expedition _____ he is assured that it is safe.

(1) if
(2) until
(3) while
(4) unless

10. The workers who went on strike received a letter_____ warning this morning.

(1) of
(2) by
(3) for
(4) with

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11. The teacher insisted, "I think you _____ apologise for being rude to your mother."

(1) might
(2) could
(3) would
(4) should

12. The flight _____ by an hour due to bad weather.

(1) will delay
(2) would delay
(3) will be delayed
(4) would have delayed

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2 ,3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

As I stepped out of the house, I met my neighbour.
"Good morning, Mr Mano," I said **(13)** How are you?"
Mr Mano greeted me with a feeble smile. As we walked together to the lift **(14)**
I noticed that Mr Mano was not his usual cheerful self.
Out of concern for him, I inquired politely, "Are you feeling all right, Mr Mano **(15)**
"Of course!" he exclaimed. "I am just feeling tired."

13. (1) [: "] colon and inverted commas
(2) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(3) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [! "] exclamation mark and inverted commas

14. (1) [,] comma
(2) [-] hyphen
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [!] exclamation mark

15. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [?] question mark
(3) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [? "] question mark and inverted commas

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16. Joe was upset when his sister said that he was as dumb as a_____.

(1) pin
(2) post
(3) button
(4) toothpick

17. The witness had a _____ memory and gave an accurate description of the suspect.

(1) pictorial
(2) composite
(3) contrasting
(4) photographic

18. The waiter asked the customer, "What is your _____? Coffee or tea?"

(1) prelude
(2) preview
(3) preference
(4) prerequisite

19. Vicky was _____ of Randy's behaviour although she did not approve of his actions.

(1) flexible
(2) tolerant
(3) sensitive
(4) adaptable

20. The reporters _____ the actor with questions the moment he entered the interview room.

(1) tormented
(2) suffocated
(3) brandished
(4) bombarded

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

This year's recipient of the Young Businessman Award is Mr Andy Lee. He is the owner of a chain of budget hotels in Asia. Andy said he was <u>inspired</u> **(21)** by an around-the-world backpacking trip after graduating from the polytechnic in 2007. Studying was not the most important for Andy in his younger days. Instead, he <u>excelled</u> **(22)** in non-academic opportunities <u>offered</u> **(23)** in school where he was a prefect and represented the school in athletics. Despite being in the Normal (Technical) stream in secondary school, he did not let <u>negative</u> **(24)** remarks get him down. Andy <u>continued with</u> **(25)** further studies at National Polytechnic and obtained a diploma in tourism management. "I have never regretted being in a Normal (Technical) student," Andy said. "Dream big and do not let anyone hold you down."

21. (1) attracted
    (2) provoked
    (3) motivated
    (4) captivated

22. (1) stood out
    (2) broke out
    (3) turned out
    (4) worked out

23. (1) prepared
    (2) produced
    (3) presented
    (4) processed

24. (1) political
    (2) adverse
    (3) sensitive
    (4) eccentric

25. (1) ensued
    (2) pursued
    (3) engaged
    (4) advanced

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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Mr Cheng positioned a ladder in the living room in front of the bedroom door and placed a can of paint on the top rung. As Brian entered the living room, he asked, "Father, may I help?" Mr Cheng hesitated at first as he felt that Brian was too young and would be a hindrance rather than be of assistance. The young boy pulled a long face. Despite his displeasure, he promised that he would not cause any problems and assured his father that he would do a good job. Although still doubtful, Mr Cheng finally agreed reluctantly. Brian's face lit up when his father handed him the paintbrush. Mr Cheng decided to go to the kitchen for a glass of water as Brian stepped on the third rung and proceeded to paint the bedroom door.

As he painted, Brian hummed his favourite tune. He felt proud that he could help his father. Then, he heard some noise coming from behind the closed bedroom door. "Has that sleepyhead overslept again? It's almost ten and she is still in bed," he mumbled to himself. "Jen! Get up now or you will miss breakfast!" he called out to his sister. All of a sudden, the bedroom door swung open as Jen rushed out of the room. As the door opened outwards, it knocked against the ladder Brian was standing on. Caught by surprise, Brian teetered for a few moments before using one hand to grab the top of the door to steady himself. In doing so, his elbow accidentally knocked the can of paint which was still on the top rung.

"Watch out, Jen!" Brian yelled, but <u>it</u> was too late. Before Jen could react, the entire content of the can fell on her. She screamed in shock as the paint dripped from her head down to her feet. She was totally drenched in blue. As Brian looked down at his sister, he burst out laughing as she resembled a character from his favourite movie, Avatar. Mr Cheng who had heard the commotion rushed into the living room and gasped when he realised what had happened. As Mr Cheng stood rooted to the spot not saying a word, Brian was unable to stifle his laughter even after his sister started to sob uncontrollably.

When Brian finally stopped laughing, he tried to explain that it was not his fault. Mr Cheng did not want to listen to his son's words as he ushered Jen to the bathroom to clean up. Instead, he made Brian mop up every drop of paint on the floor to make up for what had happened. Although he apologised later, he knew that his father would think twice about trusting him to paint in future.

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

26. In the first paragraph, why did Brian pull a long face?

(1) Brian felt that he would be a hindrance.
(2) Brian's father expressed his displeasure.
(3) Brian knew he would not cause any problems.
(4) Brian's father did not allow him to help initially.

27. Jen rushed out of the room because she _____.

(1) had to swing the room door open
(2) did not want to be late for breakfast
(3) was upset with Brian for waking her
(4) wanted to knock Brian off the ladder

28. What does "it" in line 21 refer to?

(1) The falling of the paint on Jen.
(2) The warning Brian gave to Jen.
(3) The opening of the bedroom door.
(4) The grabbing of the top of the door.

29. What made Brian laugh?

(1) Jen's appearance.
(2) Jen's scream of shock.
(3) Jen's uncontrollable sobbing
(4) Jen's reaction when the paint fell on her.

30. Which one of the following statements is true?

(1) Jen was entirely at fault for causing the incident.
(2) Brian was punished by Mr Cheng after the incident.
(3) Brian's father no longer trusted him following the incident.
(4) Mr Cheng did not believe Brian's explanation of the incident.

End of Booklet A

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BOOKLET B

Instructions to Pupils:
1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 50 questions (Questions 31 to 80).
4. **Answer ALL the questions and write all the answers in this booklet.**

	Maximum	Marks Obtained
Booklet A	30	
Booklet B	65	
Total	95	

Component	Question Numbers	Marks Obtained
Comprehension Cloze	51 – 65	
Comprehension Open-ended	71 – 80	

* This booklet consists of 8 pages altogether (including this page).

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.
(10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) is	(D) was	(G) for	(K) with	(N) up
(B) them	(E) that	(H) your	(L) into	(P) my
(C) were	(F) never	(J) about	(M) once	(Q) ones

A professor stood before his class with some items on the table. When the class began, he took out a jar (31)_____ twenty-five centimetres in diameter and filled it with rocks. Then he asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed (32)_____ it was. The professor picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled (33)_____ the open spaces between the rocks. He asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was. Next, the professor picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. The sand filled (34)_____ everything else. He then asked (35)_____ more if the jar was full. All the students responded (36)_____ a "Yes."

"Now," said the professor, "I want you to recognise that this jar represents (37)_____ life. The rocks are the important things – your family, partner, health and children. If everything else (38)_____ lost and only these remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter – like your job, your house and your car. The sand (39)_____ everything else - the small stuff."

"If you put the sand into the jar first," he continued, "there is no room for the pebbles or rocks. The same goes for your life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will (40)_____ have room for the things that are important to you. Take care of the rocks first – the things that really matter. The rest is just sand."

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

In Singapore, there are several programmes initiated to promote recycling.

(41) _____ (42) _____

For **instents**, in housing estates, recycling bins are provided to **encaarage** the

(43) _____ (44) _____

reuse of junk. Recyclables <u>who</u> are collected are usually sent for sorting before <u>been</u>

(45) _____

sent for recycling. They are sorted into different **waiste** types such as paper, glass,

(46) _____

clothing, plastic, etc. In schools, the <u>aims</u> of the recycling programme is to educate and

(47) _____ (48) _____

<u>inculcated</u> the recycling habit among the students. The programme **involfs** the setting

(49) _____

up of a recycling corner in the school where recycling bins <u>of</u> paper, cans and plastic

bottles are used as educational resources. These resources are then made

(50) _____

availebel to the students in the form of posters and booklets.

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

When Jim and I reached the post office, there was already a crowd, gawking at the new gadget on the table. I tried to get closer (51)_____ a better look.

Jim, my brother, and I had no idea how the gadget (52)_____. Then, someone in the crowd asked the staff member on duty what it was. He tried to explain that it was a telephone. He attempted to (53)_____ how it worked but everyone looked puzzled. However, they were impressed by (54)_____ possibilities.

It was the most unusual (55)_____, to see about twenty people, standing around, craning their necks to see a telephone. The staff member on duty looked on (56)_____ an unsmiling face. He forbade anyone (57)_____ using it without paying a grand sum of five cents. There was murmuring all around. Five cents to (58)_____ a telephone and not have any idea if it worked was a risk. Jim and I looked at each other. We wanted so badly to try it but we were also aware that five cents could buy a hot bowl of noodles that (59)_____ of us could share. We did not have the luxury of even having one decent meal a day and to spend five cents on fun did (60)_____ unwise.

Nevertheless, Jim looked my way and we silently agreed that it was going to be (61)_____ every cent. We could pool our resources and experience the magic of (62)_____ another voice through the telephone. It was not a (63)_____ to be missed! He put his hand into his pocket to fumble for a coin. I did the same.

Suddenly, the telephone gave a shrill ringing tone, causing the spectators in front to panic and scramble to (64)_____ while the crowd behind fell onto one another due to the stampede. Even the staff member took cover as he was standing closest to the telephone. It was chaotic.

However, when order was restored, everyone, especially Jim and I, stared (65)_____ the empty table, shocked. The telephone was stolen in that split second of chaos!

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentences, using the words provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. A deer was run over by a car. A deer was badly injured.

_____ which

_____

67. You must hurry for the concert. You will not be locked out.

Unless _____

_____

68. Selena likes to dance. Selena does not like to sing.

_____ prefers

_____

69. Francis stole a bicycle last night.

A _____

_____

70. Ben asked me, "Are you able to attend the Prize Giving Day tomorrow?"

Ben asked me_____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

I was home for Christmas. Around noon, I changed into my surf-shorts, headed for the beach and dived into the ocean waves. I swam hard and fast. At last, I rolled over on my back and looked towards the beach. The people on the beach were tiny specks but I was not concerned. This had been my family home for years, so I knew the waters well.

After a while, I began my long swim back. The few sharks that had been sighted in this area were nowhere to be seen. I swam without care, in absolute oblivion, until I checked the shoreline. It was as if I had barely moved! I could feel myself being pulled out to sea by the undercurrent. I tried not to panic.

Suddenly, I froze with fear because I spotted a dark fin to my left. It was moving directly towards me. My heart pounded wildly. I stopped swimming and attempted to float and stretch out like a log on the surface. I knew sharks were known to have poor eyesight. Thus, any splashing would make it easier for the shark to find its prey in the water. I could barely breathe as I kept very still. I tried desperately to keep my mind from entertaining the horrors of being eaten. Suddenly, a powerful, smooth, sleek body rose underneath me.

I could not imagine what it was. I felt my body being lifted slightly. While gliding across the water's surface, I was being moved towards the shore. Then slowly, I was lowered back into the water. But immediately, I felt the strange sensation of a powerful body rising up, then lifting and carrying me forward again.

The surface of the water broke in front of me and I could finally see the creature which had been carrying me. It had jumped through the air, dived to the left and dipped under me before moving me through the water at great speed. Soon, more of them were circling all around me. One at a time, they moved beneath me, each lifting and gradually carrying me back towards shore as if they were performing a dance.

Quickly and smoothly, they brought me to chest-high water. Then they encircled me, spinning, diving, smiling. They called out in an amazing, high-pitched language that filled me with delight. I clapped in appreciation for the show they were providing. Touched and in awe, I could not stop talking to them and thanking them. Eventually, they turned and danced out to sea.

A crowd of people had gathered on the shore. They had seen the dark fin and anticipated a shark attack. After watching my incredible return on the backs of frolicking dolphins, they greeted me, laughing, talking, and asking about how I was rescued. What a memorable moment! We were a group of people from all over the world who had somehow come together to witness something none of us would ever forget. It was a marvelous gift on this special Christmas Day.

Adapted from Angel Animals by Anderson

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. Which two-word phrase in paragraph one suggests that the writer had swum far away from the shore?

_____

_____

72. Why was the writer so familiar with the beach?

_____

_____

73. Why did the writer swim in "absolute oblivion" in line 7?

_____

_____

74. What was the writer worried about in paragraph two?

_____

_____

75. What creature was the "dark fin" in line 10?

_____

_____

76. Why did the writer pretend to be a log?

_____

_____

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77. How was the writer helped back to shore?

_____

_____

78. Why did some people gather on the shore at first?

_____

_____

79. Who does the word 'us' in line 37 refer to?

_____

_____

80. In the last paragraph, why did the writer consider his rescue to be memorable?

_____

_____

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1) 3	6) 3	11) 4	16) 2	21) 3	26) 4
2) 2	7) 1	12) 3	17) 4	22) 1	27) 2
3) 3	8) 2	13) 3	18) 3	23) 3	28) 2
4) 1	9) 1	14) 1	19) 2	24) 2	29) 1
5) 4	10) 1	15) 4	20) 4	25) 2	30) 2

31) J	33) L	35) M	37) H	39) A
32) E	34) N	36) K	38) D	40) F

41. instance

42. encourage

43. which

44. being

45. waste

46. aim

47. inculcate

48. involves

49. for

50. available

51. for

52. worked

53. show

54. its

55. sight

56. with

57. from

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58. use

59. both

60. seem

61. worth

62. hearing

63. chance

64. safety

65. at

66. A deer, which was run over by a car, was badly injures.

67. Unless you hurry for the concert, you will be locked out.

68. Selena prefers dancing to singing.

69. A bicycle was stolen by Francis last night.

70. Ben asked me if I was able to attend the Prize Giving Day the next day.

71. The two-word phrase is 'tiny specks'.

72. He stayed near the beach for many years.

73. There were no sharks in sight so he felt safe.

74. He was unable to get close to the shoreline due to the undercurrent.

75. It was a dolphin.

76. He knew that sharks had poor eyesight and any splashing will make it easier for them to find their prey.

77. A few dolphins took turns to carry the writer back to shore.

78. The people saw the dark fin and anticipated a shark attack.

79. It refers to the writer and people at the beach who had gathered to watch.

80. He was saved by the dolphins.

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FIRST SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2013

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PRIMARY FIVE

Name:_____ ( ) Date: _____

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PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET A

30 questions

30 marks

Total time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

Study the following brochure and then answer questions 1 to 5.

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The Greendale Highlands 3D/2N Driveaway

8 to 10 September 2013

Tour price: S$399 (2 adults and 1 child)

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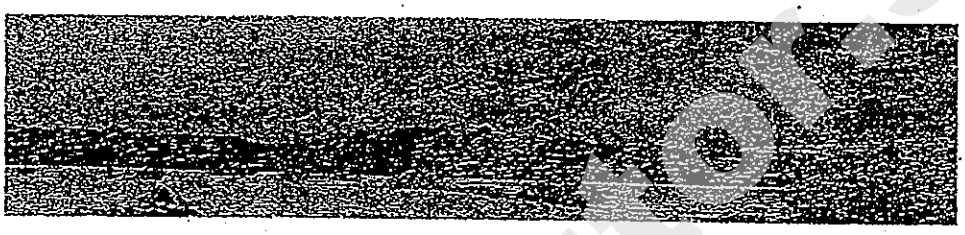

Itinerary from 8 to 10 September 2013

Sat 8 Sep 2013: Singapore to Greendale Highlands (Breakfast, lunch and dinner included)

* 6am - Registration / Flag-off
* Drive to Greendale Highlands, breakfast and lunch stops
* 5pm - Check into hotel followed by a steamboat dinner
* Visit to Night Market after dinner

Sun 9 Sep 2013: Day Tour (Breakfast and lunch included)

- Breakfast at 7am
- Visit to Toh Tea Plantation, Honey Bee Farm, Strawberry Farm

Mon 10 Sep 2013: Greendale Highlands to Singapore (Breakfast included)

- Breakfast at 7am
- Last minute shopping
- Depart for Singapore at 11am
- Arrive in Singapore by 7pm

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

1. Where of the following travel destinations below is the brochure promoting?

   (1) Toh Bee Farm
   (2) The Night Market
   (3) Greendale Highlands
   (4) Honey Strawberry Farm

2. The travellers will travel by _____ throughout their holiday.

   (1) air
   (2) car
   (3) sea
   (4) train

3. This holiday package is targetted mainly at _____

   (1) singles
   (2) couples
   (3) families
   (4) students

4. The total number of meals included in the tour fare is _____.

   (1) 5
   (2) 6
   (3) 7
   (4) 8

5. The organising agency for this holiday trip is _____.

   (1) Travel Easy
   (2) Issac Ng Agency
   (3) Jack Goh Agency
   (4) Toh Tea Plantation

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For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (7 marks)

6. I _____ the edges of my jeans as that was the fashion in those days.

(1) fray
(2) frays
(3) had frayed
(4) was fraying

7. Tim, the bully in the school, made the timid girl _____ him her pocket money.

(1) give
(2) gave
(3) gives
(4) had given

8. Krishnan could not hear what I was saying _____ the noise of the aeroplane taking off.

(1) by
(2) over
(3) beyond
(4) through

9. Mother refuses to buy any groceries from the shop below her apartment as the prices of many household items have been jacked _____.

(1) up
(2) over
(3) upon
(4) above

10. The bowl of soup which is shared between the two boys _____ horrible.

(1) taste
(2) tastes
(3) was tasting
(4) were tasting

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11. "Are the pupils in the class required to submit _____ projects to Mrs Halim by the end of the week?" Susan asked her best friend.

(1) his
(2) my
(3) our
(4) their

12. _____ repeated assurances that the vegetables from that village are safe to eat, many people have stopped buying them.

(1) With
(2) When
(3) Despite
(4) Although

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16. Just after dawn, Grandfather went for a _____ walk through the gardens .He wanted to be alone to slowly admire the foowers

(1) brisk
(2) rapid
(3) guided
(4) solitary

17. Mrs Tan needs to give the bank a written _____ if she wishes to close her bank account with them.

(1) invite
(2) cheque
(3) summon
(4) notification

18. Nobody in the office likes working with Peter on a project as he is _____ unreliable.

(1) lyrically
(2) intensely
(3) stealthily
(4) exceedingly

19. When the police raided the thieves' hideout, it was empty. The outlaws had probably been _____ by someone.

(1) directed
(2) instructed
(3) forewarned
(4) enlightened

20. The farmers in Australia are rejoicing as they are enjoying a bumper _____ this year.

(1) fiesta
(2) festival
(3) harvest
(4) celebration

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(3 marks)

I have only one unpleasant memory of the summer holidays in Norway. We were in my grandparents' house in Oslo and my mother said to me (13) we are going to the doctor this afternoon. He wants to take a look at your nose and mouth."

I think I was eight at the time. "What's wrong with my nose and mouth?" I asked.

"Nothing much (14) my mother said. "But I think you've got adenoids."

What are adenoids **(15)** My curiosity was piqued. My mother hastily assured me and told me not to worry too much.

Adapted from "Boy Tales of Childhood" by Roald Dahl

13. (1) [,] comma
    (2) [.] full stop
    (3) [?] question mark
    (4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

14. (1) [.] full stop
    (2) [?] question mark
    (3) [,"] comma and inverted commas
    (4) [."] full stop and inverted commas

15. (1) [,] comma
    (2) [.] full stop
    (3) [?] question mark
    (4) [?"] question mark and inverted commas

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For each question 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to replace the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

What used to be "finger-lickin" good chicken for Ms Chun Qing, 41, is now yet another food item to shun (21). Her new-found fear over KFC meals was sparked (22) by news last month of poultry farms in northern China – including one that supplied meat to the global (23) fast-food chain – stuffing their birds with antibiotics and growth hormones.

