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2019 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1

ENGLISH LANGUAGE – PAPER 2

LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION

PRIMARY 3

Name : _____ ( )

Class : Primary 3 / _____

Date : 13 May 2019

Note:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read carefully the instructions given at the beginning of each section.
3. Do not waste time. If a question is difficult for you, go on to the next one.
4. Check your answers thoroughly and make sure you attempt every question.

42 Questions
50 Marks
Duration of Paper: 1 hour 15 minutes

ITEMS	OBTAINED	POSSIBLE
MCQ		22
Qn 19 - 42		28
TOTAL		50

Parent's Signature : _____

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Section A: Vocabulary (6 marks)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

1 Sarah was _____ as she reluctantly waved goodbye to her best friend who was moving to another school.

(1) sad
(2) shy
(3) excited
(4) cheerful

2 My teacher _____ at us whenever we are naughty.

(1) grins
(2) jeers
(3) frowns
(4) gazes

3 The police arrested the _____ who tricked others into giving him their money.

(1) thief
(2) robber
(3) shoplifter
(4) conman

4 Although Sally was feeling full, she took a second slice of the apple pie as it was so _____.

(1) delightful
(2) adorable
(3) delicious
(4) attractive

5 "I wish my brother would stop using my stationery without permission," Kenny complained _____ to himself.

(1) kindly
(2) rudely
(3) happily
(4) grumpily

6 The _____ was the last person to leave his ship before it sank.

(1) boss
(2) chief
(3) captain
(4) manager

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Section B: Grammar (8 marks)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

7 Mary and I prepared the whole meal by _____.

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

8 My parents _____ pleased when they heard the good news last night.

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

9 "John, take _____ files and put them on the desk over there," said Mother.

(1) this
(2) these
(3) that
(4) those

10 The detective has _____ questions to ask the suspect.

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

11 Ahmad studied very hard _____ he failed his test.

(1) so
(2) while
(3) but
(4) and

12 We visited Bali _____ the school holidays.

(1) at
(2) with
(3) on
(4) during

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13 They spoke quietly in order not to _____ the sleeping children.

(1) wake
(2) wakes
(3) woke
(4) are waking

14 "_____ I go the washroom, please?" the student asked politely.

(1) May
(2) Will
(3) Can
(4) Shall

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Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (8 marks)

Read the advertisement carefully and answer the questions that follow. Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

KIDZ Sports Company

Introduces our *brand new* June Camp Programme:



I LOVE INLINE SKATING CAMPS



Taught by skilful and patient instructors,
all children from 6 to 12 years old are welcome!
Simply choose which camp is best for you!

Type of Camp (10 students per class)	Camp	Available Dates (Choose one date)	Location
Beginners' Half-Day Camp 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. *Fee of $30 Suitable for those skating for the first time	1 2 3	6 June 2019 7 June 2019 8 June 2019	East Coast Park
Confidence Full-Day Camp 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. *Fee of $70 Suitable for those with some experience in skating	4 5 6	12 June 2019 13 June 2019 14 June 2019	West Coast Park

*Fee includes snacks and the use of inline skates, elbow guards, knee guards and helmets

For enquiries on the camps, call 6778 8995 (main office).
Visit www.kidzsport.sg to learn more about our other exciting programmes!

Snacks are catered by Rama's Kitchen

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15 Mrs Tan wants to know more about the June inline skating camps. She should _____.

(1) contact the main office
(2) contact Rama's Kitchen
(3) visit East Coast Park
(4) visit the Kidz Sports Company's website

16 Snacks are provided _____.

(1) for all six camps
(2) at an additional charge
(3) by the skilful instructors
(4) only to campers who pay $30 each

17 The June inline skating camps are _____.

(1) for students of all ages
(2) conducted free of charge
(3) conducted yearly in June
(4) being introduced for the first time

18 Which one of the following statements about the camp is **true**?

(1) Elbow and knee guards will be provided at an extra cost
(2) The Beginners' Camps are only held at West Coast Park.
(3) The Confidence Camps are for children who do not know how to skate.
(4) Participants do not need to have their own inline skates to join the camps.

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Section D: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box below and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.

(A) you	(B) she	(C) us
(D) it	(E) he	(F) them

One day, James and Mary returned from school. Both of _____ **(19)** were hungry and went straight to the kitchen. James was shocked when _____ **(20)** saw a cat sitting on the table. _____ **(21)** was drinking the milk Mother had kept for Mary and him. Mary noticed that James was afraid of the cat, so _____ **(22)** shooed the animal away. James praised Mary for being courageous.

