NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL
2015 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
Primary 3

Paper 2

Name : _____ ( )

Class : Primary 3 _____

Date : 28 October 2015 Total Marks: _____ / 50

_____
Parent's Signature

Duration: 1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES
Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
Follow all instructions carefully.
Answer all questions.

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

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. It was a hot day. I had a glass of lemonade to _____ my thirst.

(1) kill
(2) cure
(3) remove
(4) quench

( )

2. There was a loud _____ of feet as the students rushed up the stairs.

(1) rattling
(2) hissing
(3) shuffling
(4) crackling

( )

3. The old man was _____ injured when a lorry knocked him down.

(1) severely
(2) carelessly
(3) cautiously
(4) recklessly

( )

4. Mrs Tan looked at the _____ for a suitable printer to buy.

(1) menu
(2) recipe
(3) directory
(4) catalogue

( )

5. After the fire, many ~~villages~~ villagers were seen lying around _____ in pain.

(1) groaning
(2) grumbling
(3) mumbling
(4) muttering

( )

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

6. The newspaper reported the _____ act of a young man who saved a child from a burning house.

(1) fiery
(2) heroic
(3) cowardly
(4) invincible ( )

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. _____ would you like for desert, ice cream or cake?

(1) Why
(2) What
(3) When
(4) Where ( )

8. Wayne is so clever that I am sure he can solve the problem sum _____.

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

9. The back door is open. _____ must have sneaked into the house last night because the expensive vase is missing.

(1) Nobody
(2) Anybody
(3) Somebody
(4) Everybody ( )

10. Tammy can sing very well, _____ ?

(1) isn't she
(2) can't she
(3) doesn't she
(4) couldn't she ( )

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

11. You must hurry _____ you will be late for the meeting.

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

12. I ran into Uncle Lucas when I _____ going to the market.

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

13. "For your own safety, if you see any unattended bags lying around, you _____ report to the staff immediately," instructed the station officer.

(1) will
(2) can
(3) may
(4) must ( )

14. My best friend, John, gave me this book for _____ birthday.

(1) my
(2) her
(3) our
(4) your ( )

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

Section C: Grammar Cloze (8 X 1 mark)

Read the following passages carefully. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to M) in each blank. The letter (I) has been omitted to avoid confusion in marking.

Passage 1

USE EACH WORD **ONCE** ONLY.

(A) buy	**(B)** buys	**(C)** bought
(D) buying	**(E)** will buy	**(F)** was buying

Mary was very proud and vain. She would think of (15) _____ the most beautiful clothes so that her friends would admire her. One day, she walked into a boutique and started trying out the clothes.

"Hmm... which of these dresses should I (16) _____ for the party tonight?" she mumbled to herself.

After trying out many dresses, Mary (17) _____ the most expensive one. Along the way, she saw a beautiful diamond necklace on display in a jewellery shop.

"I (18) _____ it to match my expensive dress!" she chirped.

She strode into the shop smugly and asked to buy the necklace. When she realised that she did not have enough money to buy the necklace, she turned red with embarrassment and scampered out of the shop.

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

Passage 2

USE EACH WORD **ONCE** ONLY.

(G) at	(H) by	(J) from
(K) in	(L) through	(M) to

One of the most popular places of interest in Singapore is the Singapore Zoological Gardens. Unlike many zoos, most of the animals here are kept (19) _____ large enclosures where they can roam freely. These enclosures are surrounded (20) _____ water and rock walls to prevent the animals (21) _____ escaping.

A large number of snakes are exhibited at the Reptile House. Visitors can see many species of snakes (22) _____ the glass panels. Only the most dangerous animals like panthers and leopards are kept in cages.

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (5 X 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

USE A WORD **ONCE** ONLY.

(A) body	**(B)** carry	**(C)** croak	**(D)** enemy
(E) insect	**(F)** perch	**(G)** shriek	**(H)** skin

Frogs are amphibians that live in water and on land. They are cold-blooded, which means that their (23) _____ temperature is the same as the surrounding temperature. The frog's front legs are short. They are used to prop the frog up when it sits. They use their long strong back legs to swim and hop. If an (24) _____ approaches, they can leap away quickly. The frog's main diet is insects. They do not need to drink water as their (25) _____ absorbs water into their body.

In the daytime in summer, frogs (26) _____ on lily pads and sleep, but at night time, they (27) _____ loudly to attract a mate. The female frog lays eggs in still water. These eggs then hatch into tadpoles. Gradually, the tadpoles develop legs and lose their tails.

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

Section E: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (5 X 1 mark)

*For each of the items, **circle** the correct word from the words given in the brackets.*

28. Mike was walking home one day **(where / when)** he heard a shrilling scream.

29. The selfish girl does not care **(much / many)** for others.

30. We must learn to respect and **(appreciete / appreciate)** Singapore's diverse and unique culture in order to live in harmony.

31. Wei Ming immediately **(recognised / reconised)** the pen with his name written on it.

32. Aunt Sally thanked the taxi driver **(profusly / profusely)** for returning her wallet.

Section F: Synthesis (2 X 1 mark)

For each of the items, rewrite the given sentences using the word provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of each sentence must be the same as the given ones.

33. There are many artefacts in the museum. Only a few of them are on display.

_____ **but**

_____.

34. Janet received a pleasant surprise on her birthday. Janet was elated.

_____ **because**

_____

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

Section G: Comprehension 1 (8 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 35 to 40.

A long time ago, there lived a miser called Franklin. He was very wealthy but he gave his servants very little to eat. One day, he decided to sell all his land in exchange for gold. He then put the gold into a big crate. He dug a hole in his garden, put the crate of gold into the hole and covered it with soil. Every day, he would go to the place where he had buried his gold, dig up the crate and look at his gold, to make sure it was there. However, he never planned to use his hidden wealth.

