Anglo-Chinese School (Junior)
Anglo-Chinese School (Primary)

2018 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER TWO (BOOKLET A)
PRIMARY SIX

Name: _____ ( ) **Class: Primary 6** ___

Date: 20 August 2018 **Duration of paper: 1h 50 min**

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For each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(10 marks)

1. Everyone, exccpt for Tom, _____ expected to be present at the concert tomorrow.

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

2. Mr Lee _____ since early this morning as he is participating in a competition.

(1) fished
(2) is fishing
(3) has fished
(4) has been fishing

3. The teacher noticed the students _____ attentively to the presentation.

(1) listen
(2) listens
(3) listened
(4) listening

4. _____ did Peter expect such good response for the book donation drive.

(1) Less
(2) Little
(3) Much
(4) Many

5. The man, _____ son is in Ahmad's class, has come to see the school principal.

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

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6. I could _____ the competition had I started my training much earlier.

(1) win
(2) won
(3) had won
(4) have won

7. A road safety campaign was organised in response _____ the recent rise in traffic accidents.

(1) to
(2) at
(3) by
(4) for

8. _____ cooking dinner, Mother helped Suzie with her art project.

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

9. "He seldom attends our study group meetings, _____ he?" asked Annie.

(1) will
(2) does
(3) won't
(4) doesn't

10. Neither the teacher nor the students _____ the outcome of the decision as the meeting is still in progress.

(1) know
(2) knew
(3) knows
(4) had known

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For each question from 11 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

11. Being a friendly boy, Tommy always _____ conversations with new classmates to get to know them.

(1) invites
(2) initiates
(3) inspires
(4) introduces

12. Many often _____ the unpopular boy in the school as he was selfish and ill-mannered.

(1) shirked
(2) diverted
(3) shunned
(4) deflected

13. Due to _____ circumstances, the concert was cancelled at the last minute, leaving thousands of fans disappointed.

(1) unforeseen
(2) unconscious
(3) uncalculated
(4) uncomfortable

14. The twins have not been _____ on the news of their uncle's visit.

(1) let in
(2) let up
(3) let off
(4) let down

15. I felt suffocated by the _____ perfume that the lady in the lift was wearing.

(1) vigorous
(2) exceeding
(3) dominating
(4) overpowering

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For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

Mamoudou Gassama, a 22-year-old migrant, arrived in France only a few months earlier He was made famous after a video of his heroic act went viral (16). Footage taken at the scene showed crowds watching in astonishment as he climbed up (17) a four-storey apartment to rescue a toddler who was dangling from a balcony.

"Luckily, there was someone physically fit and courageous to go and get the child," an officer from the fire department said. The Mayor lauded (18) his actions, calling him the "Spiderman of the 18th", a reference to the city district where the scene took place (19). Mamoudou was made (20) a French citizen by the President who personally thanked him. Meanwhile, the local authorities reported that the child's parents could be charged for leaving their child unattended.

Adapted from *The Independent*

16. (1) was circulated
(2) was published
(3) was announced
(4) was communicated

17. (1) scaled
(2) ambled
(3) hurdled
(4) escalated

18. (1) commented
(2) commended
(3) commentated
(4) complemented

19. (1) unfolded
(2) emerged
(3) appeared
(4) proceeded

20. (1) elected
(2) certified
(3) declared
(4) appointed

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Study the following flyer carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

Dine@Singapore
Presents
The 3rd Annual International Food Carnival

Date: 14 October 2018
Time: 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.
Venue: Rosemary Dining Hall

Come and have an enjoyable time at the carnival as you whet your appetite with food from all over the world. You can try and buy delicious award-winning dishes from countries other than Singapore!

Featuring:

- Live stations where chefs will cook dishes right in front of you
- Food from 50 different countries
- Hourly cooking demonstrations of speciality dishes by famous master chefs (Limited spaces available)
- Booths showcasing ingredients that are rarely found in Singapore
- Hands-on workshops on preparing simple dishes by local chefs







Purchase of Coupons

- Visitors can purchase coupons from us before or during the carnival.
- ***Early Bird Special***: For every $100 worth of coupons you purchase before 20 September 2018, you will be given an extra $10 coupon! In addition, a place will be reserved for you to attend one of the hourly-cooking demonstrations.
- Only one reservation can be made for every $100 worth of coupons purchased.

