NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 - 2014
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
Primary 3

Paper 2

Name : _____ ( )

Class : Primary 3 _____

Date : 9 May 2014

Total Marks: _____ / 50

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Parent's Signature

Duration: 1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. Answer all questions.

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Section A: Vocabulary MCQ (6 X 1 mark)

For questions 1 to 6, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Write the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

1. Joe _____ longingly at the toy car on the shelf. He wished he had the money to buy it.

   (1) gazed
   (2) peeped
   (3) browsed
   (4) glimpsed ( )

2. My aunty is as busy as a/an _____. We hardly get to see her lately.

   (1) owl
   (2) lion
   (3) bee
   (4) peacock ( )

3. We receive a/an _____ to attend Ucle Joe's wedding.

   (1) award
   (2) plaque
   (3) gift certificate
   (4) invitation card ( )

4. His heart _____ a beat when he saw the teacher walking towards him as he was late for school.

   (1) jumped
   (2) skipped
   (3) stopped
   (4) pounded ( )

5. Susan's parents have spent a lot of money trying to _____ their sick daugther.

   (1) treat
   (2) repair
   (3) rescue
   (4) protect ( )

6. Cutting down so many trees at such a fast rate will _____ the habitats of many animals.

   (1) kill
   (2) attack
   (3) smash
   (4) destroy ( )

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Section B: Grammar MCQ (8 X 1 mark)
For questions 7 to 14, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Write the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

7. _____ you done your homework? Make sure you complete them before you go to bed.

(1) Is
(2) Are
(3) Has
(4) Have ( )

8. There was _____ at home when I came home after school. My parents have gone out since moring.

(1) nobody
(2) anybody
(3) everybody
(4) somebody ( )

9. The children were sleeping _____ the fire broke out.

(1) or
(2) so
(3) but
(4) when ( )

10. The weather is relly warm as there is not _____ rain at this time of the year.

(1) few
(2) little
(3) many
(4) much ( )

11. Do not touch _____ iron. It is still hot.

(1) a
(2) an
(3) the
(4) some ( )

12. Joe _____ to visit his grandmother tomorrow.

(1) go
(2) goes
(3) went
(4) is going ( )

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13. The boys are interested _____ how cars work

(1) in
(2) of
(3) for
(4) from ( )

14. These cakes are for you and me. They are _____.

(1) hers
(2) ours
(3) yours
(4) theirs ( )

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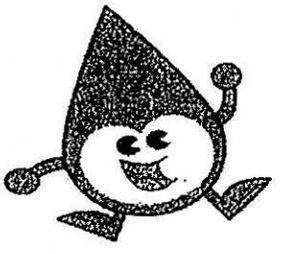
Section C: Visual Text Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)

Read the poster below and answer questions 15 to 19. Your answers must be based on the information given in the poster.

PUB's 50th Anniversary Celebration!

"What Water Means To You" Contest

Celebrate PUB's (Piblic Utilities Board) 50th Anniversary as we remember how Singapore overcame its water shortages without natural water resources and pollution in its river.



Participate in our contest and stand to win attractive prizes. To enter the contest, ***tell us what water means to you by submitting a write-up together with your drawings (No photographs and videos).***



Contest Prizes



The top 3 winners will receive:

- 1st prize - $5000 cash
- 2nd prize- $3000 cash
- 3rd prize- $2000 cash

Each of the 3 consolation prize winners will receive:

- A goodie bag worth $250.

Contest Information

Submit yourentry/entries to www.mytakeonwater.com.sg from 27th May 2014 to 26th June 2014. Late entries will be disqualified.

All entries must come with a title name, contact number, home address and email address.

Each participant is allowed to send in up to 3 entries but can only win 1 prize.

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For each question from 15 to 19, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Write the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

15. This contest is organised by _____.

(1) PUB(Public Utilities Board)
(2) NLB(National Library Board)
(3) STB(Singapore Tourism Board)
(4) HDB(Housing Development Board) ( )

16. According to the poster, this contest is organised to celebrate Singapore_____.

(1) turning 50 this year
(2) having natural water resources
(3) cleaning up pollution in its river
(4) overcoming its water shortages without natural water resources. ( )

17. According to the poster, one can take part in the contest by sending in _____.

(1) a write-up only
(2) a write-up and videos only
(3) a write-up and drawings only
(4) a write-up and photographs only ( )

18. If one wants to take part in this contest, one must send in his entry/entries by _____ to qualify for the contest.

(1) 27th May 2014
(2) 28th May 2014
(3) 26th June 2014
(4) 27th June 2014

( )

19. Based on the poster, which one of these statements is true?

(1) The top three winners get cash prize and a goodie bag each.
(2) There is no limit to the number of entries one can send in for this contest.
(3) A participant is able to win more than one prize if he sends in more than one entry.
(4) A participant must include his home address and email address when he submits his entry/entries.

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Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (8 X 1 mark)
Read the following passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word given in the box and fill in each blank with the correct word from the box.

