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2009 Semestral Assessment 2

14 September, 2009

English Language

Paper 3 Listening Comprehension

Duration of Paper : 1 hour

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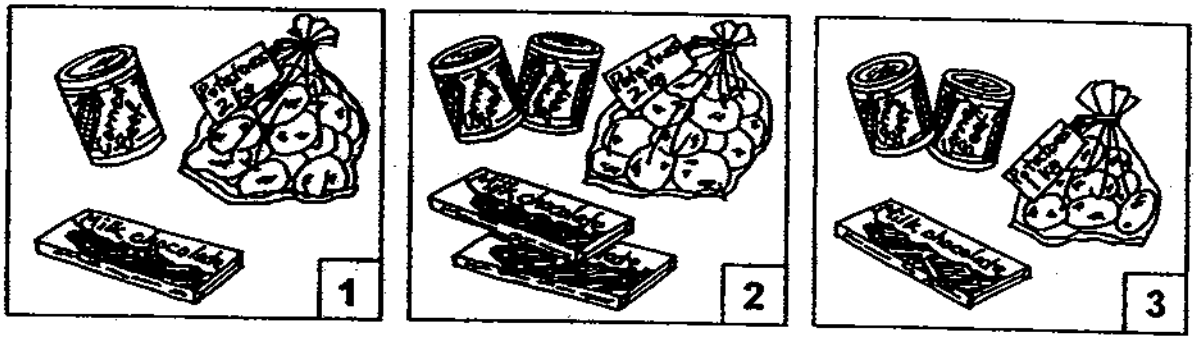
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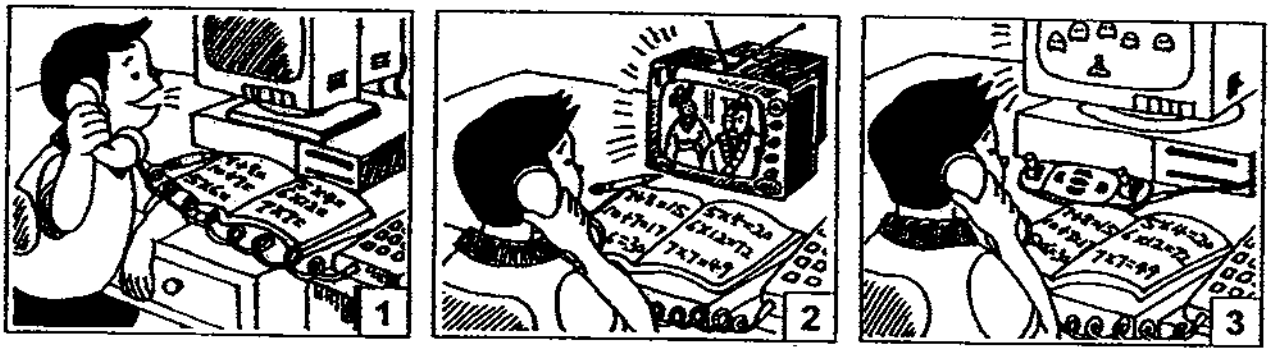
Text 1

Q1. Which picture shows the items that Edward was supposed to buy?



