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Primary 6

Semestral Assessment 1

4 May 2017

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

28 questions
28 marks

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

(10 marks)

1 Amirah is very tired as she _____ been studying since early this morning.

(1) has
(2) had
(3) have
(4) having

2 I was sold some biscuits _____ the girl scouts.

(1) by
(2) for
(3) from
(4) through

3 Neither my sisters nor I _____ to go to school tomorrow.

(1) has
(2) had
(3) have
(4) having

4 Caryn fell _____ attempting to put her luggage back on the shelf.

(1) yet
(2) while
(3) since
(4) despite

5 Tom recalled how his sister helped him _____ his bag for school.

(1) pack
(2) packs
(3) packed
(4) has packed

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6 _____ I known he was afraid of heights, I would not have asked him to go bungee jumping with me.

(1) Had
(2) Might
(3) Would
(4) Should

7 Audrey is the girl _____ desk you sat at.

(1) who
(2) who's
(3) whom
(4) whose

8 Mrs Tong, as well as her children, _____ what to eat. They are waiting patiently for their food to arrive.

(1) is deciding
(2) has decided
(3) are deciding
(4) have decided

9 Hardly had I gotten to bed _____ the children started screaming.

(1) did
(2) than
(3) then
(4) when

10 The twins are identical! I cannot tell the difference _____ them.

(1) with
(2) beside
(3) among
(4) between

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

(5 marks)

11 The lifeguard _____ his grip on the boy as he pulled him up to safety.

(1) clenched
(2) enforced
(3) fastened
(4) tightened

12 Within seconds, flames from the explosion _____ the building.

(1) flooded
(2) doused
(3) engulfed
(4) smothered

13 On the first day of school, the principal welcomed the pupils in his opening _____.

(1) appeal
(2) address
(3) dialogue
(4) discussion

14 Our teacher helped us with the challenging project by _____ it _____ into smaller tasks.

(1) breaking ... out
(2) breaking ... apart
(3) breaking ... down
(4) breaking ... away

15 The police offered a _____ reward to anyone who could lead them to the mastermind behind the recent crimes.

(1) vast
(2) hefty
(3) bulky
(4) worthy

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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.

(5 marks)

Our former Prime Minister, Mr Lee Kuan Yew, shaped Singapore into what it is today. Singapore is known (16) all over the world to be a clean and prosperous city. He believed that a world-class city is indicative of (17) a people with good social habits.

Mr Lee believed that changing the social habits of the people was important in keeping the country clean. Strong-willed Mr Lee was insistent (18) that Singaporeans learn social graces. They would have to care for their surroundings – not to litter, spit, or destroy (19) public property.

He wanted Singaporeans to learn the habits of productive workers – work hard and not slacken (20). He knew that the survival of Singapore depended on the willingness of the Singapore citizen to adopt good attitudes and values.

Adapted from 'Did Mr Lee Create a Singapore in His Own Image?' by Chua Mui Hoong & Rachel Chang

16 (1) accepted
(2) proficient
(3) recognised
(4) speculated

17 (1) creates
(2) requires
(3) suggests
(4) announces

18 (1) firm
(2) ambitious
(3) motivated
(4) aggressive

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19 (1) burn
(2) spoil
(3) shatter
(4) devastate

20 (1) let in
(2) let go
(3) let up
(4) let down

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

PARTY ON THE RUN

VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT

ILLUMI RUN is back for the fifth year!

ILLUMI RUN is a 5-km non-competitive run where participants of all ages make their way through different themed music zones whilst being splashed with non-toxic **ILLUMI** Glow Water for an exhilarating neon experience at the Marina Bay Park.

Join us as a volunteer! Have fun as you work behind the scenes at Singapore's most unique run!

Sponsored by:

Flash Productions

Polar Sports

Organised in collaboration with:

Mountain Rangers

Job Description

- Refill Glow Water
- Maintain order at the event
- Conduct regular checks along routes to ensure safety and security

Volunteer Entitlements:

- ILLUMI RUN exclusive goodie bag
- Exclusive T-shirt
- Meals and snacks
- Certificate of appreciation

Reporting Details:

Date	: 28 or 29 Nov 2017
Reporting Time	: 3.00 p.m.
Reporting Venue	: F1 Village

SIGN UP NOW!

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My ILLUMI Experience as a Volunteer

by Natalie Kwan, Volunteer 2016

The 'Party on the Run' has come back BIGGER and BETTER this year! Illumi Run 2016, held at Sentosa's Palawan Beach, saw excited participants having lots of fun at the Illumi Village. Everyone was sprayed with non-toxic colourful glow water. I found spots of neon orange on my T-shirt before the run even started!

