HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
2013 SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION TWO
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY THREE

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TOTAL	55

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PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

CLASS: 3 _____

Duration of Paper: 1h 15min

Section A: Vocabulary (8 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

1. My grandmother is an excellent seamstress, thanks to her _____ lessons in school and many years of tailoring.

   1) Arithmetic
   2) Art and Craft
   3) Design and Technology
   4) Needlework ( )

2. Patricia has a sweet tooth and loves to eat snacks like chocolates, ice cream and _____.

   1) burgers
   2) noodles
   3) pancakes
   4) steaks ( )

3. Whenever I stay over at my grandparents' _____, I love to run downstairs to order my breakfast from the street hawkers and help my grandparents attend to their customers.

   1) bungalow
   2) condominium
   3) kampong house
   4) shophouse ( )

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4. My grandaunt told me that children bathed at public standpipes in the past. I think it is embarrassing to do so and I am _____ that practice.

   1) against
   2) for
   3) supporting
   4) with

( )

5. Kathy found it hard to _____ with all the new things her teacher taught her in class that day.

   1) grapple
   2) study
   3) learn
   4) understand

( )

6. Alice is _____ for her misdeeds. She is often made to pick up litter as a punishment.

   1) famous
   2) notorious
   3) popular
   4) well-liked

( )

7. Muthu's cat gave birth to a _____ of kittens last night.

   1) cattle
   2) litter
   3) nest
   4) pride

( )

8. During the week that our house was under renovation, we stayed _____ at the hotel.

   1) permanently
   2) quickly
   3) shortly
   4) temporarily

( )

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Section B: Grammar (8 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

9. This pair of scissors _____ blunt blades. It belongs to my toddler sister.

   1) is
   2) are
   3) has
   4) have ( )

10. "This is my duty, I will do it _____," Sally whispered.

   1) myself
   2) herself
   3) himself
   4) yourself ( )

11. Aunt Salmah used _____ flour to bake the durian cake than the chocolate cake.

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

12. When Ben was in Japan, he found shops selling sushi almost _____ in Tokyo.

   1) everywhere
   2) elsewhere
   3) nowhere
   4) somewhere ( )

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13. Yiting _____ to see the dentist for a dental check-up at the end of this year.

1) need
2) needs
3) needed
4) is needing

( )

14. After the disaster, the public was advised to _____ from the accident site.

1) break away
2) break up
3) keep away
4) keep up

( )

15. Kalid ate three huge sandwiches, _____ he still asked for more.

1) as
2) but
3) for
4) so

( )

16. Mrs Quek will have five _____ after her youngest daughter's wedding.

1) son-in-law
2) sons-in-law
3) son-in-laws
4) son-in-law's

( )

