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Temasek Primary School

Semestral Assessment 1

Primary Four

2016

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Paper 2
Booklet A

Name: _____ ( )

Class: Primary 4 _____

Date: 6 May 2016

Parent's Signature: _____

17 Questions
17 Marks

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
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3. Answer all questions.
4. Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

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Section A – Grammar MCQ

For each question from 1 to 8, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

1. Mary _____ excited when she saw the present her mother had bought her.

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

2. There is _____ milk left in the refrigerator.

   (1) any
   (2) some
   (3) many
   (4) several

3. Linda was mopping the floor when the doorbell _____.

   (1) ring
   (2) rang
   (3) rings
   (4) has rung

4. "You are old enough to wash your clothes _____," Mrs Tan said to her children.

   (1) myself
   (2) yourself
   (3) yourselves
   (4) themselves

5. Between these two dresses, the yellow one is _____.

   (1) pretty
   (2) prettier
   (3) prettiest
   (4) more pretty

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6. I cannot borrow any books from the library _____ I have lost my student pass.

(1) as
(2) so
(3) but
(4) although

7. Ahmad _____ to the stadium for his soccer training every Monday.

(1) goes
(2) went
(3) has gone
(4) was going

8. As a pizza deliveryman, David spends a lot of time travelling _____ place to place.

(1) in
(2) at
(3) from
(4) between

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Section B – Vocabulary MCQ

For each question from 9 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(4 marks)

9. Angie was _____ that she did not miss the bus even though she had woken up late.

(1) relaxed
(2) anxious
(3) relieved
(4) angered

10. The plane will _____ in ten minutes. We need to hurry so that we can catch it.

(1) depart
(2) dismiss
(3) withdraw
(4) discharge

11. Eating too much junk food is _____ to your health.

(1) risky
(2) hurtful
(3) unsafe
(4) harmful

12. The _____ needed to make the salad are lettuce, cucumber, olive oil and eggs.

(1) parts
(2) contents
(3) equipment
(4) ingredients

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Section C – Vocabulary Cloze

For each question from 13 to 14, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.
(2 marks)

John, my neighbour, is a close friend of mine. He is seventy-one years old, exactly sixty years older than me. He is a friendly and gentle old man and I enjoy talking to him.

According to John, the Japanese occupied Singapore when he had just turned nine. As he was a cheerful (13) boy, he became friends with a few Japanese soldiers. One of the soldiers, Endo San, liked John a lot as he had a nine-year-old son back in Japan too. He would give John generous (14) portions of rice and eggs whenever they met. John was very grateful to Endo San as the rice and eggs had kept his family full during the war.

13. (1) jolly
    (2) bold
    (3) clever
    (4) talented

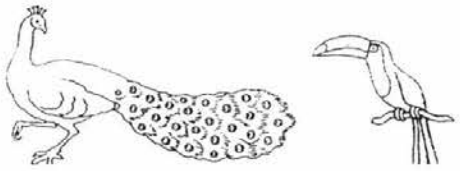
14. (1) rich
    (2) large
    (3) grand
    (4) heavy

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Section D – Visual Text Comprehension

Study the advertisement below and answer questions 15 to 17.

CHILDREN'S DAY SPECIAL
AT THE ALL NEW
PUNGGOL BIRD PARK



Free goodie bag for the first 100 visitors!

While stocks last!

Only for children below 12 years of age

Sony Favourite Buddy Contest

Vote for your favourite 'buddy' from the 'Birds n Buddies' show and stand to win Sony vouchers worth up to $1000.

Parrot Feeding

Have an exciting time feeding the parrots!



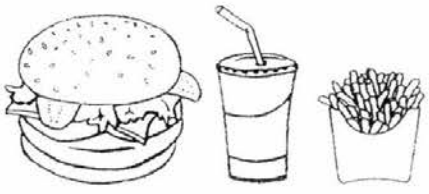
Bird Feed: $1 per packet

Bongo Burgers School Group Specials

Student groups can enjoy Bongo Burgers meals at a special student price. (School group bookings only)

'The Australian Outback' Contest

Visit the all new Australian Outback Exhibit! Name the birds and stand a chance to win a package tour for 2 to Australia.