Two farms breeding these "fast-growth chickens" – that go from eggs to ready-to-eat meat in 45 days – were shut down last month.

The KFC saga, which has dented (24) the fast-food chain's business, is among several food scares to have hit China last year. No deaths or mass poisoning have been directly linked to the latest bout of food scandals, unlike the melamine-tainted milk crisis in 2008 that killed six infants and sickened some 300,000. They have nonetheless (25) heightened public jitters.

Adapted from article "From Bad Eggs to Foul Fowls" – Straits Times Jan 1 2013

21. (1) avoid
(2) digest
(3) savour
(4) partake

22. (1) evoked
(2) created
(3) induced
(4) triggered

23. (1) local
(2) general
(3) national
(4) international

24. (1) hurt
(2) razed
(3) destroyed
(4) disintegrated

25. (1) but
(2) lest
(3) although
(4) however

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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

It was quite late when Hermux arrived home that night. He got the mail from his mailbox and thumbed through it as he waited for the old elevator to lumber its way down to the lobby. The ride up was even slower, but he did not care He was looking forward to a rice bowl of soup and a quiet pleasant evening of reading a novel. 5

On the fourth floor the elevator let out a rusty creak, an oily thunk, a shivery shudder, and then yanked to a stop. Hermux pushed carefully on the elevator door, opening it just a crack. Then he poked his nose out stealthily and peered down the hall. The door to Tucka Mertslin's apartment was closed.

He stepped out of the elevator and crept toward the door to his apartment as quietly as a mouse. 10

He carefully took out his ring of keys. He sorted past the silver key to his bicycle, the round key to his store, the little gold key to his safe, the silvery square-topped key to his locker at the gymnasium, the oval-shaped key to his file cabinet, and finally reached the double-sided, brass key that opened the door to his apartment. He slipped the key carefully into the lock and turned it cautiously. 15

"Why Hermux Tantamoq! Sneaking past my door like a burglar!" scolded someone directly behind him.

Hermux whirled around in terror. There was Tucka Mertslin standing not one step away. A great fog of perfume enveloped her and was now working its way into every crevice in the hallway. A cloud of it settled on Hermux tickling his nose like a longhaired squirrel tail. It was a revolting smell, like flowers that had been trampled to death in a candy store. 20

Tucka towered over Hermux in her pink and green lizard skin platform shoes. A huge cone-shaped hat added even more to her height. From the top of her hat sprang a fountain of metallic ribbons that fell past her waist. The shiny ribbons swirled about her body like a swarm of hungry eels and made it difficult to see her face clearly .What he could see of it was unsettling. 25

"I suppose you didn't get my invitation?" she said. "I distinctly said the meeting would begin at six o'clock. It was quite productive actually. A pity you missed it. But then I suppose you had more important things to do. In any case decisions have been made. And you'll be seeing some real changes around here starting quite soon." 30

"Changes?" asked Hermux. "In what?"

"In the hallway."I'm heading up the Hallway Decoration sub-committee. Or have you forgotten that too?" 35

Adapted from "Time Stops For No Mouse" by Michael Hoeye

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26. What did Hermux intend to do upon reaching home?

(1) read his letters
(2) have a good sleep
(3) spend time with his neighbours
(4) have his meal and do some reading

27. Hermux crept cautiously to his apartment door because he did not want to _____.

(1) disturb his neighbours
(2) lose his bunch of keys
(3) alert Tucka Mertslin that he was home
(4) drop any of the letters that he was holding in his hands

28. The perfume that Tucka Mertslin used was _____.

(1) refreshing
(2) tantalizing
(3) nauseating
(4) like fresh flowers in a candy store

29. What does "it" in line 28 refer to?

(1) Tucka's face
(2) Tucka's body
(3) the shiny ribbons
(4) the cone-shaped hat

30. According to the passage, which one of the following statements is false?

(1) Tucka was a loathsome woman.
(2) Hermux was terrified of Tucka as he did not attend the meeting.
(3) Hermux was not looking forward to meeting Tucka that evening.
(4) Tucka intended to make changes in future to the whole building except the hallway.

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SINGAPORE CHINESE GIRLS' SCHOOL

FIRST SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2013

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PRIMARY FIVE

Name: _____ ( ) Date: _____

Class: Primary _____ Parent's Signature: _____

	Marks Obtained	Highest Possible Marks
Booklet A		30
Booklet B		65
Sub-total		95

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET B

50 questions

65 marks

Total time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) of	(D) they	(G) is	(K) since	(N) as
(B) an	(E) within	(H) through	(L) inside	(P) which
(C) while	(F) by	(J) are	(M) with	(Q) from

Race and ethnicity in modern Singapore is a complex concept. _____ (31) official documents broadly classify individuals as Chinese, Malay, Indian and "Others", the reality of ethnic origins is much more diverse. Groups _____ (32) each category often have vastly different languages, religions and geographical origins. The Chinese, for example, hail _____ (33) different parts of China. They are classified _____ (34) the dialects they speak, such as Hokkien, Teochew and Cantonese. Eurasians are descendents of Europeans who inter-married _____ (35) local Asians. _____ (36) form a large proportion of the "Others" category, along with ethnicities like Japanese, Filipino and African.

_____ (37) an ethnic and cultural meeting point, Singapore is home to many of the world's major religions. The government is very careful in advocating religious tolerance and preventing any form _____ (38) inter-religious conflict. Freedom of religion is guaranteed under the Constitution and official holy days for each major religion _____ (39) respected. There is also the Inter-Religious Organisation Singapore (IRO) _____ (40) exists to foster friendship and cooperation between the leaders and followers of the various religions.

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

Youngsters are getting very hands-on and creative in giving back to society.

(41) [ ]

By employing a novel **aproch**, a group of Nanyang Junior College students recently sought to bring residents of a particular block of flats closer. When

(42) [ ]

they first <u>presenting</u> their plan to promote neighbourliness among the residents in Serangoon, their idea was met with some scepticism. However, the fears about its

(43) [ ]

success were quickly <u>proved</u> to be unfounded.

(44) [ ]

The students' project involved talking to and taking a picture <u>to</u> every resident living in the block, and then putting those photographs up within the lifts of the block. The idea was a spin-off from a personal project of a Tampines resident who took

(45) [ ]

pictures of his neighbours <u>with</u> a bid to get to know them better. However, the

(46) [ ]

college students decided to take it a step further by including an **intresting** snippet such as each resident's interests and hobbies to accompany their photograph.

The students were rejected by some residents who had concerns regarding

(47) [ ] (48) [ ]

their **priversy**. However, there were also obliging and enthusiastic **responces**. The

(49) [ ]

photographs <u>was</u> currently on display in the lifts. They are regularly rotated to

(50) [ ]

display the **prohfiles** of different residents. The students' efforts have paid off.

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

Of all the national parks The Hemispheres Team has explored, Kruger National Park in South Africa is the most awesome game park. It was named _____ (51) President Paul Kruger who initiated this wildlife protection space. The park covers an _____ (52) of 19,485 square kilometres, which is about 200 times larger than Singapore. Millions _____ (53) animals, insects and plants live here.

At the entrance, the ranger gave us a list of dos and don'ts while at the park. The park is a drive-through and we were not _____ (54) to get out of the car. We could _____ (55) down our windows to take pictures but we must not feed the animals.

We drove through the different eco-zones including thickets, savannah and bushes. Each eco-zone provides a natural habitat _____ (56) different animals. The drive through the park was _____ (57) unbelievable experience. The most amazing occurrence was _____ (58) we encountered a lioness stalking her prey, an impala, which is a member of the antelope family. We stayed for about an hour watching the entire confrontation, hoping the impala would escape. The vultures were also keeping a _____ (59) watch. They were circling _____ (60) the lioness and impala waiting for the kill. It was the most exciting experience we ever had but we felt _____ (61) for the poor impala.

On the night safari, we spotted animals that stayed awake at night and hunted during the _____ (62). We rode in a big truck and were given a huge torchlight to _____ (63) at any animals we spotted. It was _____ (64) easy observing animals in the dark but we were very lucky because that evening was rather warm and lions, wild dogs and hyenas came up to the road to rest. Although we were quite close to them, they seemed harmless and appeared undisturbed by our _____ (65)

We felt very happy that the park provides a home for these animals.

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For each of the items 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66 Bella was extremely tired. She continued working.

_____ although

_____

67 " Aimei stuns the audience with her beautiful voice," said Gregory.

Gregory said that _____

_____

68 Zhixiong does not want to be late. He tells his mother to wake him up at seven in the morning.

_____

_____

69 My sister would rather knit a sweater than read a book.

My sister prefers _____

_____

70 Devi was honest. She was given a reward.

_____

due to _____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

"Gao Yang!"

There had been no time to braid the garlic, which lay in heaps, reeking as it baked in the sun. Gao Yang was holding a bowl of garlic broth and fighting back the waves of nausea rising from his stomach. The urgent shout had come in through his unlatched gate as he was about to take a sip of the broth. The voice belonged to the village boss, Lu Jinjiao. He shouted a hasty reply, "Come on in, Uncle Jinjiao!"

"Gao Yang, come out for a minute. I have to tell you something."

Knowing the consequences of slighting the village boss, Gao Yang turned to his blind eight-year-old daughter who sat at the kitchen table. "Don't touch anything, Xinghua, or you might scald yourself."

Gao Yang scraped caked-on dirt from his chest. He heard the cry of his newborn baby on the *kang*, a brick platform that served as the family's bed. He wanted desperately to stop walking but his legs propelled him forward as the pungent ouour of garlic stalks and bulbs made his eyes water. He raised his bare arm to wipe them, confident that he was not crying.

Gao Yang opened the gate. "Ow!" Something struck his right ankle - a heavy, gut-wrenching blow. Momentarily stunned he closed his eyes and screamed in pain. He tried to open his eyes but the lids were too heavy and the pungent, garlicky air drew tears Still, he knew he was not crying. He raised his hand to rub his eyes, only to discover that his wrists were snared painfully by **something cold and hard.**

Finally, Gao Yang opened his eyes. Two policemen towered over him . He looked up into the men's expressionless faces. The policeman on the left waved a sheet of paper with an official red seal in front of him and said , You're under arrest.

That was when Gao Yang noticed the shiny steel bracelets on his sun-burned wrists. They were linked by a slack, heavy, silvery chain that swayed lazily when he raised his hands. He reached for the policeman's arm but the handcuffs dug deeply into his wrists and forced him to let go.

"Get up!" the policeman's order rang out unexpectedly. Gao Yang struggled to his feet, lurched sideways and fell to his hands and knees.

The policeman growled, "What happened to the hero who demolished the county offices?"

The comment was lost on Gao Yang Grimacing he planted his feet and stood up. Spasms wracked his throat and guts each time he was shoved forward. He realised he had to find the will to force his stiffened tongue to move. Not daring to address **his tormentors,** he turned to Lu Jinjiao, who was cowering beneath an acacia tree, and implored, "Help me..."

Wails and sobs followed. Gao Yang wiped the tears from his eyes. This time, he knew that he was crying.

Adapted from The Garlic Ballads by Mo Yan

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 Which word in Paragraph Two tells us that the garlic gave off a strong, unpleasant smell?

_____

_____

72 What do you think would happen if Gao Yang did not fight back the waves of nausea rising from his stomach?

_____

_____

73 Gao Yang left his daughter alone at the kitchen table even though she was blind. Explain why he did so.

_____

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74 Why did Gao Yang wipe his eyes although he was not crying?

_____

_____

75 What does "something cold and hard" (line 20) refer to?

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_____

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76 With reference to Paragraph Seven, how do we know that the policemen did not display any emotions when they were arresting Gao Yang?

_____

_____

77 What crime was Gao Yang suspected of committing?

_____

_____

78 Which sentence in Paragraph Eleven tells us that Gao Yang did not understand the reason for his arrest?

_____

_____

79 Who does "his tormentors" (line 35) refer to?

_____

_____

80 Which action of Lu Jinjiao showed that he did not intend to help Gao Yang?

_____

_____

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31) C	33) Q	35) M	37) N	39) J
32) E	34) F	36) D	38) A	40) P

41. approach

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58. when

59. close

60. around

61. sad

62. night

63. shine

64. not

65. presence

66. Bella continued working although she was extremely tired.

67. Gregory said that Aimei stunned the audience with her beautiful voice.

68. Zhixiong tells his mother to wake him up at seven in the morning in order not to be late.

69. My sister prefers knitting a sweater to reading a book.

70. Devi was given an award due to her honesty.

71. The word is reeking.

72. He would vomit.

73. He knew the consequences of slighting the village boss.

74. The pungent odour of garlic stalks and bulbs made his eyes water.

75. It refers to the handcuffs.

76. The policemen had expressionless faces.

77. He was suspected of demolishing the country offices.

78. The sentence is "The comment was lost on Gao Yang."

79. It refers to the policeman.

80. He was cowering beneath an acacia tree.

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Tao Nan School

Primary 5 Mid-Year Examination

English Language Listening Comprehension – 2013

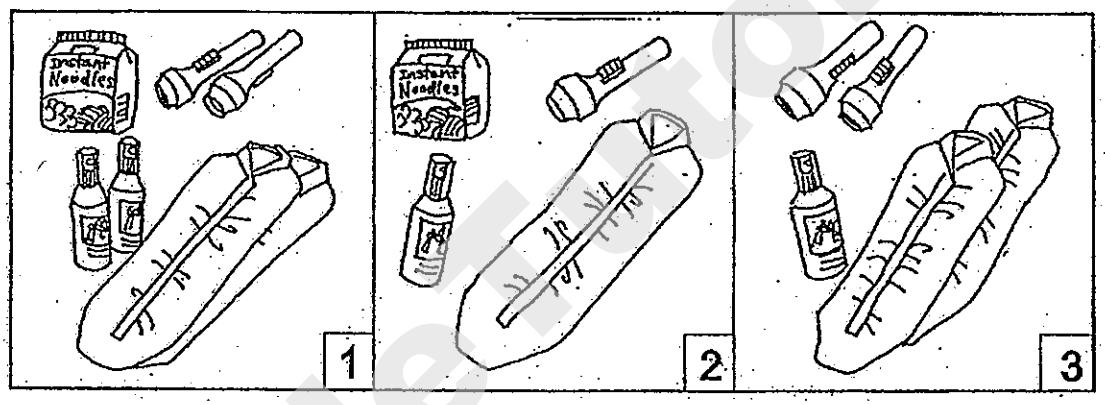
Name :_____( ) Class: Pr 5____

Date: 13 May 2013 Start Time: 11.00 a.m.

Marks:_____/ 20

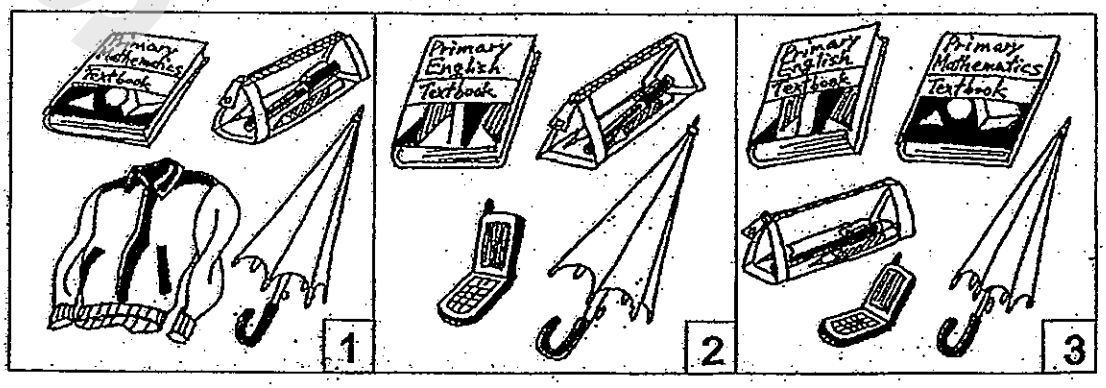
Text 1

Q1. Which of the following are items that have been packed by Jackson and Mary in total?



Text 2

Q2. Which items were in Tim's schoolbag?



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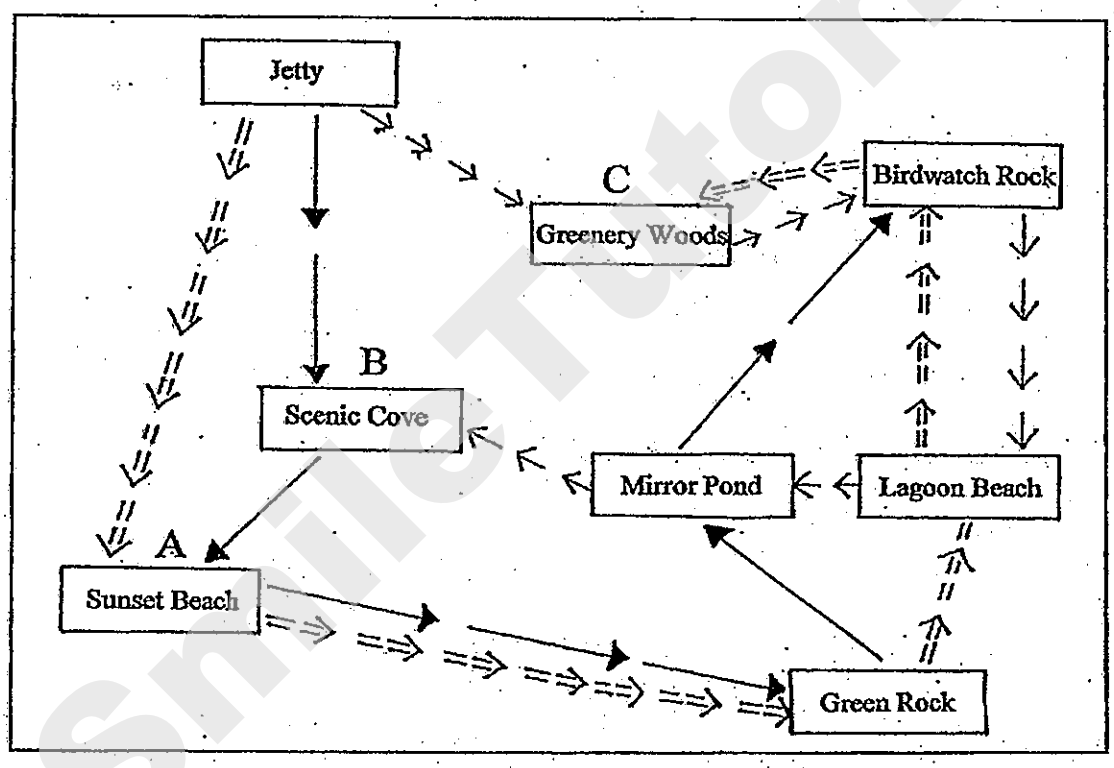
Text 3

Q3. Which route shows the boys' intended programme for the day?

(1) → → → → →
(2) ==> ==> ==> ==>
(3) ——————▶

Q4. Janet is a botany student. She arrived at Sunny Island later that same day. Where should she go if she is looking for information related to her studies?

(1) A
(2) B
(3) C



Text 4

Q5. Why was the mall crowded?

(1) The Great Singapore Sale had just started.
(2) There was a 50% discount at all the shops.
(3) There is a very famous boutique there.

Q6. Why was Lisa so happy when she arrived at the boutique?

(1) There was a 50% discount on everything in the store.
(2) The blue dress that she wanted to get was out of stock.
(3) It was very crowded in the shop but there were many new arrivals.

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Q7. Why didn't Lisa buy the dress in the end?