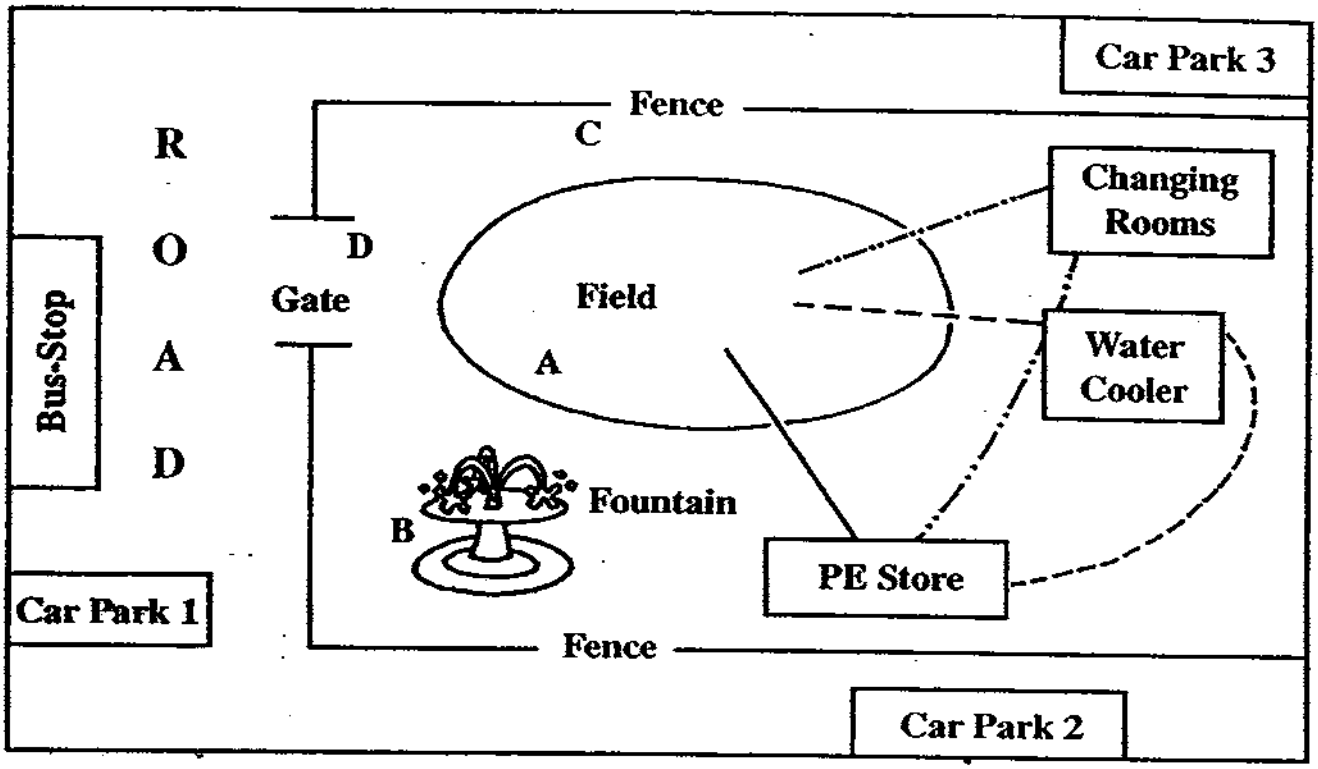
Text 2

Q2. What was John doing when his mother called?



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Text 3



Q3. Where did Fandi and his friends meet their coach?

(1) A

(2) B

(3) C

Q4. Which route did Fandi take?

(1) ——————————

(2) —••—••—••—••

(3) – – – – – – – – – – – –

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Text 4

Q5. Before April, how many outlets of Chunky Chicky Restaurant were there?

(1) 5
(2) 6
(3) 7

Q6. Why is the Chunky Chicky Burger different from other burgers?

(1) The chicken meat used is processed.
(2) The chicken is marinated with spices and herbs.
(3) The chicken meat used is fresh and juicy.

Q7. How is the meat at Chunky Chicky's Restaurant made tasty?

(1) It is marinated with different types of herbs and spices.
(2) It is processed first.
(3) It is made into patties.

Q8. Which word in the advertisement tells you that the chef's recipe is his own?

(1) Secret
(2) Blend
(3) Original

Text 5

Q9. Where was Mr Bala when he heard the commotion?

(1) He was outside his store.
(2) He was in the store.
(3) He was at the car park.

Q10. What did Mr Bala see when he stepped out of his store?

(1) Two men arguing.
(2) Children quarrelling.
(3) His money missing.

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Q11. When did Mr Bala realise that he had been robbed?

(1) He saw his cash register emptied of its contents.
(2) He saw the men fleeing in their cars.
(3) He saw the culprit.

Q12. Who were the two men in the car park?

(1) Accomplices
(2) Delivery men
(3) Car park attendants

Text 6

Q13. What time will the training end?

(1) 3.30pm
(2) 2.15pm
(3) 1.30pm

Q14. What must the Science monitors bring with them for the training session?

(1) Stationery and notebook
(2) Notebook, consent form and bag
(3) Stationery, notebook and consent form

Q15. Where will the pupils leave their bags?

(1) In the library
(2) In the canteen
(3) In the science laboratory

Q16. Who selected the Science Monitors?

(1) The teachers
(2) The Science HOD
(3) The Science Laboratory assistant

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Text 7

Q17. What did the man steal?

(1) A goldfish and a cat
(2) A plastic container and a goldfish
(3) A cat and a plastic container

Q18. At how many places did he commit theft that night?

