HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

2011 SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION ONE

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PRIMARY THREE

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Section A: Vocabulary (8 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and shade your answers on the OAS provided.

1. Nicholas spent a lot of time pasting his children's photographs into a/an _____.

   1) album
   2) canvas
   3) dictionary
   4) portrait ( )

2. Frogs have an extra _____ that they flick across their eyes to clean them.

   1) disc
   2) eyelid
   3) muscle
   4) nostril ( )

3. During his Science Practical test, Tom mixed the two _____ to create a blue solution.

   1) antidotes
   2) chemicals
   3) materials
   4) virus ( )

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4. Clare cried _____ when she saw her dog run across the road and was knocked down by a van.

   1) aimlessly
   2) bravely
   3) hysterically
   4) swiftly ( )

5. Siti _____ the puddle of mud so she would not dirty her new pair of shoes.

   1) put down
   2) rinsed away
   3) skirted around
   4) took off ( )

6. Mrs Tan is _____ by her daughter's strange behaviour lately.

   1) attracted
   2) commented
   3) denied
   4) puzzled ( )

7. King Chulalongkorn wanted to help his people solve their _____ and difficulties.

   1) excitement
   2) happenings
   3) problems
   4) suspicion ( )

8. The boys lost their tennis match but received a _____ for their excellent performance and sportsmanship.

   1) certificate
   2) document
   3) report
   4) ticket ( )

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Section B: Grammar (8 x 1 mark)
Choose the most suitable answer and shade your answers on the OAS provided.

9. "_____ you had woken up earlier, you would have reached school on time," the teacher said to Dini.
   1) If
   2) Since
   3) Although
   4) Because ( )

10. Raj is the _____ boy in the family, as compared to his brother.
   1) helpful
   2) more helpful
   3) most helpful
   4) as helpful as ( )

11. That white car belongs to my _____. She bought it recently.
   1) sister
   2) sisters
   3) sister's
   4) sisters' ( )

12. _____ of the boys need to attend the beginner's swimming class. They all can swim very well.
   1) All
   2) Most
   3) None
   4) Some ( )

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13. The family of ducks _____ to the pond for a swim.

1) waddle
2) waddling
3) is waddling
4) were waddling ( )

14. Ryan ran away from his sister and hid _____ the storeroom.

1) between
2) in
3) on
4) through ( )

15. Andrea bought a _____ of rose for her mum on Mother's Day.

1) bouquet
2) clump
3) pair
4) stalk ( )

16. Singaporeans are very fortunate that earthquakes do not _____ here.

1) occur
2) occurs
3) occurred
4) are occurring ( )

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Section C: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1 mark)
Read the story and answer the questions that follow. Shade your answers on the OAS provided.

Two mice, Isaac and Mabel, were making their way home from school one day. To their horror, they met Gerald, a ferocious stray cat who lived in the dark dirty alley down the block. Gerald was famished and was starting to feel frustrated.

Mabel squeaked, "Watch out, Isaac! It's Gerald!"

The two mice were very frightened. They scurried quickly and tried to escape from Gerald by going into small crevices. Gerald gave chase, thinking about how delicious the mice would taste as his lunch.

Fortunately, Erika the dog appeared on time. Gerald gave a shriek at the sight of his arch enemy. He made a dash back into the alley. Erika gave the mice a wide grin.

"Erika, you are so brave! Thank you for rescuing us! Erika, you are truly fearless!" Isaac and Mabel thanked Erika again and again.

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17. Where were Isaac and Mabel going?
They were _____ .

1) going to school
2) walking down the block
3) returning home from school
4) making their way to the alley ( )

18. Gerald was feeling irritated because he _____ .

1) had to stay in the dark dirty alley
2) could not catch Isaac and Mabel
3) had not eaten for several days
4) wanted to be friends with Isaac and Mabel ( )

19. What did the two mice do to escape from Gerald?
They _____ to escape from Gerald.

1) hid in small holes
2) ran back to school
3) scurried to Erika
4) yelled for help ( )

20. Why did Gerald let out a shriek when he saw Erika?
He let out a shriek because _____.

1) he bumped into Erika
2) he was afraid of Erika
3) Erika was his good friend
4) Erika had caught the mice for him ( )

21. Erika smiled at Isaac and Mabel because she _____ .

1) was a fearless mouse
2) disliked the two mice
3) could eat them for her lunch
4) was happy that she had saved the two of them ( )

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Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)
Read the passage below. Choose the most suitable word from the box and fill in the blanks. Use each word ONCE only.

branches	streaks	disc	roots
hollow	flees	relative	tail

The agouti is a burrowing rodent or rat. It has brown fur with grey (22)_____ over its body. It is related to the guinea pig and they look quite similar except that the agouti has a shorter (23)_____.

The agouti is a shy animal and always (24) _____ from humans. It is most active in the day. It conceals itself during the night in the (25)_____ tree-trunks. Sometimes it also hides in its burrows among (26)_____.

Just like any other rats, an agouti buries lots of nuts as storage to be eaten later. However, the forgetful creature often cannot remember where it puts them.