(1) She wanted to let the other lady have it.
(2) There was a tear in the dress.
(3) It would not fit her.

Text 5

Q8. What leadership positions do Pat and Sue hold?

(1) Drama Club Leaders
(2) Art Club Leaders
(3) prefects

Q9. What role is Sue going to play in the concert item?

(1) Snow White.
(2) The evil stepmother.
(3) One of the Dwarves.

Q10. What co-curricular activity did Sue's brother join while he was in school?

(1) Choir
(2) Art Club
(3) Drama Club

Q11. Why is Sue's brother free to help the Art Club members?

(1) He is from the Art Club.
(2) He can do it after class.
(3) He does not need to attend classes at the moment.

Text 6

Q12. According to the text, what was the Great Wall of China listed as in 1987?

(1) One of the Seven Wonders of the World.
(2) A National tourist attraction.
(3) A World Heritage site.

Q13. Why was the Great Wall of China originally built?

(1) To protect the Chinese Emperors.
(2) To protect the nomadic groups who lived in that region.
(3) To protect the northern borders of the Chinese Empire against invasions.

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Q14. How did the many different emperors in the history of China leave their mark on the Great Wall?

(1) By constructing a huge portion of the Great Wall with bricks.
(2) By the modifications they made to different parts of the Wall.
(3) By protecting their people with the Great Wall.

Q15. Why have some sections of the Great Wall of China in Beijing been renovated?

(1) They are historically significant.
(2) They are frequently visited by many tourists.
(3) They were built during the Ming Dynasty.

Q16. What has the Great Wall of China become as a result of its architectural grandeur and historical significance?

(1) an area in ruins
(2) a specially protected area
(3) a world famous attraction

<u>Text 7</u>

Q17. What is herbalism?

(1) The extraction of plants.
(2) A modern medicinal practice.
(3) The use of plants or plant extracts for medicinal purpose.

Q18. Why is it that for many herbs with medicinal value, only certain parts of the plant can be used?

(1) There are many different ways in which herbs can be used.
(2) Not all parts of the herb are useful and some parts may be harmful.
(3) Plants that were used for medicinal purposes in the past are not relevant today.

Q19. What can aloe vera be used for?

(1) To treat skin ailments, arthritis and conjunctivitis.
(2) To make Vitamin A and mineral pills.
(3) To grow other plants healthily.

Q20. Why is it easy to grow the aloe vera in our homes?

(1) It is a herbal plant.
(2) It needs minimal care.
(3) It is found in many countries.

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TAO NAN SCHOOL 道南学校

SINCERITY & PERSEVERANCE

PRIMARY 5 MID-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013

Name: _____ ( ) Date: 13 May 2013

Class: Primary 5 ( ) Time: 8.00 a.m. – 9.10 a.m.

Duration: 1 hour 10 minutes

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 1 (WRITING)

SITUATIONAL WRITING (15 Marks)

CONTINUOUS WRITING (40 Marks)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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4. Write your answers on the answer sheet and foolscap provided.

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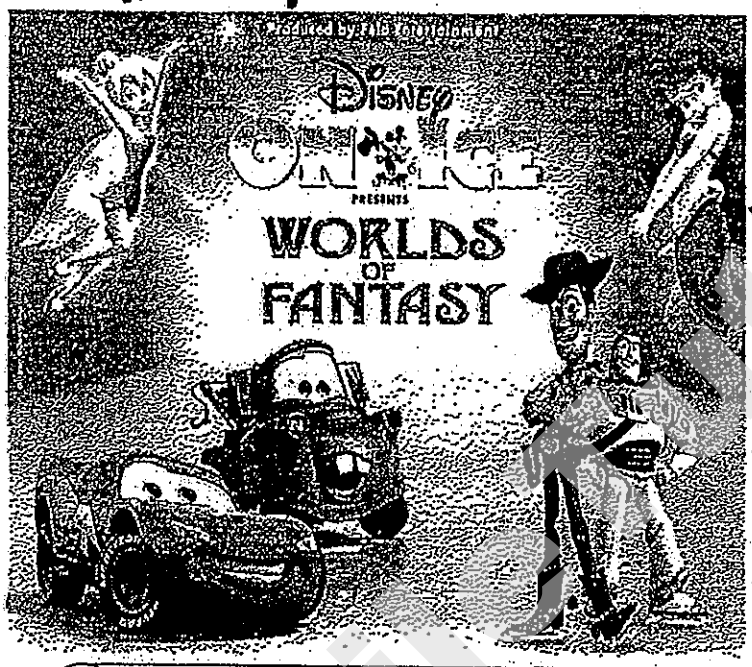
Part 1: Situational Writing (15 marks)

(1) Below is an advertisement that you saw in the newspaper.

The Disney on Ice Stars come to Marine Parade Shopping Centre!



Our special Disney on Ice Stars will be performing for you!

Come on down for an afternoon of fun-filled family entertainment with the Stars on Ice! Don't miss the chance to take pictures with them at the 'Meet & Greet' session after the show! Bring your camera and be there!

Date:	**8 June 2013**
Time:	**4 p.m.**
Venue:	**Basement Atrium**

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Your Task

Imagine that you are Jane. You saw the advertisement on 8 May 2013. You would like to attend the 'Meet & Greet' session with your favourite Disney characters.

Write a letter to your friend, Carol, on the same day, to invite her to join you for this event.

In your letter, include the following information:

- the reason you are writing to her
- the date and venue of the event
- how she can get there from Marine MRT station
- what she needs to bring along and why

You may reorder the points. You must write your letter in complete sentences.

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Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

There are two questions in Part 2.
Answer only one of them.

(2) Write a story based on the picture below. Your story should be at least 150 words long.

For your story, make use of the points below:

- what happened to the man
- what the boy did
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

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(3) It was recess. You and your best friend were at the eco-garden. Suddenly, both of you heard a noise coming from behind you.

Based on the above situation, write a composition of at least 150 words.

In your composition, make use of the points below:

- what you and your friend did
- what happened next
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

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SINCERITY & PERSEVERANCE

PRIMARY 5 MID-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013

Name: _____ ( )

Date: 15 May 2013

Class: Primary 5 ( )

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 9.50 a.m.

Duration: 1 hour 50 minutes

Parent's signature: _____

Marks: _____ / 95

ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2
(LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET A

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4. Answer all questions.
5. Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

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Section A (5 x 1 mark)
Graphic Stimulus
Study the following advertisement and then answer questions 1 to 5.

Blaze Entertainment Asia Presents...

ALABAMA BOYS THE MUSICAL

The true story of Lee Harper & The Three Wonders

Tickets On Sale Now!

Rock and Roll down memory lane with us!

8 - 16 June 2013
Preview: 7 June 2013
Marine Theatre
8 p.m. daily except Monday
Extra shows: 2.30 p.m. on Saturday & Sunday
Tickets: $75, $95, $125, $165
Preview: $60, $75, $105, $145

BOOK NOW
At www.sistic.com.sg or call sistic hotline 6348 5555
Tickets also available at all sistic counters: Raffles City, Marina Square, Vivocity, East Mall, West Mall or Orchard Parade

Book by 18 May 2013 to enjoy great privileges

- Charge to Citibank Credit Card and enjoy 10% off tickets and 15% off the Soundtrack CD
- Free Soundtrack CD (for purchase of 10 tickets and above)
- Group booking discount for minimum of 6 people

Official Sponsors:

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

1. 'Alabama Boys' is a _____.

   (1) film about the Alabama Boys
   (2) story about four musicians
   (3) collection of Lee Harper's memory
   (4) musical about Lee Harper and the Three Wonders

2. If you would like to purchase tickets to watch 'Alabama Boys'. You should _____.

   (1) visit Citibank
   (2) go to Marine Theatre
   (3) go to a sistic counter
   (4) call Blaze Enteitainment Asia

3. 'Alabama Boys' is brought in by _____.

   (1) West Mall
   (2) British Airways
   (3) Media Private Limited
   (4) Blaze Entertainment Asia

4. You can get 15% discount off the soundtrack CD if you _____.

   (1) purchase ten tickets or more
   (2) do a group booking for five people
   (3) book your tickets before 7 June 2013
   (4) charge your booking to Citibank credit card

5. Which of the following statements is **true?**

   (1) There will be a preview show on 16 June.
   (2) I can get a free CD if I purchase 10 tickets on 19 May.
   (3) There are extra shows at 2 p.m. from Monday to Friday.
   (4) This performance is based on the true events of Lee Harper's life.

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Section B (7 x 1 mark)
Grammar
For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

6. The two children _____ in the park when the dog started to chase after them.

(1) had cycled
(2) are cycling
(3) have cycled
(4) were cycling

7. Mr Lim usually drives to work but he _____ a taxi yesterday.

(1) take
(2) took
(3) takes
(4) had taken

8. The price of the gowns in this boutique _____ from five hundred to a a few thousand dollars.

(1) range
(2) ranges
(3) ranging
(4) have ranged

9. I do not know where Amy has left her watch. It _____ be in that drawer.

(1) must
(2) shall
(3) might
(4) would

10. Joanna, together with her friends, _____ at this department store regularly.

(1) shop
(2) shops
(3) are shopping
(4) has shopped

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11. If Maggie _____ the train, she would have been here on time.

(1) caught
(2) catches
(3) has caught
(4) had caught

12. Thomas loves sports but he prefers jogging _____ swimming.

(1) to
(2) from
(3) over
(4) than

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Section C (3 x 1 mark)
Punctuation
For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

Sharon entered her room and received a rude shock. She snarled **(13)** "Give it back to me!" demanded a fuming Sharon, just as her brother was about to open her diary to read it.

"I was only admiring the cover **(14)** her brother said as he handed the diary over to Sharon.

After chasing her brother out, Sharon decided to find a better hiding place for it. She stood there wondering how he had managed to find her diary that she had carefully hidden **(15)** Sighing, she hoped that this would not happen again.

13. (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(4) [! "] exclamation mark and inverted commas

14. (1) [:] colon
(2) [,] comma
(3) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(4) [. "] full stop and inverted commas

15. (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [;] semi-colon
(4) [?] question mark

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Section D (5 x 1 mark)
Vocabulary
For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

16. It is a real _____ to look for a parking lot in this car park during lunchtime.

    (1) hassle
    (2) irritation
    (3) nuisance
    (4) harassment

17. Unless you have a _____ reason, you will not be allowed to leave the school early.

    (1) fair
    (2) legal
    (3) realistic
    (4) legitimate

18. When Henry _____, he discovered that he was in a hospital.

    (1) came into
    (2) came about
    (3) came round
    (4) came through

19. The darkened sky and flashes of lightning signalled _____ storm.

    (1) an eminent
    (2) a dominant
    (3) a prominent
    (4) an imminent

20. The investigators _____ over the documents for evidence of his crimes.

    (1) pored
    (2) glanced
    (3) checked
    (4) skimmed

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Section E (5 x 1 mark)
Vocabulary Cloze
For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

The new train station's floor looked sparkling clean. Colourful posters **(21)** **adorned** many of the pillars. The station's platform was speckled with **(22)** **passengers**. An elderly couple and some office workers, who were standing behind the yellow line waiting **(23)** **intently** for the train to rattle in, hoped to **(24)** **secure** seats on the train. Ryan and his schoolmates were slouching on one of the benches and making idle jokes at one another. Soon, they heard the train **(25)** **pulling in**. Ryan and his friends took their bags and boarded it.

21. (1) filled
(2) glued
(3) pasted
(4) decorated

22. (1) travellers
(2) spectators
(3) bystanders
(4) commuters

23. (1) keenly
(2) patiently
(3) anxiously
(4) cautiously

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24. (1) get
(2) reserve
(3) receive
(4) confirm

25. (1) reaching
(2) oncoming
(3) progressing
(4) approaching

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Section F (5 x 1 mark)
Comprehension
Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30. Your answers must be based on the passage.

It was the burning season. The big tree trunks had been burnt down over a month ago by all the other farmers. While waiting for the rest of the land to be cleared, my brother, Kassim, and I were trying to procure farming tools, fertiliser and seeds for our land.

As we were returning home, we heard Mother let out a terrible scream. She came running out of the toilet yelling, "I've been bitten by a snake!" Kassim and I ran to help her. Kassim took her into the living room, and told me to ask Ah Seng, our nearest neighbour, to drive his truck over. It was quite a distance to Ah Seng's house and I ran all the way. I was **deadbeat** when I got there.

Ah Seng did not take long. Mother was crying when we got home. She looked very pale and was badly shaken. Kassim and Ah Seng immediately helped Mother into Ah Seng's truck and sped towards the hospital. Although they did not get along very well, they had overlooked **that** with the urgent situation at hand. The trip to the hospital would take them all afternoon and well into the night.

After they had gone, I went into the toilet. I looked around but could not see any sign of the snake. I moved a pail from the back wall of the toilet. Then, I heard something move. Quickly, I dropped the pail and jumped backwards. All was quiet again. I lifted the pail an inch and tried to see what was under it. This time I noticed a plume of feathers. All at once I knew what had bitten Mother.

The culprit was a hen. Mother had disturbed her as she was trying to lay her eggs. She became vicious and decided to peck Mother.

When Kassim and Mother came home, Mother seemed jolly. I asked her how she was. She said that the doctor did not think it was a snake that had bitten her. I told her that I had found the thing that had bitten her. I said that it was still in the toilet and offered to show it to her.

We went to the toilet and I lifted up the pail. She looked under it and exclaimed, "Oh my goodness!" She said that the doctor had said that her bite looked like beak marks. It never occurred to her that a hen might have bitten her. Then suddenly she said, "Did you talk to anyone while we were away?"

I said, "No."

"Well, don't you dare say anything to anybody about this. If you do, I'll be the laughing stock of the neighbourhood," she said. "If you tell anyone about this, I'll never forgive you," she continued. I promised her solemnly.

Adapted from A Fortunate Life by A.B. Facey

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

26. What did the writer and Kassim have to do during the burning season?

They had to _____.

(1) grow crops
(2) clear the land
(3) burn big tree trunks
(4) buy tools for their farm

27. What does the word **'deadbeat'** in line 9 mean?
It means that the writer _____.

(1) was happy
(2) was exhausted
(3) could run very fast
(4) had been beaten up

28. What does **'that'** in line 13 refer to?
It refers to _____.

(1) the urgent situation
(2) the snake that had bitten Mother
(3) Kassim and Ah Seng taking Mother to see the doctor
(4) Kassim and Ah Seng not seeing eye to eye with each other

29. What did the writer do after Mother was taken to the doctor?
He went to _____.

(1) use the toilet
(2) remove a pail from the toilet
(3) look for the snake in the toilet
(4) look for some hens in the toilet

30. Why did Mother make the writer promise not to tell anyone about the incident?
She did not want _____.

(1) anyone to worry about her
(2) the writer to make fun of her
(3) anyone to know that she had mistaken a hen for a snake
(4) her neighbours to know that she had been bitten by a snake

END OF BOOKLET A

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SINCERITY & PERSEVERANCE

PRIMARY 5 MID-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013

Name: _____ ( )

Class: Primary 5 ( )

Date: 15 May 2013

Time: 8.00 a.m. – 9.50 a.m.

Duration: 1 hour 50 minutes

ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2
(LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET B

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4. Answer all questions.
5. Write your answers in this booklet.

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Section G (10 x 1 mark)
Grammar Cloze
There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.
EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) about	(D) for	(G) on	(K) to	(N) which
(B) at	(E) in	(H) out	(L) up	(P) while
(C) by	(F) of	(J) over	(M) when	(Q) with

Years ago, I was on call as a junior doctor working in the cardiology department of National University Hospital. It was late evening _____ (31) I was paged to see a patient, Mr Ang, in the emergency department. He was in his early 40s and had complained _____ (32) chest pains a few hours ago.

I had to decide if Mr Ang needed to be admitted _____ (33) hospital. I asked him _____ (34) his symptoms, trying to find some clues to arrive at the diagnosis.

_____ (35) Mr Ang was explaining his problem, he suddenly became quiet and looked dazed. Seconds later, his eyes rolled backwards and he started to have a seizure. I quickly glanced _____ (36) his heart monitor and saw that his heart rhythm was irregular, _____ (37) could be fatal if not treated promptly.

I shouted _____ (38) the nurses to help, turned on the defibrillator, charged _____ (39) the pads and delivered the energy to his chest. His body responded _____ (40) a quick jerk. I looked anxiously at the heart machine and to our relief, his heart beat had returned to normal.

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Section H (10 x 1 mark)
Editing for Spelling and Grammar
Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar.
Write the correct word in the relevant box.

Megan slipped her haversack from her shoulder and took out a bottle of water.

(41) [ ]

Gently removing the dart from her injured dog, Spot, she set <u>about</u> work immediately.

(42) [ ]

Slopping water in her haste, she soaked her **henkerchif** so that she could swab the

(43) [ ]

wound. The deep wound had <u>stop</u> bleeding now. She watched her dog anxiously, alert

(44) [ ]

for any sign of **kollaps**. Spot crouched on the ground, trembling slightly, but his eyes

(45) [ ]

were clear. After a few moments, she was sure that there <u>were</u> no poison on the dart tip.

(46) [ ]

It was then that she became aware <u>for</u> the movement near her.

(47) [ ]

The forest was alive with **misteerius** sounds. Some metres ahead, a deer which

(48) [ ]

was looking for food, stood still - paralysed <u>for</u> fear. However, it was not because of

(49) [ ] (50) [ ]

Megan's **prezens**. The animal roused itself and made a **frentik** dash in the opposite

direction. Megan could guess the reason for its panic.

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Section I (15 x 1 mark)
Comprehension Cloze
Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

People sometimes have their wishes granted in surprising ways. Recently, Minh, a Vietnamese fisherman, had his _____ granted in the most unexpected way. For years, he had hoped to _____ up a home with his family in another country, far _____ the terrors of war and destruction.
(52) (53)

Minh told reporters that he had noticed a bottle _____ in the sea. This was when he and thirty _____ Vietnamese 'boat people' were making their way from Vietnam to Thailand. They were travelling in an old rickety _____ He fished out the bottle from the water and found a message in it from someone _____ had signed off as "DP". Shortly after, Minh was placed in a refugee camp in Thailand. Desperate to leave the camp, he wrote _____ the mysterious "DP" explaining who he was and where he had found the bottle. Minh _____ anxiously for a reply.
(54) (55) (56) (57) (58) (59)

As it turned out, Minh did not have to wait long for he received a letter with an American stamp and postmark on it two weeks _____ Then he learnt that the _____ in the bottle had been written by a wealthy American lady, named Diana Porter. She had been on a Christmas cruise to Hawaii five years ago _____ she threw that wine bottle overboard. It _____ her address, greetings and a dollar for return postage.
(60) (61) (62) (63)

This led to an _____ of letters between Minh and the American lady. Months later, she sent for Minh's family, which included himself, his wife, son and brother. They arrived at Los Angeles Airport, ready to begin a new life. They were taken to an apartment block _____ some Vietnamese people were living. It was indeed a wish come true – thanks to the bottle.
(64) (65)

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Section J (5 x 2 marks)
Synthesis and Transformation
For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answers must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

66. "Will Peter join us for dinner tomorrow?" asked Henry.

Henry asked _____

_____

67. Every one of us was puzzled when she disappeared suddenly.

Her sudden _____

_____

68. Josh has eaten two plates of chicken rice. Josh still feels hungry after that.

_____ although

_____

69. The owner was proud of his dog which frightened the burglar away.

_____ filled with

_____

70. The worker washes the cages in the garden and then takes them away.

The cages _____

_____

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Section K (10 x 2 marks)
Comprehension Open
Read the passage below and answer Questions 71 to 80.