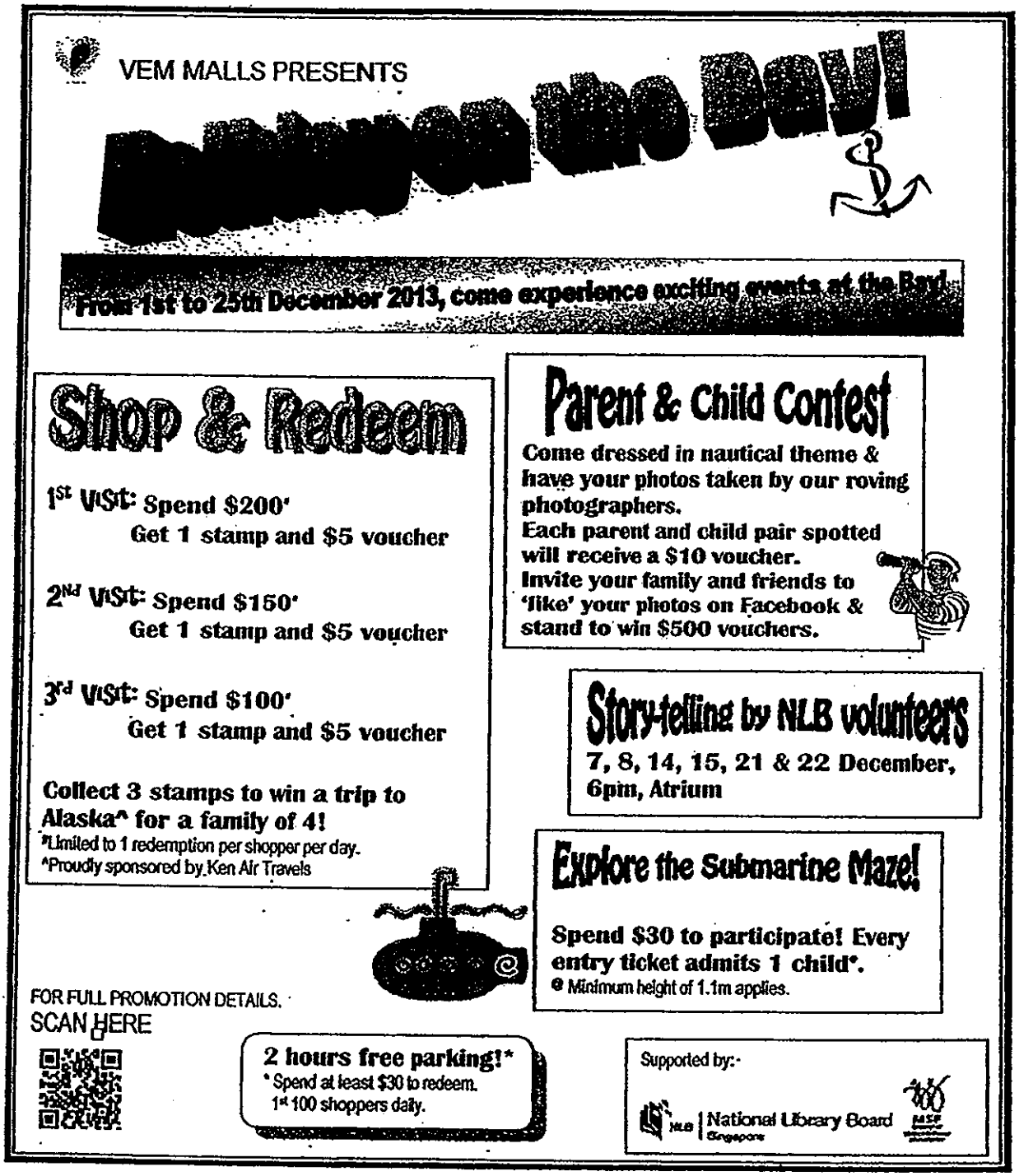
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Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (5 x 1 mark)

Look at the advertisement below carefully and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in the brackets and shade them on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.



17. When will the events be taking place?

1) During the school holidays
2) In the month of December 2013
3) Between 1st and 25th December 2013
4) On 7th, 8th, 14th, 15th, 21st & 22nd December 2013 only ( )

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18. How much must Hilda's mother spend to get her 2nd stamp?

1) $100
2) $150
3) $200
4) $350 ( )

19. Hilda's mother managed to redeem 3 tickets for the Submarine Maze. Who among her children will not be able to go for the maze?

1) 1-year old son, Mark
2) 9-year old daughter, Faith
3) 11-year old daughter, Hilda
4) 13-year old son, Ezekiel ( )

20. If Hilda and her mother have their photo taken for the Parent & Child Contest, what will they get?

1) $10 in cash
2) A $10 voucher
3) $500 worth of vouchers
4) A set of nautical theme costumes ( )

21. Who is the organiser of this promotion?

1) VEM Malls
2) Ken Air Travels
3) National Library Board
4) Ministry of Social and Family Development ( )

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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.

attention	food	exercise	easy
dessert	loyalty	daily	regular

People who own dogs consider them as members of the family. Dogs are known for their (22) _____ and strong sense of alertness. As such, many people like to keep dogs as pets. However, owning a dog is no (23) _____ task. It needs your constant (24) _____ and affection. Besides feeding and bathing, a dog needs daily (25)_____ and play time too. It also needs to go to the vet for (26) _____ check-ups. For young dogs, you need to put in time for training too.

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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.

during	in	with	through
for	at	into	about

Dear Aunt Agony,

My name is Amanda and I am nine years old. I have a problem which has been bothering me (27) _____ some time now. I find it difficult to make friends (28) _____ school. Whenever I try to join in conversations (29) _____ my classmates, I would become tongue-tied and keep quiet.

Because of this, I have never been invited to any games or parties. I feel very sad (30) _____ it and despite the efforts I have put in, I do not know what else to do. I am really (31) _____ my wits' end.

