Pei Chun Public School
Semestral Assessment 1, 2017
English Language
Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension
Primary 5

Booklet A

Name : _____( )

Class : Primary 5 ___

Date : 4 May 2017

Time : 1 h 50 min

Instructions:

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
Follow all instructions carefully.
Answer all questions.
Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

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Section A: Grammar MCQ (10 × 1 mark)

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

1. While Hadirah was sleeping, a robber broke _____ her flat.

(1) in
(2) on
(3) into
(4) upon

2. She seldom visits her grandmother on weekdays, _____?

(1) has she
(2) does she
(3) hasn't she
(4) doesn't she

3. This magnificent skyscraper _____ designed by a world-renowned architect in 1800.

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

4. "_____ you do not need my help, I will leave you alone to finish your homework" said Sarah's mother.

(1) So
(2) Since
(3) Unless
(4) Although

5. The girl _____ the teacher praised blushed as red as a tomato.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose

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6. The robber _____ a lot of money from the bank last week.

(1) stole
(2) steals
(3) has stolen
(4) have stolen

7. All the girls, except Mei, _____ excited about meeting the famous Korean actress yesterday.

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

8. Su Ling is looking forward to _____ her aunt next month.

(1) met
(2) meets
(3) meeting
(4) have met

9. At the moment, neither the pupils nor Mr. Williams _____ for the play to be staged tomorrow.

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

10. I would have helped him _____ he had asked.

(1) if
(2) since
(3) because
(4) moreover

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Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (5 × 1 mark)

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

11. Jason _____ through the drawers for his precious coin collection album.

(1) sorted
(2) flipped
(3) foraged
(4) rummaged

12. Those cardboard boxes along the corridor should be cleared as they pose a fire _____.

(1) threat
(2) danger
(3) hazard
(4) epidemic

13. "That can't be true. Ron must have _____ the whole incident!" Ali exclaimed.

(1) hatched
(2) fabricated
(3) duplicated
(4) constructed

14. Everyone has to make a choice. No one is to _____.

(1) sit on the fence
(2) hold their horses
(3) think out of the box
(4) beat about the bush

15. The officials warned the protestors to _____ or the police would not hesitate to use tear-gas on them.

(1) back up
(2) show up
(3) back off
(4) show off

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Section C: Vocabulary Cloze (5 × 1 mark)

For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Many people experience stress. Stress is a normal physical response to events that make you feel threatened (16) or upset your balance in some way. On one hand, it can help you stay focused (17), be energetic and alert. It also enhances (18) your memory. On the other hand, stress can cause major damage to your health, mood and quality of life. Stress can weaken the immune system and cause high blood pressure, lethargy (19), depression and even heart disease. Stress is normally caused by mental, physical or emotional tension. This tension results from demands made on you. This in turn makes you feel unable to cope (20). To reduce stress, you may listen to music, converse with a friend about it, eat right or manage your time well.

16. (1) angry
    (2) excited
    (3) saddened
    (4) vulnerable

17. (1) reflect
    (2) deliberate
    (3) concentrate
    (4) contemplate

18. (1) raises
    (2) expands
    (3) improves
    (4) increases

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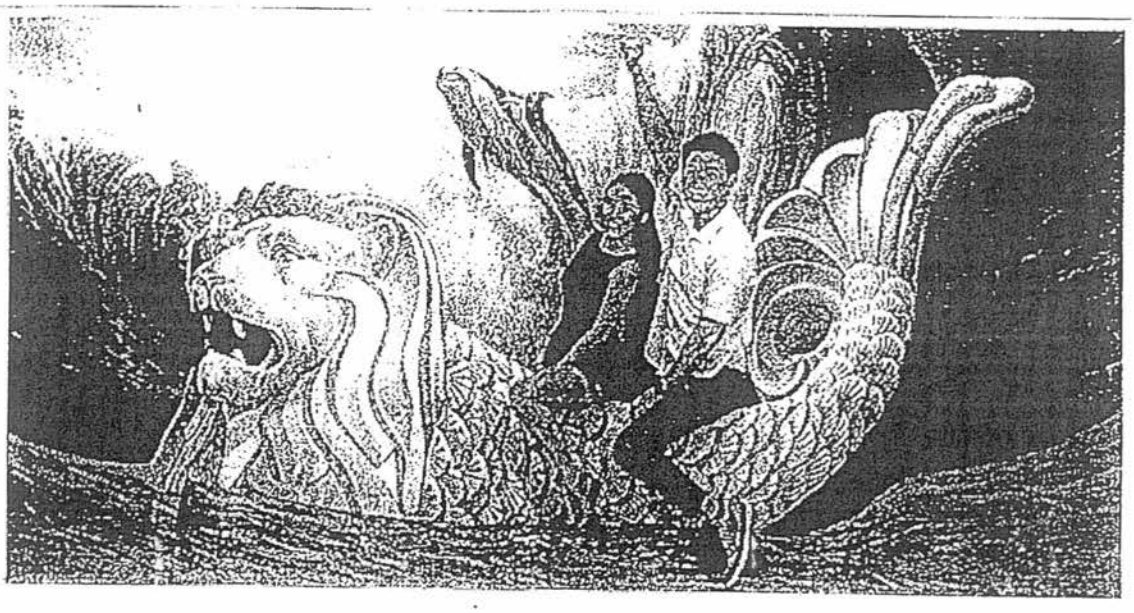
19. (1) fatigue
(2) distress
(3) depletion
(4) restlessness