Each year, between May and September, more than a thousand leatherback turtles make the arduous journey across the Pacific to lay their eggs along the stretch of Turtle Beach near Kuala Trengganu, in the east coast of Malaysia. The Malaysian government maintains a hatchery there to protect them. A quota system limits the number of eggs which local residents may collect. The rest of the eggs are guarded at the hatchery until they become hatchlings and are ready to return to sea. 5

This intervention is necessary because the leatherback is fast becoming an endangered species. While other sea creatures pose a danger to their decreasing population by preying on their hatchlings, humans are even deadlier. Sometimes, entire nests of eggs are wiped out due to human greed. 10

During the egg-laying season, throngs of tourists will make the pilgrimage to Turtle Beach. There, they get to experience watching the magnificent leatherback laying her eggs in the sand. In the dark of night, they huddle together on the cool sand and speak in whispers. **When their guide raises a hand, everyone understands his cue.** They will quieten down at once and in total silence, they will wait. 15

About a hundred metres away, a massive form emerges from the water and lurches across the sand. With monumental effort, the creature moves slowly across the sand dunes. Barely twenty metres away from the crowd, the turtle stops and sweeps the sand with her huge flippers. This creates a narrow opening in the ground. Then, she positions her tail over it and begins to lay her eggs. The curious onlookers touch her hard shell while children pose for pictures on her back. Oblivious to all this, the giant leatherback continues depositing her eggs. 20

Two employees of the hatchery now join the circle of tourists. When the turtle has deposited the last of her ninety-odd eggs, she lunges aside, covering the hole with sand. Then she turns towards the water. The crowd trails her to the edge of the water, where the leatherback, regaining **her grace**, slices through the water with her powerful flippers. A thunderous applause follows. Meanwhile, the two employees start on their job of protecting her eggs. Surrounding the eggs with a barbed wire fence and covering them with more sand, they work quickly and efficiently.. Hopefully, this nest of eggs will hatch into baby leatherbacks. 25

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. When do leatherback turtles lay their eggs?

_____

_____

72. How does the egg-laying season at Turtle Beach benefit the inhabitants there?

_____

_____

73. Why does the Malaysian government need to protect the leatherback turtle?

_____

_____

74. Who does the "they" in line 13 refer to?

_____

_____

75. **"When their guide raises a hand, everyone understands his cue."** (line 14)
What is the cue for?

_____

_____

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76. Which three-word phrase tells us that the leatherback turtle finds it difficult to move on land?

_____

_____

77. How do we know that the turtle is not bothered by human attention?

_____

_____

78. Why does the turtle create an opening in the ground?

_____

_____

79. Why does the author say that the leatherback turtle is able to regain **'her grace'** (line 25) when she is in the water?

_____

_____

80. What do the two employees from the hatchery do to protect the eggs?

_____

_____

END OF BOOKLET B

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
P	B	N	D	L	Q

41)to **42)handkerchief** **43)stopped** **44)collapse** **45)was**

46)of **47)mysterious** **48)with** **49)presence** **50)frantic**

51)wish **52)set** **53)from** **54)floating** **55)other**

56)boat **57)who** **58)to** **59)waited** **60)later**

61)massage **62)when** **63)had** **64)exchange** **65)where**

66)Henry asked if Peter would join them for dinner the next day.

67)Her sudden disappearance puzzled every one of us.

68)Josh still feels hungry although he has eaten two plates of chicken rice.

69)The owner was filled with pride when his dog frightened the burglar away.

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70)The cages in the garden are washed and then taken away by the worker.

71)They lay their eggs between May and September every year.

72)They get to collect some of the turtle eggs.

73)The leather back turtles are fast becoming an endangered species.

74)It refers to the tourists who are at the turtle Beach.

75)The cue is to signal for everybody to quieten down and wait.

76)It is "With monumental effort".

77)She continue to lay her eggs even though people are touching her shell and sitting on her back.

78)The turtle creates an opening in the ground as she wants to lay her eggs in the opeining.

79)The author said that the leather back turtle is able to regain 'her grace' When she is in the water as she can move more freely in the water compared to on land.

80)They surround the eggs with a barked wire fence and cover them with more sand.

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END OF YEAR EXAMINATION 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2 (BOOKLET A)
PRIMARY FIVE

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Date: 23 October 2013 Duration of paper: 1h 50 min

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Study the advertisement below and then answer the questions that follow it.

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Worldwide

Finally, it's here!
Singapore's first
CHOCOLATE WORLD outlet!

Come join us at Mall Singa during our Grand Opening on 1 December 2013 and enjoy a host of special offers and promotions!

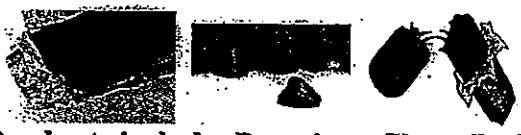
Special early-bird offers (limited to first 20 customers on our opening day ONLY)

- 50% off all Galivo Chocolates from Italy
- 30% off all Milk Choco Gems
- 20% off all Chocolate Truffles and Australian Nougatines

To celebrate the opening of our very first Singapore outlet, we will be offering our Choco High Tea Deluxe Set at the special promotional price of $24.90 for the whole month of December 2013! *(Normal Price: $30.90)*

Choco High Tea Deluxe Set
4 sachets of Chocolate Inc's Special Hot Chocolate Mix
4 Fine Choco-Chip Muffins
4 Australian Nougatines
4 Crème Caramel Milk Choco Gems

Many other
NEW products
await!



New Products include: Premium Choco Pralines, Luxurious Dark Chocolate Truffles, Tropical Fruit Burst Choco Gems, Exotic Flavour Favours

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). (5 marks)

1. This poster is for a shop named _____.

   (1) Mall Singa
   (2) Chocolate World
   (3) Milk Choco Gems
   (4) Australian Nougatines

2. Chocolate World is a group that _____.

   (1) is based in Singapore
   (2) specialises in making muffins
   (3) has outlets in many different countries
   (4) has many different outlets in Singapore

3. Janet wants to buy some Australian Nougatines at 20% off the normal retail price. She will have to_____.

   (1) buy Galivo Chocolates and Milk Choco Gems as well
   (2) buy the Choco High Tea Deluxe Set on 1 December 2013
   (3) go to the Chocolate World outlet during its Grand Opening
   (4) be the first 20 customers at the Chocolate World outlet on 1 December 2013

4. In order to buy the Choco High Tea Deluxe Set for $24.90, Irene has to go to Chocolate World _____.

   (1) anytime in December 2013 only
   (2) during their Grand Opening only
   (3) anytime after December 2013 only
   (4) during the first two weeks of December 2013 only

5. Which one of the following statements is true?

   (1) Chocolate World has won 25 awards in Singapore.
   (2) There are 16 items in the Choco High Tea Deluxe Set.
   (3) Chocolate World's new products include Tropical Fruit Pralines.
   (4) Early bird offers are available throughout the month of December.

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For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (7 marks)

6. "Did you hear me _____ while I was in the kitchen just now?" asked Mother.

(1) sing
(2) sang
(3) sung
(4) sings

7. Timothy ran _____ an old friend of his while he was at the shopping centre yesterday.

(1) by
(2) into
(3) over
(4) across

8. Aunt Sally took Tom and _____ on a cruise to Penang during the June holidays.

(1) I
(2) we
(3) me
(4) she

9. Mother made Samantha _____ the floor as she had dirtied it yesterday.

(1) mop
(2) mops
(3) mopped
(4) mopping

10. The mechanic _____ we asked to repair our car did a fabulous job.

(1) when
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose

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11. _____ it had not rained today, the rugby match would still have been cancelled.

(1) If
(2) Since
(3) Unless
(4) Even if

12. Mrs Lim screamed when she saw the lizard scuttle _____ her path.

(1) at
(2) on
(3) inside
(4) across

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

"It stopped me in my tracks," Dr Helgen told BBC News. "Olinguito's skins were a rich red colour and when I looked at the skulls, I didn't recognise the anatomy. It was different from any similar animal I'd seen **(13)** and right away I thought, it could be a species new to science."

"This reminds us that the world is not yet explored and the age of discovery is far from over **(14)** says Dr Helgen. "The Olinguito makes us think - what else is out there **(15)** It seems that there is more to be discovered out there in the world."

Adapted from *Olinguito: 'Overlooked' mammal carnivore is major discovery* by Jane O'Brien

13. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [,] comma
(3) [-] hyphen
(4) [:] colon

14. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [,] comma
(3) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [,"] comma and inverted commas

15. (1) [,] comma
(2) [;] semi-colon
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16. That racehorse is as fast as a/an_____. It comes in first at every race

(1) tiger
(2) snake
(3) cheetah
(4) antelope

17. In some countries, the education system is on the _____ of collapse.

(1) tip
(2) edge
(3) frame
(4) verge

18. The resemblance between the two boys often made others exclaim that they were like _____.

(1) peas in a pod
(2) bees in the hive
(3) sardines in a can
(4) pork in the barrel

19. Jennifer was horrified to see her husband _____ in blood.

(1) dipped
(2) drenched
(3) saturated
(4) immersed

20. The elephant seals were _____ in the warm sunshine on the rock beach.

(1) baking
(2) running
(3) basking
(4) swimming

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.
(5 marks)

Taxonomy is the classification of objects and organisms in the world around us. It is the foundation stone of science and the system we use to categorise our complex natural world. Around one million insect species have

(21)

been named and described to date. However, there are an estimated 8 to 10 million living insect species on Earth, meaning new species are being discovered everyday. Scientists who study insects, called entomologists, are coming up with ever more imaginative names, referencing everything from

(22)

musicians to childish jokes, to meet the demand. Early humans needed to

(23)

name the things around them so they knew what was dangerous and tainted.

(24)

This expertise is an important process of the human brain and arguably how

(25)

we have survived as a species.

Adapted from *From Beyonce to Electra: What inspires insect names?* by BBC Radio

21. (1) Similarly
(2) Possibly
(3) Probably
(4) Approximately

22 (1) using up
(2) trying out
(3) thinking of
(4) working on

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23. (1) need
(2) request
(3) requirement
(4) specification

24. (1) polluted
(2) indigestible
(3) nauseating
(4) contaminated

25. (1) simplistic
(2) systematic
(3) complicated
(4) fundamental

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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Ten years ago, the world was in a panic over a mysterious illness - SARS. The virus killed hundreds and infected thousands. However, its impact would have been far more devastating if a handful of doctors and nurses had not acted the way they did.

In 2003, Dr Olivier Cattin was working at the French hospital in Hanoi in North Vietnam. "We got to the Friday of the week and there was only one nurse left on our ward who was able to treat the other nurses."

It was the end of February that year. A Chinese-American man, Johnny Chen, arrived with what appeared to be a bad flu.

In a matter of days, nearly 40 people at the hospital had fallen ill. Some nurses and doctors had fallen ill as well. Seven would go on to die. This was where the deadly disease known as Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) first appeared.

It was highly contagious, quick to spread, and often deadly. More than 8,000 people around the world were infected. More than 770 died. However, this is a story about people, not statistics. When you know more about SARS and the people who battled it, you will be overwhelmed by the experiences and the heroism of those who stood on the frontline. We often use war to represent the fight against diseases. In the case of the fight against SARS, it was most accurate.

At the French hospital in Hanoi, panic set in as the doctors looked at the X-rays of all those who had fallen ill. They knew they were facing something very serious and extremely unusual. The virus was highly unusual. It was most infectious when its victims were at their most unwell and usually in hospital care. This meant that nurses and doctors were usually the ones who were infected.

Because of this, the worst cases occurred in a few hospital wards and intensive care units in a handful of major cities. In these hospitals, the virus spread like **wildfire**. When Johnny Chen and some of the first nurses and doctors to care for him all died, people were shocked. They began to understand what they were facing and the risk it posed to the world outside.

They knew all the risks and dangers. Then they took the incredible step of locking themselves in, away from the city to protect it and their country.

"I've never met such amazing doctors and nurses as I did in North Vietnam," says Cattin. "I lost five colleagues - they were friends. We're the survivors of this outbreak."

Adapted from *SARS: The people who risked their lives to stop the virus* by Kevin Fong

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

26. According to the passage, SARS would have killed many more people if not for_____.

(1) a few war heroes
(2) the actions of heroic medical staff
(3) SARS' unusual pattern of transmission
(4) the small number of hospitals and wards

27. People who learn more about SARS would _____.

(1) appreciate their health and well-being
(2) know it was not a very serious disease
(3) be saddened by the death of people they know
(4) be moved by the bravery of the people who sacrificed their lives

28. The word 'wildfire' in the passage meant that many_____.

(1) people were infected without warning
(2) patients suffered high fever that burnt them
(3) people were quick to quarantine themselves
(4) buildings were burnt to stop the spread of SARS

29. The SARS virus was most infectious when patients were _____.

(1) healthy
(2) very sick
(3) recovering
(4) newly-infected

30. From the passage, we learnt that the doctors and nurses _____.

(1) working in the hospital were all French
(2) in the hospital knew how SARS spread
(3) who treated SARS patients were protected
(4) put their lives at risk while working in the hospital

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Anglo-Chinese School (Primary)

END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2 (BOOKLET B)
PRIMARY FIVE

Name: _____ ( ) **Class: Primary 5** ____

Date: 23 October 2013 Duration of paper : **1h 50 min**

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No.	Contents	Marks	Marks Obtained
1.	Oral	30	
2.	Listening Comprehension	20	
3.	Situational Writing	15	
	Continuous Writing	40	
4.	Language Paper	95	
	Total Marks	200	

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. **Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank.** The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

(10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) a	(D) at	(G) for	(K) of	(N) was	
(B) although	(E) but	(H) from	(L) that	(P) who	
(C) as	(F) by	(J) in	(M) the	(Q) with	

In the play *The Merchant of Venice*, Shylock was a Jewish moneylender who had amassed an immense fortune by lending money at high rates to Christian merchants. He was a hard-hearted man _____ (31) demanded the payment of money he lent _____ (32) so much cruelty that he was disliked by many people, particularly Antonio, a young Christian merchant.

Antonio was the kindest man who lived in Venice at _____ (33) time. Unlike Shylock, Antonio used to lend money to people _____ (34) distress and would never take any interest _____ (35) the money he lent. Antonio's best friend _____ (36) Bassanio. In order to help Bassanio marry a lady by the name of Portia, Antonio was forced to borrow money _____ (37) Shylock. When Antonio was unable to repay _____ (38) loan by the due date, Shylock made an unreasonable demand, with the intention _____ (39) mocking Antonio.

Portia became the heroine of the story when she disguised herself _____ (40) a man and assumed the role of a lawyer's apprentice. She outwitted Shylock in court and saved Antonio's life.

Adapted from *Tales from Shakespeare* by Charles and Mary Lamb

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

About 7000 years ago, farmers began to move into an area of land between

(41) [ ] (42) [ ]

the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. This **furtile** land was called Mesopotamia, <u>at</u> what is now Iraq.

(43) [ ]

To the south of Mesopotamia was the land of Sumer. The Sumerians <u>are</u> very

(44) [ ]

inventive. They developed the first form of **wraitting** and recording numbers, and invented the wheel and the plough.

(45) [ ] (46) [ ]

The Sumerians <u>grown</u> bumper crops of **seereals** which they traded for things

(47) [ ]

they needed – wood, stones or metals. Their **ingeneous** invention of wheeled carts and their skills in using numbers helped the Sumerians to develop long-distance trade with the crops that they had harvested.

(48) [ ]

Mesopotamia was <u>watering</u> by the Tigris and Euphrates rivers which flooded

(49) [ ]

in spring. The farmers dug out basins and **cannels** so the river water could be

(50) [ ]

stored and <u>use</u> to water fields away from the river. As a result, the land of Sumer was well-irrigated and harvests were good.

Adapted from The Sumerians – Big Book of Knowledge

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

A foreign friend from another Asian country had spent several days in Singapore recently. At the end of her stay, I asked her what she liked most about Singapore. I was _____ her to refer to our food, our cleanliness, The
(51)
Esplanade or Sentosa, but she said quite simply, "Your trees."

This set me thinking. It is true that the other leading cities of Asia such as Tokyo, Hong Kong and Bangkok have relatively fewer trees. Singapore _____ out as a city of trees, parks and gardens. It wears a very green
(52)
visage.

Most Singaporeans have little _____ about the trees that
(53)
surround them and take them for _____. I once asked an artist friend who
(54)
often _____ trees in his paintings, what sort of trees they were. He then
(55)
confessed that he did not know. On another occasion, I was asked to _____ a speech about Singapore in a conference. A sudden inspiration
(56)
led me to pick three trees to _____ the colonial era, the Lee Kuan Yew
(57)
era and the Goh Chok Tong era, respectively.

I said that the colonial era was like a royal palm tree – tall, aloof, with a small canopy. The colonial administration did not _____ for many of the
(58)
people's needs. The Lee Kuan Yew era was like a banyan tree – a strong and much revered tree with a huge canopy. The government, led by our Founding Fathers, had to look _____ many areas concerning the survival of the young nation. The
(59)

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Goh Chok Tong era was like a tembusu tree, a magnificent tree that provided a comfortable _____ (60) for Singaporeans, setting the backdrop for the nation to grow and prosper.

Trees and human beings have an interdependent relationship. Trees _____ (61) carbon dioxide and release oxygen. Humans _____ (62) in oxygen and exhale carbon dioxide. Our trees help to keep our air quality good and in turn keep us _____ (63). It is sad, but unfortunately true, that most of the major cities of Asia are plagued by air pollution that adversely _____ (64) the health of their citizens. The incidence of asthma in this region, especially among children, is on the _____ (65). Planting trees is one of the best practices that Singapore has instituted, which other cities in Asia should emulate.

Adapted from *Chicken Soup for the Singapore Soul – The Trees of Singapore* by Tommy Koh

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. The soldiers were brave and disciplined. The commander was impressed.

The commander was impressed by _____

_____.

67. Siti would rather cook than sew.

_____ prefers _____

_____.

68. James asked his mother if she had decided what present to buy for Father's birthday.

James asked his mother, "_____

_____?"

69. We were very surprised that our school team eventually won the tennis championship.

Much _____

_____.

70. We did not understand what Kevin said.

None of _____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

Salvatore smiled as he held the shoes up to the light. His sister would look lovely in church the next day. Then his eye caught a droplet of glue seeping out from between the cardboard sole and the piece of canvas he had used for the toe. He carefully angled his tool to scrape off the adhesive without scuffing the white canvas. There, now **they** were perfect. At that moment, Salvatore knew without a doubt that his passion in life was to design and craft shoes.

Salvatore Ferragamo was born in 1898 in Bonito, Italy, a small town not far away from Naples. He was the eleventh of fourteen children, and though his family was full of love, they were poor. When four of Salvatore's older brothers left for America with dreams of striking it rich, they wanted him to go with them. However, Salvatore was not ready to leave Italy yet. He wanted to learn the art and science of shoemaking by apprenticing with a shoemaker in Naples first.

Not long after, his brothers wrote from America with news that they had found work in Boston; one was even working in a boot factory. Salvatore was intrigued by the idea of mass producing shoes. So far, all the shoes he had made had been produced by hand, which was time consuming. Learning to manufacture hundreds or even thousands of shoes at one time seemed to be the way of the future. Salvatore started saving his money and by fourteen, he had joined his brother in America.

The factory in Boston turned out to be a disappointment. While the machinery was fascinating, the **end products** were far from comfortable – heavy, stiff and awkwardly shaped. Salvatore then realised the true value of handcrafted shoes. He wanted to make shoes that were comfortable and stylish.

While working in America, Salvatore observed that the movie business was booming. The first movie studio in Hollywood opened in 1911 and by 1919, Salvatore knew that was where he wanted to be. Who better to design and make shoes for than the popular movie stars? He then bought a shop in Hollywood where he became known as the "Shoemaker for the Stars". Though the movie stars loved his fashionable and unique creations, Salvatore's shoes were not known for being comfortable.

Not one who rested on his laurels, Salvatore thought he could do better. He started attending anatomy classes at the University of Southern California, studying the way the bones connect in the foot and which part of the foot holds the majority of a person's weight. With his new found knowledge, Salvatore began to make

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small changes in his shoe designs so that his clients would purchase shoes that were not only fashionable, but also comfortable. Salvatore's perseverance paid off. His shoes became even more popular and before long he could not make shoes fast enough to keep up with all his customers' orders.