(1) One place
(2) Two places
(3) Three places

Q19. Why did the policemen approach the thief?

(1) They knew he had stolen a goldfish.
(2) They had seen him throwing away the container.
(3) They noticed that he was behaving suspiciously.

Q20. What other crimes had he committed before?

(1) Causing hurt
(2) Drug trafficking
(3) Armed robbery

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2009 Semestral Assessment 2

25 September, 2009

English Language

Paper 1

Duration of Paper : 1 hour 10min

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Part 1 : Situational Writing (15 marks)

Below is a banner you saw at a shopping mall.

CIRCUS FEVER... COME WATCH US!

- acrobatics
- juggling
- mime
- fire acts

SHOW Times:

14 & 15 June 2009 (Sat & Sun): 1 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm
17 – 20 June (Tues – Fri): 1 pm & 7 pm
21 & 22 June (Sat & Sun): 1 pm & 4 pm

Venue:

Open Plaza, Level 5
All are welcome.
ADMISSION IS FREE

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Your Task

You are supposed to plan a day's outing with your cousin, Joy. You are taking her out as it is her birthday on 14 June. She is only free to go out in the evening.

Write a letter to your cousin telling her about your plans for the day.

You are to refer to the banner for your letter.

In your letter, include the following information:

- what you plan to do for your cousin
- venue of activity
- date of activity and reason for your choice
- time of activity and reason for your choice
- what she can expect to see
- what makes this activity so attractive

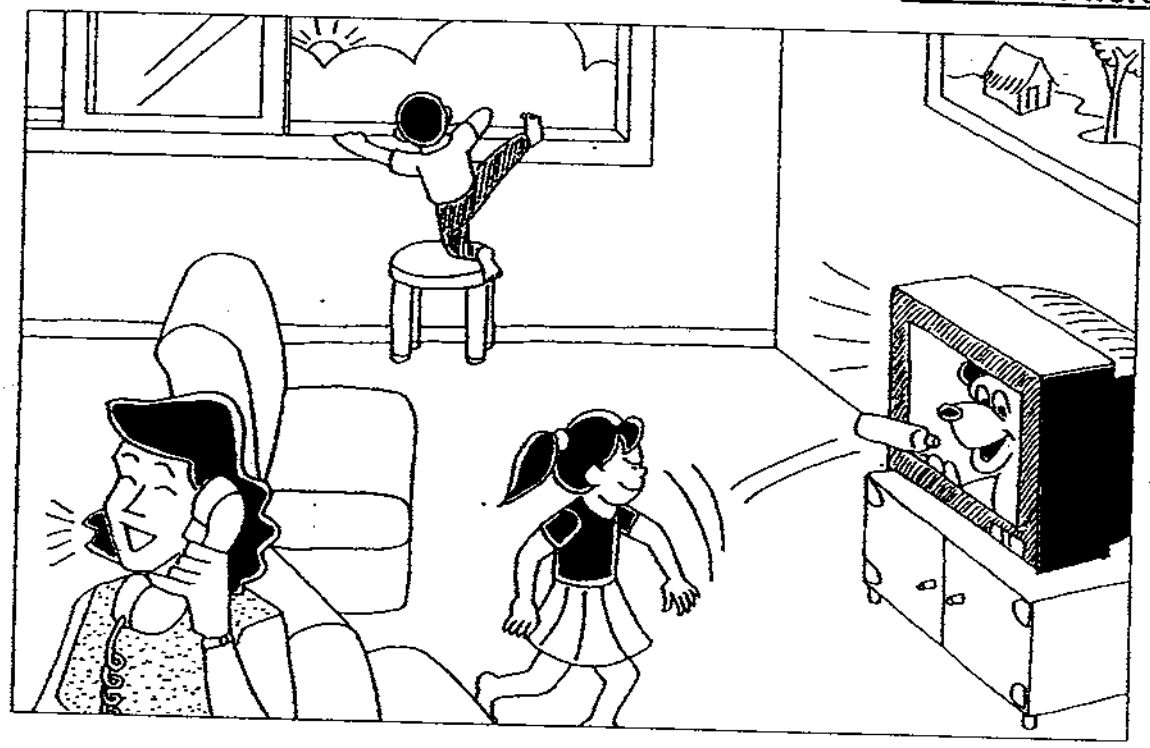
You may re-order the points. You should write in complete sentences.

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Part 2 : Continuous Writing (40 marks)

Answer Question 2 **or** Question 3.

