HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
2017 SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION TWO
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY THREE

PART I	14
PART II	36
TOTAL	50

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Duration of Paper: 1 h 15 min

PART I

Section A: Vocabulary (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

1. My sister walked to the bus _____ to take a bus to school.
   1) hall
   2) room
   3) office
   4) interchange
   ( )

2. The firemen were relieved that they had prevented the fire from spreading and causing more _____ to the houses.
   1) injury
   2) stress
   3) trouble
   4) damage
   ( )

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3. The disrespectful student was _____ by his teacher for being rude to his classmates.

1) notified
2) informed
3) reprimanded
4) commended

( )

4. Sally's mouth sagged open and she widened her eyes in amazement as she _____ the magician's performance.

1) detected
2) observed
3) examined
4) inspected

( )

5. Mrs Lee frowned unhappily when she saw her student's _____ shoes.

1) filthy
2) infected
3) polluted
4) unhygienic

( )

6. Jenny was jogging at the park when she stopped to admire some _____ sunflowers growing near the pond.

1) valuable
2) precious
3) attractive
4) fashionable

( )

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Section B: Grammar (8 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

7. After the race, Ali and Sam _____ hands to show that they were still good friends.

   1) shake
   2) shook
   3) shakes
   4) shaking

   ( )

8. "The school bell _____ at 7.30 am every morning," Mr Li said.

   1) ring
   2) rings
   3) rang
   4) ringing

   ( )

9. The muffins are not yet ready. The baker _____ them into the oven now.

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

   ( )

10. The students _____ their worksheets when the Principal walked into the room.

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

   ( )

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11. "Please be careful with that knife. You might cut _____," said Grandma to Sally.

1) myself
2) herself
3) yourself
4) themselves

( )

12. Mr Lim bought _____ tins of milk powder for his baby.

1) few
2) much
3) a little
4) several

( )

13. "_____ dresses over there look beautiful! Let's walk over for a closer look!" exclaimed Kelly.

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

( )

14. After buying that expensive computer, Ben did not have _____money left.

1) few
2) some
3) much
4) many

( )

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PART II
Section C: Grammar Cloze
Passage A (4 x 1 mark)
Read the passage below. Choose the most suitable word from the box and fill in the blanks. Use each word ONCE only.

my	mine	we	he
his	him	hers	her

My brother and I love to play tennis. We play a game at least twice a week. I will use (15)_____ father's old racket. As for my brother, he uses (16)_____ own.

Sometimes our friends, Mary and Kate, will join us for a game. They will bring their own rackets and (17)_____ will play together. Mary likes to throw (18)_____ racket into the air when she wins a point. We have a lot of fun playing together.

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Passage B (4 x 1 mark)

Read the passage below. Choose the most suitable word from the box and fill in the blanks. Use each word ONCE only.

eat	eats	ate
eating	eaten	

Mark pleaded with Jane to give him some money. "I am very hungry. I have not (19)_____ anything for two days," Mark said sadly. Jane took pity on him and bought some food for him to (20)_____. She wondered what she should do next as he (21)_____ the food hungrily. After (22)_____ his fill, Mark told Jane what had happened to him. Jane decided to take Mark to the Social Service Centre after listening to his story.

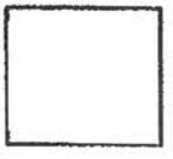
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Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)
Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word.

Kishan was unhappy with his older sister, Trisha. She had taken his toy car and refused to (23)_____ it to him when he asked for it. After stomping his (24)_____ around the room for a while, he decided that he would take it back by (25)_____ Without waiting, he marched straight into the living room where Trisha was playing.

Without any warning, Kishan (26)_____ the toy car from her. Surprised by Kishan's sudden action, Trisha quickly reacted by pulling it (27)_____. Soon, the two children were engaged in a tug-of-war.



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SECTION E: Editing (5 x 1 mark)

Each of the underlined word contains a spelling error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes.

Many unique houses exist across the world. People use many different

28. [ ]

materails to build these houses in a variety of designs. Some houses are perched high on

29. [ ]

wooden legs and have the appeerence of a person on stilts. Stilt houses are built near

30. [ ] 31. [ ]

koastal areas or riverbanks where flooding happens often when the river levals change

32. [ ]

during the rainy season. Raised above the ground, stilt houses not only protek the villagers from floods but also from wild animals that wander freely around the area. They are commonly found in some parts of Southeast Asia.

[ ]

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SECTION F: Sentence Manipulation-Combining (2 x 1 mark)
Rewrite the following pairs of sentences as one sentence without changing the original meaning.

33. The concert ticket cost three hundred dollars. Mike was willing to buy the concert ticket.

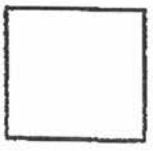
_____ but

_____

34. Jack could not find his way out of the forest. Jack was worried.

_____ because

_____



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SECTION G: COMPREHENSION (8 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 35 to 42.

Madam Ng Moey Chye's job was to carry bricks at a construction site. She would wake up at dawn and walk from her home at Chinatown to Collyer Quay where she worked. Her job was hard and tiring but it was the only work she could do.