When the time was right for Salvatore to further expand his shoes business in the mid-1920s, he felt that the American shoemakers did not have the same focus on quality that he deemed was of utmost importance. Imbued with the value of loyalty for his own country, Salvatore decided to expand his business by moving back to Italy. In 1927 he opened his shop in Florence, Italy. He designed the workshop carefully by combining assembly line techniques he had learnt in the Boston boot factory with the manual shoe-making techniques he had been practising for years.

Adapted from *Boys Who Rocked The World* by Michelle Roehm McCann

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. What does "they" in the first paragraph refer to?

72. Which word in paragraph 1 tells us that Salvatore was extremely thrilled about making shoes?

73. In paragraph 2, explain why Salvatore did not leave Italy with his brothers.

74. What fascinated Salvatore when he was in America and why?

75. What does "end products" in line 21 refer to?

76. Why did Salvatore think it was a good move to design and make shoes for the movie stars?

77. Which seven-word phrase between lines 31 to line 38 suggests that Salvatore was someone who believed in constantly improving himself?

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78. ~~What~~ Why did Salvatore attend anatomy lessons in the university?

79. From the passage, how do we know that Salvatore's perseverance paid off?

80. Give two reasons why Salvatore decided to return to Italy in the mid-1920s.

~ END OF PAPER ~

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ANSWER SHEET

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
G	N	H	M	K	C

41)fertile 42)in 43)were 44)writing 45)grew

46)cereals 47)ingenious 48)watered 49)canals 50)used

51)expecting 52)stands 53)knowledge 54)granted 55)included

56)give 57)represent 58)provide 59)into 60)shade

61)absorbs 62)breathe 63)healthy 64)affects 65)rise

66)The commander was impressed by the soldiers' bravery and discipline.

67)Siti prefers cooking to sewing.

68)James asked his mother, "Have you decided what present to buy for Father's birthday?"

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69)Much to our surprise, our school team eventually won the tennis championship.

70)None of us understood what Kevin said.

71)The word refer to the shoes that Salvatore had made for her sister.

72)The word is "passion".

73)Salvatore wanted to learn the art and science of shoemaking by apprenticing with a shoemaker in Naples before leaving Italy.

74)Salvatore was fascinated by the idea of mass producing shoes as he had been making by hand thus far.

75)It refers to the shoes that were mass produced at the Boston factory.

76)The movie stars could help to popularize Salvatore's shoes.

77)The phrase is "Not one who rested on his laurels".

78)He was motivated to make shoes that were both fashionable and comfortable.

79)His shoes became even more popular and could not make shoes fast enough to keep up with the customers order.

80)He felt that the American shoemakers did not have the same focus of quality and he was loyal to his own country Italy.

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CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013

PRIMARY FIVE

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 1 (WRITING)

Name: _____

Class: Primary Five _____

11 October 2013

55 marks

1 hour 10 minutes

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Part 1: Situational Writing (15 marks)

(1) Study the invitation card below carefully.

A TIME TO CELEBRATE!
COME JOIN US!

'Hatch' Day: Sunday, 27 October 2013

Place of Celebration: 45 Rosewood Drive

Time of Fun: 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Theme: **Adventures of the Pirates**

Programme:

2.30 p.m. : Treasure Hunt*

3.30 p.m. : Air Brush Tattooing

4 p.m. : Karaoke Session

** Only for children*

Come dressed in the theme to win the best-dressed competition! Ronald would love to see all of you at his 12th birthday bash! Hope to see you there...

Mrs.Tan (Ronald's Mum)
Contact No: 6111 0000**

**Please let me know by 24 October if you cannot make it.

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Your Task

Imagine you are the birthday boy. Since it is the school holidays, you are unable to give the invitation card personally to your Form teacher, Miss Rachel.

Write an email to your Form teacher to invite her to your birthday party.

You are to refer to the invitation card on page 1 for your email

In your email, include the following information:

- why you are sending your teacher the email
- date and venue of the birthday party
- why your teacher must dress according to the theme
- 2 activities mentioned in the programme that your teacher can take part in
- what your teacher should do if she cannot make it to the birthday party

You may reorder the points. You should write in complete sentences.

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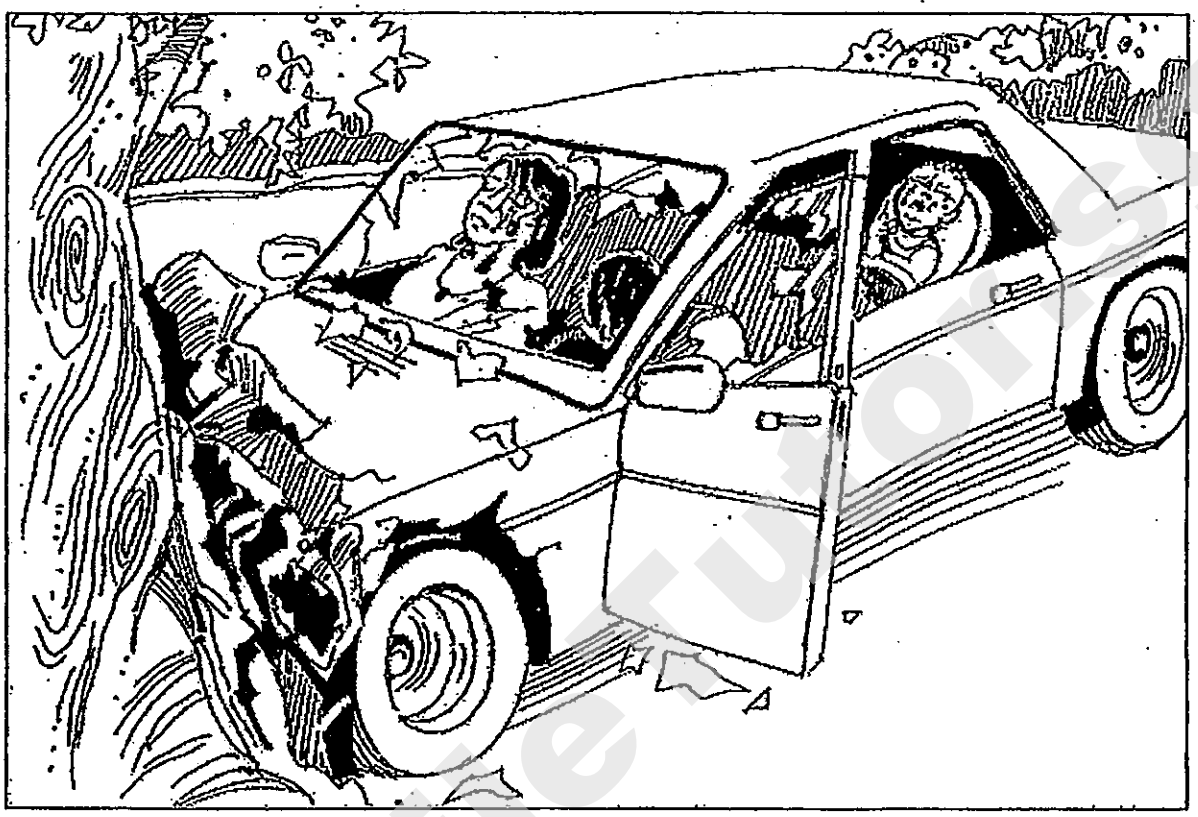
Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

(2) Write a story based on the picture below. Your story should be **at least 150 words** long.



For your story, make use of the points below:

- what happened to the people in the car
- what happened next
- how it all ended

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

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(3) You were walking towards the public library. Suddenly, you saw people running out of the library.

Based on the above situation, write a composition of **at least 150 words**.

In your composition, make use of the points below:

- why the people were running out of the library
- what you did next
- how it all ended

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

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END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013

PRIMARY FIVE

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET A

Name:_____ ( )

Class: Primary Five _____

21 October 2013

30 Questions
(30 Marks)

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

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Section A : Comprehension - Graphic Stimulus

Study the following poster and then answer questions 1 to 5.

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19 – 24 November 2013

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Grand Opening - **23 November 2013**

Available at OHS:

- **Books**
- **Posters**
- **Greeting Cards**
- **Board games**
- **Printing of T-shirts**

Meet your favourite local writer, **Mr Jason Lee**, on our Grand Opening Day. He will be reading excerpts from his new book 'Pirate Lives'.

Dress Up Challenge* on 23 November 2013

Dare to take up the challenge? Dress up as your favourite storybook character and stand a chance to win a book hamper worth $300!

To register, call us on 15 November from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
or
email us before 14 November

**This competition is only open to children from 8 to 13 years old.*

Grand Opening Specials

- 15% discount on all purchases
- Free Spidey Pop-Up book with every purchase of $50 and above
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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

1. The main aim of this poster is to _____.

   (1) promote Mr Jason Lee's new book
   (2) encourage people to shop at OHS Books Store
   (3) persuade people to sign up and be OHS members
   (4) invite people to dress up as their favourite pirate character

2. You can buy _____ from OHS Books Store.

   (1) T-shirts
   (2) birthday cards
   (3) book vouchers
   (4) electronic games

3. If Livia spends $40 on 23 November, she will receive a _____.

   (1) 15% discount
   (2) 2014 Disney calendar
   (3) free 2-year membership
   (4) free Spidey Pop-Up book

4. To take part in the Dress Up Challenge, you have to _____.

   (1) email OHS Books Store on 14 November
   (2) email OHS Books Store on 15 November
   (3) call OHS Books Store on 13 November after 5 p.m.
   (4) call OHS Books Store on 15 November before 5 p.m.

5. Which of the following statements is <u>true</u>?

   (1) Mr Jason Lee is a writer from Singapore.
   (2) OHS Books Store is closed on all Mondays.
   (3) If you purchase a book from OHS Books Store on 19 November, you will receive a 15% discount.
   (4) Anyone who walks into OHS Books Store on 24 November will receive a 2014 Disney calendar.

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Section B : Grammar MCQ

For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (7 marks)

6. The coach made the players _____ around the field.

(1) run
(2) ran
(3) runs
(4) running

7. Everyone except the twins _____ how to answer the question.

(1) know
(2) knows
(3) knowing
(4) have known

8. Selva won the judges' approval _____ his wonderful performance.

(1) in
(2) on
(3) with
(4) from

9. My aunt took my brother and _____ to the zoo during the school holidays.

(1) I
(2) me
(3) mine
(4) myself

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10. I prefer having coffee _____ tea. A cup of coffee makes my day.

(1) to
(2) or
(3) than
(4) then

11. Let's forget about attending the concert. We will not be on time _____ we take a taxi now.

(1) until
(2) unless
(3) despite
(4) regardless

12. Brandon hardly watches television, _____?

(1) is it
(2) isn't it
(3) does he
(4) doesn't he

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Section C : Punctuation

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

I was busy preparing for work in my room when I heard footsteps in the dining room.

"Is that you, Nigel (13) I shouted from my room.

"No (14) it's Rene. Are you ready for breakfast?"

I went into the dining room and sat down to eat with my daughter. "Have you packed your bag? Did you pack all your stationery (15) pencils, pens, ruler and eraser?" I asked.

"Don't worry, Mum. I have already done so," replied Rene.

13. (1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
    (2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
    (3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
    (4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

14. (1) [–] dash
    (2) [,] comma
    (3) [.] full stop
    (4) [?] question mark

15. (1) [:] colon
    (2) [,] comma
    (3) [?] question mark
    (4) ["] inverted commas

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Section D : Vocabulary MCQ

For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16. He received public _____ for his dishonourable behaviour in the courtroom.

(1) citation
(2) criticism
(3) controversy
(4) commendation

17. Excessive _____ of fried food is bad for health.

(1) craving
(2) storage
(3) demand
(4) consumption

18. Mrs Joseph is a renowned _____. She contributes large sums of money to different charity organisations on a regular basis.

(1) physician
(2) philatelist
(3) philosopher
(4) philanthropist

19. Jim was _____ by the squalid living conditions of the nursing home. The home was dirty and had an unpleasant smell.

(1) appalled
(2) liberated
(3) entangled
(4) rejuvenated

20. The unpleasant taste of the medicine _____ in her mouth for hours.

(1) endured
(2) lingered
(3) continued
(4) prolonged

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Section E : Vocabulary Cloze

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

My family used to run a beach resort along the coastline of Sri Lanka. One day, my father noticed something unusual (21) – the seawater was coming up onto our premises, something which had never happened before even during the highest tides. He felt uneasy (22) and quickly gathered our family and we all climbed up a small hill nearby.

When I reached the top, I shuddered (23) when I turned around to see what had just happened. Buildings, furniture and vehicles were being washed away! When we saw the second wave hit, we knew we had to seek shelter.

Once we reached our uncle's home, the severity of the disaster (24) sank in. We later discovered that the Indian Ocean tsunami had caused widespread devastation and death.

It took years before our lives went back to normal. However, this incident will be forever etched (25) in my memory.

Adapted from Reader's Digest – Giving us back our lives by Dr Ashanthi De Silva

21. (1) weird
    (2) typical
    (3) frivolous
    (4) contemptuous

22. (1) weary
    (2) troubled
    (3) reassured
    (4) exhilarated

23. (1) flinched
    (2) baulked
    (3) trembled
    (4) quavered

24. (1) chaos
    (2) frenzy
    (3) accident
    (4) calamity

25. (1) engraved
    (2) imprinted
    (3) imprisoned
    (4) encompassed

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Section F : Comprehension MCQ

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Lindsey was feeling depressed. She did not want to live anymore and wished she had joined her parents and brothers. She lay on her bed for hours and was too exhausted to get up for school. Tears rolled down her cheeks as she remembered the laughter of the children she used to play with. She remembered the big oak tree outside her parents' home which she and her brothers used to climb. Now, the oak tree, most of her friends and her family was gone – victims of a war in her country. Lindsey did not understand the war. She only knew that her whole life had changed drastically when the army came to her town.

Now she lived with her aunt in another country. The language was strange. The other children teased her about her clothes and her accent. She felt stupid, awkward and lonely. She did not like the food. She just **wanted to go home**. She could not stop the memories – firing guns, desperate cries and confusion and a long, bumpy ride in the back of a stinky, old truck.

At school she had always been a very good student. Now she found it hard to concentrate. Somehow it did not seem to matter anymore. "Nobody cares," she thought.

Just then, the doorbell rang. Lindsey reluctantly crawled out of bed and put on her dress. She answered the door. Standing in front of her was her teacher from her new school. She was carrying a paper bag.

"Good morning, Lindsey," she said. "We wondered where you were. We thought perhaps you were sick and might like to have a treat."

The teacher pulled little packages of cakes out of the paper bag. Each package was wrapped in fancy paper with a ribbon and a message. The messages were from the children in Lindsey's new classroom.

"Come to my birthday party," said one of them. "Can you teach me how to make your special rice?" said another. "I'm sad because you're so sad," wrote one boy.

Lindsey was still too proud to cry although she knew she could drown in her tears anytime. She looked up into the eyes of her teacher and saw compassion and something much more important. She saw acceptance.

"Come back to class when you're ready," said the teacher. "We'll be waiting for you."

Adapted from: Be a Champion in Life!!

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

26. Why was Lindsey living with her aunt in another country?

(1) She needed to go to school after the war.
(2) She had lost all her family members in the war.
(3) Her parents and brothers had to fight in the war.
(4) Her parents were worried she might be a victim of the war.

27. Why do you think Lindsey wanted to go home in line 11?

(1) She felt lonely and could not fit in.
(2) She wanted to find out more about the war.
(3) She wanted to look for her parents and friends.
(4) She felt that she would fare better in her old school.

28. In line 15, the word 'it' refers to _____.

(1) having nobody to care for her
(2) always being a very good student
(3) the other students laughing at her
(4) the effort put in to concentrate in her work.

29. The purpose of the teacher visiting Lindsey was to _____.

(1) express care and concern
(2) find out where she would be
(3) make sure that she was really ill
(4) invite her to her classmate's birthday party

30. At the end of the passage, Lindsey felt _____.

(1) sad that her classmates had teased her
(2) proud that her classmates and teacher liked her
(3) touched by what her classmates and teacher had done
(4) happy that her classmates wanted to learn how to make her special rice

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CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2013

PRIMARY FIVE

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET B

Name: _____ ( )

Class: Primary Five _____

21 October 2013

50 Questions
(65 Marks)

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

Components	Marks
Booklet A	30
Booklet B	65
TOTAL	95

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter(A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) a	(D) and	(G) for	(K) is	(N) to
(B) about	(E) at	(H) in	(L) on	(P) was
(C) an	(F) by	(J) into	(M) so	(Q) with

An intelligence quotient – known commonly as a person's IQ – of 150 represents genius level. The nation (31) _____ the highest average IQ is Japan with a 106.6 compared to the United Kingdom with a 100.

(32) _____ astonishing young South Korean, Kim Ung-Yong has an IQ of 210 and was also a child genius. Born in 1963, he started speaking (33) _____ the age of 6 months and was able to read Japanese, Korean, German, English and many other languages by his third birthday.

When he was four years old, his father said that he had memorised (34) _____ 2000 words in both English and German. He was writing poetry (35) _____ Korean and Chinese and wrote two short books of essays and poems. He was invited by the Japanese television (36) _____ 2 November 1967. Undaunted (37) _____ television lights and cameras, he solved complicated differential and integral calculus problems and amazed the viewers.

At the age of eight, Kim was invited by America's NASA where he conducted research work (38) _____ 10 years. But by 1978, he was burnt out and returned (39) _____ his homeland. For young Kim, a longing to be with his mother (40) _____ the decisive factor in his return to Korea. He then surprised everyone by switching to civil engineering. He is now said to be leading a happy and ordinary life in Korea.

Adapted from 'Mind over matter' – The Guinness Book of Amazing People

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

A boy was selling packets of tissue from door to door. His family was poor and

41. [ ] 42. [ ]

he was <u>struggle</u> to pay his way through school. He was **femisht** and had only a dollar in his pocket. He decided he would ask for a meal at the next house. However,

43. [ ]

he lost his **couridge** when a stern-looking lady opened the door.

Instead of a meal, he asked for a glass of water. Noticing that the boy was

44. [ ]

hungry, the lady brought him a large glass of milk. He <u>finish</u> his milk and wanted to pay her. She declined and replied that she was raised not to expect a reward in

45. [ ]

return <u>in</u> kindness. The boy thanked her profusely.

Many years passed. Unfortunately, the lady contracted a rare disease. None

46. [ ]

of the local doctors <u>are</u> able to cure her. She was eventually sent to the city to seek

47. [ ] 48. [ ]

<u>treat</u>. Dr. Howard was called in to examine her. He **immiediatli** recognised her. He was determined to do his best to save her life. After a long struggle, the battle was won and the lady was saved.

49. [ ]

The lady was **aprihensive** when the medical bill was sent to her, as she was

50. [ ]

sure it would be an **axorbitunt** sum. When she finally opened it, a note written by Dr. Howard caught her attention. He wrote, "Paid in full with one glass of milk." Dr. Howard Kelly, the once poor boy, had not forgotten her kindness.

Adapted fromhttp://academictips.org/blogs/a-glass-of-milk-paid-in-full/

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Fill in the blanks with the most suitable answer. (15 marks)

Contrary to what many people believe, bats are not vicious and most of them are not likely to attack humans. Many people believe that bats are omens of evil (51) _____ they fly only at night and they often live in tombs and abandoned churches. However, this belief is not (52) _____ In fact, bats are fascinating creatures. They are the only mammals that can fly. During the daytime, they hang in dark rooms of buildings, caves, hollow trees and other dark (53) _____

The saying 'as (54) _____ as a bat' leads us to think that bats cannot see. However, experiments (55) _____ have shown that bats have eyes. They can see, but choose (56) _____ hunt at night, using a technique called echolocation. They do so by sending out high-pitched sounds that humans cannot (57) _____ These sounds bounce off anything that is in a bat's flight path. Bats use these echoes to identify what the object is and (58) _____ it is located. In this way, they are able to detect the position of their food source or to avoid their (59) _____ by taking evasive measures to escape.

