RED SWASTIKA SCHOOL

RED SWASTIKA SCHOOL

2011 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2

ENGLISH LANGUAGE – PAPER 2

LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION

PRIMARY 3

Name : _____

Class : Primary 3 / _____

Date : 28 Oct 2011

Note:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read carefully the instructions given at the beginning of each part of the booklet.
3. Do not waste time. If a question is difficult for you, go on to the next one.
4. Check your answers thoroughly and make sure you attempt every question.
5. In this booklet, you should have the following:
   a. Page 1 to Page 12
   b. Questions 1 to 43

43 Questions
48 Marks

Duration of Paper: 1 h 20 min

ITEMS	OBTAINED	POSSIBLE
MCQ		22
Qn 23 - 43		26
TOTAL		48

Parent's Signature: _____

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

SECTION A: Vocabulary (5 marks)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

1 Mr Lee started _____ around the metal cupboard, looking for his priceless watch.

(1) ferreting
(2) spying
(3) tracking
(4) prying

2 Mary finished three plates of chicken rice for dinner. We can see a _____ on her stomach.

(1) bulge
(2) mole
(3) pimple
(4) scar

3 Mr Lim checked himself into a nearby hotel to _____ from his creditors.

(1) get along
(2) get around
(3) get away
(4) get off

4 The lifeguard tried _____ to resuscitate the unconscious child but to no avail.

(1) barely
(2) desperately
(3) easily
(4) hardly

5 Danielle and Debby had been looking forward to Jackson's birthday party for weeks but when they finally attended the party, it turned out to be a/an _____.

(1) amusement
(2) contentment
(3) disappointment
(4) entertainment

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

SECTION B: Grammar (5 marks)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

6 "Hurry! The school bus _____ here," Mrs Lee said to her pupils.

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

7 The tickets were _____ expensive than I had expected. I could buy a ticket for everyone in the family with the money I had.

(1) any (2) less
(3) little (4) least

8 Jack went to the hospital _____ he had accidentally swallowed a coin.

(1) so (2) but
(3) and (4) because

9 "The tour guides from China do not speak English, _____ they?" Mrs Chan asked the agency.

(1) do (2) does
(3) don't (4) doesn't

10 Last week, _____ teenagers were arrested for participating in a gang fight.

(1) a lot (2) several
(3) a little (4) much

SECTION C: Punctuation (2 marks)

For each question from 11 to 12, identify the underlined section (1, 2, 3 or 4) which has a punctuation error. Shade its number on the OAS provided.

11 "Who can climb to the top of Mount faber first?" asked Benny.
(1) (2) (3) (4)

12 "Soon, we will reach the ferry terminal." Mrs Anderson said calmly.
(1) (2) (3) (4)

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

SECTION D: Graphic Stimulus (5 marks)

Read the advertisement carefully and answer the questions that follow. Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

Travel Fair 2011

Hong Kong Gorgeous November Getaways

You can make the best of your long weekends and school breaks by spending just under S$500.

$400

Hong Kong
3-Day Free and Easy

Includes return air ticket,
2-night stay at Manadee Hotel with daily breakfast and return in-coach airport transfer.

- **Free ticket to Ocean Theme Park**

$430

Hong Kong
5-Day Free and Easy

Includes return air ticket,
4-night stay at Yolex Hotel with daily breakfast and return in-coach airport transfer.

- **Free 1-day ticket to Hong Kong Disneyland**

$450

Hong Kong
6-Day Free and Easy

Includes return air ticket,
5-night stay at Halton Hotel with daily breakfast and return in-coach airport transfer.

- **Free 2-day ticket to Hong Kong Disneyland and Ocean Theme Park**

$490

Hong Kong
7-Day Free and Easy

Includes return air ticket,
6-night stay at Holiday Innx Hotel (5-star hotel) with daily breakfast and return in-coach airport transfer.

