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RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

Semestral Assessment 2 (2016)

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Name: _____ ( ) Class: P2_____

24 Oct 2016 ENGLISH LANGUAGE Duration: 1h

Section A: (5 x 1 mark)
Choose the **most suitable word** and write its number in the brackets.

1. When Sarah came out of the swimming pool, she _____ as the cold wind blew at her.

(1) shivered (3) swung
(2) bumped (4) vibrated ( )

2. Mother bought two _____ of bread from the bakery to make some sandwiches for a party.

(1) bunches (3) loaves
(2) slices (4) piles ( )

3. The giant _____ angrily at the people and demanded loudly for some food.

(1) bellowed (3) mumbled
(2) groaned (4) whispered ( )

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4. Susie was _____ because her younger brother kept disturbing her while she was doing her homework.

(1) annoyed (3) pleased
(2) disappointed (4) excited ( )

5. Mr Tan is a/an _____ . He has written many interesting story books for children.

(1) painter (3) librarian
(2) illustrator (4) author ( )

Section B: (5 x 1 mark)
Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets.

6. "That's my good friend, Mary. _____ is she ignoring me?" asked Jessie.

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

7. I will not be able to buy that expensive doll for you. I have only _____ dollars left.

(1) much (3) some
(2) a few (4) a little ( )

8. My mother loves to _____ whenever she is free.

(1) bake (3) bakes
(2) baked (4) baking ( )

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9. Henry enjoys reading and relaxing indoors _____ his brother prefers playing outdoors.

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

10. _____ box of toys and books here was donated by a kind parent.

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

Section C: (8 x 1 mark)
Choose the correct word from the box to fill in each blank. Use each word **once** only.

Passage 1

across	in	since	over	from

My family and I went to a stamp exhibition last Sunday. It was held (11) _____ a museum. The stamps came (12) _____ different countries.

A special stamp caught my attention. I walked (13) _____ the room to study the stamp. It was the Penny Black.

I have been collecting stamps (14) _____ I was five years old. It is a very interesting hobby.

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Passage 2

mine	hers	our	they	her	my	ours

One day, Mrs Lim came for a visit. She brought along (15)_____ shy five-year-old daughter, Nancy. My six-year-old daughter, Lily, was excited. She tried to talk to Nancy but the little girl did not respond.

Not giving up, Lily brought out her LEGO set to encourage Nancy to talk. On seeing that, Nancy beamed and exclaimed, "That's (16) _____ favourite toy! Is it yours too?"

The two girls started building a merlion. Both of them chatted happily as (17) _____ played with the LEGO toy.

Looking at the girls, Mrs Lim said to me, "Look at (18) _____ girls! They are enjoying each other's company."

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Section D: Editing (7 x 1 mark)
Read the passage carefully. Spelling mistakes are underlined. Write the correct word in the box above it. A missing punctuation mark is indicated by a circle. Put the correct punctuation mark in the circle.

It was late at night. Jack was reading a book in his room when [ ] his stomach started to rumble. Feeling (19) hungary, he decided to search for some food in the kitchen.

He tiptoed slowly to the kitchen so that he would not wake his parents up. When he looked around (20) ◯ he saw a jar of cookies on the shelf. He stood on a stool and stretched out his hands to grab the jar of cookies (21) ◯ The jar slipped out of his hands and smashed onto the floor with a loud noise. The cookies [ ] were (22) scaaterred everywhere.

The next moment, Jack heard the sound of footsteps. He [ ] knew he was in (23) truober. When Mother saw what had happened, [ ] she (24) fronned at him.

" You have made a mess in the kitchen (25) ◯ " shouted Mother angrily.

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Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)
Fill in each blank with the correct word from the box. Use each word **once** only.

stammer	nervous	hardworking	reluctant
tired	friendly	nasty	grumble

Farmer Brown bought two donkeys at the market. The first donkey was (26) _____ as it could work all day without stopping. The second donkey loved to (27) _____ and complain about everything. It was (28) _____ to work and preferred to relax all day long.

