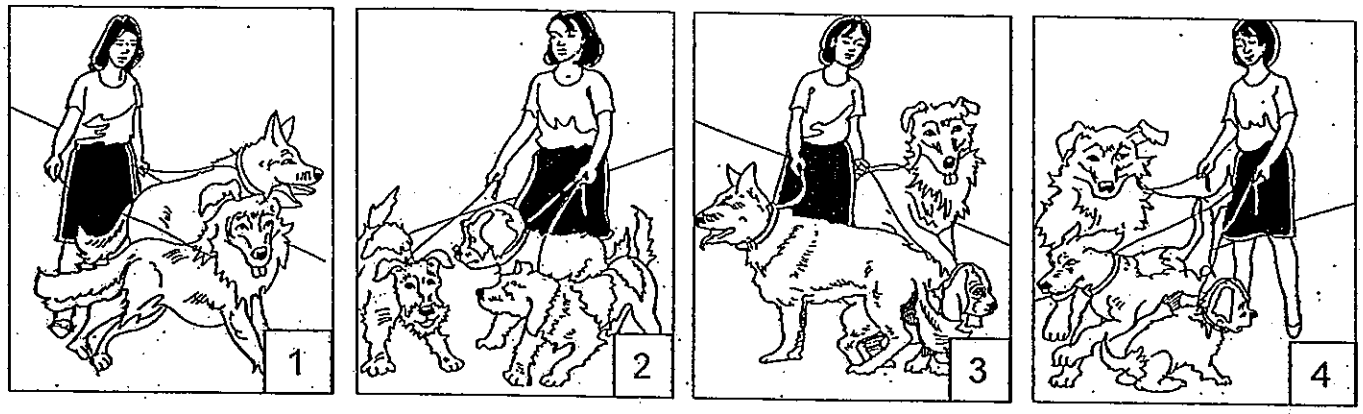
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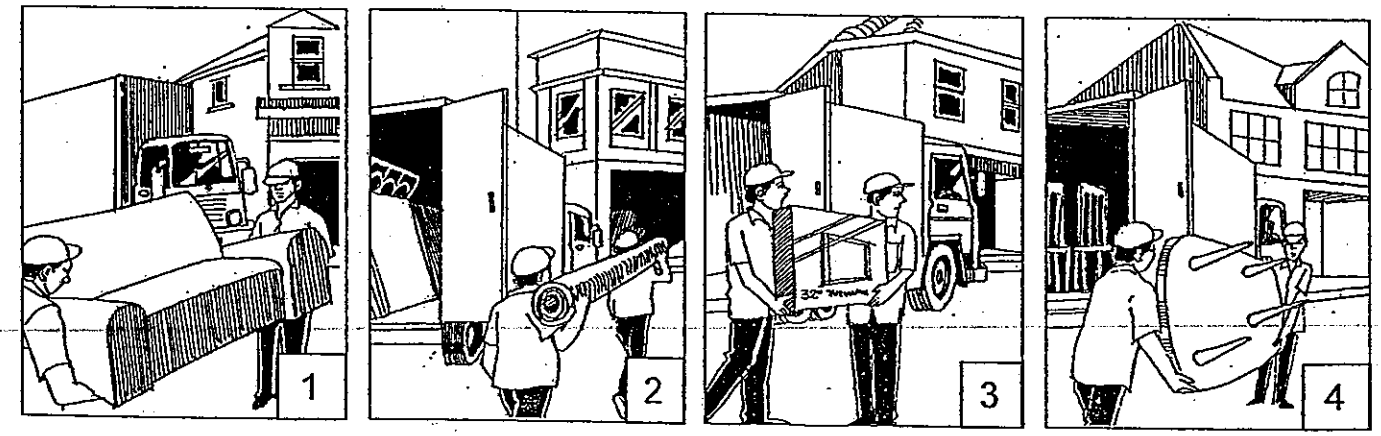
