MARIS STELLA HIGH SCHOOL (PRIMARY)

2019 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PART 1

24 October 2019 (Thursday)

Total time for Parts 1 & 2: 1 h 15 min

NAME: _____ ( )

CLASS: PRIMARY 3 _____

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SECTION A: GRAMMAR

(8 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer to complete the blank. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). **Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.**

1. Mr Lee is starting his new job _____ November.

   (1) in
   (2) at
   (3) up
   (4) on

2. My sister went into the kitchen to prepare _____ coffee for our guests.

   (1) many
   (2) some
   (3) a few
   (4) several

3. The twins _____ breakfast when the doorbell rang.

   (1) will eat
   (2) are eating
   (3) have eaten
   (4) were eating

4. Mother has bought three dresses for you to choose. _____ will you wear to the party?

   (1) Who
   (2) Which
   (3) Whom
   (4) Whose

5. "Don't take that plate away. It is _____!" Henry shouted.

   (1) I
   (2) my
   (3) me
   (4) mine

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6. "She has left the restaurant for some time, _____ she?" I asked.

(1) isn't
(2) didn't
(3) hasn't
(4) wasn't

7. The market in the neighbourhood is _____ than the supermarket.

(1) noisy
(2) noisier
(3) noisiest
(4) very noisy

8. Mrs Wong said, "There is _____ outside the room as I can hear footsteps and laughter. I think the person is Johnny."

(1) no one
(2) anyone
(3) someone
(4) everyone

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SECTION B: VOCABULARY

(6 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer to complete the blank. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). **Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.**

9. Jenny _____ her eyes several times to get rid of the dirt that had gone in.

(1) stared
(2) blinked
(3) flashed
(4) shrugged

10. The shepherd rested under the tree while his _____ of sheep grazed in the field.

(1) litter
(2) flock
(3) flight
(4) swarm

11. I had an _____ feeling as I was walking home. I was sure that somebody was stalking me.

(1) uneasy
(2) unfriendly
(3) inspirational
(4) embarrassing

12. The audience clapped and cheered for the dancer's _____ performance.

(1) boring
(2) menacing
(3) exceptional
(4) meaningless

13. Aunt May refused to take the aeroplane due to her _____ of heights.

(1) phobia
(2) passion
(3) fondness
(4) enjoyment

14. David _____ his sleep and stayed up very late in order to prepare for his examination.

(1) wasted
(2) defeated
(3) savoured
(4) sacrificed

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SECTION C: VISUAL TEXT COMPREHENSION **(6 x 1 mark)**

Read the advertisement carefully and then answer questions 15 to 20.

Greenrich Environment Centre presents

World Earth Day 2019

Take part in these exciting activities as we celebrate the annual event organised by Greenrich Environment Centre! This event is organised to highlight the importance of caring for our environment.

Date: Saturday, 9 November 2019
Time: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Venue: Greendot Botanic Gardens, 19 Cloverfield Lane



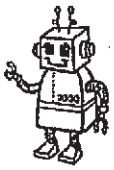
Let's Plant a Tree!

- Learn about the importance of plants from the friendly Green Ambassadors
- Participants must be between 9 and 12 years old
- Participants will plant young trees in Garden Corner
- $5 per participant



From Waste to Wonder: 3R Build-a-Robot

- Learn how Reducing, Reusing and Recycling help to prevent pollution
- Teams must use the recycled materials provided to build a robot
- Each team must have 3 to 4 participants
- Participants must be between 13 and 18 years old
- Teams with the most creative robots will win up to $300 worth of vouchers
- $10 per participant



Let's Walk the Talk – Guest Speaker: Dr Pine Goodwill

- Educational talk about wildlife conservation
- Participants must be 8 years old and above
- Admission is free of charge



Special Programmes at the Amphitheatre

- Watch live music and dance performances
- Outdoor movie screening





Free food and drinks available from 8 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. at the Snack Bar!

To take part in this event, you must register at www.letsgogreentoday.com.
For more details about the activities, please call 68884545.