- **Free 2-day Macau cruise tour**

The first 50 people to sign up will get a S$20 discount.
Sale period: 2 September to 13 October
*Weekend Surcharge - Friday and Saturday surcharge at S$20 per room per night

CHINN TRAVEL PTE LTD
245 Newman Road, Mexx Shopping Centre, #04-03, Singapore 473245
Fax no: 6454 9999
For information regarding tour availability and itinerary, please e-mail
chinn_travel@chinntravel.com
or view our website www.chinn_travel.com

Do you know which flight to go on? Call our hotlines at 6459 9090 or 6459 9099 when in doubt

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

13 The travel period to Hong Kong at below S$500 is in _____ 2011.

(1) September
(2) October
(3) November
(4) December

14 Passengers will be travelling from the airport to the hotel by _____.

(1) aeroplane
(2) coach
(3) ship
(4) taxi

15 Mrs Leng is one of the first 30 customers to sign up for the promotion. She has selected the 6-day package tour. She would be paying _____ as she intends to travel alone.

(1) $400
(2) $430
(3) $450
(4) $470

16 The Tan family has selected the _____ package as they want to visit two theme parks in Hong Kong.

(1) six-day
(2) five-day
(3) three-day
(4) seven-day

17 Customers of Chinn Travel Pte Ltd can make enquiries about flight details by _____.

(1) calling the hotlines
(2) faxing the questions
(3) browsing the website
(4) emailing the company

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

SECTION E: Comprehension (5 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

Zimbabwe is one of the poorest nations in the world. Rebecca Jabone, who is thirteen, has a happy loving family and a good school despite the poverty of this nation.

The Jabone family lives in a hut with roofs made of zinc and floors made from dried cow dung. They use solar panels to generate their own electricity. There are fifteen people in the family so Rebecca always has someone to play with. Her family has a few animal friends. They are: a dog, some cats, some donkeys, some goats, some cows and a flock of sheep. The period between April and May is the busiest time of the year as all the family members would work together in the field to harvest their crops.

Rebecca studies in Sizinda Secondary School. She studies two languages, English and Ndebele, her father's language. She is also able to communicate in Shona, which is one of the national languages. Besides these two subjects, she also studies Mathematics, Commerce, Bible Knowledge, Fashion and History. Rebecca's father wants all her siblings to go to school. He said, "Without education, you will need to work very hard later in life."

Rebecca does well in her academic performance. She is always first or second in class. Her ambition is to be a flight attendant. She desires to see other countries and would like to invite many back to see the beauty of Zimbabwe.

Adapted from 'What's Up'

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

18 Rebecca Jabone's family lives in a hut with floors made of _____.

(1) cement
(2) dung
(3) straw
(4) zinc

19 Of all the animals that Rebecca has, there is only one _____.

(1) cat
(2) cow
(3) dog
(4) sheep

20 The whole family will help out in _____ between April. and May.

(1) harvesting the crops
(2) furnishing the house
(3) renovating the house
(4) tending to the animals

21 Rebecca Jabone studies _____ subjects in Sizinda Secondary School.

(1) five
(2) nine
(3) eight
(4) seven

22 According to the passage, why does Rebecca's father want all his children to attend school? He hopes that his children would _____.

(1) become flight attendants
(2) have a better life in future
(3) be farmers when they grow up
(4) always be first or second in class

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

SECTION F: Vocabulary Cloze (5 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to K) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

(A)	category	(B)	danger	(C)	decreasing	(D)	deep	(E)	discover
(F)	increasing	(G)	kind	(H)	navigate	(J)	safety	(K)	wide

Dolphins can be very sociable. They often travel in pairs or in groups called pods. Some pods can have as many as several hundred members. Dolphins speak with a _____ **(23)** vocabulary of over thirty sounds. They use squeals, clicks and whistles to tell others in the group who or where they are. Some also use these sounds to warn them of impending _____ **(24)**. Dolphins can use sounds to help them _____ **(25)** the surrounding area for food.

Dolphins also use their flippers to steer them through the water. They stroke one another, _____ **(26)** the social bond between them. They swim in synchrony, twisting, turning and swimming in perfect harmony. Dolphins are socially involved not only with their own _____ **(27)** but also in interacting with humans, like trainers or researchers. Their intelligence and capabilities to communicate with others make dolphins a unique animal in nature.