Q 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 children were doing
- what happened next
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may include other relevant points.

Q3. You and your friends were having your dinner at a restaurant. Just then, there was the sound of shattering glass.

Based on the above situation, write a composition of at least **150 words** long.

In your composition, make use of the following points:

- What and who caused the sound
- What happened next
- What happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

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2009 Semestral Assessment 2

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English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

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Booklet A	30
Booklet B	65
Total	95

Parent's Signature: _____

This booklet consists of 11 pages.

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

Star Award of the year 2008!

New Sun Travel @ NATAS Fair 2009

Don't miss out on our latest promotions!

You can book your holidays with us at:

- NATAS Fair 2009
  Singapore Expo Hall 6, Booth 88
  (from 1 Sept to 6 Sept 2009) 10am to 6pm
- our new office at 25 New Bridge Road (from 11am to 5pm, Mon to Sat) Closed on Sunday
  Tel 6535 6011
- our website at www.newsuntravel.com.sg

Call our Hotlines from 11am to 5pm (Mon to Sat)
Asia and Cruise Holidays Hotline: 6535 6022
America Holidays Hotline: 6535 6033

- ***6D Fascinating Malaysia $688***
- ***7D Korea Fantasy $888***
- ***8D Charming Taiwan $988***
- ***10D Spectacular Japan $1488***
- ***10D Adventurous America $1888***

Lucky Draw

Lucky draw will be held at 25 New Bridge Road on 17 Oct 2009, Saturday, at 3pm

> The first 100 registrants (for packages of $2000 and above) will be eligible for our lucky draw .You stand to win fabulous travel vouchers!

Early Bird Special

5% discount for those who book with us on the first day of NATAS Fair!

We have moved!

Visit our new office at 25 New Bridge Rd S'pore 059413

Admission to NATAS Fair 2009 is free!
ALL ARE WELCOME!

****All senior citizens (above 55 yrs) are entitled to a complimentary Samsonite travel bag (worth $70) upon successful booking.***

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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 main objective of this advertisement is _____.

   (1) to attract people to take part in the lucky draw.
   (2) to attract people to sign up for the tour packages.
   (3) to inform the public of the company's new address.
   (4) to inform the public that the company is a star award recipient.

2. In order to participate in the Lucky Draw, people need _____

   (1) to spend a minimum of $2000 with New Sun Travel.
   (2) to sign up for any tour package with New Sun Travel.
   (3) to visit the Natas Fair 2009 at the Singapore Expo Hall.
   (4) to call up the hotline and register their interest in the Lucky Draw.

3. After reading the advertisement, Marilyn wants to book a tour package, but it is already 7 pm. What should she do?

   (1) She should call New Sun Travel's office.
   (2) She should go to the Singapore Expo Hall 6.
   (3) She should go personally to New Sun Travel's office.
   (4) She should book through the website @www.newsuntravel.com.sg

4. Mr Tan and his wife are keen to sign up for a tour package. Their total budget is $1500 or below. Which tour in the advertisement should they book?

   (1) Korea Fantasy
   (2) Charming Taiwan
   (3) Spectacular Japan
   (4) Fascinating Malaysia

5. Based on the advertisement, which one of the following statements is **not** true?

   (1) New Sun Travel's office is open daily from 11am to 5pm.
   (2) Senior citizens who book a tour package will receive a free gift.
   (3) The public does not need to purchase a ticket to visit the NATAS fair.
   (4) Those who booked on the first day of NATAS fair will enjoy a 5% discount.

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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. Only one of the girls _____ not attending the graduation ceremony tomorrow.

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

7. Mrs Tan's job application was _____ by the management as she did not meet the criteria.

(1) turned off
(2) turned out
(3) turned over
(4) turned down

8. They were ruthless people who _____ not hesitate to kill anyone who ruined their plans.

(1) must
(2) could
(3) would
(4) should

9. Sally failed the Science test _____ she studied very hard.

(1) if
(2) since
(3) because
(4) although

10. The police _____all the evidences and will make an arrest soon.

(1) has
(2) have
(3) is having
(4) were having

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11. Neither the pupils nor the class monitor _____ how to solve the problem sums, so they are not handing in their worksheets yet.
    (1) know
    (2) knew
    (3) knows
    (4) have known

12. The mischievous boy deliberately made the little girl _____ .
    (1) cry
    (2) cries
    (3) cried
    (4) crying

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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)

Everyone in the dining saloon seemed to be in high spirits, and animated conversations raised the usual noise level. I tried a raw oyster for an appetizer. The next course of cream of barley soup was more to my liking. Strange. My hand seemed perfectly steady, and yet I spilled part of my cream of barley soup. It was as though there was a jolt, and the hot soup just slopped right over the edge of my spoon.