20. (1) ruined
(2) repulsed
(3) wrecked
(4) overwhelmed

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Section D: Visual Text Comprehension (8 × 1 mark)

Study this advertisement carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.



Trick Eye Gallery – A gallery like no other

Trick Eye Gallery is finally here in Singapore. Get ready to let your imagination march into a miraculous dimension of original 3D artworks.

Trick Eye is short for 'trick of the eye', which refers to an art technique that turns two-dimensional paintings into three-dimensional images through the use of optical illusions. With that, 2D paintings on the gallery walls, floors and ceilings appear to pop out of the surface and come to life. Visitors are more than welcome to explore the various themed galleries with their eyes, hands and even cameras. Step inside the paintings to complete a visual narrative with your creative poses, and watch a "tricky" story unfold before your camera. At Trick Eye Gallery, you will be creating unforgettable memories with friends and family amid fun and laughter, with a dash of educational and cultural enrichment.

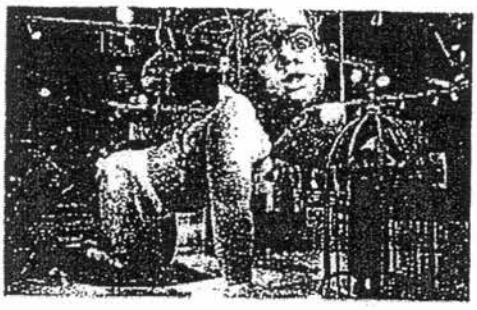
Since its inaugural launch on 8 June 2014, Trick Eye Gallery continues to be popular with those hooked on selfies and Instagram.

Ticketing Details

Ticket Type	Adult (Ages 13 to 59)	Child (Ages 4 to 12)	Senior (Ages 60 and above)
Admission Ticket	$25	$15	$20
➢ National Servicemen need only pay $18			

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Read what visitors have to say about their Trick Eye adventures:



Please touch! Gallery

You won't find signs such as 'Don't Touch' or 'No Flash'. We highly encourage everyone to touch and take photos of all displayed works. Trick Eye Gallery is the perfect place to share an extraordinary experience with friends and family.

"It is a place for the child at heart." – Tim, 33



Interactive! Gallery

Step inside or crawl into the exhibits. Interact with the characters and become the subject of the artwork on display. This almost surreal gallery is a must-have on your to-do list.

"We threw ourselves into the paintings with abandon." – Grace, 17



Trick! Gallery

Trick and be tricked! Get ready for more than 80 optical illusion paintings and installations which will boggle your mind and make you do a double take. Be sure your camera is fully charged with plenty of memory space before your visit.

"The paintings trick the eyes and lens of the camera." – Alexandra, 24

Visitor Information

Opening Hours

Monday – Sunday: 10am – 9pm
Last Admission: 8pm

Contact us

For enquiries regarding Trick Eye Gallery, please write in to Guest Services.

Mailing address: Resorts Universe
26 Universal Gateway #01-43/44
Singapore 098138

Email: enquiries@trickeye.com

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

21. The heading 'Trick Eye Gallery – A gallery like no other' suggests the gallery is unique because _____.

(1) no other gallery has similar displays
(2) visitors can learn a lot from visiting it
(3) it offers visitors a cultural experience
(4) visitors can enjoy it with their family and friends

22. The gallery uses an art technique that transforms two-dimensional art pieces into three-dimensional pictures through _____.