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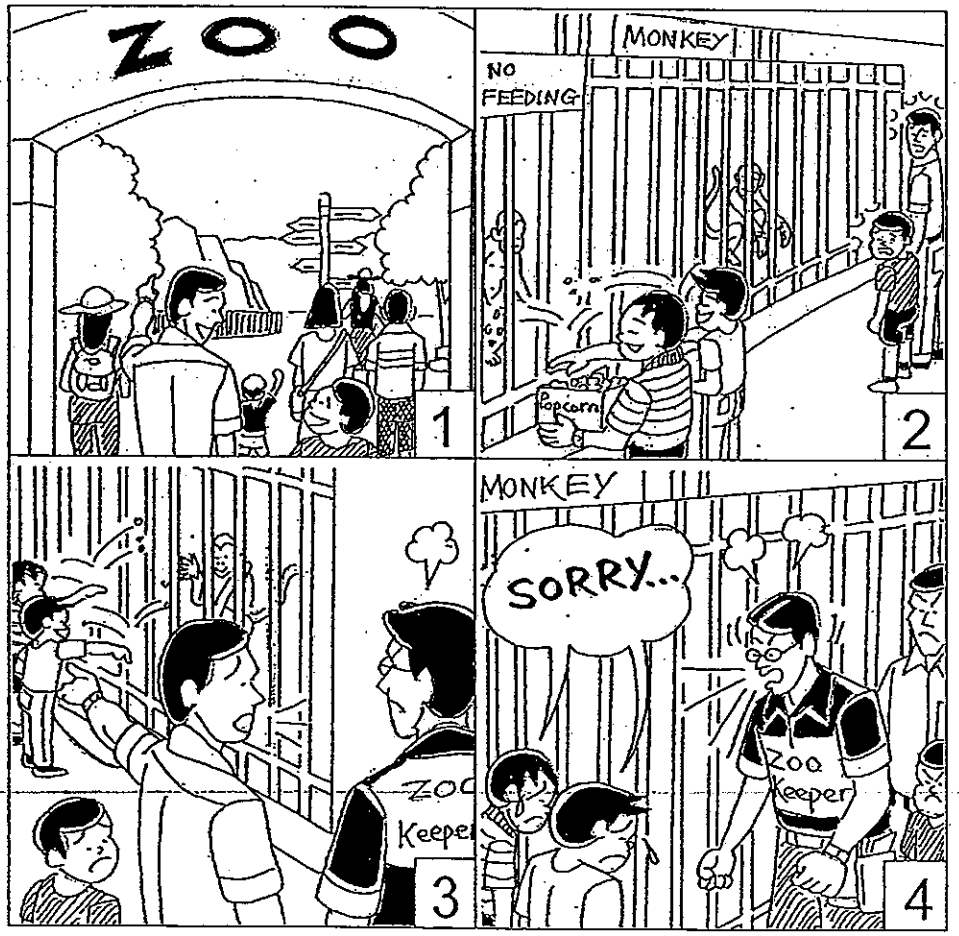
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Story Writing

