PRIMARY 5 END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2015

Name: _____

Class: Primary 5 _____

Parent's signature: _____

Date: 27 October 2015

Time: 8.00 – 9.50 a.m.

Duration: 1 hour 50 minutes

Marks: _____ / 95

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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(BOOKLET A)

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1. Write your name, class and register number.
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3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.
5. For questions 1 to 28, shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

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For each question from 1 to 10, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (10 marks)

1. Muthu and his parents enjoy going to concerts and musicals, _____ they?

   (1) do
   (2) are
   (3) don't
   (4) aren't

2. By the time Alex reached school, the bell _____ so the prefect took down his name.

   (1) rang
   (2) rung
   (3) had rung
   (4) had been ringing

3. Seng Joo would always close his eyes and _____ a deep breath to calm himself down.

   (1) take
   (2) took
   (3) takes
   (4) taken

4. The students were exhausted after the field trip to Sungei Buloh. _____, they enjoyed themselves tremendously.

   (1) Thus
   (2) Therefore
   (3) Nonetheless
   (4) Consequently

5. The thief scrambled down the stairs to the alley _____ he stopped to catch his breath.

   (1) when
   (2) which
   (3) where
   (4) whom

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6. By the end of this week, our football team _____ against all the teams in the East Zone.

(1) has played
(2) have played
(3) will have played
(4) shall have played

7. Raymond _____ to visit his parents in Australia since last year.

(1) planned
(2) has planned
(3) had planned
(4) has been planning

8. Hong Lee might have escaped if he_____ that the building was going to collapse.

(1) realises
(2) realised
(3) had realised
(4) has realised

9. During the weekend, my parents and I watched a movie before _____ to the newly-opened restaurant to have our dinner.

(1) go
(2) went
(3) gone
(4) going

10. Jia Meng is delighted that the walls of his modern but tiny shop _____ covered with posters of his favourite actors.

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

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For each question from 11 to 15, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

11. Even though _____ developed during the operation, the surgeons were determined to save the patient.

(1) obstacles
(2) dilemmas
(3) difficulties
(4) complications

12. Mei Mei was completely _____ upon learning that she was the Model Pupil of the Year.

(1) aghast
(2) distraught
(3) embarrassed
(4) dumbfounded

13. A few days after the quarrel, Lisa and Audrey decided to _____ and become friends again.

(1) draw the line
(2) break the ice
(3) face the music
(4) bury the hatchet

14. As my sister enjoys cooking, she is going to _____ some culinary skills from the chefs at the community club.

(1) pick at
(2) pick up
(3) pick on
(4) pick out

15. Mr Tan scolded his foolish son for buying a second-hand car _____ without having test driven it.

(1) recklessly
(2) impulsively
(3) nonchalantly
(4) spontaneously

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For each question from 16 to 20, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

Flossing is an essential part of any oral health care routine. The Singapore Dental Association recommends flossing at least once a day to achieve ideal (16) oral health. By flossing daily, dental plaque can be removed from the areas between your teeth where the toothbrush cannot reach. This is crucial (17) because plaque that is not removed by brushing and flossing can eventually harden into tartar. Flossing also helps prevent gum diseases and cavities.

The most important thing about flossing is to do it religiously (18). Hence, you must always devote (19) some time every day to your dental care. People who are too tired at the end of the day may profit (20) from flossing first thing in the morning or flossing after lunch. With daily brushing and flossing, you will have adopted a healthy habit for life.

Adapted from *www.mouthhealthy.org*

16. (1) optimal
(2) spotless
(3) supreme
(4) excellent

17. (1) urgent
(2) essential
(3) compulsory
(4) unavoidable

18. (1) faithfully
(2) attentively
(3) persistently
(4) occasionally

19. (1) donate
(2) dedicate
(3) contribute
(4) subscribe

20. (1) benefit
(2) flourish
(3) prosper
(4) blossom

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For each question from 21 to 28, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