(1) artful painting
(2) optical magic
(3) optical illusion
(4) artful illustration

23. To date, Trick Eye Museum has been opened for almost _____ year(s).

(1) 1
(2) 2
(3) 3
(4) 4

24. Senior Citizens need to pay _____ each to enter the Trick Eye Gallery.

(1) $15
(2) $18
(3) $20
(4) $25

25. When Tim, 33, said, "It is a place for the child at heart," he meant that _____ would enjoy the gallery.

(1) children
(2) those who are young
(3) those who have a heart for children
(4) those who are young in their attitude

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26. Those who have questions about Trick Eye Gallery should _____.

(1) email or call Guest Services
(2) talk to Guest Services directly
(3) email or write to Guest Services
(4) send a text message to Guest Services

27. Who are Tim, Grace and Alexandra?

(1) visual artists
(2) happy customers
(3) gallery managers
(4) official photographers

28. The main purpose of this advertisement is to encourage people to _____.

(1) visit the gallery
(2) have fun taking selfies
(3) interact with the exhibits
(4) explore the various themed galleries with their cameras

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Booklet B

Name : _____ ( )

Class : Primary 5 ___

Date : 4 May 2017

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English Teacher:_____

Parent's Signature:_____

Component	Marks Obtained	Maximum marks for each component
Paper 1 – Situational Writing		15
Paper 1 – Continuous Writing		40
Paper 2 Booklet A – Language Use and Comprehension		28
Paper 2 Booklet B – Language Use and Comprehension		67
Paper 3 – Listening Comprehension		20
Paper 4 – Oral		30
TOTAL		200

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Section E: Grammar Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

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.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) also	(D) however	(G) off	(K) so	(N) to
(B) besides	(E) if	(H) or	(L) though	(P) which
(C) hence	(F) of	(J) since	(M) till	(Q) with

Do you recycle plastic bottles to store water? Years ago, researchers found that soft drink bottles, _____ (29) were repeatedly washed and reused, caused water to become contaminated _____ (30) bacteria and chemicals.

_____ (31) a newspaper article reported that it is unsafe to keep reusing the plastic containers in which mineral water and soft drinks are sold, sales of water bottles have skyrocketed. They have been vanishing so swiftly _____ (32) the shelves that restocking is needed in order _____ (33) meet the demand of many.

_____ (34) anxious parents snapping up these bottles for their children, working adults are _____ (35) making a dash for these items. Sports retail shops have seen double _____ (36) triple sales and added that they have not increased prices to take advantage of the situation. _____ (37), not everyone is convinced that reusing these disposable bottles is unsafe. _____ (38) some consumers have continued using such disposable bottles. Perhaps more research needs to be done in this area.

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Section F: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (12 × 1 mark)

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes numbered 39 to 50.

The smartphone camera is probably the only camera you use now. It is so much more

(39) [ ] (40) [ ]

with just for making calls and sending meseiges.

(41) [ ]

"Having a good smartphone camera is convinient as I do not need to take another

camera with me everywhere I go," said 32-year-old bank executive Gong Lei, who uses a

Samsung Note 4.

(42) [ ]

There is treamandous room to improve smartphone cameras, such as low-light

(43) [ ]

performance, telephoto or zoom, and depth-of-field efacts. To improve low-light performance,

(44) [ ] (45) [ ]

smartphone makers had to lower the number of megapixels so that the size from each

(46) [ ]

photo-sensing pixel is larger and thus absorbs much light.

(47) [ ]

According to a market research firm, the trand next year will be increased resolution, or

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(48) [ ]

megapixel count, for the front camera. There will also be an increased interest on

depth-sensing smartphone cameras, said Ms Karissa Chua, a consumer electronics analyst.

(49) [ ] (50) [ ]

According to her explaination, depth-sensing technology can take more precision

measurements of space and the augmented reality experience becomes more realistic.

Adapted from The Straits Times, Battle of smartphone cameras hots up, December 2016

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Section G: Comprehension Cloze (15 × 1 mark)

Fill in each blank, numbered 51 to 65, with a suitable word.

Diesel, a former Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) sniffer dog, began life afresh with his new family in March this year. Things are definitely different now that he has retired. Instead of full-time National Servicemen _____ (51) after him, he now has the Karuna family, whose lives _____ (52) around his.