Please tell me what to do. I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Amanda Salinah

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

To many children, Fairyland is a magical place where the sun always shines, pretty flowers bloom and birds chirp happily. It is a place where everyone (32) _____ happy and healthy all the time.

Fairies are known (33) _____ their generosity and helpfulness. They (34) _____ sometimes be mischievous too. Fairies (35) _____ not likely to harm people without a reason. However, they are known to be spiteful (36) _____ provoked. Like everywhere else, Fairyland has its share of good and bad characters.

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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.

During the June holidays, Vigan went on a mission trip to South Africa. He visited

37. _____ 38. _____

many **orphanaegs** where he taught English and helped set up new **libaries**. During

Vigan's trip, he noticed that the children were scrawny. They were almost skin and

39. _____

bones, yet most had **bluging** tummies. This, Vigan learnt, was due to malnutrition. He

40. _____

also noticed that the orphans often lived in very cramped and **corwded** conditions. He

41. _____

felt really sorry for them. Vigan secretly made a **pormies** to himself. He vowed to be

more thrifty and to help raise funds to help these orphans.

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

42. Ryan did not turn off all the fans and lights. Ryan was the last person to leave the classroom.

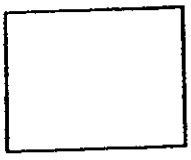
_____ but

_____

43. Devi loves to eat sushi. Belle loves to eat sushi.

Both _____

_____



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Section H: Comprehension Open-Ended (10 marks)
Read the passage carefully and answer questions 44 to 48.

Bump! Bump! Scratch!

Alan opened his eyes and pulled the covers up to his chin. He stared around his room, searching the darkness for the thing that was making those scary sounds.

The closet door moved as something banged on it from the inside.

"Who's there?" Alan asked in a shaky voice.

The closet slowly began to open. Alan jumped out of bed and ran to the closet door, slamming it shut with all his might. He grabbed his chair and propped it against the door handle. Then he ran out of his room and down the hall. His sister's door was wide open and Alan jumped into Leticia's bed.

"Alan?" Leticia asked in an annoyed voice. "What is it again?"

Alan tugged on Leticia's arm. "There's something in my closet!"

"You probably had a bad dream. Go back to bed."

Alan yanked the blanket off the bed. "It wasn't a dream. I was awake and the closet door started opening by itself!"

Leticia sighed. "Fine. But if we don't find anything, you must leave me alone for the rest of the night."

Alan nodded. Leticia grabbed her torchlight and headed to Alan's room. Alan trailed behind her and stopped at the doorway. He could hear something scratching his closet door.

"Do you hear that?" Alan asked.

Leticia marched up to the closet, removed the chair and yanked open the closet door. Out shot a ginger cat.

Alan scooped the cat up. "Blunzi? How did you get trapped in my closet?"

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For Questions 44 and 45, read each statement and tick 'True' or "False' in the box provided. (2 X 1 mark)

		True	False
44.	Alan ran to Leticia for help.		
45.	Alan wanted to irritate his sister.		

46. Number the events (1, 2 and 3) in the order that they happened. (3 marks)

(a)	Alan hid under his blanket.	
(b)	Alan heard scary sounds coming from his closet.	
(c)	Alan slammed the closet door.	

47. What was making the strange sound in Alan's closet? (2 marks)

_____

_____

48. How would you describe Alan? Why do you say so? (2 marks)

_____

_____

49. Which word in the passage tells us that this is not the first time Alan has disturbed Leticia's sleep? (1 mark)

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ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2013
SCHOOL : HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUBJECT : PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

TERM : SA2

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

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21
2	1	2	1

Section D
Q22) loyalty
Q23) easy
Q24) attention
Q25) exercise
Q26) regular

Section E
Q27) for
Q28) in
Q29) with
Q30) about
Q31) at
Q32) is
Q33) for
Q34) may
Q35) are
Q36) when

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Section F
Q37) orphanages
Q38) libraries
Q39) bulging
Q40) crowded
Q41) promise

Section G
Q42) Ryan was the last person to leave the house but he did not turn off the fans and the lights
Q43) Both Devi and Belle like to eat sushi

Section H
Q44) True
Q45) False
Q46) a) 2
b) 1
c) 3
Q47) It was his ginger cat Blunzi, making the strange noise in Alan's closet
Q48) Alan was a timid boy as he was afraid to investigate the scary sounds from his closet
Q49) again

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