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Food in Singapore

One of the best things about being in Singapore is undoubtedly the food. It is no secret that Singaporeans eat and drink with a passion. As a multi-cultural country, Singapore offers a variety of local cuisine such as Chinese, Indian and Malay cuisine. Furthermore, Singapore cuisine has influenced one another for decades. Foreigners who visit Singapore ought to try some of our local delicacies.

Food at the Carnival

At the carnival, you can find the *Famous Four – Hainanese Chicken Rice, Chili Crab, Rojak* and *Roti Prata.*

Hainanese Chicken Rice	*Chilli Crab*	*Rojak*	*Roti Prata*
This dish, which originated from Hainan Island in China, is usually eaten for lunch or dinner. Rice is mainly cooked with garlic, and ginger, and served with steamed or roasted chicken.	This dish is prepared by cooking crabs in thick tomato and chilli-based gravy. It is usually eaten together with a plate of delicious fried buns. This dish is often served in restaurants and enjoyed by local customers as well as tourists.	The traditional *Rojak* consists of fresh fruit and vegetables that are carefully mixed with a delicious thick, black sauce. It is commonly found in Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore. However, *Indian Rojak* contains mostly fried food and eaten with a spicy sauce.	*Roti Prata* is a popular breakfast and snack dish. It is a crispy flatbread that is often eaten with curry. It can be served as a sweet or savoury dish using a variety of ingredients such as meat, egg or cheese.

What are you waiting for? Come on down and enjoy the scrumptious food prepared for you. To find out more about the food available at the carnival, visit our website at www.dine@singapore.com.sg.

Join Us!

Would you like to be involved in the event as a volunteer? If you enjoy eating different types of food and meeting people from all over the world, we want you!

This is the biggest food event in Singapore and we need all the help we can get to show visitors the Singapore Spirit!

Just fill in the form available at www.dine@singapore.com.sg/volunteers and we will contact you soon!

Proudly Sponsored by: The Singapore Food Society

For more information about the event, please call 6227 6482 or email us at ifc@dinesg. com

Adapted from *Expat Living Singapore*

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For each question from 21 to 28, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

21. According to the flyer, foreigners who visit Singapore are strongly encouraged to _____.

(1) try some of Singapore's local cuisine
(2) try the *Famous Four* in Singapore only
(3) attend the 3rd Annual International Food Carnival
(4) volunteer at the 3rd Annual International Food Carnival

22. Mrs Ong wants to watch a cooking demonstration by famous master chefs. What can she do to ensure that she will be able to confirm a place to watch it?

(1) Spend $100 on food during the carnival.
(2) Purchase $100 worth of coupons by 19 September 2018.
(3) Purchase $10 worth of coupons on the day of the carnival.
(4) Queue up to watch the cooking demonstration on the day of the carnival.

23. Why is the word "**Featuring**" in bold and bigger than other words in the box?

(1) to highlight the main attractions happening at the carnival
(2) to inform readers that the hands-on workshops are meant for chefs only
(3) to remind readers that they need to attend all the activities in this section
(4) to convince readers that they will cook like a chef at the end of the carnival

24. Which of the following statements about the carnival is <u>not</u> true?

(1) Food from 50 countries will be available at the carnival.
(2) Local chefs will be conducting workshops on how to prepare simple dishes.
(3) There are live stations where the chefs will demonstrate cooking the dishes.
(4) Ingredients that are rarely found in Singapore will be used to prepare the dishes.

25. If you are interested in attending the carnival and wish to find out more about it, you can _____.

(1) call 6227 6482
(2) email any of the famous master chefs
(3) visit the website at www.dine@singapore.com.sg
(4) fill in a form and submit it to The Singapore Food Society

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26. According to the flyer, which of the following statements about the *Famous Four* is true?

(1) There is no fried food in the traditional *Rojak*.
(2) *Roti Prata* is a popular lunch and dinner dish.
(3) *Chilli Crab* is best eaten at a seafood restaurant.
(4) *Hainanese Chicken Rice* is a popular food choice for breakfast.