Event Sponsors:

Eats Bakery Company	Organics Pte Ltd	Sweet Garden	Electrico

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For each question from 15 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). **Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.**

15. The organiser of World Earth Day 2019 is _____.

(1) Organics Pte Ltd
(2) Green Ambassadors
(3) Eats Bakery Company
(4) Greenrich Environment Centre

16. World Earth Day 2019 is held _____.

(1) in the evening
(2) every Saturday
(3) once every year
(4) at the end of November

17. If Zachary wants to attend "Let's Walk the Talk", he must _____.

(1) pay $5
(2) be at least 8 years old
(3) bring seeds along to plant trees
(4) register with the speaker directly

18. Participants can collect free snacks _____.

(1) at any time
(2) after 8.30 a.m.
(3) the whole morning
(4) from 8 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.

19. According to the advertisement, which one of the following is true?

(1) Participants must register for the event online.
(2) Ethan who is 14 years old is able to join 3R Build-a-Robot alone.
(3) Movie screening will take place in an air-conditioned indoor theatre.
(4) Participants of all activities stand a chance to win $300 worth of vouchers.

20. The main aim of this advertisement is to encourage participants to _____.

(1) lead a healthy lifestyle
(2) watch live performances
(3) spend more time outdoors
(4) show care for the environment

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PART 2

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MARKS OBTAINED	
PART 1:	_____ / 20
PART 2:	_____ / 30
TOTAL:	_____ / 50

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

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SECTION D: GRAMMAR CLOZE (8 x 1 mark)

PASSAGE 1

Read the following passage carefully. Choose from the words given in the box and fill in each blank with the correct word. Write its **letter (A to F)** in each blank.

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) himself	(B) itself	(C) myself
(D) ourselves	(E) themselves	(F) yourself

Karen's parents had gone to the market. Karen and her brother, Alvin, were at home by **(21)**_____. Alvin did not know how to prepare a cup of Milo by **(22)** _____so he asked Karen for help.

"I am busy! Go and make it **(23)**_____!" Karen exclaimed.

A few minutes later, Karen entered the kitchen and was horrified to see the mess that Alvin had made.

"Now, we must clean the kitchen **(24)** _____before Dad and Mum return home," moaned Karen. She regretted her selfishness.

Score: /4

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PASSAGE 2

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

Jessie loves baking cookies. She regularly **(25) [attend / attends]** baking classes. From these classes, she collects many recipes which **(26) [** help **/ helps]** her in the baking. Her cookies **(27) [are / is]** always so crunchy and tasty. All her family members **(28) [like / likes]** her cookies. Jessie hopes to open up her own bakery one day.

Score: / 4

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SECTION E: VOCABULARY CLOZE (8 x 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its **letter** (A to M) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion.

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A)	assured	(B)	challenge	(C)	cutlery	(D)	excited
(E)	fault	(F)	hesitated	(G)	opponents	(H)	outnumbered
(J)	sleepless	(K)	stationery	(L)	unwilling	(M)	volunteered

Alan dragged his feet into the classroom with his camping bag. As it was his first time participating in a school camp, he was **(29)**_____ to join in. He also feared having a **(30)**_____ night as he had never slept in a tent before. His friends **(31)**_____ him that there was nothing for him to worry about.

The students made their way to the parade square. The first activity was a **(32)**_____ to see which class had the best teamwork. Compared to all his **(33)**_____, Alan's class size was the smallest. Despite being **(34)**_____, Alan and his classmates bravely put up a tough fight.

Soon, it was lunch time. After taking out the **(35)**_____ to be used for his meal from his bag, Alan **(36)** _____ to help his teacher distribute the boxes of food to his class. He realised that he was enjoying himself at the camp after all.