Choose either Question 1 or 2.

Question 1.

Look at the pictures below carefully. Write a story of at least 50 words based on the pictures. You may make use of the helping words provided.

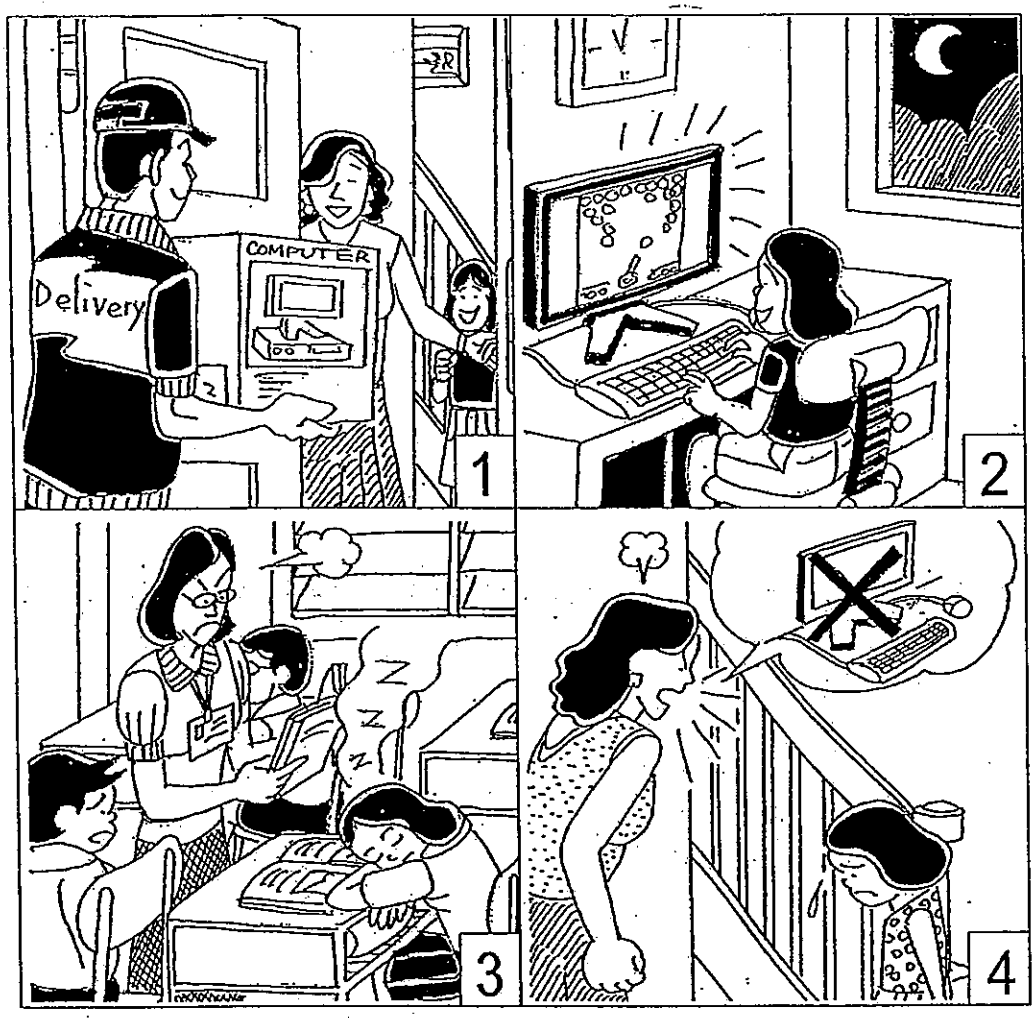


visit	naughty	no feeding	threw popcorn	zookeeper
angry	informed	apologised	regretted their actions	felt ashamed

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Question 2.

Look at the pictures below carefully. Write a story of at least 50 words based on the pictures. You may make use of the helping words provided.



delivery man	a new set of computer	stayed up all night	computer games	tired and sleepy
teacher	informed	reprimanded	stopped her from playing	regretted

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BOOKLET A

Section A (15 marks)

For each question from 1 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The villagers poured the oil _____ the magic porridge pot.

   (1) into
   (2) above
   (3) under
   (4) through

2. The girls were told to file their worksheets _____ the pink and green dividers.

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

3. Aunt Fatimah took the pan _____ the stove and placed it on the dining table.

   (1) at
   (2) on
   (3) off
   (4) into

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4. The old lady patted the little girl's head and smiled _____ at her.

(1) broadly
(2) fiercely
(3) unwillingly
(4) ridiculously

5. The chef used the _____ chopped onions and garlic to prepare his dish.

(1) finely
(2) calmly
(3) heavily
(4) suddenly

6. Baby birds cannot fly. So, their mother has to feed _____.

(1) it
(2) us
(3) her
(4) them

7. Faris needed something special to wear to the ceremony so he went to the mall to buy _____ a new shirt.

(1) itself
(2) herself
(3) himself
(4) themselves

8. "_____ dresses are lovely!" exclaimed Shan Shan as she held up the two dresses to show them to her cousin.