The second donkey asked the first donkey, "Why do you work so hard? Don't you feel (29) _____ after working all day?" The first donkey replied, "Hard work will always pay off, my friend."

Farmer Brown overheard what the donkeys said. He rewarded the first donkey with its favourite food. As for the second donkey, he sold it at the market. Its new master was a mean and (30) _____ farmer who fed it very little food and beat it if it did not work hard.

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Section F: Comprehension (10 marks)
Read the passage carefully and answer the questions.

Roald Dahl is well-known as the most successful children's writer. Roald himself said, "I'm probably more pleased with my children's books than with my adult short stories. Children's books are harder to write. It's tougher to keep a child interested because a child doesn't have the concentration of an adult. The child knows that the television is in the next room. It's tough to hold a child's attention, but it's a lovely thing to try to do."

Roald Dahl first became interested in writing children's books by making up bedtime stories for his daughters, Olivia and Tessa. This was how he came to write "James and The Giant Peach". His second book "Charlie and The Chocolate Factory" was also very popular.

However, my favourite book is "Fantastic Mr Fox". The story is about a fox who steals food from three mean and wealthy farmers. They are fed up with the fox's theft and try to kill him. Fortunately, Mr Fox is able to outsmart the farmers. This book is also a favourite among my friends as the story is very interesting like all the other stories written by Roald Dahl.

Adapted from http://www.roalddahlclub.com/

Choose the correct answer for each question and put a tick (✓) in the box provided. (3x1m)

31. Which one of the following sentences best describes Roald Dahl as "the most successful children's writer"?

Roald Dahl is the only writer of children's stories.	
Roald Dahl's stories are enjoyed by children during bedtime only.	
Roald Dahl is able to write stories that hold the children's attention.	

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32. According to Roald Dahl, children's books are harder to write because children _____.

prefer to watch television	
read only bedtime stories	
cannot concentrate as well as adults	

33. The writer liked the book entitled "_____" most.

Fantastic Mr Fox	
James and The Giant Peach	
Charlie and The Chocolate Factory	

Circle True (T) if the statement is correct or False (F) if the statement is wrong (2x1m)

34. Roald Dahl enjoyed telling stories to his own children. (T F)

35. "Charlie and The Chocolate Factory" was the last book written by Roald Dahl. (T F)

Arrange these sentences in the correct order as it happened in the story beginning with 1 and so on. Write the numbers in the brackets provided. (1m)

36. ( ) Roald Dahl began to write children's stories.

( ) Roald Dahl made up stories to tell Olivia and Tessa.

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Answer Question 37 in a complete sentence. (1x2m)

37. Why are Roald Dahl's books enjoyed by children?

_____

_____

38. Which word in **paragraph 3** has the same meaning as "rich"?
Write the **word** in the box provided. (1x2m)

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EXAM PAPER 2016 (P2)

SCHOOL : RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA2

Section A

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5					
1	3	1	1	4					

Section B

Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10					
3	2	1	3	4					

Section C

Passage 1
Q11) in
Q12) from
Q13) across
Q14) since

Passage 2
Q15) her
Q16) my
Q17) they
Q18) our

Section D

Q19) hungry
Q20) , (comma)
Q21) . (full stop)
Q22) scattered

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Q23) trouble
Q24) frowned
Q25) ! (exclamation mark)

Section E

Q26) hardworking
Q27) grumble
Q28) reluctant
Q29) tired
Q30) nasty

Section F

Q31)

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Q32)

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read only bedtime stories	
cannot concentrate as well as adults	✓

Q33)

Fantastic Mr Fox	✓
James and The Giant Peach	
Charlie and The Chocolate Factory	

Q34) (T) / F)

Q35) (T / F)

Q36) (2) Roald Dahl began to write children's stories.
(1) Roald Dahl made up stories to tell Olivia and Tessa.

Q37) The stories that Roald Dahl wrote are very interesting.

Q38)

wealthy

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