"Are the seas beginning to get rough **(13)**" I wondered.

After dinner, I returned to my cabin, when there was a sudden knock on my door. It was Robert. His eyes looked urgent.

"Good evening, Miss Brady. You need to put on something warm and report to the Boat Deck immediately." Sensing my hesitation, he raised his voice, "Please. There is no time to waste! Hurry **(14)** Before Robert left, he said calmly, "Please help me inform these people **(15)** Mr Hollings, Mrs Carstairs and Miss Smith."

After Robert had left, I swiftly put on my old brown sweater and stepped outside the cabin. The sudden exposure to the icy air made me suck in a short breath.

Adapted from *'My Story - Titanic'* by Ellen White

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

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

15. (1) [:] colon
    (2) [,] comma
    (3) [;] semi-colon
    (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. Since the soldiers had already depleted their food supply and ammunition, they had to _____.

(1) advance
(2) attack
(3) retaliate
(4) retreat

17. The pompous secretary _____ into the room arrogantly and ordered us around as if she were the boss of the company.

(1) sauntered
(2) shuffled
(3) strolled
(4) swaggered

18. During the Great Singapore Sale, many shoppers _____ with one another to get to the bargain counters.

(1) huddled
(2) jostled
(3) mingled
(4) ruffled

19. Jane is not _____ for the bursary as her father's income exceeds the limit that has been set.

(1) eligible
(2) entitled
(3) legible
(4) liable

20. Compared to a conventional car, one major advantage of a hybrid car is its low carbon _____

(1) reaction
(2) emission
(3) admission
(4) transmission

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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)

The day, which had begun in golden light, quickly grew grey and threatening. The wind began to blow with winter's (21) bite. The road we were travelling on was covered with shale and gravel. The road snaked beside a plunging river and then rose steeply along the slope. To the left were a few (22) scraggly spruces and larches to catch us if we fell. Blaze began to whine and dig (23) frenziedly at the side of the road with his paws.

Suddenly, Annot let out a (24) stifled shriek and stumbled back. The road ended, crumbling away a mere yard in front of her. She crouched down and (25) clutched Blaze as though he were an anchor.

We saw far below us, a foaming river. I threw a rock and watched it fall. The splash of its landing was lost in the roar of the rapids below.

Adapted from *'Nightwalker'* by K.V. Johansen

21. (1) cold
(2) frost
(3) sting
(4) touch

22. (1) creeping
(2) large
(3) thick
(4) thin

23. (1) constantly
(2) enthusiastically
(3) repeatedly
(4) wildly

24. (1) loud
(2) piercing
(3) screeching
(4) suppressed

25. (1) cuddled
(2) embraced
(3) gripped
(4) secured

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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

The next evening, we followed the passageway for about fifteen paces farther when we suddenly came to an elaborately painted door. Very slowly and gently, the massive stone raised itself, till at last, it had vanished altogether; and a dark hole presented itself to us. I began to ask myself, "Would it prove a hoax after all? Or perhaps, Old Silvestra was right. There were vast hoards of wealth stored in this dark cave?" I hesitated. The rest, however, had announced their intention of proceeding into the cave instantly.

"Let's go in," said Henry solemnly, trying to look as though he was not at all alarmed. He politely made way for me to lead the rest, for which I inwardly did not bless him.

"Look here!" shouted Goldie.

We followed Goldie's finger. Across the threshold lay a goat-skin bag that appeared to be full of pebbles. Goldie stooped down and lifted it. It was heavy and jingled.

"I believe it's full of diamonds,' he said in an awed whisper.

"Hurry up! Give me the lamp," said Henry impatiently. Taking it from Gogool's hand, he stepped through the doorway and held it high above his head. We followed Henry and soon found ourselves in Solomon's treasure chamber.

At first, all that the somewhat faint light given by the lamp revealed was a room hewn out of the living rock. On one corner of the room was a long granite table on which were many glistening crystals. Next, there came into sight, stored one on the other, as high as the roof, a splendid collection of elephant tusks. There alone, was enough ivory before us to make a man wealthy for life. Perhaps, I thought, it was from this very store that Solomon drew his material for his 'great throne of ivory'.