27. Tom wants to be a volunteer at the carnival. He should be_____.

(1) able to cook international cuisine
(2) able to speak multiple languages
(3) an owner of a restaurant in Singapore
(4) enthusiastic about eating a variety of food

28. What is the main purpose of the flyer?

(1) to promote food which originates from Singapore
(2) to encourage readers to visit the carnival and have a day of fun
(3) to provide information on the different types of food at the carnival
(4) to inform readers of the countries that are participating in the carnival

End of Booklet A

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No.	Contents	Marks	Marks Obtained
1.	Oral	30	
2.	Listening Comprehension	20	
3.	Composition	55	
4.	Language Paper	95	
	Total Marks	200	

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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)	could	(G)	for	(K)	neither	(N)	this
(B)	as	(E)	either	(H)	is	(L)	of	(P)	to
(C)	by	(F)	few	(J)	many	(M)	should	(Q)	yet

A new study has found that the human hand contains more harmful bacteria than surfaces in public areas. _____ (29) means that besides public areas, our hands can make us unwell. Researchers discovered that a pair of human hands _____ (30) more unhygienic than escalators and benches in busy shopping centres and parks. _____ (31) only one in eight people wash their hands before eating, the study shows.

During the course _____ (32) a day, we touch hundreds of surfaces. A dirty table is not pleasant but _____ (33) is it necessarily dangerous. In contrast, a shiny table _____ (34) well contain high levels of potentially dangerous bacteria. _____ (35) it is beyond our control, experts advise that rather than just avoiding certain areas, good hand hygiene should be our top priority.

The study highlights that hand washing alone can save many lives as our hands are in frequent contact with our mouths, making them the fastest route _____ (36) illnesses. Experts, therefore, recommend washing our hands _____ (37) about 30 seconds. This will reduce bacteria by ten times despite _____ (38) people thinking that 15 seconds is long enough. They also advise us to wash our hands approximately every four hours.

Adapted from *Our Hands are more Unhygienic than Public Surfaces* by Lizzie Parry & Anna Hodgekis

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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)

Football is a game that is believed to have started more than a hundred years ago in England

(39) [ ]

in 1863. Many fans of the game believe that it is the <u>much</u> popular game in the world but some people

(40) [ ]

think that this belief is <u>question</u>. Nevertheless, it is a known fact that people have enjoyed kicking a ball for thousands of years.

(41) [ ]

The earliest form of the game started as an <u>exersize</u> in the Chinese army during the second

(42) [ ]

and third centuries. It involved kicking a leather ball filled <u>by</u> feathers and hair into a net fixed onto

(43) [ ] (44) [ ]

long bamboo poles. A player was only <u>permmited</u> to use his feet, chest, back and shoulders while <u>try</u>

(45) [ ]

to withstand the attacks of his opponents. Over time, good players were <u>seek</u> after from all over

(46) [ ]

China to participate in <u>tornamants</u>.

(47) [ ]

Although some people think that it is <u>reedikulous</u> to play a ball with one's feet, this is

(48) [ ] (49) [ ]

<u>deffinately</u> no reason to assume that football is a strange sport. Apart from <u>used</u> his feet to pass

(50) [ ]

the ball, a player must master the art of <u>kontroling</u> it as this requires no small measure of skill. That is why football is one of the most amazing games in the world.

Adapted from History of Football –The Origins

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

Ask any primary school pupil how he is spending his free time and you will be surprised that many of them will say "Making Slime!". This activity, according to them, helps to (51) _____ their nerves.

There are numerous posts on social media and an overwhelming number of online tutorials (52) _____ people how to make their own slime at home. There seems to be something appealing about (53) _____ and every method of slime making.

