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Class : Primary 4 _____

CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



Primary 4

Semestral Assessment 2

16 October 2017

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 30 min

16 questions
16 marks

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Section A: Grammar MCQ (8 x 1mark)

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. My cousins followed the recipe and made the cake _____.

(1) myself
(2) herself
(3) ourselves
(4) themselves

2. While playing the piano just nom, I _____ distracted when the phone kept ringing.

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

3. You _____ so generous as you always help with the school's fundraising events.

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

4. "Look! Sandra _____ on stage right now" James exclaimed at the ballet recital.

(1) dances
(2) danced
(3) is dancing
(4) has danced

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5. Yesterday, I _____ a taxi to school as it was raining cats and dogs.

(1) take
(2) took
(3) was taking
(4) have taken

6. While everyone _____ in the canteen, Amira stayed in the classroom to finish her homework.

(1) eat
(2) eats
(3) was eating
(4) were eating

7. _____ people standing right here ave the best view of the city.

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

8. The farmer was busy and had _____ time to water his crops.

(1) little
(2) some
(3) many
(4) much

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Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

9. After the storm, the town was flooded and was only _____ on foot.

(1) available
(2) accessible
(3) achievable
(4) accountable

10. The _____ in the hall clapped at the end of the performance which was put up by the adorable lower primary pupils.

(1) audience
(2) onlookers
(3) witnesses
(4) spectators

11. They _____ the old house to make way for a new building.

(1) ruined
(2) reduced
(3) discarded
(4) demolished

12. The famished boy _____ his food up. Soon, there was no food left on his plate.

(1) nibbled
(2) chewed
(3) gobbled
(4) munched

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13. With teamwork and determination our school's netball team has won the _____.

(1) partnership
(2) championship
(3) sportsmanship
(4) companionship

14. Mrs Tan will not pay such an _____ price for a dress as she is thrifty person.

(1) exorbitant
(2) exuberant
(3) exhilarating
(4) exceptional

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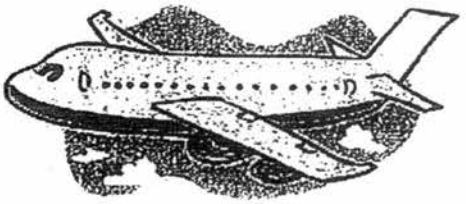
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Section C: **Visual Text Comprehension MCQ (2 x 1 mark)**

Study the advertisement carefully and answer questions 15 and 16.

Travel Mania 2017!

You deserve that holiday!



Travel Mania 2017 features an exciting line-up of travel promotions that will take your breath away.

17 - 18 Sept
9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Singapore Expo Hall 6

Highlights

Six Days Five Nights Safari Adventure

- *Stay in 5-star hotels throughout your journey in South Africa.*
- *Visit 2 safaris and get to interact with wildlife up close.*

Twelve Days Ten Nights Hokkaido Winter Wonderland

- Stay in 4-star hotels throughout your trip. Visit the city of sapporo
- *Exclusive skiing experience at Niseko Village.*

Stage Performances

Turkish Belly Dance
12 noon to 12.30 p.m
Love to dance? Watch and try some belly dancing!

Kpop group AMAZE
11.30 a.m to 12 noon
Kpop fans, are you ready? AMAZE from Korea is here!

Lucky Draw
Spend a minimum of $1000 to take part in our lucky draw!

Prizes
First Prize: a pair of economy class tickets to anywhere in the world!

Second Prize: a stay at Gillard Hotel

Third Prize: a suitcase

Brought to you by:

Exotica Airline

Co-organised by: National Tourism Board

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Choose the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

15. The main purpose of the advertisement is to _____.

(1) attract people to visit Travel Mania 2017
(2) encourage people to visit the safari
(3) impress the public with amazing performances
(4) let people know about the different tour package promotions

16. Which one of the following statements is false?

(1) The lucky draw is open to everyone.
(2) There are two organisers for the event.
(3) You will stay in 4-star hotels if you decide to go for the Hokkaido Winter Wonderland trip.
(4) If you visit Travel Mania 2017 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., you will get to watch both stage performances.

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Section D: Grammar Cloze [1] (4 x 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully. Choose the most suitable answer from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. **Use each word / phrase only once.**

(A) I	(C) its	(E) them
(B) he	(D) she	(F) you

One day, **Mooty** the **Mouse** fell asleep under Grandma's favourite chair. (17) _____ long, curly tail lay in a coil on the floor.