Shop and Save the Birds

Buy a souvenir from our retail outlet 'Birds and Buddies'. All proceeds from the sale will go towards the World Wildlife Conservation Fund.

For school guided tours, contact our Education Officer, Ms Aishah, at 6689 3321.

Punggol Bird Park
2 Punggol Road Singapore 628900
Tel: (65) 6689 7000
Fax: (65) 6689 7001
Email: info@birdpark.com.sg

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For each question from 15 to 17, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

15. This Children's Day Special is organised by _____.

(1) Sony
(2) Bongo Burgers
(3) Punggol Bird Park
(4) World Wildlife Conservation Fund

16. The free goodie bag is given to _____.

(1) all visitors
(2) student groups
(3) visitors who purchase souvenirs
(4) children who are below 12 years old

17. Which one of the following statements is true?

(1) Families with children can enjoy Bongo Burgers Meals at a discount.
(2) The African Outback Exhibit is a new exhibit at the Punggol Bird Park.
(3) Schools can contact Ms Aishah if they wish to arrange for a guided tour around Punggol Bird Park.
(4) Winners of the Sony Favourite Buddy Contest can stand to win more than $1000 worth of vouchers.

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Temasek Primary School

Semestral Assessment 1

Primary Four

2016

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Paper 2
Booklet B

Name: _____

Class: Primary 4 _____

Date: 6 May 2016

Parent's Signature: _____

29 Questions
33 Marks

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 15 minutes

Booklet A:	/ 17
Booklet B:	/ 33
Total :	/ 50

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Section E – Grammar Cloze (Personal Pronouns)

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 blanks, numbered 18 to 21, in the passage below. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. (4 marks)

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) her	(B) it	(C) them
(D) they	(E) us	(F) we

It was an exciting day for Nina and her twin sister, Joan. (18)_____ were going to a theatre to watch Chinese Opera. They bought tickets for the seats in the front row and chatted excitedly. Nina shared (19)_____ Joan while waiting for the show to start. Soon, the lights dimmed and (20)_____ was quite dark. "Hurray! (21)_____ are watching Chinese Opera for the first time!" Joan exclaimed. Nina told her sister to be quiet and then continued watching the show.

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Section F – Grammar Cloze (Subject–Verb Agreement)

Read the passage carefully. For questions 22 to 25, circle the correct word from the words given in the brackets. (4 marks)

Justin is late for school. He dashes as quickly as he can to the bus stop but it (22)[is / are]too late. The bus has left without him. He sighs sadly and (23) [look / looks] worriedly at his watch. Just then, a few boys from his school (24) [walk / walks] to the bus stop. Justin (25) [has / have] a brilliant idea! He asks them to share a taxi with him. They readily agree and Justin heaves a sigh of relief.

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Section G – Comprehension Cloze

Fill in each blank with **a** suitable word of your own. (3 marks)

Leon loved the violin and he longed to play the instrument. However, he (26) _____ that it was impossible as his parents were poor. They could barely afford to (27) _____ him his textbooks and school uniform.

Leon had to be contented with listening to his neighbour play the violin. He was touched by the melody and he marvelled at how the violin could produce such (28) _____ music. He wished he had a chance to play the violin one day.

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Section H – Synthesis/Transformation

For each of the items 29 and 30, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the given one(s).
(2 marks)

29. John can run fast. His sister cannot run as fast as him.

_____ faster than

_____

30. Cara wanted to avoid doing her homework. She lied that she was sick.

_____ in order to

_____

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Section I – Comprehension 1

Read the passage below and answer questions 31 to 39. (10 marks)

Mother had been taken to the hospital with "her sugar acting up bad". Grandma and Grandpa had gone with her so I knew it was worse than I had expected. Grandma left Penny and me with Aunt Annie and her children for the night. It was exciting, walking briskly down the road in the dark, nobody talking much. My twin, Penny, who was usually talkative, was very quiet that night. In fact, she looked strangely anxious as we made our way to Aunt Annie's house.