Homemaker Janet Karuna, 52, _____ (53) the eight-year-old Labrador out for a morning walk every day at 7.30 am _____ _____ (54) fail. In the evening, her husband, Karuna Ramanathan, 51, goes for a 45-minute jog with the dog. Their daughter, Marissa, 23, sometimes forgoes outings with friends just to accompany the dog at home.

In _____ (55), Diesel has brought much joy to the family.

About 10 to 15 SAF military working dogs _____ (56) each year because of old age or health issues. The Military Working Dog Unit runs an adoption _____ (57) all year round to find new homes for them.

"We believe it would be better if these dogs could find a family to live with for the _____ (58) of their lives," said Corporal Thia Su Han, 20, a vet assistant who runs the dog adoption programme.

Mr. Karuna, a senior consultant, said, "We are fortunate that we have this rare _____ (59) to provide a home for Diesel. He has given his time to serve the

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country, and he _____ a good retirement package."
(60)

Not only has Diesel brought much joy to their _____, he has also
(61)
changed the Karuna family's lifestyle. Mr. Karuna used to have dinner appointments three to four _____ a week, but nowadays he would be home by 7.30 pm to jog with
(62)
Diesel.

"It's amazing and good for leading a healthy _____," said Mr. Karuna.
(63)

Madam Janet added, "I used to sleep _____ a lot more but now I
(64)
wake up early to walk with Diesel. Some adjustment was needed, but it's really good _____. I feel so much healthier."
(65)

Adapted from "Loving homes for veteran paws", Pioneer, October 2016

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Section H: Synthesis/Transformation (5 × 2 marks)

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).

66. The neighbour saw the robber climbing over the wall.

The robber _____

_____.

67. I studied very hard. I wanted to do well for my examination.

Wanting _____

_____.

68. Both the twins did not sweep the floor yesterday.

Neither of _____

_____.

69. "Where is the school hall?" the visitor asked.

The visitor asked _____

_____.

70. Sulaiman was embarrassed when he dropped the plate in front of everyone.

Much to _____

_____

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Section I: Comprehension (20 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

She was riding pillion on her husband's motorcycle when she saw a car speeding against the flow of traffic towards them. Before her husband could react, the Mercedes-Benz hit their bike, sending them hurtling through the air.

As Madam Janice Choo, 34, lay injured on the Ayer Rajah Expressway (AYE), her first concern was for the safety of her husband, Mr Teh Tze Yong.

Then, racked by pain in her left leg, her next worry was whether she could walk again. The Malaysian couple, who live here, were among five people injured in the accident just before the underpass leading to the Tuas Checkpoint on Monday morning.

A Toyota driver was killed instantly while his wife was injured. The Mercedes driver and a Mazda driver were also hurt. Businessman Lim Chai Heng, 55, was admitted to the National University Hospital (NUH) on Tuesday and charged with causing death by reckless or dangerous driving.

A video clip of the Mercedes hitting the motorbike has gone viral online. "It made me realise how lucky I am," Madam Choo told The New Paper yesterday from her NUH hospital bed. The administration officer said her husband was taking her to work at Tuas when the accident happened at about 8 am.

"I remember seeing the car coming towards me. I was shocked but I could not do anything. I remember thinking to myself, the car is definitely going to hit me," she said.

The impact sent her flying and when she landed, her first thought was of her husband. She wanted to make sure he was all right. Madam Choo was relieved when she saw him alive. She then told him that her leg hurt a lot.

Madam Choo has since undergone a five-hour operation on her fractured left leg. Her husband had two operations for fractures on both hands and injuries on three fingers. They are both warded at NUH but they have not been able to see each other due to their injuries.

The accident has made Madam Choo swear off motorcycles. She said, "I now feel afraid to ride a motorcycle." Madam Choo is worried how the injuries will affect their future. Her parents drove eight hours from their home in Perak, Malaysia, to visit the couple at NUH.

Mr Teh has just started working as a driver at Yang Kee Logistics about a month ago. "We will not be able to work for at least three months. I'm worried how we are going to pay the monthly rent for our home," she said. The couple pays $650 a month to share a three-room flat in the Pioneer area with three relatives.

A Yang Kee Logistics spokesman said the company had been in contact with Mr Teh's family and would work closely with them to render support. His colleagues contributed some money to help them tide over this period.