There are many species of bats that are extremely important and useful to humans. Insect-eating bats feed on large numbers of insects including mosquitoes and some agricultural pests. The bats scoop these (60) _____ up with their wings and then transfer them very rapidly to their mouths as they glide along. Scientists have filmed them devouring as (61) _____ as ten to fifteen insects a minute on night-vision video camera.

Nectar-eating bats and fruit-eating bats transfer the pollen and disperse the seeds of numerous plants. The droppings of the bats sometimes contain undigested (62) _____ .These seeds will grow into healthy plants with the (63) _____ of the bats' wastes which are valuable plant fertilisers.

The most famous bats are the vampire bats. Although they do bite other animals and maybe even humans, they suck only a small amount of (64) _____ and then fly away. These bats are dangerous, not only because their (65) _____ die of blood loss but they also spread diseases like rabies.

People remain fascinated with bats and studies about them continue to be documented.

Adapted from http://www.english-online.at/biology/bats/bats-physical-features-of-flying-mammals.htm

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For each of the questions from 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. If John does not help Mother with the housework, Sam has to help her.

Either of the boys

67. The weather was extremely hot. We enjoyed ourselves at the All-Star games carnival.

_____

_____

_____

68. The children tricked the old man into buying sweets for them.

The old man _____

_____

_____

69. "Don't forget to collect the flowers I have ordered," Mother said.

Mother told me _____

_____

_____

70. Tom's parents need to sign on the consent form so that he can go to the zoo.

Without _____

_____

_____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

A fight broke out at the finish line. Everyone rushed over to see.

"Let her run in the heats. How will it hurt anyone?" Jake said loudly. Fulcher glared hard at him then at Shannon. "You aren't scared to let a girl run the race, are you, Fulcher?" challenged Jake.

For a minute, he thought Fulcher was going to punch him, and he stiffened. "You can run with us, Shannon." He said it loudly enough to make Fulcher hear him and then concentrated on the runners. "See," he told himself, "you can stand up to an annoying character like Fulcher."

Shannon lined up beside him on the right. He moved a tiny bit to the left, but she did not seem to notice. Upon hearing the bang, Jake **shot forward**. It felt good – even the rough ground against the bottom of his worn sneakers. He could almost smell Fulcher's surprise at his improvement. The **crowd was noisier** than they had been during the other heats. Maybe they were all noticing. He wanted to look back and see where the others were, but he resisted the temptation. It would seem conceited to look back. He concentrated on the line ahead. It was nearing with every step.

He felt **it** before he saw it. Someone was moving up. He automatically ran faster. Then the shape was there in his side vision, suddenly pulling ahead. He forced himself now. His breath was choking him and the sweat was in his eyes. But he saw the figure anyhow. It crossed the line a full metre ahead of him.

Shannon turned to face him with a wide smile on her tanned face. He stumbled and without a word, began half walking, half trotting to the starting line. This was the day he was going to be the champion – the best runner of the fourth and fifth grades and he had not even won his heats. There was no cheering at either end of the field. The rest of the boys seemed as stunned as he was The teasing would come later, he felt sure, but at least for the moment, no one was talking.

Shannon continued to join the boys at recess and everyday, she won. Running was not fun anymore and it was all Shannon's fault. Jake knew now that he would never be the best runner of the fourth and fifth grades and his only consolation was that neither would Fulcher. They went through the motions of the race on Friday, but when it was over and Shannon had won again, everyone sort of knew without saying that **it was the end of the races.**

Adapted from Bridge for Terabithia by Katherine Paterson

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. What had caused the fight between Jake and Fulcher?

72. Which word in paragraph 3 has the same meaning as 'tensed up'?

73. What does 'shot forward' in paragraph 4 suggest about Jake's take-off in the race?

74. Explain clearly why Jake thought the crowd was noisier in line 12.

75. What made Jake resist the temptation to look back and see where the other competitors were?

76. What does 'it' in line 17 refer to?

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77. Which sentence from paragraph 6 suggests that the result of the race was unexpected?

78. Explain clearly why Jake blamed Shannon in line 28.

79. How had Jake's attitude towards Shannon running in the races changed?

80. Explain fully why everyone felt that it was the end of the races in line 32.

END OF PAPER

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TERM : SA2

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
2	2	1	4	1	1	2	3	2	1	2	3	3	2	1	2	4

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34
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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
H	L	F	G	N	P

41)struggling 42)famished 43)courage 44)finished 45)for

46)was 47)treatment 48)immediately 49)apprehensive

50)exorbitant 51)as 52)true 53)places 54)blind

55)done 56)to 57)hear 58)where 59)predators

60)insects 61)many 62)seeds 63)help 64)blood

65)preys/victims

66)Either of the boys has to help mother with the housework.

67)We enjoyed ourselves at the All-Star games carnival in spite of the fact that the weather was extremely hot.

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68)The old man was tricked by the children into buying sweets for them.

69)Mother told me not to forget to collect the flowers she had ordered.

70)Without Tom's parents signing on the consent form he cannot go to the zoo.

71)Fulcher had refused to left Shannon run in the race and Jake stood up for her.

72)The word is "stiffened".

73)Jake was sprinkling forward very quickly.

74)They had noticed how fast Jake was running in comparison to the previous heats.

75)He did not want others to think he has too proud because he was already leading the race.

76)It refers to Jake feeling that someone was moving up.

77)The sentence is "The rest of the boys seemed as stunned as he was".

78)He knew that the result of the race would be predictable and he would not be the fastest runner of the fourth and fifth grade.

79)He thought that the he should not have let Shannon join in the heats.

80)There was no point racing anymore, as they knew that Shannon would win every race.

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Primary 5

Semestral Assessment 2

24 October 2013

English Language

Listening Comprehension

Duration of Paper: 45 minutes

20 questions
20 marks

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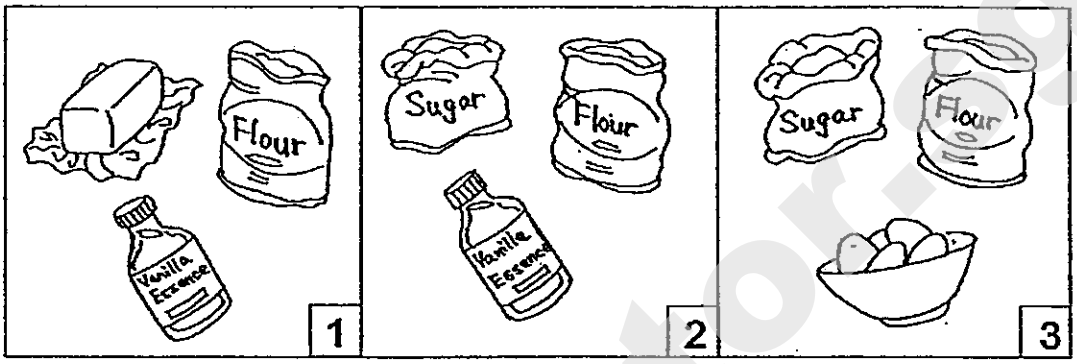
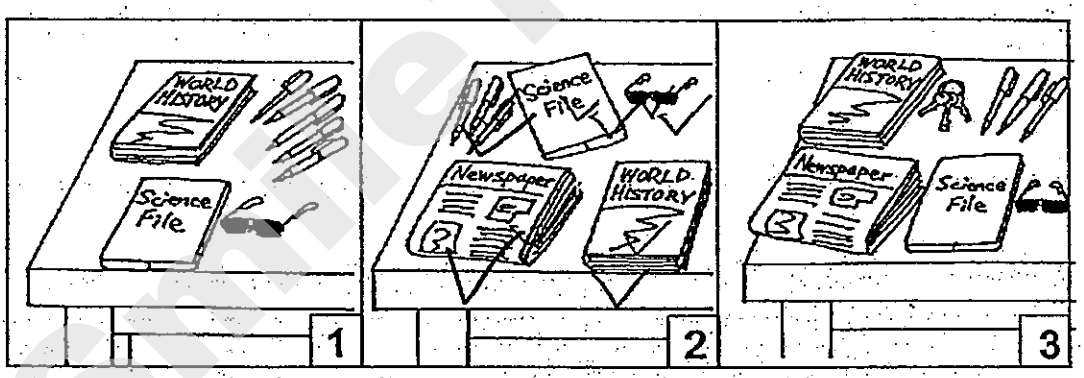
Text 1

Q1. Which one of the following pictures shows what Sharon and Kent will need to buy?



Text 2

Q2. Which one of the following pictures best illustrates Julie's desk?



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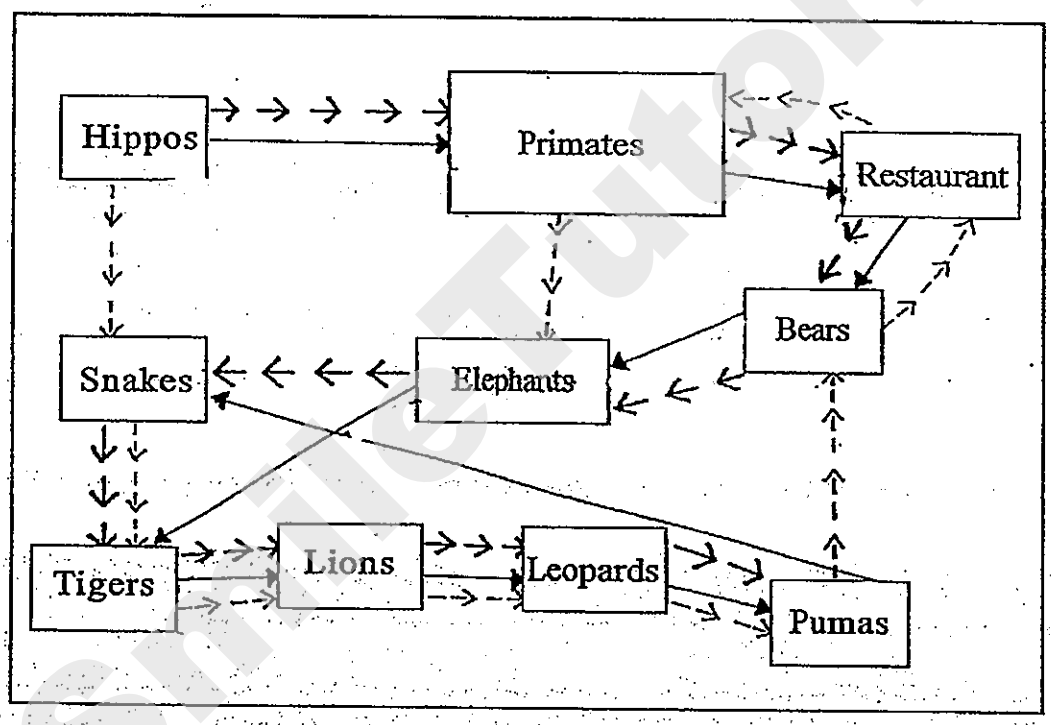
Text 3

Q3. Which one of the following shows the girls' route for the day?

(1) → → → → →
(2) –> –> –> ∝
(3) ——————▶

Q4. How many types of primates did the girls see?

(1) 2 types
(2) 3 types
(3) 4 types



Text 4

Q5. Why was George late?

(1) He had to clean up the mess that his dog had made.
(2) The bus pulled away before he reached the bus stop.
(3) He had to walk his dog to the nearby bus-stop and back.

Q6. Where was George's wallet?

(1) next to the door
(2) on the dining table
(3) on the coffee table

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Q7. Who was Rusty?

(1) George's brother
(2) George's friend
(3) George's dog

Text 5

Q8. Why was Mr Sim hospitalised?

(1) He had a heart attack.
(2) He had injured his feet.
(3) His doctors wanted him to rest.

Q9. Will Mr Sim be able to return as the band conductor?

(1) Yes, right away.
(2) No, he is bedridden.
(3) Yes, in a few weeks' time.

Q10. Who is Bill's sibling?

(1) Jerry
(2) Paul
(3) Jane

Q11. What is Bill's sibling doing at the moment?

(1) on vacation
(2) working part-time
(3) waiting to enter university

Text 6

Q12. What is a sign of an oncoming storm?

(1) The sky is blue.
(2) The fish are active.
(3) The fishermen are pulling in their catch.

Q13. How many fishing lines were cast?

(1) eight
(2) thirty
(3) fifty

Q14. What had caused their boat to tip over?

(1) The heavy catch that was in their boat.
(2) The water that had filled up the boat.
(3) The strong sea currents.

Q15. Why did the fishermen cling on to the capsized boat?

(1) to keep afloat
(2) to save their fish
(3) to alert the crew of the rescue boat

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Q16. What was the new danger facing the fishermen?

(1) sharp rocks
(2) sharks
(3) crocodiles

Text 7

Q17. When is Songkran celebrated?

(1) towards the middle of the year
(2) at the beginning of the year
(3) at the end of the year

Q18. What is the main purpose of the water-throwing activity?

(1) to keep passers-by cool in the heat
(2) to have fun drenching others
(3) to wash away bad luck

Q19. What do people believe they must do at a monastery for good luck?

(1) give food to the monks
(2) cleanse images of Buddha
(3) clean the monastery thoroughly

Q20. Which of the following is not a typical Songkran activity?

(1) People dancing in the streets.
(2) Throwing water on one another.
(3) Visiting and paying respects to elders.

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Primary 5

Semestral Assessment 2

8 October 2013

English Language

Paper 1

Duration of Paper : 1 hour 10 min

2 questions
55 marks

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Part 1: Situational Writing (15 Marks)

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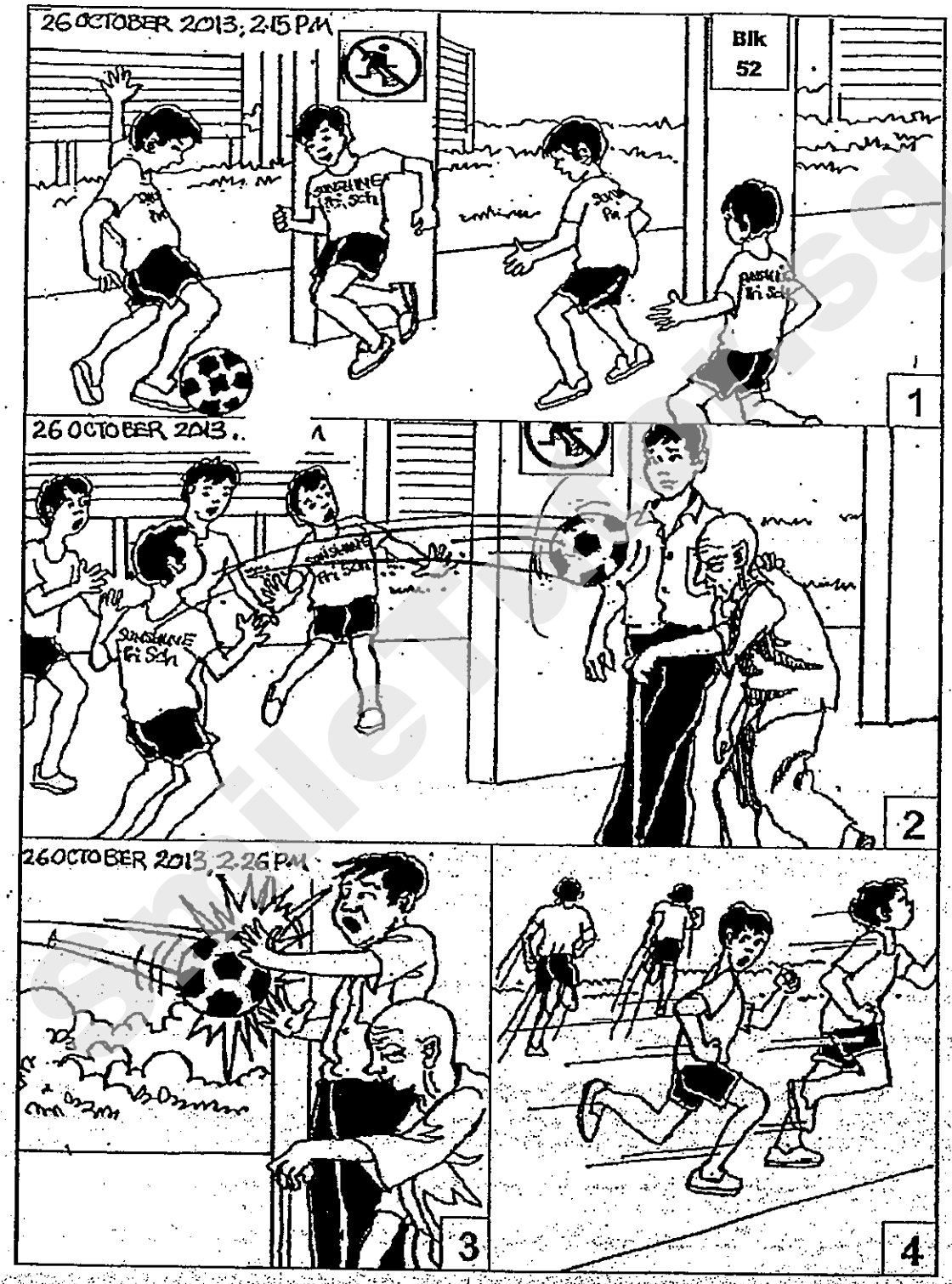

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Your Task:

Imagine that you are Tommy Tan, the young man in the pictures. You were with your grandfather walking past the void deck of Block 52 when the incident happened.

Write a letter of complaint to Mr Steven Lee, Principal of Sunshine Primary School. Express your disapproval of the boys' actions.

You are to refer to the given pictures.

In your letter, include the following information:

- the date and time the incident took place at the void deck
- what the boys were doing and why it was wrong
- what almost happened to you and your grandfather
- how you reacted
- what you feel the boys should have done after the incident

You may re-order the points. You should write in complete sentences.

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Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

There are two questions in Part 2.
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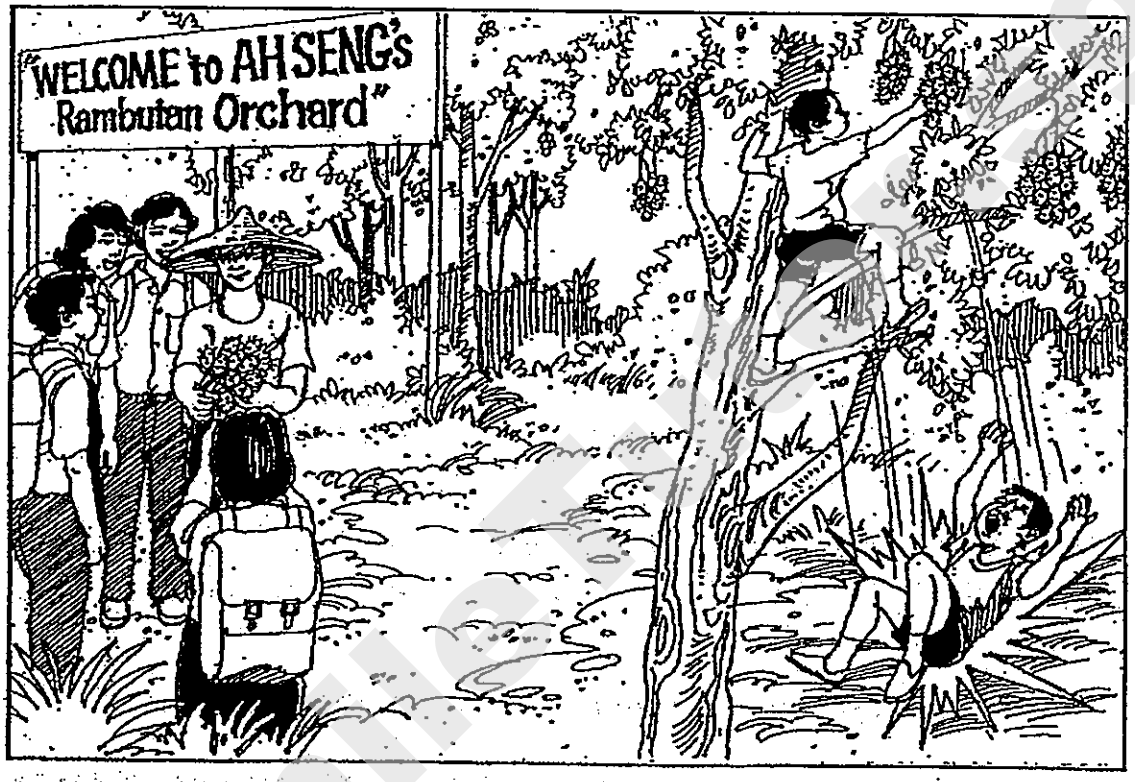
(2) Write a story based on the picture below. Your story should be at least 150 words long.



