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HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
2012 SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION TWO
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY FOUR

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SECTION A: VOCABULARY (6 x 1 mark)
Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.
Then, shade your answers in the OAS provided.

1) The _____ is not a very big animal and can be easily tamed to be a household pet.
   (1) budgie
   (2) penguin
   (3) eagle
   (4) ostrich
   ( )

2) Kim _____ at Min and exclaimed, "She's the one who started the argument first!"
   (1) exposed
   (2) faced
   (3) pointed
   (4) turned
   ( )

3) The _____ of the crayfish protects it from predators.
   (1) carapace
   (2) feathers
   (3) hair
   (4) scales
   ( )

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4) Ethan warned his classmates to _____ as there was a snake in the bush in front of them.
(1) keep on
(2) keep with
(3) keep back
(4) keep down

( )

5) Dom, the elder of the siblings, is not very healthy but his sister is _____
(1) hardy
(2) powerful
(3) robust
(4) vigorous

( )

6) A _____ volcanic eruption under an Iceland glacier has claimed many lives and caused extreme damages to property.
(1) destructive
(2) distinctive
(3) poisonous
(4) rewarding

( )

SECTION B: GRAMMAR (8 x 1 mark)
Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets. Then, shade your answers in the OAS provided.

7) "We _____ in the sun when we saw those giant killer waves," exclaimed Rachel and Joy.
(1) basked
(2) are basking
(3) was basking
(4) were basking

( )

8) Ibrahim has to ensure that his group members divide the work equally among _____.
(1) herself
(2) himself
(3) themselves
(4) ourselves

( )

9) Hwee En _____ going to help out at the fund raising event this afternoon.
(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

( )

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10) "_____ islands used to be inhabited," said Nicholas as he pointed to the pictures on the wall near to him.
(1) This
(2) That
(3) These
(4) Those ( )

11) Aunt Tasha likes to keep many of her old things. There is not _____ space left in the house for another wardrobe.
(1) little
(2) many
(3) much
(4) some ( )

12) Sharmaine _____ alarmed when she heard the horrible news.
(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were ( )

13) "The workers _____ the broken chairs with the tools right now," Mr Tan told his boss
(1) mend
(2) mended
(3) is mending
(4) are mending ( )

14) Chloe _____ the parcel on the dining table yesterday afternoon.
(1) left
(2) was leaving
(3) has left
(4) had left ( )

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SECTION C: COMPREHENSION MCQ (5 x 2 marks)
Read the following passage carefully.

Fast food is becoming more popular among teenagers and young children. To these young people, fast food is quick and affordable: In addition, hamburgers, fried chicken and carbonated drinks suit the taste of the young.

Fast food outlets are a favourite meeting place for the young generation. They can listen to music as well as chit-chat with friends. The all conditioned dining hall also attracts students to study there. Moreover, the outlets serve as convenient get-away places for them from the overcrowded shopping centres. In addition, these outlets are more hygienic than many hawker centres.

Some of the fast food outlets in Singapore provide a variety of burgers, pizzas and drinks at affordable prices. Each burger contains mainly proteins, carbohydrates and vitamin-rich greens. Other outlets serve fried chicken with coleslaw, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables and buns.

Fast food is considered unhealthy even though it is cheap and contains nutrition from the main food groups. This is because it is often fried. As a result, the food is high in saturated fat. The carbonated drinks are usually sweetened with sugar which is bad for the teeth and stomach.

Despite all the disadvantages of fast food, many young people still frequent these places. Eating out at fast food outlets has become **part and parcel** of their lives.

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Answer the following questions. Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets. Then, shade your answers in the OAS provided.

15) Why do teenagers and children enjoy eating fast food?
They enjoy eating fast food as _____.
(1) they want to be part of a popular trend
(2) they feel that the food is less tasty than the food sold in hawker centres
(3) the food are the only ones that are suitble for them
(4) the food sold are priced at a suitable price range for most of them ( )

16) Fast food restaurants are favourite 'gathering' places for the young because _____.
(1) many studients are studying there
(2) they can relax and talk to one another there
(3) it is very crowded so they can meet more people
(4) the restaurants would play songs that they detest ( )

17) How do fast food restaurants ensure that the food that they serve is a well-balanced meal for the young?
They serve _____.
(1) their food only as set meals
(2) food that are high in saturated fats
(3) the meals with drinks that are unsweetened
(4) food that contain the nutrition from the main food groups ( )

18) We should refrain from eating too much fast food as _____
(1) they are too much proteins in it
(2) there are no nutrients in the food
(3) they can be detrimental to our stomach and teeth
(4) food served at hawker cetres is more hygienic ( )