Soon, one of his servants, Bob, discovered the secret hiding place. When Franklin went out one day, Bob stole the crate of gold and ran away.

When Franklin returned and discovered what Bob had done, he felt deceived and became depressed. Not knowing what to do, he approached his wise and trustworthy neighbour, Julius.

Julius said, "Franklin, stop crying over spilt milk! What is done cannot be undone. Just put an empty crate in the same hole and imagine it to be your lost gold because you never had any intention of using it, anyway. You have to treat your servants kindly so that they will not betray your trust."

Franklin realised what Julius had said made sense and he told himself that life had to go on. From then on, he changed his attitude and treated his servants kindly.

35. What was stolen from Franklin?

[ ] (1m)

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

36. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

_____ betrayed Franklin's trust. (1m)

☐	Bob
☐	Julius

37. Which word in **paragraph one** has the same meaning as **'rich'**?

☐ (1m)

38. According to the passage, which of the following is true? (2m)

(1) Franklin spilt milk.
(2) Franklin's servant dug up Franklin's crate of gold.
(3) Franklin was made fun of because he lost his gold.
(4) Franklin buried his crate of gold in his neighbour's garden. ( )

39. According to the passage, what kind of person was Julius?

_____ and _____ (2m)

40. Which word has the same meaning as "cheated"? Circle either (A) or (B). (1m)

When Franklin returned and discovered what Bob had done, he felt **deceived** and
(A)
became **depressed**.
(B)

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

Comprehension 2 (8 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions 41 to 46.

On the way home from school, Lydia discovered something enticing by the side of the road. It was a huge pile of sand. How extraordinary to find sand there, so far from the sea! Lydia was thrilled. She took a few steps back and ran at great speed towards the pile of sand and leaped onto it. However, it was not sand after all. Instead, it was a heap of grey wet cement. She sank into it and found herself covered in the sticky mixture right up to her chest, like a statue. The more she struggled to get out, the more she was stuck. There was nothing she could do but to stay still.

As evening fell and it began to get dark, Father came looking for Lydia and was astonished to find her head sticking out of the heap of cement. Father first tried to pull her out by hand but his foot started to get stuck in the cement. Then, Father found a pole and asked Lydia to hold onto one end of it while he pulled her out. Lydia was covered with grey cement.

"I thought I told you once before, look before you leap!" chided Father.

The "once before" that Father was referring to happened during recess in school last term. Lydia saw a pile of newspaper lying by the side of the canteen. Without a second thought, she jumped right on it. However, the newspaper was left there by the cleaner to cover a puddle of vomit that a student had thrown up earlier. Lydia's shoes smelt of vomit for the rest of that day.

"Sorry dad, I won't jump on anything again," promised Lydia.

Father was relieved that Lydia was safe. It was quite dark by the time they reached home.

Adapted from 'Totto-chan' by Tetsuko Kuroyanagi

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

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

41. According to the author, what does 'it' in line 17 refer to? (1m)

_____

_____

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

_____ Lydia was reprimanded by Father.

_____ Lydia got stuck in a heap of grey wet cement.

_____ Lydia was attracted to something by the side of the road.

43. What did Lydia do in the incident that Father referred to as 'once before'? (2m)

_____

_____

44. Which word in **paragraph one** has the opposite meaning of 'bored'? (1m)

45. Based on the passage, state whether each statement is true or false, then give a reason why you think so. (2m)

Statement	True/ False	Reason
(a) The huge pile of sand which Lydia jumped into was actually a student's vomit.		
(b) Father successfully got Lydia out of the cement by pulling her hand.		

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

46. Based on the passage, what lesson did Lydia learn in the end? (1m)

_____

_____

End-of-Paper

Downloaded from SingaKids.com

Primary School Test Paper Singapore
Save Your Money, Save Your Time, No More Worries
Powered by www.testpaper.biz


EXAM PAPER 2015
LEVEL : PRIMARY 3
SCHOOL : NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUBJECT : ENGLISH
TERM : SA2

Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4	Q 5	Q 6	Q 7	Q 8	Q9	Q 10
4	**3**	**1**	**4**	**1**	**2**	**2**	**2**	**3**	**2**
Q 11	Q 12	Q 13	Q 14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
1	**3**	**4**	**1**	**D**	**A**	**C**	**E**	**K**	**H**
Q 21	Q 22	Q 23	Q 24	Q 25	Q 26	Q 27	Q 28	Q29	Q 30
J	**L**	**A**	**D**	**H**	**F**	**C**	**when**	**much**	**appreciate**
Q 31	Q 32								
recognised	**profusely**								

Q33. There are many artefacts in the museum but only a few of them are on display.

Q34. Janet was elated because she received a pleasant surprise on her birthday.

Q35. The crate of gold

Q36. Bob. Q37 wealthy Q38. 2.

Q39. Wise and trustworthy

Q40. A. Q41. It refers to the newspaper lying by the side of the canteen.

Q42. 1 – Lydia was attracted to something by the side of the road.

Q42. 2 – Lydia got stuck in a heap of grey wet cement.

Q42. 3 – Lydia was reprimanded by Father.

Q43. It referred to last term Lydia jumped onto a pile of newspaper without thinking.

Q44. Enticing

Q45a. FALSE – The huge pile of sand which Lydia jumped into was actually a heap of grey cement.

Q45b. FALSE – Father successfully got Lydia by asking Lydia to hold on to the end of the pole while he pulled her out with it.

Q46. She learnt to look before jumping on to anything.

Get PSJ Private Tutor to Guide you through Exams Now!
Contact www.privatetutor.com.sg
Downloaded from SingaKids.com