Madam Ng was born in Singapore in 1932. She was adopted when she was young and her adoptive parents never sent her to school. As an adult, Madam Ng could not find a job. So she decided to work hard as a Samsui woman.

Like most Samsui women in Singapore, Madam Ng did not get married because she was beyond the ideal age of marriage by the time she started work. She supported herself by working at construction sites. She also wore a bright red headscarf or '*hong toujin*'.

Today, at 85 years old, Madam Ng is retired and lives in a flat in Redhill. She is still hale and hearty and does not let her age slow her down. She earns money by selling used cardboard.

Once a week, she goes to the Apex Club of Singapore where she receives a food package. Although she lives a simple life now, she chooses to see the brighter side of her situation. She is grateful for her good health and the young volunteers at the Apex Club.

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35. The place where Madam Ng used to work was at _____. [1m]

1) Redhill
2) Chinatown
3) Apex Club
4) Collyer Quay ( )

36. As a Samsui woman, Madam Ng said _____ was hard and tiring to do. [1m]

1) waking up at dawn
2) looking for work in Chinatown
3) walking to Collyer Quay to work
4) carrying bricks at the construction site ( )

37. Madam Ng did not get married as she _____. [1m]

1) liked to live a simple life
2) had never been to school
3) was adopted when she was young
4) was beyond the ideal age of marriage when she started work ( )

For questions 38-39, state whether the statement is true or false. Write **True** if the sentence is true and **False** if the sentence is false. [2m]

	Statements	True/ False
38.	Madam Ng worked hard for a living.	
39.	Madam Ng collects her food package daily.	

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40. Order the sentences below according to what happened in the story. Number the sentences **(1, 2 and 3)** in the boxes provided. [1m]

i)	Madam Ng worked as a Samsui woman at a construction site.	
ii)	Madam Ng could not find a job.	
iii)	Madam Ng sold used cardboard after she had retired.	

41. Which phrase in Paragraph 4 has a similar meaning as "healthy"? [1m]

42. How do you know that Madam Ng has a positive attitude? [1m]

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SECTION H: COMPREHENSION (8 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 43 to 48.

The silence of the neighbourhood was broken by shouts and yells. Some secondary school boys were racing around on skateboards at the Jurong Skate Park. They skimmed over the humps and hills, jumping the wooden ramps that were there. All of them were trying to outdo each other as if they were having some kind of contest. You could tell from their moves that these boys had been practising for years as they were really skilful.

Jeremy, a young seven-year-old boy was just watching them. He was holding a skateboard in his hand.

"Come on, kid," one called. "It's all yours now. Show us what you can do."

The boy shook his head and looked down at his shoes.

"There is no way I'm going to try anything in front of them," he thought. "They're too good. I can't really do anything yet, so they'd probably have a good laugh at me."

When the older boys left, Jeremy put his board on the ground and started to skate with it. For a week, he had been watching the older boys and decided that he would have a go. The skateboard was a present from his grandmother and he had not been using it much. In a short while, he found himself having so much fun just kneeling on the board and going down the little hills. In fact, he was so engrossed in doing that and he did not realise that the other boys had returned. Suddenly, he heard a sound. He looked up and his face turned red.

One of the boys called out to him, "Hi, I am Sam. Would you like me to show you how to do some stunts?" Jeremy could not believe his ears. His eyes lit up and he nodded excitedly.

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43. Why were the boys so noisy? [1m]

_____

_____

44. In the first paragraph, what does the word '**there**' refer to? [1m]

It refers to _____

45. Which word in the first paragraph tells you that this group of boys were really very good at skateboarding? [1m]

46. Write 1, 2, and 3 next to the sentences according to the order they occurred in the passage. [1m]

Jeremy did not realise that the older boys were watching him.	
Some boys were shouting and having a good time at the skate park.	
The boys went off and Jeremy could try out his skateboard.	

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47. Jeremy's feelings towards skateboarding changed at the end of the passage. Fill in the blanks with **a suitable word** each to describe the change in him. [2m]

At the beginning of the story, Jeremy was [ ] because he did not know how to skate well.

At the end of the story, he felt [ ] because he could learn from Sam.

48. How would you describe Sam's character? Give a reason from the passage to support your answer. [2m]

_____

_____

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EXAM PAPER 2017 (P3)

SCHOOL :HENRY PARK

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA2

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

15)my 16)his 17)we 18)her 19)eaten

20)eat 21)ate 22)eating 23)return 24)feet

25)snatching 26)snatched 27)back 28)materials

29)appearance 30)coastal 31)levels 32)protect

33)The concert ticket cost three hundred dollars but Mike was willing to buy it.

34)Jack was worried because he could not find his way out of the forest.

35)4 36)4 37)4 38)True 39)False 40)2 , 1 , 3

41)hale and hearty

42)She chooses to see the brighter side of the situation.

43)They were shouting and yelling.

44)It refers to Jurong Skate Park.

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45)skillful

46)3 , 1 ,2

47)nervous / excited

48)I would describe Sam as helpful. He was willing to teach Jeremy how to do some stunts with a skateboard.

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