Last year, the event attracted a young crowd—most of the runners were in their late teens. Though it is named Illumi Run, hardly anyone ran. Most of the participants took a leisurely stroll through the ultraviolet zones, striking fun, silly poses for the countless pictures they snapped along the way. I thoroughly enjoyed my job of having to patrol the beach while being treated to colourful light displays at the ultraviolet zones. There were many friendly volunteers like me on duty. We would encourage runners with high-fives and would even offer to help runners take photos with their friends.

The fun did not end there. Upon completion of the run, runners gathered for the after-run party. The youthful crowd raved to the beat enthusiastically, energetically waving their multi-coloured glow sticks in the air. The dance music really got the crowd moving to the groove.

Overall, volunteering for Illumi Run 2016 was a fun experience as the event was well-organised. The music was remarkably good for a running event, allowing participants of younger ages to enjoy an outdoor party experience. It has definitely been an eye-opening experience, allowing me to get to know people from all walks of life.

Do you have the passion for volunteering?
Have you wondered what goes on behind the scenes at each successful event?

Come join the organizing team, Infinit Asia, on this journey in hosting fun and exciting events in Singapore!

Email: volunteer@infinit.asia.com

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Adapted from http://illumirun.com/sg/ and http://www.campus.sg/review-illumi-run

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For each of the questions from 21 to 28, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make a choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet

(8 marks)

21 What is the main objective of the flyer?

(1) to promote Illumi Run 2017
(2) to encourage participants to join in the run
(3) to inform participants of the details of the run
(4) to reach out to people who can volunteer for the run

22 Why are the words ILLUMI RUN on page 8 in printed in bold?

(1) to showcase the organiser
(2) to highlight the name of the run
(3) to generate publicity of the event
(4) to highlight the importance of the run

23 Which word in paragraphs 2 and 3 on page 9 means 'eagerly'?

(1) leisurely
(2) thoroughly
(3) energetically
(4) enthusiastically

24 Mary wants to volunteer at the event. She will _____.

(1) be paid for the job
(2) have to buy a T-shirt
(3) be provided with meals
(4) need to report on two days

25 What is one of the main roles of the volunteer?

(1) to patrol the running areas
(2) to spray participants with glow water
(3) to take photographers of the runners
(4) to get to know people from all walks of life

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26 The Illumi Run 2017 will be held at the _____.

(1) F1 village
(2) Illumi village
(3) Marina Bay Park
(4) Sentosa's Palawan Beach

27 The co-organiser of the Illumi Run is _____.

(1) Polar Sports
(2) Natalie Kwan
(3) Flash Productions
(4) Mountain Rangers

28 Which of the following statements is true?

(1) The glow water used is poisonous.
(2) Participants get to enjoy music at the event.
(3) The Illumi Run is organised only for the young.
(4) Volunteers have to strike silly poses along the way.

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Semestral Assessment 1

4 May 2017

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet B

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

52 questions
67 marks

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Booklet A	28
Booklet B	67
Total	95

Parent's Signature: _____

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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.

(10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

(A)	are	(D)	best	(G)	has	(K)	in	(N)	unlike
(B)	against	(E)	better	(H)	how	(L)	over	(P)	where
(C)	an	(F)	had	(J)	is	(M)	the	(Q)	will

To elephants, water is life. Rain means lush green grass and flowering fruits _____ (29) soon follow. Every year, most elephant families led by a fearless matriarch walk many miles _____ (30) their annual migration following the rains.

A family matriarch is typically the oldest and largest female in a herd of elephants. She tells the family what to do and _____ (31) to go, especially when food sources dry up. _____ (32) some animal leaders, the matriarch does not win her role through fighting _____ (33) the other female elephants. She assumes the role because she is the wisest.

Elephants have excellent memories. A matriarch passes down the knowledge she has learned _____ (34) many years to the younger family members. She remembers important things such as _____ (35) to avoid predators, the locations of the best water holes, and _____ (36) annual migration route.

"The older the matriarch, the _____ (37), A family led by an old matriarch benefits from her experience and wisdom. They are role models to other families and they survive droughts best," says Joyce Poole, a biologist who _____ (38) studied elephants for decades. A good matriarch is a family's key to survival.

Adapted from 'Mission : Elephant Rescue' by National Geographic Kids



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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

(39) ☐

Sushi is a popular dish. It can be bought anywhere, <u>in</u> the conveyor belt sushi restaurants

(40) ☐ (41) ☐

to standing sushi bars. Sushi can be simple <u>also</u> sophisticated. This food <u>phenominum</u> from

Japan has taken the world by storm.