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

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9. Please walk quietly. You _____ disturb the girls who are taking the examination.

(1) can
(2) should
(3) must not
(4) could not

10. "We are lost. _____ we use your telephone, please?" the group of teenagers asked the shopowner.

(1) Will
(2) May
(3) Would
(4) Should

11. "I am the winner! I am the _____ boy in the world!" Terrence exclaimed happily.

(1) lucky
(2) luckier
(3) luckiest
(4) as lucky

12. The detectives spotted the suspects and _____ them immediately.

(1) went on
(2) went after
(3) went away
(4) went under

13. Mr Seetoh will _____ the office to collect the document this afternoon.

(1) drop by
(2) drop out
(3) drop into
(4) drop under

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14. Gracie remained cheerful and helped other victims _____ she was also injured in the accident.

(1) so
(2) after
(3) before
(4) although

15. The young man has to complete the task _____ he is allowed to take a break.

(1) yet
(2) before
(3) between
(4) because

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Section B (5 marks)

Comprehension (MCQ)

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

Long ago, there lived an old gorilla called Nanja. Nanja had a beautiful daughter. One day, Nanja saw a barrel on the ground. He found some strange water in it. He took the barrel home and invited all the animals to his home.

"The animal that can drink all of the water will get to marry my daughter," Nanja said.

All the animals wanted to try the strange water. Many animals tried to drink the water but they spat the water out. Even Lion could not swallow a mouthful.

A monkey wanted to try the water. The monkey asked to take a short break after each sip and Nanja agreed. No one believed that the tiny monkey could succeed.

The monkey started taking sips and ran behind the bush after each sip. No one knew that there was a tribe of monkeys behind the bush. Each of the monkeys took turns to drink the strange water and soon, the barrel was empty. Just then, Giraffe bent over the bushes and saw the monkeys.

The animals realised that the monkeys had cheated. They were angry and wanted to catch them. The frightened monkeys climbed up the trees to hide. Since then, the monkeys did not dare come down from the trees. That is the reason why they are always found on trees.

Adapted from My First Book of Animal Stories by Carol Watson

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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. Why did Nanja bring the barrel of water home?

He wanted to _____.

(1) drink the water
(2) show it to his daughter
(3) use the water to find a husband for his daughter
(4) share the water with all the other animals in the jungle

17. Why did the animals spit out the water?

(1) The water was too hot.
(2) The water looked strange.
(3) The animals were not thirsty.
(4) The water had an unusual taste.

18. In paragraph 6, the word which has the same meaning as "acted dishonestly" is "_____".

(1) wanted
(2) cheated
(3) realised
(4) frightened

19. Who discovered that the monkey was cheating?

(1) Lion
(2) Nanja
(3) Giraffe
(4) Nanja's daughter

20. Why did the monkeys refuse to come down from the trees?
They wanted to _____.

(1) hide from Nanja
(2) look over the bushes
(3) hide from all the animals
(4) stay on the trees as it was cooler

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Booklet A		20
Booklet B		30
Total		50

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BOOKLET B

Section A (10 marks)

Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word in the brackets.

Aunt Hannah is a seamstress. Aunt Hannah has many (21) _____ (common, ordinary, regular) customers and they like her designs very much.

Aunt Hannah is so popular that she often has to work late into the night to complete the orders. Aunt Hannah does not (22)_____ (pay, earn, charge) very high prices for the clothes that she makes. She enjoys what she is doing and loves to see the (23) _____ (joy, pain, frown) on her customers' faces when they receive their clothes.

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Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word in the brackets.

The Great Barrier Reef is made up of a group of coral islands. Tourists (24) _____ (love, hate, enjoy) to swim, waterski, sail or surf at the reef. Diving is also a very popular activity as there are many (25) _____ (groups, species, collections) of beautiful and unusual fish.