Score: / 8

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SECTION F: SENTENCE COMBINING

(4 x 1 mark)

Combine each pair of the sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

37. He hid behind the door. Nobody could find him.

_____ **so that**

_____

38. The show was entertaining. Everyone enjoyed the show.

_____ **because**

_____

39. Betty can skate. Her group of friends cannot skate as well.

_____ **better than**

_____

40. Alex does not like tea. His father does not like tea too.

Both _____ **and** _____

_____

Score: / 4

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SECTION G: COMPREHENSION (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Ali, Ben and David were playing soccer at a field near their house. The three friends had been playing the same sport every day since the beginning of school holidays.

Suddenly, they heard a loud cry, "Help! Help! My handbag has been stolen!" David stopped the rolling ball and the three boys looked towards the direction of the cry. They saw a man dressed in a black shirt and torn jeans running at top speed with a red handbag in his hand.

Realising what had happened, Ben shouted, "Let's catch the robber!" Immediately, they started their chase. Ali, being the fastest runner, caught up with the robber and pulled his shirt to stop him, but the robber managed to escape with a rip in his shirt. The three boys were losing sight of him.

When it seemed like all hope was lost, Ben, who had been running with the soccer ball in his hands, placed it quickly on the ground. He took a few steps back. With one swift kick, Ben sent the ball travelling through the air. It hit the robber on his head and he collapsed to the ground. Ben jumped for joy. Ali then looked at Ben and smiled.

The blow from the ball was so hard that the man fell unconscious. David whipped out his mobile phone to call the police. Meanwhile, his friends held the man firmly to the ground. A lady came running towards them and retrieved her stolen handbag.

"Thank you very much for your kindness," the lady said.

That was a school holiday they would never forget.

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For Q41-42, write each answer in a complete sentence.

41. What kind of sport had the three friends been playing during the school holidays? [1m]

_____

_____

42. What does the word 'It' in line 14 refer to? [1m]

_____

_____

For Q43, write 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets.

43. Ali pulled the robber's shirt to _____. [1m]

(1) rip his clothes
(2) help the robber in his escape
(3) stop the robber from running away
(4) prevent the robber from falling down ( )

For Q44-45, read each statement and tick ✓ **'True'** or **'False'**. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

Statement		True	False
Example	**A handbag was stolen.**	✓	
44.	The lady appreciated the boys' help.		
45.	The police arrived before the boys caught the robber.		

Score: / 5

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46. Write one word from paragraph 4 (lines 12-16) which has the same meaning as 'fell down suddenly'. [1m]

For Q47-48, tick ✓ whether the statements describe **Ben** or **David**. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

Statement		Ben	David
Example	**Ran with the ball in his hands.**	✓	
47.	Stopped the ball from rolling.		
48.	Suggested chasing the robber.		

49. Put the following events in the right sequence, according to the flow in the story. Write **1**, **2** and **3** on the lines. [1m]

_____ Ben jumped for joy.

_____ David called the police.

_____ Ali smiled at his friend.

For Q50, write your answer in a complete sentence.

50. How did Ben stop the robber from escaping? [1m]

_____

_____

Score:	/ 5

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
1	2	4	2	4	3	2	3	2	2
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
1	3	1	4	4	3	2	4	1	4

Q21)	E	Q26)	help	Q31)	A
Q22)	A	Q27)	are	Q32)	B
Q23)	F	Q28)	like	Q33)	G
Q24)	D	Q29)	L	Q34)	H
Q25)	attends	Q30)	J	Q35)	C

Q36)	M
Q37)	He hid behind the door so that nobody could find him.
Q38)	Everyone enjoyed the show because it was entertaining.
Q39)	Betty can skate better than her group of friends.
Q40)	Both Alex and his father do not like tea.
Q41)	The three friends had been playing soccer everday since the beginning of school holidays.
Q42)	The word "It" in line 14 refer to the ball.
Q43)	3
Q44)	True
Q45)	False
Q46)	collapsed
Q47)	David

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Q48)	Ben
Q49)	1 , 3 , 2
Q50)	Ben kicked the ball swiftly and sent the ball flying. Then , the ball hit the robber's head and the robber collapsed to the ground.

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