"It's a form (54) _____ art," says Art therapist, Nadia Jensen. "You can get creative while making slime as it (55) _____ mixing ingredients of various colours and textures. Another reason the idea of slime is (56) _____ like wildfire across social media is because children are spending more time indoors, playing on various electronic devices. As such, they experience mostly one type of hand sensation, which is the smooth rubbing of a finger either on a screen (57) _____ a keyboard. Since children are less (58) _____ to participate in outdoor activities, playing with slime has (59) _____ a popular activity which allows them to develop their sense of touch." Nadia also added that adults who are stressed would want to play with slime too. (60) _____ is a good way for them to release stress as they will have something to fidget (61) _____

(62) _____ there are plenty of recipes for homemade slime on the Internet, health experts warn that some of the (63) _____ used in these recipes can actually be dangerous (64) _____ to high toxic levels. Those who continue to make slime at home should do so under the (65) _____ of an adult. They should also opt for safer and natural ingredients.

With an increasing number of children choosing slime making as their pastime, adults must ensure that safety measures are put in place before carrying out the activity.

Adapted from *Why is Slime the Latest Obsession on the Internet?* by Angela Waters

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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 If my mother approves, I will join all of you for the movie tomorrow.

_____ unless

_____

67. The police officer arrested the burglar and questioned him.

The burglar _ _____

_____

68. The thief took the pen and quietly slipped it into her pocket.

Having __ _____

_____

69. Samad knew that his classmates would not help him. He tried to solve the problem on his own.

With the _____

_____

70. Mr Ang reminded his students ..... they had to be punctual for school the next day.

_____

_____

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

Over the years of managing Hope Centre, I have been greatly encouraged by my volunteers and the children at the centre. This is one such story that amazes me till today.

The first time Ying met Kim, they took to each other immediately. When Kim asked Ying about school, Ying gave a cheeky response that amused Kim. Instantaneously, they both broke out in spontaneous laughter. This was a **special moment** that marked the start of a unique relationship.

Initially, I was concerned that Kim might not be able to interact well with nine-year-old Ying. I was grateful to Kim for her sincerity in doing her bit for the community. Furthermore, Kim's husband travelled frequently for work, so she could spend almost every afternoon at the centre. This was indeed **a bonus** for the centre.

I was very heartened to witness the budding friendship between Ying and Kim. One of the volunteers who knew Ying before I joined Hope Centre had told me, "No one can cry as loud as Ying. She is very hard to control but we try to understand. After all, it is not easy for her ... having to look after herself and her brother at home. I mean, both of them are very young and their parents are always busy working."

Ying was capable of displaying the wildest behaviour I had ever seen. Even the other children were used to her frequent outbursts. She would be on the floor, flinging arms and legs in all directions. She would cry till her face was contorted. Ying always focused on self-protection. Scrawny but strong-willed, Ying could take on any of the neighbourhood rowdies, fighting them fist-for-fist. If need be, she would employ additional tactics like scratching, screaming, kicking and tears to her advantage. While the boys at Hope Centre would tease her like they did most girls, bullying her **was out of the question**. She was not one to give in to the boys.

In spite of Kim's worries about being her tutor, she was greatly encouraged by the end of her first lesson with Ying. Subsequently, Ying even brought along a companion, Alice, her neighbour and **best friend**. When the two girls were not quarrelling with each other, they would go about arm-in-arm, sharing girlish secrets and giggling loudly to themselves.

Having Kim around to help with the girls made my job a lot easier as she was always there for them. She would go through their school books with them, helping them with explanations and translating English to Mandarin where necessary. Quite often, it was the English Language that puzzled them. Kim usually left them alone to do their homework. She was very patient with the girls and motivated them to do their best. She even took them swimming on several occasions. As weeks went by, the bond between Kim and the girls grew stronger. She had made the girls feel special and loved, and that was certainly **the greatest gift** of all.

I had not noticed it at first, but there was a change in Ying which became obvious when she began to show her affection. She would sneak up from behind and tickle me, or she would give me a hug or a friendly punch in the arm. Once, I witnessed Ying at the backyard playing all by herself when a ball rolled from the basketball court nearby and hit

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her ankle. I had expected her to fly into a rage but she did not. She picked up the ball and gleefully rolled it back to a group of boys who came to retrieve it. 40

I could not be thankful enough to Kim for making a difference in Ying's life. While I was busy running the centre, Ying **had begun to bloom**.