Much of the grasslands in Australia are covered with farms. Many tourists also love to stay at the farms to interact with the (26)_____ (only, different, similar) farm animals. They also enjoy the (27)_____ (job, feeling, experience) of feeding the animals.

Zita was asked to clean her room yesterday. She packed her cupboard and her study table. Suddenly, she screamed (28)_____(softly, loudly, sweetly). Her parents rushed into the room to find out what had happened. There was a cockroach on Zita's table!

Zita was very afraid of cockroaches and (29) _____(hid, covered, crawled) behind her mother's skirt. Her father used his shoe and killed the cockroach (30)_____(slowly, swiftly, secretly). Zita sighed with relief.

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Section B (6 marks)

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the words in the brackets.

Uncle Goh likes to grow fruit trees in his garden. He has a jackfruit tree and a mango tree in his garden. Uncle Goh (31) _____ (enjoy) taking care of his garden and sharing his fruits with his family and neighbours.

A few years ago, Uncle Goh received a small mango tree from his friend. He planted the mango tree in his garden and (32) _____ (spend) a lot of time taking care of this tree. Finally, the mangoes (33) _____ (be) ready to be harvested last week. Uncle Goh was very excited and he invited all his relatives to his house to try the mangoes. Everyone enjoyed eating the delicious mangoes and (34) _____ (praise) Uncle Goh for planting such sweet mangoes. Uncle Goh was very happy.

Now, Uncle Goh (35) _____ (plan) to add a banana tree to his garden. He (36) _____ (look) forward to growing bananas and sharing them with his neighbours!

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Section C (4 marks)

Rearrange the words to make complete and meaningful sentences. Begin each sentence with a capital letter and end it with a full-stop or a question mark.

37. went a chest of the explorers and discovered gold coins into the cave

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38. received at camp helpful a prize for being the boy and responsible

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Section D (10 marks)

Comprehension (Open-ended)
Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

Once upon a time, there lived an old man and his grumpy wife. The kind old man kept a young sparrow as a pet. He took good care of it and loved it very much. One day, the sparrow pecked at some food and the grumpy wife flew into a great rage. She cut the sparrow's tongue and chased it out of the house.

When the old man came home and found out what his wife had done to his sparrow, he was very upset. He searched everywhere for his sparrow.

One day, the old man found his sparrow in an old cave. The old man was very happy and stayed with it for many days. When it was time for the old man to leave, the sparrow gave him a basket. The old man thanked him and went home.

When the old man got home, his angry wife scolded him and demanded to know where he went. The old man showed her the basket. They opened the basket and they were surprised to see that it was filled with gold. The greedy old woman decided to visit the sparrow too.

When the sparrow saw her, he had no choice but to invite her into his home. Before she left, the old woman asked for a present. The sparrow gave a basket to her and she left happily. When she opened the basket, all sorts of monsters jumped out of it and started chasing her! The old woman screamed and ran away, never to be seen again.

Adapted from Tales of Old Japan by A. B. Mitford

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All answers must be in complete sentences.

39. What did the sparrow do to make the old man's wife angry?

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40. What did the old man's wife do to the sparrow?

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41. Which word in paragraph four is similar in meaning to "insisted"?

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42. Why did the old woman visit the sparrow?

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43. How did the sparrow punish the old woman?

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

Q18	Q19	Q20
2	3	3

Section A
Q21) regular
Q22) charge
Q23) joy
Q24) love
Q25) species
Q26) different
Q27) experience
Q28) loudly
Q29) hid
Q30) swiftly

Section B
Q31) enjoys
Q32) spent
Q33) were
Q34) praised
Q35) is planning
Q36) looks

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Section C

Q37) The explorers went into the cave and discovered a chest of gold coins.\

Q38) At camp, the boy received a prize for being helpful and responsible.

Section D

Q39) It pecked at some food

Q40) She cut off the sparrow's tongue and chased it out of the house

Q41) It is "demanded".

Q42) She wanted some gold as well.

Q43) The sparrow gave the old woman a basket of monsters.

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