After giving each of us a glass of milk, Aunt Annie told us to go to bed. "Keep the girls quiet, Hannah, and don't wake the baby up," she said to me firmly. Then, she left for the hospital.

Soon, we were left in the bedroom, all six of us girls. At first, Aunt Annie's children were shy around us until I started telling them fairy tales. The girls' eyes lit up instantly and they listened attentively. They loved my fairy tales so much that they begged me for more.

The children's pleading was getting louder by the minute. Before they woke the baby up, Penny decided to tell them one more story. With fear in her eyes, she told them about two sisters whose mother had to go to the hospital. Before she could finish her story, tears welled up in her eyes and she started sobbing. I hugged Penny and told the girls that it was time for bed. None of them complained as they shuffled quickly to their beds. That night, I gave Penny my favourite teddy bear and cuddled her to sleep.

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For questions 31 to 32, decide who was involved in the following activities. Tick (✓) your chosen answer. The first example has been done for you. (2m)

Activities described in paragraphs 2 and 3		The girls	Aunt Annie
Example	Gave each of the girls a glass of milk		✓
31.	Listened attentively to the fairy tales		
32.	Went to the hospital		

33. Which word has the same meaning as 'chatty'? Circle either (A) or (B). (1m)

My twin, Penny, who was usually talkative (A), was very quiet (B) that night.

For questions 34 to 35, tick (✓) whether the statements describe Penny or Hannah. Refer to paragraphs 3 and 4 to help you. The first example has been done for you. (2m)

Statement		Penny	Hannah
Example	Told the girls fairy tales		✓
34.	Told the girls a sad story		
35.	Gave her favourite teddy bear away		

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36. Which word has the same meaning as 'immediately'? Circle either (A) or (B). (1m)

The girls' eyes lit up instantly (A) and they listened attentively (B).

37. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

Aunt Annie's children asked for more _____. (1m)

☐	food
☐	fairy tales
☐	sad stories

38. What did Aunt Annie's children do that might wake the baby up?

_____ (1m)

39. List two things that Hannah did when her sister started crying. (2m)

(i) _____

(ii) _____

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Section J – Comprehension 2

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 40 to 46. (10 marks)

Mr Albert Einstein visited Japan in 1922. I was just a little boy then and people often ask me, "How can you remember?" But I do.

Many guests came during those years and sat in the great wing chairs of my father's study but only one bounced me on his knee. That was Mr Albert Einstein.

There was much cause for celebration when Mr Albert Einstein decided to visit Japan. He was considered the greatest scientist in the world and had just been awarded the Nobel Prize for Science. That first night, he told long stories to my parents. I could hear their whispered conversation as I drifted off to sleep.

I woke up suddenly from a bad dream. I wanted to cry but I heard a melodious tune coming from the hallway. I walked to the hall and saw Mr Albert Einstein playing the piano. He discovered that I was watching him and he smiled kindly at me. I knew then that I would not be in trouble for being out of bed late at night. I sat on the sofa, captivated by the piece he was playing.

When I woke up the next morning, I ran to the kitchen to look for Mr Albert Einstein but my mother told me that he had left at dawn and would not be visiting us anytime soon. I was disappointed as I wanted to tell him how much I had enjoyed his music.

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For question 40, write 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets. (1m)

40. Mr Albert Einstein bounced the author on his knee in the _____.

(1) hall

(2) study

(3) kitchen

(4) bedroom

( )

41. Write one word from paragraph 3 that has the same meaning as the word 'presented'. (1m)

42. State whether each sentence below is **True** or **False**. Give a reason for your answer. (2m)

Sentence	True/False	Reason
(i) Many people knew of Mr Albert Einstein as a great pianist.		
(ii) The author's parents and Mr Albert Einstein spoke softly.		