Another victim, Mr Tan Han Boon, 34, recalls the Mercedes-Benz charging towards him against the flow of traffic. It sends shivers down his spine. His Mazda was beyond repair. Mr Tan suffered abrasions and neck pain.

Recalling the accident, Mr Tan said, "It was very surreal, like something in a movie." He said he had swerved his car to the left to avoid the oncoming Mercedes, causing him to collide with a bus. After that, he lost track of whatever happened.

Adapted from The New Paper, December 2016

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Answer in complete sentences.

71. Where exactly did the accident take place? (2 m)

_____

_____

72. What caused Madam Choo to think that the Mercedes would hit them? (2 m)

_____

_____

73. Choose words from **paragraphs 4 and 5** which have similar meanings to the words and phrases below. **(3 m)**

fortunate	
circulated rapidly	
rash and impulsive	

74. Based on the passage, state two effects that the accident had on Madam Choo. (2 m)

(a) _____

_____

(b) _____

_____

75. How did Mr Teh's company help him cope with the unfortunate situation? (2 m)

_____

_____

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76. Based on the passage, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. (3 m)

	True/False	Reason
Madam Choo's parents do not live in Singapore		
Mr Teh has worked at Yang Kee Logistics for three years.		
Mr Tan did not try to prevent the accident.		

77. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. Use information from lines 13 to 21 to help you. (1 m)

_____ Madam Choo was on her way to work.

_____ Madam Choo saw a video clip of the accident.

_____ Madam Choo told her husband that her left leg was injured.

78. Which two-word phrase in lines 37-39 tells you that Mr Tan would no longer be able to use his car? (1 m)

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79. What does the word "it" in line 38 refer to? (2m)

_____

_____

80. Do you think Mr Tan would ever forget the accident? Support your answer with two pieces of evidence from the passage. (2m)

_____

_____

- End of Paper -

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Q3	3	Q9	1	Q15	3	Q21	1	Q27	2
Q4	2	Q10	1	Q16	4	Q22	3	Q28	1
Q5	3	Q11	4	Q17	3	Q23	3		
Q6	1	Q12	3	Q18	3	Q24	3		

Q29 P

Q30 Q

Q31 J

Q32 G

Q33 N

Q34 B

Q35 A

Q36 H

Q37 D

Q38 C

Q39 than

Q40 messages

Q41 convenient

Q42 tremendous

Q43 effects

Q44 have

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Q45 of

Q46 more

Q47 trend

Q48 in

Q49 explanation

Q50 precise

Q51 looking

Q52 revolves

Q53 takes

Q54 without

Q55 return

Q56 retire

Q57 programme

Q58 rest

Q59 opportunity/chance

Q60 deserves

Q61 family

Q62 times

Q63 lifestyle

Q64 in

Q65 exercise

Q66 The robber was seen climbing over the wall by the neighbour.

Q67 Wanting to do well for my examination, I studied very hard.

Q68 Neither of the twins swept the floor yesterday.

Q69 The visitor asked where the school hall was.

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Q70 Much to Sulaiman's embarrassment, he dropped the plate in front of everyone.

Comprehension

Q71 The accident took place just before the underpass leading to the Tuas Checkpoint on the Ayer Rajah Expressway.

Q72 Madam Choo saw a car speeding against the flow of traffic toward them.

Q73 a) lucky

b) viral

c) reckless

Q74 a) She developed a fear of riding a motorcycle ever again.

b) She would not be able to work for at least three months.

Q75 Mr Teh's company had been in contact with his family and would work closely with him for support and his colleagues contributed some money to help them tide over this period of time.

Q76

Statement	True/False	Reason
Madam Choo's parents do not live in Singapore.	True	They drove all the way from their home in Perak, Malaysia to visit the couple at the hospital.
Mr Teh has worked at Yang Kee Logistics for three years.	False	Mr Teh has just started working as a driver at Yang Kee logistics about a month ago.
Mr Tan did not try to prevent the accident.	False	Mr Tan swerved his car to the left to avoid the oncoming Mercedes, causing him to collide with a bus.

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Q77 1, 3, 2

Q78 'beyond repair'

Q79 It refers to Mr Tan recalling the moment when he saw the Mercedes charging towards him against the flow of traffic.

Q80 I do not think Mr Tan would ever forget the incident as his Mazda car was damaged beyond repair. He also said that the accident was very surreal like something in a movie. So, whenever he watches similar incident on television, he would probably be reminded of his own experience.

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