(42) ☐

The <u>make</u> of sushi has evolved over thousands of years. It is said to have been

(43) ☐

originated from Southeast Asia. The <u>inovatif</u> Japanese then hastened the fermentation process

(44) ☐

by adding vinegar to the rice using rice wine. It was not until the 18th century <u>which</u> sushi and raw

(45) ☐

fish were first <u>kombind</u>.

Around 100 years later, food stalls selling hand-pressed sushi dominated the

streets of Tokyo. However, they were later forced to shut down during the post war period due to

(46) ☐

<u>hyiean</u> purposes. Nonetheless, sushi, together with its many new varieties, has continued to

(47) ☐ (48) ☐

dominate Japanese <u>kuisin</u> not only within Japan, <u>and</u> also throughout the world.

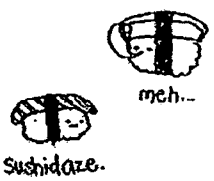
(49) ☐

This amazing sushi trend witnessed the <u>emurgence</u> of new variations, including the

(50) ☐

California roll. Now, sushi is no longer just food to stave <u>away</u> hunger. It is now known as one of

the world's highest culinary art forms.



Adapted from 'Sushipedia' by Wonderland Japan

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

Walking in my garden one day, I spotted a charming sparrow. Instinctively, I _____ (51) a photo of it. The sparrow made me realise how I had often overlooked the simple pleasures of life. This inspired me to come _____ (52) with the idea of a 7-Day Gratitude Challenge.

Sunday : Say thanks to someone you love

It is easy to get either so busy _____ (53) distracted that you forget to appreciate your loved ones. Saying thanks for something simple, _____ (54) as when someone opens the door for you, can _____ (55) your relationship with your loved ones.

Monday : Express gratitude in school

Some of our friends feel underappreciated in school, but we can change that. Take time to tell your friends how _____ (56) they matter to you.

Tuesday : Enjoy the moment

If you are constantly distracted, you _____ (57) appreciate what you have. Hence, stop multitasking and slow down to enjoy _____ (58) activity at a time.

Wednesday : Play the Flip-It-Game

Every _____ (59) has a silver lining. When something _____ (60) you, find

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a reason to be grateful instead. Once a week, it will be great to _____ (61) it a point to look for the good in a negative experience.

Thursday : Surprise someone with gratitude

You can try saying thank-you to someone whom you do not usually thank. Doing so could encourage the other person to do _____ (62). This will help to build a culture of thankfulness.

Friday : Give of yourself

Whenever you give your time to help someone who is struggling, it makes you aware of _____ (63) fortunate you are. Knowing this makes you appreciate what you already have even more.

Saturday : Shout your gratitude out loud

Research shows that when you thank someone for what he had done, the effects will be immediate – for both _____ (64) and the other party.

Gratitude can transform your life but it is not a miracle. You have to make it happen. Are you ready for the _____ (65) ? Try it today!

Adapted from 'The Gratitude Diaries' by Janice Kaplan

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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). (10 marks)

66 When my sister won the singing competition, she wept with joy.

_____ on

_____.

67 Bonnie took the dog to the vet.

The dog was _____

_____.

68 He saw the suspicious parcel. He reported it to the security officer.

No sooner had _____

_____

69 "When will you be going to the library?" asked Mrs Ong.

Mrs Ong asked me _____

_____

70 Tom likes reading. Ali likes reading too.

_____ share the

same _____.

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Read this passage and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

I will never forget the day that Joey, one of my newly-transferred students, shyly raised his hand and said he had never received a gift. My Primary 5 students had been tasked to share about the best birthday present they had received. The sweet boy had never experienced the joy of receiving a present in the past ten years of his life. Despite that, he did not once show sadness on his face.

I knew that his father was having a hard time holding down a job due to recession. Even though Joey was less fortunate, he always came to school with a smile. His peers took to him because he was helpful and generous.

A couple of weeks later, he was absent from school. It happened to be the day I was sending home the note about the Christmas gift exchange. Traditionally, each child was to bring a gift for another classmate that cost no more than three dollars.

As we were discussing the specifics, Karen raised her hand and suggested that we did away with our class tradition and each buy Joey a gift instead. We took a quick vote and all agreed to proceed with this **wonderful idea**. The enthusiasm grew as the students discussed the kinds of things they knew Joey would like.

With great excitement, the gifts began to come in. Some students would eagerly tell me how they had spent more than three dollars on Joey's gift! Amy found alien toys for Joey, remembering a paper plate spaceship he had made. **It had** many intricate details; truly a masterpiece. As the gifts came, I remembered my heart swelling with pride. My thoughtful students were demonstrating the spirit of selfless giving.