For your story, make use of the points below.

- what the two boys had been doing
- what happened next
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

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(3) You were at the shopping mall with your parents when you noticed a man running towards you.

Based on the above situation, write a story of at least 150 words.

In your story, make use of the points below.

- why the man was running
- how you and your parents responded
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

— End of Paper —

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Primary 5

Semestral Assessment 2

24 October 2013

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

30 questions
30 marks

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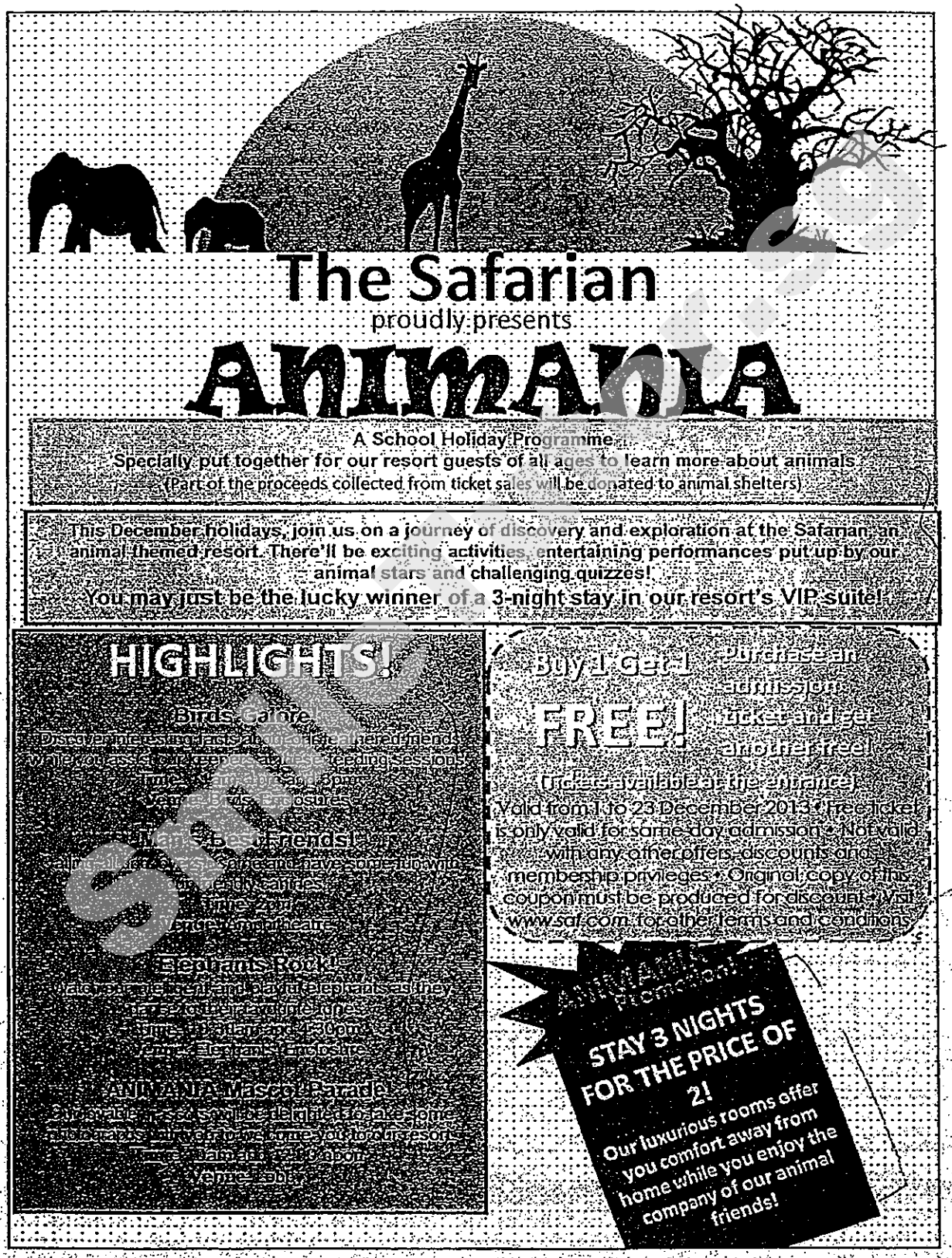

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(5 marks)

1 If you arrive at the Safarian at 2.30 pm on 1 December, you can _____.

(1) learn more about dogs and watch elephants dance
(2) discover more about birds and watch elephants dance
(3) learn more about dogs and take pictures with the resort mascot
(4) discover more about birds and take pictures with the resort mascot

2 Which one of the following is **not** offered by the Safarian?

(1) animal performances
(2) animal feeding sessions
(3) rooms for guests to stay
(4) holiday enrichment classes

3 The main aim of *ANIMANIA* is to _____.

(1) raise funds for animal shelters
(2) promote the luxurious rooms at the Safarian
(3) allow resort guests to feed the birds at the enclosures
(4) let resort guests explore and discover more about animals

4 The Buy-1-Get-1-Free ticket is _____.

(1) redeemable at www.saf.com
(2) valid for multiple guest entries
(3) given when an original coupon is produced
(4) meant for guests with membership privileges

5 Which one of the following statements is **not** true?

(1) The dog show is held once a day.
(2) ANIMANIA is available to only resort guests.
(3) To book a discounted admission ticket, you must visit www.saf.com.
(4) You will enjoy a three-night stay for the price of two during ANIMANIA.

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For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (7 marks)

6 The audience was frustrated _____ the noisy chatter of the three girls in the front row.

(1) with
(2) for
(3) on
(4) to

7 Not one of the telephones _____ working when I arrived this morning.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

8 All pupils _____ inform their teachers before leaving early. It is the school rule.

(1) must
(2) could
(3) might
(4) would

9 My neighbour _____ for her lost cat since last night.

(1) is looking
(2) was looking
(3) has been looking
(4) had been looking

10 We reached the cinema in time for the movie but realised we _____ to bring our tickets.

(1) forgot
(2) had forgotten
(3) have forgotten
(4) had been forgetting

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11 She is going to the birthday party _____ her parents' objection.

(1) having
(2) despite
(3) besides
(4) although

12 The workers need to complete the upgrading of the apartments by the end of next week, _____ they?

(1) do
(2) don't
(3) would
(4) wouldn't

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

The turkey and mashed potatoes cooked faster than I had expected. I called my husband and 14-year-old son, Simon, to the table.

"It's not Christmas, but I see you've made a turkey **(13)** Simon commented.

"Yes. I wanted to practise," I said.

"Cool," he answered, while his father carved the turkey.

We filled our plates, and talked and laughed and ate. We all had seconds. Simon turned to me **(14)** his face aglow. I glowed back.

"These are the best mashed potatoes I've ever had!" he exclaimed.

"Oh I'm glad," I said.

"How did you make them?" he asked.

"Butter," I started. "Cream **(15)**" Our plates were emptied; the magic moment had passed. He went off to watch television.

Adapted from One Ingredient Missing by Alex Witchel

13 (1) [",] inverted commas and comma
(2) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(3) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [?"] question mark and inverted commas

14 (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark

15 (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark

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(5 marks)

16 The _____ pupil asked many questions to find out more about the different types of animals on the farm.

(1) involved
(2) inquiring
(3) inquisitive
(4) interfering

17 If you listen carefully to his musical piece, you will be able to _____ at least two different melodies.

(1) grasp
(2) observe
(3) examine
(4) distinguish

18 An impulsive girl, Amelie often does things _____.

(1) at breakneck speed
(2) over her head and ears
(3) on the spur of the moment
(4) to set the wheels in motion

19 Drinking cans take about 200 years to _____ if you bury them. Therefore, it is always better to recycle them.

(1) decline
(2) degrade
(3) degenerate
(4) decompose

20 After a few days of rest at home, he was able to get back to his training routine as his exhaustion had _____.

(1) worn down
(2) worn out
(3) worn off
(4) worn on

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

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The pencil is an invention that brought the convenience of writing and drawing. Errors and mistakes made in pencil needed to be removed. Therefore, out of necessity (21), the eraser was invented to remove such errors.

However, the electric typewriter required a whole new approach (22) to error correction. On the older, manual machines, erasing had been tedious (23), but it was at least possible. With the carbon-film ribbons of the electric typewriter, even careful erasing left a noticeable (24) smudge.

The significant (25) moment came when Bette Nesmith observed artists at work. They never erased mistakes, they just painted over them. The next day, Nesmith took a bottle of tempera paint and her watercolour brush to the office. After brushing the tempera paint on her mistakes, errors vanished.

This invention later became known as liquid paper.

Adapted from Women Inventors by Linda Jacobs Altman

21 (1) need
(2) demand
(3) obsession
(4) requirement

22 (1) plan
(2) style
(3) routine
(4) method

23 (1) dreary
(2) laborious
(3) demanding
(4) complicated

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24 (1) huge
(2) distinct
(3) notable
(4) remarkable

25 (1) crucial
(2) symbolic
(3) powerful
(4) meaningful

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Read the passage and answer questions 26 to 30.

In the tiny village in Las Lomas, out in his vegetable garden, Manko licked his dry lips and passed a wet sleeve over his dripping face. Manko had not smiled for a long time. A bushfire, brought on by the drought, had swept Las Lomas and left his garden plots charred. There was little he could do. All day long, Manko and the rest of the farmers rested on their hoes and forks and wrung perspiration from their clothes. They were terrified by the thought that if no rain fell soon, they would lose their crops and livestock.

There was scarcely any water in the village; the river was dry with scummy mud. But with patience, one could collect a full bucket of water from the river, far away from the village. Boiled, with a little sugar to make it drinkable, it had to do.

One day, the villagers at Las Lomas held communal prayers to seek rain from their god. Two days later, a man called Rampersad struck water in a well he had been digging for weeks. That day everyone drank their fill and Rampersad allowed each villager a bucket of water. Rampersad's wife was a selfish woman. While the villagers were filling their buckets, she stood by the doorway of their hut and watched them. That night, she told her husband that he was a fool. "The best thing to do is to set a watchdog to keep guard so nobody steals the water. Charge a dollar for a pail!" she demanded.

When Rampersad announced this, the villagers went silent. They stood appalled.

As April went, there was still no sign of rain. Manko had exhausted his savings buying water from Rampersad. He told his wife, Rannie, "We have to go to the river again. The rain will fall, just don't be impatient." Rannie was not impatient, but thirst made her careless. She forgot to boil a pan of river water, and only after she had drunk a cupful, did she realise her mistake. She was afraid to tell Manko, thus, she kept silent. Soon after, fever ravaged her body. Rannie felt weak and remained in bed, feeling helpless about her condition.

Manko knew what he had to do. The river had dried and with no more money, he set for Rampersad's well in the middle of the night. When he reached the well, the dog was there. He was about to leave when he remembered the red flush on Rannie's cheeks. At that moment, the love for his wife conquered his fear.

Manko stood his ground. He turned back to the well and suddenly, he felt sharp teeth sink into his shoulder. He bit his lip hard to prevent himself from screaming in pain. He wrenched it away forcefully. The animal gave a whimper, rolled off and lay still. With a bleeding shoulder, he managed to draw a pail of water and staggered home.

As he was making his way home, a large blob of cloud blotted out the moon. There was a new coolness in the wind. The sky grew black and he felt the first drop of rain. Manko approached his hut and he saw his wife sitting at the door, holding out a tin cup towards him. Manko filled the cup and gave it to his wife before losing consciousness.

Adapted from A Drink of Water by Samuel Selvon

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(5 marks)

26 In paragraph one, what had made Manko unhappy?

(1) He had no clean water to drink.
(2) He was afraid of losing his livestock.
(3) The hot weather had made him uncomfortable.
(4) His vegetable garden was destroyed in a bushfire.

27 What does 'it' in line 9 refer to?

(1) river water
(2) a little sugar
(3) a full bucket
(4) scummy mud

28 In line 17, 'the villagers were silent' suggests that the villagers _____.

(1) agreed to pay for the water
(2) were frightened of Rampersad
(3) were not surprised by the demand
(4) thought that paying for water was not fair

29 Why did Manko stop himself from screaming when he was bitten by the dog?

(1) He did not want to disturb the sleeping villagers.
(2) He did not want to be caught for stealing water.
(3) He wanted to trick Rampersad and his wife.
(4) He wanted to conquer his fear of the dog.

30 Which one of the following sentences is not true?

(1) Manko had lost so much blood that he fainted.
(2) Rannie fell ill after drinking dirty water taken from the river.
(3) The villagers paid Rampersad for every pail of water taken.
(4) The villagers prayed to their god to help put out the bushfire.

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Paper 2 Booklet B

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50 questions
65 marks

Booklet A	30
Booklet B	65
Total	95

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

(10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

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(C) are	(F) had	(J) is	(M) this	(Q) who

Li Na, a tennis player from China, was the first Asian tennis player to win a Grand Slam singles event. Her victory at the French Open was watched _____ (31) an incredible 116 million viewers in her home country. Now, a hero back home, Li Na _____ (32) millions of fans. Her face is on advertisements and the front pages of newspapers.

Li Na is not _____ (33) typical Chinese sports star. With an image _____ (34) is modern and rebellious, Li Na is different from most other athletes from China. The best athletes in China _____ (35) made to follow rigid programmes. Everything is planned for them, including _____ (36) diet, training and travel. Such programmes are successful in some sports such _____ (37) gymnastics. However, some people say that _____ (38) system is so tough that many of the athletes do not enjoy it.

Li Na decided that she did not want to be part _____ (39) this system. Thus, in order _____ (40) have the freedom to plan her own training, she left the Chinese Tennis Association. "Before, I felt like tennis was my job," she said. "I prefer what I'm doing now. I'm in charge of my own training."

That may be the success factor for Li Na for she now has the freedom to develop and express herself.

Adapted from 'Li Na, the tennis champ from Asia' by Omar Chaudhuri

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

We entered the Pacific Ocean. On the fourth day, I heard a strange loud

(41) [ ]

sound. It happened while I <u>am</u> sleeping and it woke me up with a start. Our ship was

no luxury liner. It was a cargo ship, not designed for paying passengers. There were

(42) [ ]

*all kinds of noises all the time, but this one was **difrant**.*

(43) [ ]

*Opening the door of our bunk, I saw water on the floor along the **koridoor**.*

(44) [ ]

*What was happening? I ran up the stairs to the main deck to **invazteegait**.*

Above me, on the bridge, I spotted some of the crew members. Relief flooded

(45) [ ] **(46)** [ ]

*me. The ship shook <u>violent</u> and there was that monstrous **metearlik** sound again.*

Something was not quite right. "You have to leave now!" one of them shouted,

(47) [ ]

<u>thrusted</u> a life jacket into my arms.

(48) [ ]

"My family was still soundly asleep <u>on</u> the bunk. Someone has to get them," I

(49) [ ]

*cried. The men nodded **veegeresly** at me. They took hold of me and lifted me in*

their strong arms. I thought nothing of it. I thought that they were helping me. I was

(50) [ ]

so full <u>with</u> trust in them that I felt grateful as they carried me in the air. Only when

they threw me overboard to the crowded lifeboat below did I begin to have doubts.

Adapted from Life of Pi by Yann Martel

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

Among children, bullying can cause much unhappiness and even terror. Among youths, gang-related activities can _____ (51) worse problems.

Gangs give a sense of power _____ (52) protection, both of which create a lot of pressure for youths to join. It leads them to believe that _____ (53) a gang is their best option to being accepted by their peers. This is because young people _____ (54) a need to gain respect and a sense of belonging. However, constant changes _____ (55) their lives can make that hard to achieve.

In a school or neighbourhood, kids _____ (56) do not fit in get teased, harassed and even attacked. They may get attacked by gang members on their way to a bus stop or ridiculed just for _____ (57) the top mark in a test. When they are picked on, such violent behaviour causes trouble for youths _____ (58) even children. As a result, victims have had to move to completely different neighbourhoods and schools.

Youths have a role to play to make things _____ (59) for themselves. When they witness gangs causing trouble for _____ (60), or are attacked by gangs, they should _____ (61) such incidents to their teachers or the police. This will allow the adults to step in and take action.

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Youths should not keep _____ about gang attacks. It will only
(62)

allow the gangs to carry on with their undesirable acts and cause the

_____ to continue to suffer in silence. To fight gang problems, youths
(63)

must _____ up for themselves.
(64)

There are many positive and inspiring adults in our communities, such as a

helpful teacher or a kind parent. Youths can seek out these role models and

_____ to become like them. Over time, this can help to break the vicious
(65)

cycle of unhappy youths joining gangs.

By taking a stand against gangs, youths can fight the problem – one step at a

time.

Adapted from What's Up (October 2012) 'Life can be rough in New York City'

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in **one sentence**. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66 Ahmad used a piece of soft cloth to wipe the furniture.

_____ with

_____

67 Wen Wen enjoyed dancing very much. She signed up for a dancing class.

_____ so _____

_____

68 I placed the rabbit back in the cage after removing the soiled newspapers.

Having _____

_____

69 "Where is your homework?" Mdm Chee asked James angrily.

Mdm Chee asked James angrily _____

_____

70 Muthu stayed out late although his mother objected.

In spite of _____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

Parched red dust swirled on the wind. William Kamkwamba stood between rows of maize near his family's mud-brick thatched hut. A fourteen-year-old boy, William resided in Malawi, Africa. As the searing sun scorched his back, William wrapped his hand around a withered stalk. The maize was dry and brittle. It had grown barely knee-high. The maize should have been up to his father's chest by that time, but the rains had not come to nourish it. 5

William saw the worried look in his father's eyes. At meal times each day, his family ate maize. When the drought dragged on and on, for many months, William's family had only enough maize for one meal each day. It then became for just a small handful at night; and finally, for only four mouthfuls. As **they** grew thinner and thinner, William feared they would all die of starvation. 10

The following spring, William and his father knew that all they could do was begin again. They planted a new maize crop. This time, the rains came. The maize grew. At harvest time, William's family feasted, breathing sighs of relief. They had survived the terrible year of famine. Thousands of others in Malawi, including many in William's village, had not. 15

William hoped that life could return to normal. He had worked hard to pass the examination to enter high school. When the term began, however, William's father explained that because of the drought, there was scarcely any money left for food. William's education came to **a premature end.** 20

Though he could not attend school, William still wanted to learn. Curious about many things, he took apart radios, trying to discover how they made music. One day, while turning a bicycle upside down and cranking the pedals by hand, realisation hit William. He figured out that the dynamo that generated electricity for the headlight could be wired to power a radio instead. 25

William had many questions about how things worked. He visited the village library often. There, he found a book called 'Using Energy'. On the book's cover was a picture of a row of windmills which were tall steel towers with blades spinning like giant fans. They reminded William of the toy pinwheels he had made with his friends. From that book, William learned that wind – something of which Malawi had plenty – could produce electricity. William was delighted! Many families in Malawi did not have electricity in their homes. *If I could build a windmill, my family could have lights in our home. It could be used to pump water to irrigate our maize fields. If another drought comes, the windmill could provide water for life.* 30

To build the windmill, William started to collect the parts and tools he needed. It was an arduous task. It took him months. Village kids laughed at him when they saw him scrounging in the scrap yard. They called him crazy. However, William was too focused on his idea to care. He persevered. Finally, he built a windmill that not only watered his family's maize fields, but also powered four lights and two radios in his house. He could now read at night and enjoy music in his house, two activities he thoroughly enjoyed. 35 40

William proved that with determination, he, too, could be an inventor.