Adapted from www.dolpins-world.com

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

SECTION G: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE

(A) across	(B) along	(C) at
(D) in	(E) out	(F) up

Jeremy sped through two red lights. He hit a car which was parked _____ **(28)** Fu Chen Road. Jeremy narrowly missed hitting some pedestrians. He was spotted by the police. The police chased him. Jeremy was stopped _____ **(29)** the junction of Jasmine Road by a policeman, who asked him to step _____ **(30)** of his car. Jeremy refused to respond to the command. The policeman tried to open the door of his car. Jeremy put _____ **(31)** a fierce struggle when the policeman tried to arrest him. In the end, Jeremy was arrested and sentenced to five years in prison.

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

SECTION H: Synthesis and Transformation (2 marks)

For each question from 32 to 33, 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.

32 They visited Universal Studios. They had a lot of fun there.

_____ where

_____.

33 Kenny does not like scuba diving. His brothers do not like scuba diving.

Neither _____ nor _____

_____.

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

SECTION I: Comprehension Cloze (Open Ended) (5 marks)

Read the passage and fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Dear Roy,

I have just returned from Cambodia. I enjoyed my boat tour Lake at Tonle Sap the most. I saw an entire village on the lake. In the village, there were fishermen _____ **(34)** owned over 200 boat houses. There were two floating schools. One of the schools was spread over two boats and children were jumping from one _____ **(35)** to the other during a change of classes. I was greatly amused by this.

Just then, I saw a volleyball court on a boat. It was covered with nets at all sides to prevent the ball _____ **(36)** falling into the water. The children were _____ **(37)** a lot of fun on the court. I recalled the good times when we had our training sessions in the school volleyball court. I will show you the _____ **(38)** which I took with my camera once school reopens. I cannot wait for you to see them!

With love,

Dylan

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

SECTION J: Comprehension (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Write your answers in complete sentences.

The morning commuters were packed like sardines in an SBS bus.

"Mum, what is that?" a little girl seated behind the bus driver asked her mother. Her mother did not pay much attention to her as she was busy talking on her mobile phone.

"Mum, it's moving!" the girl shouted nervously.

This time, her mother took a glance and realised that it was a half metre-long python. She quickly grabbed the girl and shoved towards the middle section of the bus.

When the reptile slithered closer to the bus driver, it unnerved him. The driver stopped the bus and shouted, "I don't dare to drive!" Anxiously, he asked all the passengers to alight before calling for help. The commotion distressed the snake and it hid itself in a dark corner under a seat.

Help arrived within minutes. Two zookeepers arrived at the scene. When they found the snake, one of them took out a sack. One end of a pipe was attached to it. He placed the other end of the pipe near the snake. Amazingly, the snake slithered towards the pipe which led it into the sack. The witnesses applauded when they saw that the snake had been caught.

Adapted from SingaporeScene

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

39 What did the little girl see moving in the bus?

40 Why do you think the little girl's mother grabbed her and tried to move to the middle section of the bus?

41 What had caused the snake to hide itself in a dark corner?

42 What did the zookeepers use to catch the snake?

43 How did the witnesses feel when the zookeepers successfully captured the snake?

END OF PAPER

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

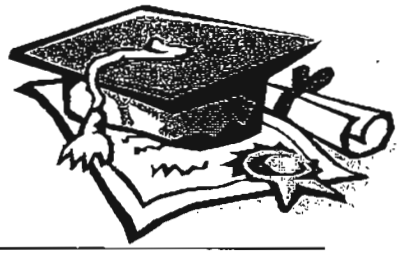


ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2011

SCHOOL : RED SWASTIKA
SUBJECT : PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

TERM : SA2



Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
1	1	3	2	3	2	2	4	1	2	2	2	3	2	2	1	1

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31
2	3	1	4	2	K	B	H	F	G	B	C	E	F

32)They visited Universal Studios where they had a lot of fun.

33)Neither Kenny nor his brothers like scuba diving.

34)who 35)boat 36)from 37)having 38)pictures

39)They little girl saw a snake moving in the bus.

40)The little girl's mother not want the little girl's get bitten by the snake.

41)The commotion of passenger who was alighting caused the snake to hide itself in a dark corner.

42)They used a sack and a pipe.

43)They felt very happy.

Downloaded from SingaKids.com