After several days, one could only imagine our disappointment when we learnt that Joey's absence was due to the fact that he had moved away! However, I was sure of one **thing** – I could not let any of my students down.

I found my class name list and called every number listed against Joey's name. There was no response no matter how many times I tried to call. Later, I found out from other parents that Joey's father had lost his job, causing them to relocate to another town.

Finally on Christmas Eve, I decided to try calling one last time. By **then**, I was so used to not getting an answer that I was startled when someone picked up the phone. Amazingly, Joey was on the line! I explained the story to Joey and told him how his classmates really wanted to do this for him. I immediately drove to Joey's new house after I had gotten their new address from his father.

As I drove there, I was thrilled at the thought of seeing Joey again. Finally, I was at their doorstep. Joey's face lit up when I told him that I had brought presents from the class for him. It took several trips back and forth to my car to get all of the gifts inside. I was relieved that I had an unopened box of chocolates in my car which I could give to Joey's father. We filled the room with all of the gifts that were specially for Joey. He was so grateful.

"You are such a dedicated teacher. You really made our day!" exclaimed Joey's father appreciatively.

As I walked away, I could no longer hold back my tears.

Adapted from 'Gifts for Joey' by Angela N. Abbott

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

71 In paragraph 1, what was the discovery that the writer made during the class? [1m]

_____

_____

72 Which 3-word phrase from paragraph 2 tells us that Joey's classmates liked him? [1m]

73 Choose a word from lines 12 to 15 which have similar meanings to the words below. Write each word in the appropriate box. [3m]

details	
eagerness	
go ahead	

74 What was the "wonderful idea" (line 14) that the class had decided on? [2m]

_____

_____

75 Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the blanks. [3m]

Words from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
it (line 18)	
one thing (lines 22-23)	
then (line 27)	

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76 Explain fully why the writer and students were disappointed (line 21). [2m]

_____

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77 The table below shows adjectives used to describe the writer's feelings and the supporting evidence. Based on information from lines 16 to 31, fill in the blanks. [2m]

How the writer felt	Why the writer felt that way
proud	
	Joey picked up the phone when the writer called on Christmas Eve.

78 Write 1, 2, and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred from lines 27 to 31. [1m]

_____ The writer made her way to deliver the gifts to Joey.

_____ The writer shared with Joey what the classmates had prepared for him.

_____ The writer spoke to Joey's father.

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79 Based on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is '**True**' or 'False', then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/False	Reason
Every student spent within the agreed amount for Joey's gift.		
Joey had to move to another place.		
The writer brought a lot of gifts which were given by her students to Joey's house.		

80 Give 2 pieces of evidence from the passage to show that the writer was a dedicated teacher. [2m]

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SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA1

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1	1	3	2	1	1	4	2	4	4
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
4	3	2	3	2	3	3	1	2	3
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
4	2	4	3	1	3	4	2		

29)Q

30)K

31)P

32)N

33)B

34)L

35)H

36)M

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37)E

38)G

39)from

40)yet

41)phenomenon

42)making

43)innovative

44)when

45)combined

46)hygiene

47)cuisine

48)but

49)emergence

50)off

51)took

52)up

53)or

54)such

55)improve

56)much

57)cannot

58)one

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Then (line 27) – Christmas Eve

76)They were not able to present the gifts to Joey as he had moved away

77)proud – Her students were demonstrating the spirit of selfless giving

Startled – Joey picked up the phone when the writer called on Christmas Eve

78)3 , 1 , 2

79)False – Some students had spent more than three dollars on Joey's gift

True – Joey's father had lost his job, causing them to relocate to another town.

True – It took several trips back and forth to her car to get all the gifts inside Joey's house.

80)She called every number listed against Joey's name just to locate Joey. The writer also drove all the way to Joey's new address just to deliver the presents for him.

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59)cloud

60)upsets

61)make

62)likewise

63)how

64)you

65)challenge

66)My sister wept with joy on winning the singing competition

67)The dog was taken to the vet by Bonnie

68)No sooner had he seen the parcel than he reported it to the security officer.

69)Mrs Ong asked me when I would be going to the library.

70)Tom and Ali share the same liking for reading.

71)The writer realized that Joey had never received a gift before.

72)took to him

73)details – specifics

Eagerness – enthusiasm

Go ahead - proceed

74)It meant doing away with their class tradition and each buying a gift for Joey instead.

75)it (line 18) –The paper plate spaceship that Joey had made

One thing (line 22-23) – Not letting any of the writer's students down

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