Adapted from William's Windmill by Katy Duffield

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 What kind of house did William live in?

_____

_____

72 In paragraph one, it was stated that the maize was not growing well. Give two words to describe it. Each word is found in a different sentence.

_____

_____

73 Why was William's father worried in paragraph two?

_____

_____

74 Who does 'they' in line 10 refer to?

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_____

75 Why did William's family eventually have food to eat in spring?

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_____

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76 Explain in your own words how the drought had caused William's education to come to 'a premature end' (line 20).

77 What was the natural resource that Malawi had in abundance?

78 Which sentence in paragraph six suggests the state of poverty in the country?

79 Describe fully the reaction of the village kids to William's idea of building a windmill.

80 State two ways William showed perseverance in building the windmill.

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51)cause 52)and 53)joining 54)feel 55)in

56)who 57)scoring 58)or 59)better 60)others

61)report 62)quiet 63)victims 64stand 65)try

66)Ahmad wiped the furniture with a piece of soft cloth.

67)Wen Wen enjoyed dancing so much that she sighed up for a dancing class.

68)Having removed the soiled newspapers, I placed the rabbit back in the cage.

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69)Mdm Chee asked James angrily where his homework was.

70)In spite of his mother's objection, Muthu stayed out late.

71)He lived in a mud-brick thatched hut.

72)They are "withered" and "brittle".

73)He was worried that his family would not have enough food and would die of starvation.

74)It refers to William and his family.

75)The rains came after they planted a new maize crop.

76)William's father could hardly make ends meet because of the drought, so he did not have enough to pay for William's education.

77)Malawi had wind in abundance.

78)Many families in Malawi did not electricity in their homes.

79)The village kids felt that William's ides was silly and impossible and laughed at him, calling him crazy.

80)Although the process of building the wind mill and collecting the parts and tools he need was arduous the other village children called him crazy and jeered at him, he ignored them and was not discouraged.

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PAPER 2
(BOOKLET A)

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Study the following text and then answer questions 1 to 5. (5 marks)

KIDS DASH

In conjunction with National Health Month

LITTLE FEET
BIG STRIDES

Sign up your little ones for the Kids Dash race – an experience they will never forget. With fun-filled activities at the Kids Zone after they cross the finish line, this promises to be an exciting race.

Kids Dash (750m) offers aspiring runners the chance to experience the dash of their lifetime. It is a non-competitive event which aims to encourage a love for running among kids.

Date and Time :
10 November 2012 (Saturday), 8am

Venue:
Marina Barrage, 8 Marina Gardens Drive, Singapore 018951

Register at one of the following:
- Passion Running Club: 5 Green Drive, Singapore 786398
- Healthy Lifestyle Branch: 8 Kampong Drive, Singapore 376487

All participants must:
- be between 7 and 12 years old
- have parents' or guardians' consent
- be medically fit
- observe traffic rules at all times
- wear proper running shoes
- wear the Kids Dash 2012 T-shirt*

*Collect the Kids Dash 2012 T-shirts before 10 November 2012 at Royal Sports, 5 Tras Street, Singapore 057364.
No exchange of T-shirt is allowed.

Kids Dash will be cancelled in the event that it rains.

Organisers:

ABC BANK

RUN FOR A REASON
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Sponsors:

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Healthy Lifestyle Branch

PASSION RUNNING CLUB

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For each question, from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3, 4).Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

1 One of the organisers of *Kids Dash 2012* is _____.

(1) Royal Sports
(2) Run For A Reason
(3) Passion Running Club
(4) Healthy Lifestyle Branch

2 According to the poster, participants_____.

(1) must be at least 7 years old
(2) must be at least 12 years old
(3) can collect the *Kids Dash 2012* T-shirts from any of the organisers
(4) must have taken part in competitive races before they can register for the race

3 Caleb is 12 years old. To take part in *Kids Dash 2012*, he needs to _____.

(1) register at Marina Barrage
(2) be able to run more than 750m
(3) get approval from his parents or guardians
(4) collect the *Kids Dash 2012* T-shirt on 10 November 2012

4 For *Kids Dash 2012*,all participants have to _____.

(1) be in good health
(2) obey traffic rules if possible
(3) run on another day if it rains
(4) wear shoes from Passion Running Club

5 According to the poster which one of the following is true?

(1) The best way for kids to keep healthy is to run.
(2) The appropriate age to start running competitively is 7 years old.
(3) The event is meant for athletes who want to challenge one another.
(4) The purpose of the event is to encourage a love for running among kids.

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(7 marks)

6 The principal made the boy_____ his mistake before calling his parents in.

(1) admit
(2) admits
(3) admitted
(4) admitting

7 "Behave _____ when you are at Grandma's place," Mother reminded the boys.'

(1) yourself
(2) ourselves
(3) yourselves
(4) themselves

8 One of the most important things in life _____ to be content with what we have.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

9 Jane hardly ever wears dresses _____?

(1) is it
(2) isn't it
(3) does she
(4) doesn't she

10 "Has Susan ever _____ to a school concert before. Mr Lim asked David.

(1) go
(2) goes
(3) gone
(4) went

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11 No one here should feel that he is superior _____ any other person in the group.

(1) by
(2) to
(3) over
(4) than

12 _____ you heard the gossip from a reliable source, I do not think it is the whole truth.

(1) Since
(2) Despite
(3) Although
(4) However

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For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

"Oh!" The congregation gasped as the bride appeared at the entrance of the church. Framed by an arched doorway, she was a picture of loveliness.

The organist began to play Here Comes The Bride (13) as Clare together with her father, glided slowly towards the altar and her husband-to-be. She paused briefly to squeeze the hand of her favourite aunt and whispered, "Thank you so much for coming." Her aunt smiled.

"I now pronounce you man and wife **(14)** the minister announced excitedly. The church erupted into happy cheers. Then **(15)** as they left the building. flower petals were strewn and everyone was happy for the couple.

13 (1) [,] comma
(2) ["] inverted commas
(3) [!] exclamation mark
(4) [,"] comma and inverted commas

14 (1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

15 (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

16 Tom was troubled by his conscience for a week and decided that he would _____ his mother.

(1) confide in
(2) conform to
(3) concede to
(4) conspire with

17 The prisoners attempted a daring _____ a week ago but they were unsuccessful.

(1) break in
(2) break off
(3) break out
(4) break away

18 Everyone took a quick _____ at the strange-looking man standing at the street corner.

(1) glint
(2) gaze
(3) glare
(4) glance

19 Visibility on the road was _____ to zero by the haze.

(1) reduced
(2) depleted
(3) subsided
(4) decreased

20 Only fifty cases of the dengue fever have been reported so far. However, doctors fear this may only be _____.

(1) breaking the ice
(2) walking on thin ice
(3) the tip of the iceberg
(4) the icing on the cake

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

An environmental magazine recently published that high levels of dissolved pesticides have made rainwater in Europe not suitable for drinking (21). Chemists in Switzerland have found that rain samples taken during the first minutes of a storm frequently contain higher levels of pesticides than those deemed (22) acceptable by either the European Union or Switzerland.

Crop sprays are to blame, and the highest concentration of such toxic (23) chemicals shows up in the first downpour after a long dry spell. Meanwhile, Swedish researchers have linked the rapidly spiralling (24) incidence of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, a form of cancer, to the widespread use of several crop sprays. Chemicals that inhibit (25) the growth of vegetation on building materials likewise pollute the rainwater that runs off them.

21 (1) potable
(2) polluted
(3) portable
(4) palatable

22 (1) made
(2) assumed
(3) presumed
(4) considered

23 (1) fatal
(2) corruptive
(3) poisonous
(4) contagious

24 (1) stable
(2) falling
(3) occurring
(4) increasing

25 (1) delay
(2) forbid
(3) hasten
(4) destroy

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Read the passage below and answer Questions 26 to 30.

Junquan was just three years old when he lost both his arms in a freak electrical accident. However, his determination to overcome his disability and become a world-class swimming champion made this Chinese athlete an inspirational sports icon for many people around the world.

Junquan regularly defeated many top-ranking swimmers, including able-bodied ones, but the problem was that the only way he could mark his finish and stop the chronometer on the pool wall was by hitting it with his head at the end of the race - something that often left him with neck injuries or severe headaches.

At the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games, Junquan, then 30, was surging ahead of his competitors and it appeared as though he was about to win the gold medal. However in the last few seconds as he approached the end, he slowed down intentionally to reduce the impact of his head crash on the chronometer. In those few split seconds, Brazilian Daniel Dias, who was trailing him, hit the chronometer first with his outstretched hand, and claimed the gold medal. Junquan was forced to remain content with silver at the final of the men's 200m individual medley.

Although Junquan was defeated at the post, he took great **pleasure in the cut and thrust** of top level competition. Despite coming in second, his huge smile at the end of the race and the cheerful manner in which he congratulated Daniel made Junquan the star of the day. The spectators knew that he would have taken the gold medal if only he had an arm. When Junquan was presented with a bouquet and his silver medal, he held the flowers between his jaw and his shoulder, then grinning, he bowed to the crowd who gave him a thunderous applause.

"No one is perfect. Neither are able-bodied people," said Junquan. "I have no regret in my life. The most important thing is how you look at yourself. If you are confident and strong-minded, you will be the strong man in your life."

(adapted from an article by Paul Smith)

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

26 How does Junquan inspire people around the world?

(1) He has a cheerful disposition.
(2) He lost both arms when he was three years old.
(3) He wins many medals in swimming competitions.
(4) He is a swimming champion despite being handicapped.

27 Junquan often suffers neck injuries and headaches due to _____.

(1) the vigorous training in the swimming pool
(2) the determination he has in overcoming his disability
(3) the impact of stopping the chronometer with his head in swimming races
(4) the electrical accident that happened to him when he was three years old

28 The phrase 'took great pleasure in the cut and thrust (lines 16-17) tells us that _ Junquan

(1) enjoyed swimming
(2) enjoyed being the star of the day
(3) enjoyed the competitive nature of the sport
(4) enjoyed the thunderous applause he received at the end of competition

29 Junquan was regarded as the start of the day because _____.

(1) he was popular
(2) he took his defeat graciously
(3) he was able to hold the bouquet of flowers between his jaw and his shoulder
(4) he slowed down intentionally near the end which allowed Daniel Dias to overtake him.

30 Which one of the following statements about Junquan is true?

(1) He was not ashamed of his disability.
(2) He was unable to defeat any able-bodied swimmers.
(3) He took part in the swimming competition to impress the spectators.
(4) He had to use his body to stop the chronometer timing since he did not have any arms.

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write the letter (A to Q) in the blank.
The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)
EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) although	(D) by	(G) over	(K) to	(N) where
(B) as	(E) in	(H) up	(L) was	(P) with
(C) before	(F) of	(J) since	(M) were	(Q) without

The Vikings were a group of people whose sailors explored the North Atlantic Ocean from the years 700 to 1100 A.D. They lived in countries known today as Denmark, Norway and Sweden. As they lived so close to the sea, they used water as their primary means,_____ (31) travel.

_____ (32) the years, the Vikings became expert shipbuilders. They even developed a new way to build ships that allowed them to travel farther_____ (33) sea than any ship had gone before. Their ships were the first to have a keel – a long, narrow piece of wood attached beneath the ship that helped to steer the ship. Even better, it kept the ship from rolling with each wave, allowing it to move faster. _____ the ship could ge to places more rapidly, it could go much further_____ (35) stopping for new supplies of food and water.

The ships let the Vikings establish trade routes_____ (36) Europe The Vikings actually discovered North America about 500 years _____ (37) Colombus did They even set_____ (38) a small settlement in what is now known as Canada, but it lasted only a few years. All Vikings were proud of their ships. In fact, when they died, many rich Viking men and women were buried in ships. Included in each ship _____ (39) the dead persons belongings such _____ (40) jewellery and weapons. The Vikings believed that the ships would endow these people in a safe journey to the land of the dead.

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

Sleep plays a vital role in good health and general well-being throughout your life.

Sleep also helps your brain work properly. Therefore, getting a good night's sleep before an

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important examination might be better than spending the whole night <u>waking,</u> trying to cram as

(42) [ ]

much information as we can into our minds. Besides recharging the body fisicaly , a study also

(43) [ ] (44) [ ]

found that sleep aperently restores memories that disappeared during a hactik. day. You are

able to recall certain things better after a night's sleep.

(45) [ ]

One researcher says that a person ricives so many memories each day that some

(46) [ ] (47) [ ]

details are <u>lose</u> in the jumble. However, the brain sorts and <u>organised</u> the memories during

(48) [ ]

sleep. Many people have the <u>experienced</u> of going to bed with a question and waking up the

(49) [ ]

next day with the <u>solve.</u>

(50) [ ]

These findings may influiance how students learn, and someday could be used to treat

mental illnesses involving memories. Thus when it comes to learning and memory, getting

sufficient sleep is actually one of the most important things you can do.

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

The men in the boat were bundled up in thick clothes. It was early in the morning and the water was relatively calm. The _____ (51) was equipped with a strong fishing net and a canvas sling to lower or hoist dolphins.

_____ (52) half a day's wait, the men were rewarded. They spotted a dolphin from a _____ (53). It came to the surface of the water to _____ (54) through its blowhole on top of its head. It drew in fresh air and dipped under the waves again.

The owner of the boat steered it closer and they started tossing the live fish they had brought along overboard in order to _____ (55) the dolphins nearer to the boat. The fishes that were meant as _____ (56) was kept in a barrel full of water to keep them alive.

Soon the surrounding water was _____ (57) with playful bottle-nose dolphins enjoying a _____ (58)

One of the men went into the water and used the fishing net to _____ (59) off a circular area about the size of five football fields. The other in the wet suit checked every area of the net to _____ (60) that no dolphins were trapped underneath the surface.

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otherwise they would drown if they could not get to the surface and take _____ (61)

air. When he saw a dolphin that looked suitable to be _____ (62) he spent some

time talking and playing with it. Then he put one arm under the dolphin and the other arm over

its body and grabbed a pectoral fin in each hand. He guided the immobile dolphin to the boat

and _____ (63) it into the boat with a sling.

Once on _____ (64) the boat, the dolphin was covered with a damp

blanket to protect its delicate skin. From time to time, _____ (65) would be

splashed onto the blanket. The men captured three dolphins that day. They were taken to a

special school that taught dolphins to perform tricks for entertainment.

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For each of the items from 66 to 70, combine the sentences to make **one** sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

(5 marks)

66 He is anxious. This causes him to lose sleep.

His _____

_____

67 The pupils are organising a charity drive to raise funds for Rainbow Home.

A charity drive _____

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68 Preetha likes collecting stickers. She likes collecting stamps more.

Preetha prefers _____

_____

69 Su Lin will go to the party only if her mother consents.

_____ without

_____

70 Tom asked Mary, "Did you ask someone to help you water the plants yesterday?"

Tom asked Mary _____

_____

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

It was cold in the night. Dan felt a sudden jolt as the stretcher was clumsily lowered to the ground. He heard one of the guards saying to the other, "Hurry up and tie the knot and then we can get back to our quarters and share a bottle of wine." Dan could not understand the reference to tying a knot. Why should they have to tie a knot before they could go off duty? He did not have to wait long for the answer. The guard who had spoken breathed heavily as he dropped something near the bottom of the sack. What the object was, Dan could only guess although it sounded like a heavy stone. He felt a rope being tied around his ankles. Before he realised what was happening, he was lifted off the stretcher by the two guards. He felt himself being swung to and fro. The last words he ever heard were the accompaniment to this swinging, "One, two, three! Heave!"

As the last word rang out in the cold night air, Dan felt himself being flung into space. He was falling, falling, falling through the dark, his speed increasing with every second. He felt a tug at his feet and knew that the heavy weight was tied to the end of the rope. There was a sudden jerk as he crashed into icy cold water. The waves closed over him as he was still dragged downwards. He had been flung into the sea with a 16-kg cannon-ball tied to his feet.

Dan held his breath. He must get free quickly or die. He slit open the sack and struggled to free his legs from the heavy iron ball. His lungs seemed to be bursting. Gathering all his strength, he bent double and slashed through the rope around his ankles. It dragged him down towards the sea-bed. Along with it, the sack which he thought would nearly become his shroud*. Dan shot upwards. As soon as he surfaced, he gulped life-saving draughts of air into his lungs. He was worried. He quickly gazed upwards at the towering cliff from which he had made such a terrifying descent. He dived below the surface and swam away from the cliff while holding his breath for as long as he could before resurfacing for a gasp for air. Several times he repeated this manoeuvre until he felt certain that he was not being watched.

*a cloth used for wrapping a dead body

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He swam on and on. The hope of freedom, stronger with every passing minute, spurred him on to greater efforts. Hour after hour, he put greater distance between himself and the island-prison. At long last, he reached the shelter of a small rocky island. Despite his fatigue he swam around it to make sure it was uninhabited. He dragged himself out of the water,found himself shelter from the wind between two tall rocks and immediantely fell asleep.

Adapted from The Count of Monte Cristo by Alexandre Dumas

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 Why was Dan unable to see what was happening around him?

_____

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72 Explain clearly what the purpose of the 16-kg canon ball was.

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73 In line 18 what did the writer mean by "His lungs seemed to be bursting"?

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74 How did Danfree himself?

75 What does "It" in line 20 refer to ?

76 Which four-word phrase from lines 19-22 tells us that Dan thought he would not survive the ordeal he was in ?

77 In line 22,Dan was "worried". Why was he worried?

78 Which two-word phrase from lines 23-26 clearly describes that Dan had been thrown from a great height?

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79 How did Dan ensure that he would not get caught after escaping from the sack?

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80 Why did Dan have to drag himself out of the water?

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
Q	E	C	H	M	B

41)awake 42)physically 43)apparently 44)hectic 45)receives

46)lost 47)organises 48)experience 49)solution 50)influence

51)boat 52)After 53)distance 54)breathe 55)attract

56)bait 57)filled 58)meal 59)cordon 60)ensure

61)in 62)captured 63)hoisted 64)board 65)water

66)His anxiety causes him to lose sleep.

67)A charity drive is being organised by the pupils to raise funds for Rainbow Home.

68)Preetha prefers collecting stamps to collecting stickers.

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69)Su Lin will not go to the party without her mother's consent.

70)Tom asked Mary if she had asked someone to help her water the plants the previous day.

71)He was trapped in a sack which prevented him from seeing what was happening.

72)It was very heavy. Hence, when it was tied Dan's ankle, it weight would drag Dan downwards from the cliff to the sea while also making it difficult for Dan to escape.

73)He had been holding his breath for a long time and desperately needed to breathe. Due to the lack of oxygen, he felt very uncomfortable as it was painful, thus his lungs seemed to be bursting.

74)He gathered all his strength and split open the sack, bent double and slashed through the rope around his ankles which the 16-kg cannon ball was tied to, to free himself.

75)It refers to the 16-kg cannon ball.

76)The phrase is "nearly become his shroud".

77)He was worried that the guards might have heard or seen him escape as they would definitely capture him again if they knew that he was still alive.

78)The phrase is "terrifying descent".

79)He dived below the surface an swam away from the cliff for as long as he could before resurfacing quickly for a gasp of air to make sure that he could not be easily seen by the guards or he might get caught.

80)He as very exhausted.

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