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Section E: Grammar Cloze

Part I (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage below. Choose the most suitable word from the box and fill in the blanks. Use each word ONCE only.

some	all	several
most	none	a few

Mrs Brown was planning to bake an apple crumble. She looked into her cupboard and realised that she only had (27)_____ of the ingredients. She called Mr Brown and asked him to get (28)_____ apples, cinnamon powder and just (29)_____ packets of sugar.

When Mr Brown reached the supermarket, he had forgotten (30)_____ of the things that Mrs Brown had said. He called her and this time, he wrote (31)_____ her instructions down on a piece of paper. He could not wait to eat the apple crumble!

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Part II (5 x 1 mark)
Read the following passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word.

Vincent placed a piece of canvas on his easel. He thought (32)_____ what he wanted to paint. Then, he mixed the paints (33)_____ his palette.

First, he painted a vase. He did not like the vase to be empty so he painted a sunflower (34)_____ the vase. After some time, he had painted a whole bunch of them. Then, he signed his name (35)_____ the painting.

He decided to hang his painting on the wall (36)_____ to his other painting. Vincent loved his masterpiece.

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Section F: Editing (5 x 1 mark)
Read the passage carefully. Each of the underlined words contains a spelling error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes.

37. _____

Moses was a detective. He was at a stakeout outside a mesuem. He looked

38. _____

through his binoculars to observe a supicous looking lady.

39. _____

Moses watched her for a long time. The lady appeared to be having buisiness

meetings the whole day. Moses then followed her to a shoe shop. She chose a pair of

40. _____ 41. _____

sports shoes that looked ugly and hidieous. Then, she flexed her muscels! Moses could not

help but laugh.

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Section G: Synthesis (2 x 2 marks)
Rewrite the following pairs of sentences as one sentence without changing the original meaning.

42. Ali needed to get a present for his friend. He went to Gruffalo Shopping Centre.

_____ as

_____

43. The mastermind of the robbery has been arrested. His accomplice has been arrested too.

Both _____

_____

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Section H: Comprehension Open-ended (5 x 2 marks)
Read the passage carefully and answer the questions in complete sentences.

Eunice and her father were hiking up a mountain trail. The trail they had chosen was long and led to the top of the mountain. They had packed a picnic lunch and a few other supplies in their backpacks.

As they started up the trail, Eunice's father pointed out the many different flowers and trees. He showed Eunice the difference between the leaves of an oak tree and those of a maple tree.

"Look over there," Eunice whispered softly.

They had just turned a corner of the trail. A tiny baby raccoon stood to the side of the path. It appeared to be lost as it stumbled around frantically in the tall grass.

"Its mother must be close by. Do you think we should stop and watch it?" she asked.

Concerned, Eunice's father agreed. They had their lunch while waiting for the raccoon's mother. They also watched the tiny raccoon until it wore itself out and fell asleep. Not long after, they caught sight of a larger raccoon rushing through the bushes. It headed straight to the smaller one and sat down next to it.

Eunice and her father packed their bags and continued up the mountain. They knew the tiny raccoon was safe.

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44. Where were Eunice and her father going to?

45. Why did Eunice speak softly when she saw the baby raccoon?

46. How did they know that the baby raccoon was lost?

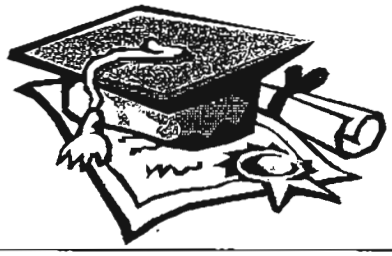
47. What did Eunice and her father decide to do before the mother raccoon came?

48. What kind of girl do you think Eunice is?

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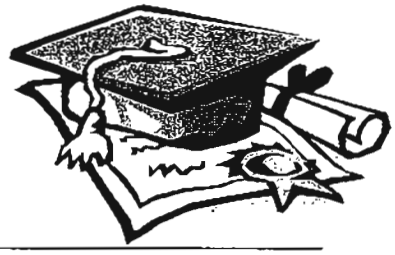


ANSWER SHEET

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1	2	2	3	3	4	3	1	2	2	1	3	3	2	4	1	3

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21
3	1	2	4

(22) streaks **(23) tail** **(24) flees** **(25) hollow** **(26) roots**

(27) some **(28) a few** **(29) several** **(30) most** **(31) all**

(32) about **(33) long** **(34) in** **(35) on** **(36) next**

(37) museum **(38) suspicious** **(39) business** **(40) hideous**

(41) muscles

(42) Ali went to Gruffalo Shopping Centre as her needed to get a present for his friend.

(43) Both the mastermind of the robbery and his accomplice have been arrested.

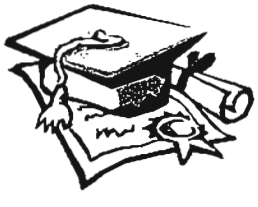
(44) They were going to the top pf the mountain.

(45) She did not want to disturb the baby raccoon.

(46) It was stumbling around frantically in the tall grass.

(47) They decided to have their lunch and wait for the mother raccoon to come.

(48) Eunice is a kind girl.



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