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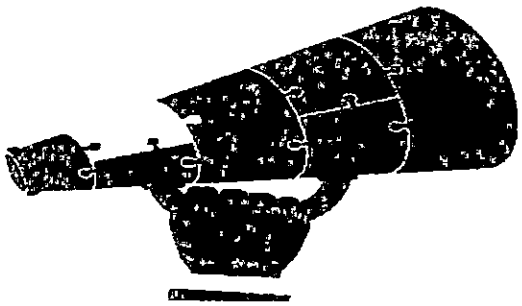
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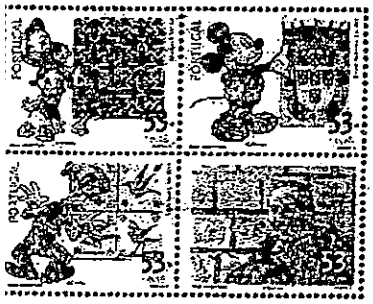
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Children's Season Open House

Sunday, 29 Nov & 6 Dec 2015

9.30am – 7.00pm

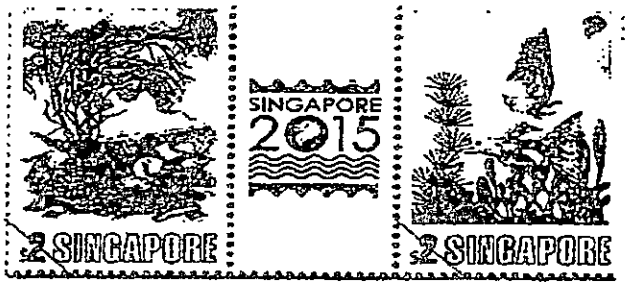
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Stamp Fair

Sunday, 13 Dec 2015

10.00am – 4.00pm

Have you ever wondered how valuable your stamps are? Bring them to be evaluated and auctioned.



Singapore 2015 World Stamp Exhibition

14 – 19 Dec 2015

Sands Expo and Convention Centre

This is a rare opportunity for people of all ages to immerse themselves in the fascinating world of philately. View more than 2000 stamp exhibits, visit close to 100 exciting booths and engage in fun activities: philatelic talks, guided tours of the museum, treasure hunts and stamp-designing competitions.

ADMISSION

- $6 for adults
- $4 for children (3 -12 years)
- Free admission for Singapore citizens and senior citizens

SINGAPORE PHILATELIC MUSEUM

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21. The main purpose of the Return to Sender – An Exhibition is to _____.

(1) listen to Rock 'n' Roll songs
(2) admire the movie posters featuring Elvis Presley
(3) obtain the commemorative stamps honouring Elvis Presley
(4) celebrate Elvis' 80 years of contribution to the music industry

22. The word *'rendition'* in the flyer refers to _____.

(1) the exhibition
(2) a performance
(3) a rocking opening night
(4) the anniversary celebration

23. Joseph is a fan of rock and roll. Which event organised by the SPM would be most suitable for him?

(1) Stamp Fair
(2) Children's Season Open House
(3) Return to Sender – An Exhibition
(4) Singapore 2015 World Stamp Exhibition

24. Members of the public can constantly stay updated about the events happening at the SPM by_____.

(1) attending the opening night
(2) attending the various events
(3) following the Singapore Philatelic Museum on Facebook
(4) heading down to the Sands Expo and Convention Centre

25. What can one do at the Stamp Fair?

(1) Attend philatelic talks
(2) Immerse in the world of philately
(3) Get your stamps evaluated and auctioned
(4) Take part in the stamp-designing competitions

26. The additional materials in the two-disc special edition refer to _____.

(1) free admission tickets to SPM
(2) Elvis' most popular movie posters
(3) the movie posters of Elvis' first film
(4) the commemorative stamps honouring Elvis

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27. Which of the following statements is **true**?

(1) The Stamp Fair is a weekday event.
(2) The Return to Sender exhibition will run for a month.
(3) Activities conducted during the Children's Season Open House are free.
(4) The World Stamp Exhibition aims to expose public to the world of stamps.