On the opposite side of the chamber were a score of wooden boxes. "There are the diamonds!" I cried excitedly. Henry held the lamp close to the top box. I pushed my hand through the hole in the lid. However, I drew out a handful, not of diamonds, but of gold coins. There must be a couple of thousand pieces in each box and there were eighteen boxes!

Against the wall were placed three stone chests. Two were fitted with stone lids, while the lid of the third was opened. We held our breath and walked closer to the

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third chest. A silvery sheen dazzled us. **All of us squinted for a while.** When our eyes got used to it, we saw that the chest was three-quarters full of uncut diamonds!

"We are the richest men in the whole world!" I shouted.

"And we shall flood the market with diamonds!" Goldie added.

We smiled at each other, with the lamp in the middle, and the glimmering gems below. Thus, we set to work to pull up the stone lids of the other chests - not without a feeling of sacrilege, breaking the seals that fastened them. Hooray! They were full to the brim with diamonds; well, at least, the second one was. As for the first chest, it was about a quarter full. Before us were millions of pounds' worth of diamonds and thousands of pounds' worth of gold coins and ivory, only waiting to be taken away!

Just then, Foulata's cry came ringing up the vaulted path. "Oh! Help! Help! The rock is falling!" Hurriedly, we ran down the passageway and saw the rocky door of the cave slowly closing down. Just as we were reaching the massive door of solid rock, it was shut – all done in five seconds. We stood with pale faces and stared at each other. "We are now trapped in Solomon's treasure chamber," I gasped.

Adapted from '*King Solomon's Mines*' by Rider Haggard

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26. In the first paragraph, what caused the writer to hesitate about entering the cave?

(1) He was afraid of the dark.
(2) He was not keen to find any treasure.
(3) He was uncertain of the existence of Solomon's treasure.
(4) He was afraid that the massive stone door of the cave will close suddenly.

27. The word **"solemnly"** (line 8) means _____.

(1) fearfully
(2) excitedly
(3) seriously
(4) anxiously

28. "All of us squinted for a while." (line 32) Why do you think the men squinted?

(1) It was too dark in the chamber to see clearly.
(2) The glare of the diamonds blinded them temporarily.
(3) They were very excited when they saw the diamonds.
(4) The lamp which Henry was carrying was too bright.

29. According to the passage, the diamonds were eventually found_____

(1) in the stone chests
(2) in the goat-skin bag
(3) on the granite table
(4) in the wooden boxes

30. Based on the passage, which one of the following statements is **true**?

(1) The writer was the first one to find the diamonds.
(2) Two of the stone chests were fastened with seals.
(3) There were eighteen wooden boxes of diamonds altogether.
(4) Henry was the only one holding the lamp throughout the search.

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25 September, 2009

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet B

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

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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) and	(D) but	(G) in	(K) on	(N) which
(B) being	(E) for	(H) into	(L) over	(P) with
(C) beneath	(F) from	(J) of	(M) towards	(Q) until

The desert seemed radiant and beckoning. After an hour 31) _____ euphoric rambling, I realised I had no idea where I was. I looked for footprints, but 32) _____ my feet was hard-baked earth. There were no landmarks and I had left no trail. I had no water or food and was shaking with cold – Saharan nights 33) _____ as brutally frigid as the days are blisteringly hot. After a good hour of lurching 34) _____ the featureless landscape, I saw a fire in the distance. Coming closer, I recognized the figure of a Wodaabe tribesman, his lean body draped 35) _____ white robes, head encircled by a turban.

As I approached the man, he looked up in surprise. I was a shocking sight: a lone woman staggering 36) _____ the darkness in safari trousers and hiking boots. I extended my hand to the man, mumbling the native greeting. He took my hand and led me to the fire, gesturing 37) _____ me to sit on the ground. Then he poured me a glass of sweet tea, speaking soothingly in his language.

I spoke some French, 38) _____ he just stared at me. I had no idea if he understood. After drinking tea in silence, my host rose and beckoned to me. He took my hand and I followed the softly billowing whiteness of his robes 39) _____ the night. We walked together like that for about thirty minutes, 40) _____ a cluster of mosquito nets loomed. It was utterly miraculous that he had found the small encampment in the darkness of the empty desert!