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43. These are the events that have occurred in the story. Put them in the right sequence, according to the flow in the story. Write 1, 2 and 3 on the lines. (1m)

____ The author had a bad dream.

____ The author listened to Mr Albert Einstein playing the piano.

____ The author overheard the stories that Mr Albert Einstein shared with his parents.

44. Why did the author remember Mr Albert Einstein even though he was very young when they met? (1m)

_____

_____

45. How did the author know that he would not be scolded for staying up late at night? (2m)

_____

_____

46. Why was the author in a rush to look for Mr Albert Einstein the next morning? (2m)

_____

_____

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YEAR : 2016
LEVEL : PRIMARY 4
SCHOOL : TEMASEK PRIMARY
SUBJECT : ENGLISH
TERM : SA1

Booklet A & B

Q1	3	Q4	3	Q7	1	Q10	1	Q13	1	Q16	4	Q19	A
Q2	2	Q5	2	Q8	3	Q11	4	Q14	2	Q17	3	Q20	B
Q3	2	Q6	1	Q9	3	Q12	4	Q15	3	Q18	D	Q21	F

Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28
is	looks	walk	has	knew	buy	lovely

Q29 John can run faster than his sister.

Q30 Cora lied that she was sick in order to avoid doing her homework.

Activities described in paragraphs 2 and 3		The girls	Aunt Annie
Example	Gave each of the girls a glass of milk		✔
Q31	Listened attentively to the fairy tales	✔	
Q32	Went to the hospital		✔

Q33 (A)

Statement		Penny	Hannah
Example	Told the girls fairy tales		✔
Q34	Told the girls a sad story	✔	
Q35	Gave her favourite teddy bear away		✔

Q36 (A)

Q37 ✔ fairy tales

Q38 Aunt Annie's children loud pleading might wake the baby up.

Q39 (i) Hugged her

(ii) Gave her teddy bear

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Q40 2

Q41 awarded

Q42

Sentence	True / False	Reason
(i) Many people knew of Mr Albert Einstein as a great pianist.	False	Many people knew of Mr Albert Einstein as a great pianist.
(ii) The author's parents and Mr Albert Einstein spoke softly.	True	The author could hear their whispered conversation.

Q43 2 The author had a bad dream.
3 The author listened to Mr Albert Einstein playing the piano.
1 The author overheard the stories that Mr Albert Einstein shared with his parents.

Q44 Mr Albert Einstein was the only one who bounced the author on his knee.

Q45 Mr Albert Einstein saw the author watching him and smiled kindly at the author.

Q46 The author wanted to tell Mr Albert Einstein that he enjoyed the music he played.

End

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EXAM PAPER 2016

SCHOOL : TEMASEK PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUBJECT : PRIMARY 4 ENGLISH
TERM : SA1

Booklet A

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

Booklet B

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28
D	A	B	F	is	looks	walk	has	knew	buy	beautiful

Q29 John can run faster than his sister.

Q30 Cara lied that she was sick in order to avoid doing her homework.

Q31 The girls

Q32 Aunt Annie

Q33 A

Q34 Penny

Q35 Hannah

Q36 instantly

Q37 fairy tale

Q38 They pleaded loudly for more fairy tales.

Q39 (i) Hannah gave her favourite teddy to her.

(ii) Hannah cuddled her to sleep.

Q40 2

Q41 Awarded

Q42 False He was considered the greatest scientist in the world.
True He told my parents long stories and I could hear their whispered conversation as I drifted off to sleep.

Q43 2, 3, 1

Q44 He can remember because many guest went during those years and sat in the great wing chairs of his father's study but one Mr Albert Einstein bounced on his father's knee.

Q45 The author knew he would not be scolded as Mr Albert Einstein smiled kindly to him.

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