28. The colon on page seven may be replaced by the words _____.

(1) such as
(2) as well as
(3) together with
(4) in other words

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) among	(D) can	(G) on	(K) were	(N) who
(B) are	(E) from	(H) other	(L) when	(P) will
(C) between	(F) in	(J) since	(M) which	(Q) would

The Lee Kong Chian National History Museum is Singapore's newest museum. Prince, Apollonia and Twinky, are three of its prehistoric stars. The three dinosaurs, _____ (29) the biggest creatures to walk the earth 150 million years ago, _____ (30) viewed by more than 250 guests on 28 April 2015. _____ (31) the seven-storey museum opened its doors to the public, the dinosaurs have been a crowd puller. The $8 million dinosaur skeletons, of _____ (32) Prince is the largest, are the museum's centrepiece. They were acquired _____ (33) 2011 from an American fossil company that found the remains _____ (34) 2007 and 2010.

The museum offers more than giant bones. Visitors _____ (35) also look forward to viewing 2000 _____ (36) specimens, including a prized Asian Brown Flycatcher bird. Apart _____ (37) its public exhibition space, a large area _____ (38) be set aside for more than a million specimens to be used for research with classrooms and teaching laboratories. This museum will serve to educate many generations of Singaporeans on the importance of protecting our heritage and contribute to the global biodiversity research.

Adapted from: The Sunday Times, 19 April 2015

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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

With the fast pace of technological development, it will not be surprising if the classroom teacher is soon replaced by a computer. Children are more skilful at (39) [ ] (40) [ ] *using all forms of digital technology but adults. They will be greatly enthusatic to* (41) [ ] *learn regardless of the subjects if they are gave a high-speed internet connection* (42) [ ] *and a screen. The internet has now becoming such a pervasive tool that students no* (43) [ ] *longer need to have a teacher act as the fountain of knowlege. Instead, they can* (44) [ ] (45) [ ] *look into all the facts they need with the clik of a mouse.*

Indeed, with wikis and web portals, children do not even need to turn up to (46) [ ] (47) [ ] *class. Vertual spaces can replace the classroom or online forums can replace class* (48) [ ] (49) [ ] *disscusions. While learning in an online environment, children can also pratice web* (50) [ ] *etiquette and online safety skills which are absolutely neccessary in the twenty-first century. With workplaces and the world becoming increasingly computer-reliant, the old-fashioned classroom with a marker-wielding teacher no longer seems relevant.*

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

Despite calls for consumers to reject plastic bags when shopping, the amount of plastic finding its way into landfills continues to rise. In fact, the _____ (51) of plastic thrown away has trebled in the _____ (52) two years.

Every year, volunteers for litter-picking events report that discarded plastic bags _____ (53) up the greatest percentage of items _____ (54) collect. Hence, it is without a _____ (55) that current measures to get people to voluntarily _____ (56) down on their use of plastic bags are failing.

Some supermarkets claim that the bags they use to _____ (57) our groceries are made of biodegradable materials and are therefore 'safe'. This is _____ (58) so. The reality is that these bags take many years to break _____ (59). In the meantime, they cause an awful mess in parks, oceans and on our roads. Not only that, they are also _____ (60) to land and sea animals.

Clearly, the only solution to this _____ (61) is to ban the use of plastic bags. This _____ (62) should begin with supermarkets because they are the greatest users. Once plastic bags are eliminated from all the _____ (63), the ban should be extended _____ (64) all stores. Most shopping bags are just another form of advertising. Customers are paying for the privilege of carrying around a brand for that shop. However, _____ (65) really pays? It is the environment of course!

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. Bob went swimming. Bob did not go to school.

Instead of _____

_____

67. Our grandfather feeds the fishes in the pond every day.

The fishes _____

_____

68. "Where did your brother keep the new computer game?" I asked the twins.

I asked the twins _____

_____

69. None of the students wants to go the library.
to

All the _____

_____

70. The boys were responsible for sweeping the floor and decorating the classroom.

It _____

_____

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71. What action by a chopstick user in paragraph one will cause displeasure? [1m]

_____

_____

72. Which word from lines 1 – 5, tells us that the chopsticks can be used in many different ways? [1m]

73. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. [1m]

_____ Knives were used less often at mealtimes in ancient China.

_____ The Japanese began using chopsticks only in religious ceremonies

_____ The Chinese cut their food into big chunks before cooking it.

74. Based on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True / False	Reason
The ancient Chinese used fallen twigs as chopsticks.		
Sucking on chopsticks when the food is delicious shows that one is well brought up.		
At first, the Japanese made their chopsticks differently from those found in China.		