Grandma came into the room. "Oh, how careless (18)_____ am," she thought. "I've dropped my sewing thread again." (19) _____ bent to pick what she thought was a long strand of thread from the floor.

"Help!" screamed Grandma.

"Oh my!" yelled Mooty. It ran away quickly.

This incident left both of (20) _____ quivering from fright. What an unforgettable day!

Adapted from 'The Adventures of Mooty Book One' by Jessie Wee



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Section E: Grammar Cloze [2] (4 x 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

The twins, Sharat and Shishir, have recently transferred to a new school. It (21) [was / were] nerve-wracking as the boys would be going there without their parents. "Boys, we (22) [has / have] to attend an important meeting this morning. Enjoy your first day!" their parents called out as they left home.

As soon as the boys reached school, they (23) [was / were] ushered into the Principal's office. The friendly principal walked them to the classroom. "Hi, Mrs Tan! These (24) [is / are] our new pupils, Sharat and Shishir, " he said to the teacher. Mrs Tan smiled warmly at the twins.

Adapted from 'The Twins Discover the Six Seasons' by Asha Shankardass

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Section F: Synthesis and Transformation (2 X 1 mark)

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).

25. The woman is my neighbour. She is pushing a pram.

_____ who

_____.

26. Both Paul and Sulin will not attend the birthday party.

Neither _____

nor _____.



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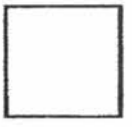
Section G: Comprehension Cloze (4 x 1 mark)
Read the following passage carefully. Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

Have you ever wondered why your favourite food tastes so good? Well, you can thank your taste buds for letting you appreciate the saltiness of French fries and the (27) _____ of ice cream. Taste buds are found on your tongue and allow you to experience tastes that are sweet, salty, sour and bitter. How exactly do they work? Stick out your tongue and (28) _____ into the mirror, Can you see those bumps? The bumps contain tiny hairs which send messages to the brain about how something tastes.

However, you need to know that your nose also plays an (29) _____ role too. While you are chewing your food, it releases chemicals that immediately travel up into the nose. Inside the uppermost part of your nose, there are some special cells that help you (30) _____. These special cells then work together with your taste buds to tell your brain all about that delectable slice of pizza.

Without your tongue and nose, life would be without flavour!

Adapted from www.kidshealth.org



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Section H: Comprehension [1] (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 31 to 39

Colonel Harland David Sanders is best known for creating a fried chicken recipe that would lead to the formation of the world's fast-food chicken chain, Kentucky Fried Chicken, commonly known as KFC.

Sandera was born on September 9 1890 in the United States of America After his father died when he was 6 years old, Sanders became responsible for feeding and taking care of his younger brother and sister. From the age of 10, he took up numerous jobs and worked as a farmer, a railroad fireman, and a soldier in the United States Army.

Later, he began cooking chicken for customers at a petrol station in Corbin, Kentucky However, for many years, his recipe was not well-received by his customers. Despite that, Sanders did not give up. He finally hit it big. He achieved his secret recipe of 11 herbs and spices. The pressure cooker. a novelty at that time, was used by him for cooking his flavourful chicken. Using it reduced the preparation time and enabled him to serve more customers.

The fried chickens were so popular that the governor of Kentucky gave him the title Kentucky Colonel'. Kentucky Fried Chicken expanded internationally and it can be found in many countries around the world today.

Sanders passed on at the age of 90.

Even today, Sanders with his famous goatee, a white suit and a western string tie continues to symbolize delicious country fried chicken all over the world.

Adapted from Colonel Harland Sanders Biography.com

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For questions 31 to 33, refer to paragraphs 1 and 2.
Decide if the statements are true or false. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.
An example has been done for you. [3m]

	Action	True	False
Example	Colonel Sanders is the founder of Kentucky Fried Chicken	✓	
31.	Sanders was ten years old when his father died.		
32.	Sanders was once a soldier in the United States Army.		
33.	Sanders had to help to look after his siblings.		

34. Which word has the same meaning as 'new and unusual'? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

The pressure cooker, a novelty (A) at that time, was used by him for cooking his flavourful (B) chicken.