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Section E: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box below and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

USE EACH WORD/PHRASE ONLY ONCE.

(A) run	(B) runs	(C) ran
(D) is running	(E) running	(F) has been running

Shuen is passionate about track and field. When she was younger, she would watch her older siblings _____ (23) on the tracks. Ever since then, she _____ (24) for her school team. Every Tuesday and Thursday, she _____ (25) with her team around the field.

Shuen wants to continue _____ (26) and hopes to enter more competitions in future. She wants to win more medals and make her siblings proud.

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Section F: Editing (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Correct each word in bold for spelling. Correct each word in italics and underlined for punctuation.

The students have just learnt about the benefits of recycling. The

(27) ☐

environment can be kept clean if everyone disposes of their trash **propaly.**

(28) ☐

If not, plants and animals can be affected by the **polution** caused by the waste.

(29) ☐

"the important thing is that we do our part for the environment," said their

(30) ☐

teacher? "The world is for everyone and we should take care of it." The students are

excited to share the benefits of recycling with others.

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Section G: Synthesis (4 marks)

For each question 31 and 32, combine the sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

31 Jennifer enjoys going to school. She likes spending time with her friends.

_____ because

_____ .

32 Weimin loves reading books. He loves watching movies too.

_____ and

_____ .

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Section H: Comprehension Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage and fill in each blank with a suitable word.

There was a hunter who thought he was fearless. He would find lion tracks and _____ (33) them until they disappeared. He even complained that the lion was hiding _____ (34) him.

One day, the hunter heard the lion's roar. It was loud _____ (35) scary. Instead of walking towards the sound to catch the _____ (36), he turned pale and ran away. He was fearful.

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Section I: Comprehension (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

As soon as Mrs Twit sat down, Mr Twit pointed at her and shouted, "You've shrunk so much that your feet aren't even touching the ground!"

Mrs Twit looked down at her feet and Mr Twit was right. Her feet were not touching the ground. What she did not know was that Mr Twit had been playing a trick on her. Every night, he would stick a little extra wood to the four legs of Mrs Twit's chair. This made her chair higher, which made it seem as though Mrs Twit had become smaller in size.

"You've got the *shrinks*!" cried Mr Twit.

Mrs Twit was shocked and suddenly became speechless. However, Mr Twit, who still remembered that she had put worms in his noodles previously, did not feel sorry for her at all.

"What's going to happen to me?" gasped Mrs Twit.

"Your head will shrink into your neck," replied Mr Twit. "Then, your neck will shrink into your body. Your body will shrink into your legs, and your legs will shrink into your feet. In the end, there will be nothing left except a pair of shoes and a bundle of old clothes."

"Isn't there anything we can do?" cried Mrs Twit.

"There's only one cure for the shrinks," said Mr Twit. "You've got to stop putting worms into my food," he replied cheekily.

Adapted from 'The Witches' by Roald Dahl

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For **Q37 – Q 38**, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to paragraph 2 to help you. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	Mrs Twit could not feel the ground.	✓	
Q37	Mr Twit cut part of the legs of Mrs Twit's chair.		
Q38	Mr Twit carried out his plan during the night.		

39 Which word tells you that Mrs Twit was alarmed by what Mr Twit had said? Circle either **(A)** or **(B)**. [1m]

Mrs Twit was shocked **(A)** and suddenly became speechless. **(B)**

40 According to the passage, name two body parts affected by the '*shrinks*'.

i. _____ [1m]

ii. _____ [1m]

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41 Tick ✓ your chosen answer.
Mrs Twit asking if there was something that they could do suggests that she was _____. [1m]

☐	desperate for help
☐	angry with Mr Twit
☐	excited about becoming smaller

42 Why did Mr Twit play a trick on Mrs Twit? [2m]

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
1	3	4	3	4	3	3	4	2	2
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
3	4	1	1	1	1	4	4	F	E
Q21	Q22	Q23							
D	B	A							

Q24)	F	Q28)	pollution
Q25)	B	Q29)	The
Q26)	E	Q30)	teacher
Q27)	properly		

Q31)	Jennifer enjoys going to school because she likes spending time with her friends.
Q32)	Weimin loves reading books and watching movies.
Q33)	follow
Q34)	from
Q35)	and
Q36)	lion
Q37)	False
Q38)	True
Q39)	A
Q40)	i)head ii)neck
Q41)	Desperate for help
Q42)	Mr Twit wanted to scare Mrs Twit so that she would stop putting

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	worms in his noodles.

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