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75. Which sentence in paragraph two tells you that using the chopsticks is not easy for those with clumsy hands? [1m]

_____

_____

76. Give two reasons why the Chinese no longer use knives at mealtimes. [2m]

1. _____

2. _____

77. The table below compares the past and the present. Fill in the boxes using information from the passage. [3m]

Past	Present
In Japan, chopsticks looked like tweezers.	
	Chopsticks are made of many different materials.
	Chopsticks are also used as hair accessories.

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78. According to the passage, what are **two** advantages and **two** disadvantages of chopsticks made of bamboo? [4m]

Advantages

1. _____

2. _____

Disadvantages

1. _____

2 _____

79. Did the use of silver chopsticks in China's imperial palaces meet their objective? Give a reason for your answer. [2m]

_____

_____

80. What has the Chinese government done to enforce the reduction in the usage of disposable chopsticks? [2m]

_____

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4	**4**	**4**	**2**	**2**	**1**	**2**	**1**	**2**	**1**
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28		
4	**2**	**3**	**3**	**3**	**3**	**4**	**1**		

Q 29	Q 30	Q 31	Q 32	Q 33	Q 34	Q 35	Q 36	Q 37	Q 38
B	**K**	**J**	**M**	**F**	**C**	**D**	**H**	**E**	**P**

Q39 than

Q40 enthusiastic

Q41 given

Q42 become

Q43 knowledge

Q44 up

Q45 click

Q46 virtual

Q47 and

Q48 discussions

Q49 practise

Q50 necessary

Q51 amount

Q52 last

Q53 made

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Q55 doubt

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Q56 cut

Q57 put

Q58 not

Q59 down

Q60 harmful

Q61 problem

Q62 step

Q63 supermarkets

Q64 to

Q65 who

Q66. Instead of going to school, Bob went swimming.

Q67. The fishes in the pond are fed by our grandfather everyday.

Q68. I asked the twins where their brother had kept the new computer game

Q69. All the students do not want to go to the library.

Q70. It was the boys' responsibility to sweep the floor and decorate the classroom.

Q71. A chopstick user using chopsticks to spear food for easy consumption will cause displeasure.

Q72. Versatile

Q73. 1 – The Chinese cut their food into big chunks before cooking it.

Q73. 2 – Knives were used less often at mealtimes in ancient China.

Q73. 3 – The Japanese began using chopsticks only in religious ceremonies.

Q74. FALSE – The ancient Chinese would break sticks and twigs off trees and use them as chopsticks.

Q74. FALSE – One must not suck on chopsticks no matter how tasty the food is.

Q74. TRUE – The chopsticks were made from one piece of bamboo joined at top and looked like tweezers.

Q75. It is 'Handling this elegant culinary tool is an art requiring nimble fingers.'

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Q76. 1 - Knives were no longer required at mealtimes with food in smaller piece.

Q76. 2 – The Chinese were influenced by Confucius's non – violent teachings.

Q77. Present – Chopsticks are split into two.

Q77. Past – Chopsticks were just sticks and twigs.

Q77. Past – Chopsticks were only used for picking up food.

Q78. Advantages
1 – Chopsticks made of bamboo are cheap. 2 – Bamboo is resistant to heat.

Q78. Disadvantages
1 – Bamboo is not as durable as those made from.
2 – Chopsticks made from bamboo are hard to be carved on, causing craftsmen to find their artwork not impressive.

Q79. No, silver chopsticks in China's imperial palaces did not meet their objectives, as silver chopsticks do not react to posions.

Q80. The Chinese imposed a 5 percent tax on disposable chopsticks, and encouraged diners to use their own personal chopsticks rather than disposable ones.

THE END

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