USE A WORD **ONCE** ONLY.

alerted	back	describe	strolled
entered	frightened	moved	pointed
shout	snatched	told	walked

Mrs Tan was on her way home from the market.She (20) _____ the lift and was about to press the button for the seventh floor . when a man dashed in. Alarmed by his sudden appearance, Mrs Tan moved to the (21) _____ of the left.

Without warning, the man turned to Mrs Tan and (22) _____ a knife at her He (23) _____ her purse from her hand and pulled the gold chain from her neck. When the lift door opened, the man fled before she could (24) _____ for help.

Mrs Tan was so (25)_____that she sat down in a daze. Fortunately, her neighbour Mr Lee, saw her in the lift. He helped her out of the lift and quickly (26) _____ the police.

As Mrs Tan was able to remember and (27) _____ the robber's appearance to the police, he was arrested in no time. She was happy that she had recovered all her valuables. She thanked her helpful neighbour profusely.

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Section E: Grammar Cloze (8 X 1 mark)
Read the following passages carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and fill in each blank with the correct word from the box.

Passage 1

USE A WORD **ONCE** ONLY.

play	played	will play
plays	playing	was playing

Joe found a mobile phone in his father's bedroom. He had always wanted to (28) _____ with it. Mischievous Joe (29) _____ with the mobile phone when his father walked into the room after work. "Why are you (30) _____ with my mobile phone?" Joe's father yelled angrily.

In shock, Joe dropped the mobile phone. His father was furious that Joe had broken his mobile phone. He caned him. Joe promised that he (31)_____ only with his toys. He has learnt his lesson well.

Passage 2

USE A WORD **ONCE** ONLY.

after	because	from
into	out	so

It was a stormy day. The rain poured heavily as Suzy looked (32) _____ of the window. She was feeling sad (33) _____ she could not go out to play. She tried to count the raindrops but soon she was bored. (34) _____ she decided to fold paper boats instead.

Suddenly, she had an idea. She could release the paper boats (35) _____ the little puddles that were forming outside the window. She waited patiently for the rain to stop and had a lot of fun watching her paper boats floating on the water.

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Section F: Comprehension OE (10 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 36 to 41.

Peter was looking at the beautiful toys on the shelf. There were toy aeroplanes, train sets and even figurines in the toy shop. Peter stared at the Batman figurine which looked like the one he had seen on television. Peter wanted it badly as Batman was his favourite comic character. He took out his wallet and realised that he did not have enough money.

Suddenly, an idea struck him. Peter looked around the shop. The shop assistant was talking to the cashier near the end of the shop. They would not be able to see what Peter was doing. In the blink of an eye, Peter took the Batman figurine from the shelf and put it into his bag. He held his bag close to him and walked out of the shop, hoping that no one would see the bulge in his bag.

He heaved a sigh of relief as he stepped out of the shop. However, before he could walk any further, he heard the shop assistant calling him. Peter was terrified. He ran as fast as his legs could carry him but the shop assistant was faster than him. Peter thought that he would be caught red-handed but to his surprise, he realised that the shop assistant had actually chased after him to return his wallet which he had dropped in the shop. Peter thanked him and was about to walk away when his conscience pricked him.

"No one would find out if I walk away now but I know this is not right. I should be honest and return the stolen toy," Peter thought to himself. He turned around and walked back into the shop.

All answers must be based on the given text. Answer in ***complete sentences.***

36. Which toy caught Peter's attention the most in the toy shop? (1m)

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37. What was the idea that struck Peter when he was at the toy shop? (2m)

_____

_____

38. The word '***him***' in line 16 refers to the _____. (1m)

39. Write 1,2,3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. (1m)

_____ Peter's wallet was returned to him.

_____ Peter took the Batman figurine without paying for it.

_____ The shop assistant chased after Peter.

40. Which word in paragraph three has the same meaning as **'scared'**? (1m)

41. Based on the passage, provide a reason why each statement is false. (2m each)

	True/False	Reason
(a)The shop assistant chased after Peter because he had caught him stealing the Batman figurine.		
b) In the end, Peter kept the toy because no one would find ou if he walked away.		

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
1	3	4	2	1	4	4	1	4	4
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	
3	4	1	2	1	4	3	3	4	

Q20) entered

Q21) back

Q22) pointed

Q23) snatched

Q24) shout

Q25) frightened

Q26) alerted

Q27) describe

Q28) play

Q29) was playing

Q30) playing

Q31) will play

Q32) out

Q33) because

Q34) so

Q35) into

Q36) The Batman figurine caught Peter's attention the most in the toy shop.

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Q37) Peter's idea was to steal the Batman figurine from the shelf.

Q38) shop assistant

Q39) 3, 1, 2

Q40) terrified

Q41)

	True/False	Reason
(a)The shop assistant chased after Peter because he had caught him stealing the Batman figurine.	False	The shop assistant chased after Peter because he found Peter's wallet on the floor and wanted to give it back to him.
(b)In the end, Peter kept the toy because no one would find out if he walked away.	False	Peter did no keep the toy because he wanted to be honest.

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