Adapted from *Face to Face – The Street Children of Bukit Ho Swee* by Anne Lim

71. Pick out a five-word phrase from the second paragraph that tells us that Ying and Kim liked each other instantly. [1m]

72. What was the "special moment" (line 5) that Ying and Kim shared during their first meeting? [1m]

73. From paragraph 4 to 7, fill in the blanks below to show the challenges Ying faced. [2m]

When Ying was at home, ⇨ she had to _____

When Ying tried to study, ⇨ she had to _____

74. Which **two** words from lines 16-19 describe Ying's tantrums? The words are found in two separate sentences. [2m]

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75. Explain why the boys from Hope Centre felt that bullying Ying "was out of the question" (line 22). [2m]

_____

_____

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. [3m]

	True / False	Reason
The narrator was not a volunteer with Hope Centre.		
The other volunteers enjoyed looking after Ying.		
Ying and Alice always not along very well with each other.		

77. Which two of the following words correctly describe how Kim felt before and after her first lesson with Ying in lines 24-25? Put a √ in the box beside each of your answers. [2m]
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sad		touched	
frustrated		inspired	
concerned		relieved	

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

word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
a bonus (line 10)	
best friend (line 26)	
the greatest gift (line 35)	

79. Based on information from paragraph 5 to 8, fill in the blanks in the following table. [2m]

What Ying did	Why Ying behaved this way
	so that she would not be bullied or get hurt
gave the narrator a hug	

80. What do you think the narrator meant by saying that Ying "had begun to bloom" (line 43)? Support your answer with an example of how she had bloomed. [2m]

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ANSWER KEY

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Booklet A

Q1	1	Q5	4	Q9	2	Q13	1	Q17	1	Q21	1	Q25	1
Q2	4	Q6	4	Q10	1	Q14	1	Q18	2	Q22	2	Q26	1
Q3	4	Q7	1	Q11	2	Q15	4	Q19	1	Q23	1	Q27	4
Q4	2	Q8	3	Q12	3	Q16	1	Q20	3	Q24	4	Q28	2

Booklet B

Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
N	H	Q	L	K	D	B	P	G	J

Q39	most	Q48	definitely	Q57	or
Q40	questionable	Q49	using	Q58	inclined
Q41	exercise	Q50	controlling	Q59	become
Q42	with	Q51	calm	Q60	It
Q43	permitted	Q52	teaching	Q61	with
Q44	trying	Q53	each	Q62	While
Q45	sought	Q54	of	Q63	ingredients
Q46	tournaments	Q55	requires	Q64	due
Q47	ridiculous	Q56	spreading	Q65	supervision

Q66 I will not join all of you for the movie tomorrow unless my mother approves.

Q67 The burglar was arrested and questioned by the police officer.

Q68 Having taken the pen, the thief quietly slipped it into her pocket.

Q69 With the knowledge that Samad's classmates would not help him, he tried to solve the problem on his own.

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Q70 "You all must be punctual for school tomorrow," Mr Ang reminded his students.

Q71 took to each other immediately

Q72 Both Kim and Ying broke out in spontaneous laughter.

Q73 ⇨ she had to look after herself and brother at home.

⇨ she had to depend on Kim to translate her schoolwork from English to Mandarin.

Q74 wildest frequent

Q75 Ying would take on the boys and would try to win the fight by any means.

Q76

	True / False	Reason
The narrator was not a volunteer with Hope Centre.	True	The narrator was managing Hope Centre.
The other volunteers enjoyed looking after Ying.	False	They found it hard to control Ying.
Ying and Alice always got along very well with each other.	False	When the two girls were not quarreling with each other, they would go about arm-in-arm.

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Q77 concerned ✓ inspired ✓

Q78

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
a bonus (line 10)	Kim spending almost every afternoon at the centre
best friend (line 26)	Alice & Ying's neighbour
the greatest (line 35)	Kim making Alice and Ying feel special and loved

Q79

What Ying did	Why Ying behaved this way
Ying employing additional tactics like scratching	so that she would not be bullied or get hurt
gave the narrator a hug	so that Ying will begin to show her affection

Q80 I think the narrator meant that Ying had began to show her affection. A basketball hit her ankle but she picked up the ball and gleefully rolled it back to the group of boys instead of flying into rage.

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