For questions 35 and 36, refer to paragraphs 3 and 4.
Decide if the actions were taken by Colonel Sanders or the governor of Kentucky.
Tick (✓) your chosen answer.
An example has been done for you. [2m]

	Action	Colonel Sanders	the governor of Kentucky
Example	used the pressure cooker	✓	
35.	gave someone a title		
36.	came up with a recipe for delicious fried chicken		

37. Which word has the same meaning as 'represent'? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

Even today, Sanders with his famous (A) goatee, a white suit and a western string tie continues to symbolize (B) delicious country fried chicken all over the world.

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38. Refer to paragraph 3.
Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

The word 'it' in line 12 refers to the _____. [1m]

☐	recipe
☐	pressure cooker
☐	preparation time

39. Which <u>two words</u> best describe Colonel Sanders in paragraphs 2 and 3? [2m]
Tick (✓) your chosen answers.

☐	resilient
☐	courteous
☐	responsible



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Section I: Comprehension [2] (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 40 to 46.

At the time of the earthquake, Hiromitsu Shinkawa was at work in a lumberyard. After the ground had stopped shaking, he rushed home to check on his wife, Yuko.

Shinkawa was relieved to find Yuko safe in the house. However, a tsunami came. Immediately, he and Yuko dashed to the second floor of their house. Unfortunately, a wave crashed through the windows of the house. Both of them were thrashed beneath the water. Kicking hard, Shinkawa was able to get his head above the surface. He looked around, desperate to find something to help him stay afloat.

The roof of his house had been torn off and was floating nearby. He swam towards it. He tried to get onto a section of broken roof but it was not easy to do so with the debris wobbling in the sea of choppy water. He could only hold on to it and wait for help. "Where was Yuko?" Shinkawa thought. Tears brimmed in his eyes as he saw no trace of her.

The next day, Shinkawa felt a surge of hope at the sound of helicopters in the air. He tried his best to stand up on the floating roof to signal for help. But six aircrafts passed without noticing him. By the end of the day, Shinkawa was dehydrated from lack of water.

Just as he thought all was lost, Shinkawa spotted a police patrol boat. But it did not stop. Thinking quickly, Shinkawa retrieved a scrap of red fabric and a pole from the ocean and made a flag. When the patrol boat passed his way again he waved the flag frantically. His heart skipped a beat when he saw a light flashing from the patrol boat. He heaved a sigh of relief.

Shinkawa was taken to the hospital. Unfortunately, his wife, Yuko, had been swept away by the tsunami.

Adapted from 'Japan Earthquake and Tsunami' by Marne Ventura

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For question 40, write 1, 2, or 3 in the brackets.

40. Shinkawa was _____ when he first felt the earthquake. [1m]

(1) at home
(2) on the way home
(3) in the lumberyard

( )

41. Which word in paragraph 3 has the same meaning as "welled up"? [1m]

42. What does the word 'her' in line 11 refer to? [1m]
[Write your answer using a complete sentence / complete sentences.]

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43. These are some statements describing the events experienced by Hiromitsu Shinkawa. Put them in order according to the flow in the story. Write **1**, **2** and 3 on the lines. [1m]

_____ Six aircrafts flew past him.
_____ He was thrown into the water.
_____ He waved the flag he had made to signal for help.

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44. State whether each sentence below is **True** or **False**. Give a reason for your answer. [2m]
[Write your reasons using complete sentences.]

Sentence	True / False	Reason
(a) He made a flag using his own shirt to get the attention of the rescuers in the police patrol boat.		
(b) Shinkawa's wife was found.		

45. Refer to paragraph 3.
Give <u>two</u> reasons why Shinkawa could not get onto the broken roof. [2m]
[Write your answer using a complete sentence / complete sentences.]

1. _____.

2. _____.

46. Tick <u>two</u> of the following words that correctly describe Shinkawa's feelings when the police patrol boat flashed its light. [2m]

hopeful		worried	
disappointed		relieved	
reluctant		unhappy	

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25)The woman who is pushing a pram, is my neighour.

26)Neither Paul nor Sulin will attend the birthday party.

27)sweetness 28)look 29)important 30)smell 31)False

32)True 33)True 34)A 35)the governor of Kentucky

36)Colonel Sanders 37)B 38)pressure cooker 39)resilient

40)3 41)brimmed 42)It refers to Yuko 43)2 , 1 , 3

44)False / Shinkawa retrieved a scrap of red fabric and a pole from the ocean.

False / Yuko had been swept away by the tsunami.

45)1)The debris was wobbling. 2)It was in the sea of choppy water.

46)hopeful / relieved

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