Adapted from *"Act of Chivalry in the Desert Night"* by Amanda Jones

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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)

Despite her usually retiring nature, Soo Lu's anger was quick to 41) **eeknight**.

"Well then, if we're going to be totally honest after all these years, why don't you admit that you always hated Carole because she wasn't taken in 42) with your so-called sophistication! She called your bluff more than once and you never forgave her for it!"

Soo Lu's cheeks were red 43) to embarrassment and her eyes were 44) **sarspeesiously** bright at her unwontedly bold speech. She subsided 45) in silence, staring down at the hands 46) **klenshed** on her lap. She had not allowed herself the luxury 47) on saying exactly what she thought for years. Now, the aggression 48) when she found herself expressing quite took her breath away! As usual, Doreen found herself in the 49) **row** of peacemaker, although in the past it had always been to break off 50) **horstilities** between Joyce and Carole, with Soo Lu as the anxious by-stander.

Adapted from *"Reunion"* by Jenny Gay

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

As the sun sets, the jungle chorus begins. The insects, which 51)_____ a murmur in the background before, ramp up the volume, as different animals and birds begin their 52) _____. Just as the last sliver of the 53) _____ is visible, the drone bees exit the hive en masse with a faint roar. All colour 54) _____ the sky, and we are left in darkness. Nizam and his friend, Shukor, double-check their ropes and harnesses. They climb slowly and steadily; they have a long night ahead. Their ladder is 55) _____ together from bits of young tree nailed together. It is basically a pole running up parallel to the tree with rungs coming 56) _____ it every metre or so, nailed into the tree.

The climbers are soon out of sight as the darkness and the foliage 57) _____ them up. They reach the first branch, where the 58) _____ of the hives are and call down for the wooden torches. Lighted, these are attached to a rope and 59) _____ up the tree. The hunters shin out along the branch until they are above a hanging hive, then nail a piece of wood into the top of the branch.

The hunter holds on to this as he brushes the torch 60) _____ the hive. This sends a shower of sparks falling towards the ground, and the 61) _____ bees chase after the intruding sparks.

The bees 62) _____ on the forest floor in the darkness. And they will remain there 63) _____ it is light. Nizam cuts the hive open with a blade made from a cow's scapula. The honeycomb is dropped into a cow-hide bucket and 64) _____ to the forest floor. Hunters at the bottom of the tree grab the bucket. The process is repeated and the bucket keeps coming down full. Another group squeezes the honey out of the combs.

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In the lee of a large, overhanging boulder is a rice sack stretched over a wooden frame. The honey is 65) _____ through the sack and into plastic buckets. Over the next two nights, some 180 to 250 kilogrammes of honey will be harvested.

Adapted from *"The Honey Hunters" by* Charles Pertwee

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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. Ryan did not expect Leena to reply in that manner. He was shocked.

_____ so _____

that _____

67. We can sponsor the trip for everyone. We must raise sufficient funds.

Unless _____

_____

68. Raju asked, "How could the book have gone missing last Tuesday if you had kept it properly?"

Raju asked me _____

_____

69. Aisha is unable to overcome her stage fright. She has gone through several intensive speech and drama training sessions.

Despite _____

_____

70. Serena could have won the table-tennis match. She needed to be more focused.

If _____

_____

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

A crate addressed to us sat on the railway platform. Father and I hurried over and pried at the crate. Suddenly, out of it exploded a four-legged white burst of energy that nearly knocked us over as it streaked down the platform. The square-muzzled, lop-eared English setter had a silky white coat. It was flecked with charcoal and glowed eerily in the harsh platform light. The sight of it made me gasp. Father snatched the shipping tag on the crate and read the name "Vickie". "Vickie, come!" Father commanded. It gave a bark and immediately ran back to us. "Sit," ordered Father. Instantly, she sat. "She's well trained," Father said to me. I inched towards her to say "Hello". At my first touch, she erupted into an ecstasy of nuzzling, licking and yipping softly. Already, I thought of her as mine.

When we got home, Father announced, "Look what we found at the station!" Vickie repeated the same enthusiastic greeting, but she got a different reception. **Jimmy fled behind the couch.** Mother looked reproachfully at Father, as she picked Jimmy up. He clung to her neck, hiding his face in her shoulder. I was glad Jimmy was afraid of Vickie because she was going to be mine, not his. At almost eight, I knew I was more responsible and wiser.