19) What does the phrase 'part and parcel' mean?
It means that _____.
(1) we would get a present as part of the meal
(2) is has become an inseparable part of something
(3) the food will be packed in a parcel when we place our orders
(4) a little something is taken away from the food that is purchased ( )

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SECTION D: GRAMMAR CLOZE (8 x 1 mark)

(A) 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 A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) them	(B) us	(C) I
(D) me	(E) they	(F) my

Dear Diary,

Last week, I attended a Primary 4 camp with my classmates. It was (20)_____ first camping trip and I was very excited. At the camp, the camp leader came to address (21)_____ He and his team mates welcomed all the participants and said that (22)_____ hoped we would enjoy our time in the camp.

My friends and (23) _____ learnt to take care of one another during the camp. We also learnt to work together. I truly enjoyed my first camping experience!

Love,
Mikail

(B) Read the passage carefully. <u>Underline</u> the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

The crocodile is an amazing reptile. It can (24) [lie / lies] motionless and half-submerged in muddy water for many hours. It (25) [look / looks] like a log of wood. Some hunters (26) [has / have] made the mistake of stepping on the 'log of wood' only to (27) [realise / realised] a little too late that it was a crocodile. This has alerted these hunters who are now more careful when they are out on their hunting trips.

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SECTION E: COMPREHENSION CLOZE (4 x 1 mark)
Read the passage carefully and fill in the blank with a suitable word.

In folklore, fairies are magical beings who often meddle in human affairs, sometimes in a friendly way, sometimes mischievously. Fairies (28)_____ now usually associated with children's stories, and are kind, beautiful and tiny. However, that was not always so. Fairies in the (29)_____ were feared as dangerous and powerful beings that could often be very cruel.

Fairies would carry children and adults off to Fairyland. Long ago, Fairyland (30)_____ often very frightening and not as beautiful and magical as it is in stories today. People could not return from Fairyland if they ate or (31) _____ anything there. There have been rumours of the existence of Fairyland but nobody really knows for sure if it really does exist.

SECTION F: SYNTHESIS (2 x 2 marks)
Combine the pairs of sentences as one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the given ones.

32) The pupils were not tired after the learning journey. Their teacher was not tired after the learning journey.

Neither _____

_____

33) The fans queued for the concert tickets. The queue was extremely long.

Although _____

_____

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SECTION G: Open-ended Comprehension (5 x 2 marks)
Read the following script carefully.

Narrator: Papa Giovanni was very tired. A drought the previous summer had destroyed most of hid crops, leaving very little to eat, let alone sell, Yet, somehow, his family had kept food on the table through the cold winter. Papa Giovanni and his eldest son had worked odd jobs in town. His wife, Marcella, had awakened at five o'clock every morning to gather eggs and milk the cows. His second son, Nico, had delivered fresh milk and eggs to neighbours while his daughter, Francesca, had tutored the children. Now, it was spring but the rolling hills were not covered with lush green grass and budding trees. They were brown. Looking at the parched earth and sniffing the dusty air, Papa Giovanni knew he had to do **something**. That evening, as the family ate a simple meal of plain pasta, Papa Giovanni gazed sadly at their tired faces.

Papa Giovanni: We don't have enough money to buy seeds. And even if we did, we don't have enough water to grow them. I'm sorry to say that this farm can no longer support our family.

Marco, you are my eldest son. I must ask you to leave home and look for a job, When you get the job, please send money home until we get rain.

Marco: I'll do my best, Papa.

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Answer the following questions in <u>complete sentences.</u>

34) What happened to Papa Giovanni's crops?

_____

_____

35) How did Marco help his family survive the cold winter?

_____

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36) Which word in the passage has the same meaning as growing?

_____

_____

37) What decision does the word something' in the passage refer to ?

_____

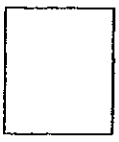
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38) Why did Marco have to work until it rained?

_____

_____

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24)lie 25)looks 26)have 27)realise 28)are

29)past 30)was 31)drank

32)Neither the pupils nor their teachers are tired after the learning journey.

33)Although the queue was extremely long, the fans queued for the concert tickets.

34)Most of his crops were destroyed by a drought the previous summer.

35)Marco and his father had worked odd jobs in town to help their family survive the cold winter.

36)The word is "budding".

37)It refers to Papa Giovanni deciding that Marco, his eldest son, must leave home and look for a job to support the family.

38)Marco have to work in order to sent money to his family to buy seeds, and the rain will water the seeds.

End

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