Later, we found out that Vickie was left behind to us by my grandfather who had died a few weeks ago. He had bought Vickie earlier to be trained as a bird dog. Mother took a deep breath when Father explained this to her. "**Now, let's not get too fond of this dog.** She's beautiful but I have enough to do without having to care for a large animal." After much discussion and my pleading, my parents decided to try her for a month before deciding whether to keep her.

The next day, when Jimmy and I were building a snowman, Vickie snatched Jimmy's blue cap and began prancing away. Jimmy gave chase but Vickie remained out of reach. Soon Jimmy burst into tears and ran into the kitchen. Moments later, Mother appeared with Jimmy at the door and took the cap from Vickie, saying she was a bad dog. Vickie drooped, her muzzle sinking to her chest. When Mother went back into the house, Vickie bounded over and nuzzled against me, then against Jimmy too. She held no grudges. I felt jealous.

As the month flew by, Vickie behaved beautifully. Whenever Mother sat in her favourite chair, Vickie invariably plopped alongside, her muzzle resting on her foot. She also routinely fetched the daily newspaper for Father. When Jimmy and I quarrelled, she would intervene by woofing at us. She led Mother straight to Jimmy when he was stuck in the marsh behind

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our house.

One afternoon, Vickie proved her true devotion. Jimmy, who had gone to play with a neighbour, suddenly came running towards us, his eyes filled with terror. He was followed by two snarling German shepherds. Then he stumbled. The first dog was on him, snapping at his buttocks, while the second dog jumped about, barking fiercely. Just then, a white streak shot past us and catapulted into the fray – Vickie! The three dogs whirled about like a small tornado. Vickie, snipping and biting at the attackers, moved cautiously, always putting her body between them and Jimmy. Eventually, the two shepherds sprang away yelping.

Vickie did not give chase. She stood absolutely still, her tail switching slowly from side to side. She was trembling. Jimmy wriggled free of Father's grasp and ran to Vickie, throwing his arms around her neck. The dog nuzzled his face and licked his ear until Jimmy began to laugh. In the subsequent days, Vickie never left Jimmy's side. I was bothered by it and told him she was my dog, not Jimmy's, and I would not want to share her with him. Jimmy looked at me defiantly and cried that it was his dog, too. We bickered over the matter.

"He loves Vickie, too, Sheila. Just as you do," Mother's gentle voice startled me. Usually when Jimmy and I quarrelled, her tone was stern. "You don't have to compete for her," she continued, "**Vickie's love is big enough for all of us.** Love isn't divided when it's shared. It grows larger."

Adapted from *"Love Big Enough to Share"* by Sheila Pardoe

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. Whom did the crate come from?

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72. Why did the writer gasp when she first saw Vickie?

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73. Why did Jimmy hide behind the couch? (lines 11 - 12)

74. What word in the passage has the same meaning as the word "**ill-will**"?

75. **"Now, let's not get too fond of this dog."** (line 18). Explain why the writer's mother said this.

76. Explain why the writer felt jealous when Vickie nuzzled against Jimmy (line 27).

77. From paragraph 6, describe how Vickie protected Jimmy.

78. Why do you think Vickie was trembling (line 41)?

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79. **"Vickie's love is big enough for all of us"** (line 48). What do you think the writer's mother means by this sentence?

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80. In your opinion, what **two** qualities describe Vickie's character? Please use your own words.

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66)Leena's reply was so unexpected that Ryan was shocked.

67)Unless we raise sufficient funds, we cannot sponsor the trip for everyone.

68)Raju asked me how the book have gone missing the previous Tuesday if I had kept it properly.

69)Despite having gone through several intensive speech and drama training sessions, Aisha is unable to overcome her stage fright.
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70)If Serena was more focused, she could have won the table-tennis match.

71)It came from the writer's grandfather.

72)The author was amazed by the appearance of the beautiful dog.

73)He was afraid of the big dog and its barking.

74)The word is "grudges".

75)She did not plan to keep the dog as she had no time to took after it and hence did not want the family to become too attached to the dog.

76)She felt jealous as she was the first one to show love and care for Vickie unlike her brother, but the dog had continued to show his love to him too.

77)Vickie snipped and bit at Jimmy's attackers, always putting body between them.

78)She was exhausted after fighting fiercely with the two German shepherd.

79)Vickie loves all of them and belongs to all of them.
--- It means that Vickie will love them all the same and love them unconditionally.

80)Vickie is a smart and helpful dog.

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