MARIS STELLA HIGH SCHOOL (PRIMARY)

2019 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PART 1

13 May 2019 (Monday)

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

NAME	: _____ ( )
CLASS	: PRIMARY 4 _____

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SECTION A: GRAMMAR (8 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct word 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. As Melinda is an avid reader, she _____ to the library once a week.

   (1) go
   (2) went
   (3) goes
   (4) is going

2. Don't you think _____ flowers here look pretty?

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

3. The Primary Four students strive towards _____ higher marks for their next Science test.

   (1) score
   (2) scored
   (3) scores
   (4) scoring

4. Which bird of prey do you think flies faster, ____ owl or ____ eagle?

   (1) a ... a
   (2) a ... an
   (3) an ... a
   (4) an ... an

5. David and his brother _____ in the field when lightning flashed across the sky just now.

   (1) were playing
   (2) was playing
   (3) are playing
   (4) played

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6. There is so _____ space in the room that it can hardly fit five people.

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

7. _____ you come now, I am going to leave without you.

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

8. "To _____ shall I address this letter ?" asked my aunt.

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

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SECTION B: VOCABULARY

(6 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct word 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. My mother saw _____ when my form teacher informed her that I had played truant.

(1) red
(2) blue
(3) green
(4) yellow

10. Shireen's home is messy because she has been _____ the household chores.

(1) doing
(2) missing
(3) discarding
(4) neglecting

11. You promised me that you would wash my bicycle for me. You cannot _____ now!

(1) back down
(2) back out
(3) back off
(4) back up

12. In celebration of our Founder's Day, the school principal will _____ the sculpture of our founder for all to admire.

(1) unveil
(2) expose
(3) release
(4) disclose

13. "Come downstairs for breakfast now!" my mother _____.

(1) yelped
(2) hollered
(3) squeaked
(4) whispered

14. The _____ dug and found some World War II weapons underground.

(1) curator
(2) historian
(3) geologist
(4) archaeologist

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SECTION C: VISUAL TEXT COMPREHENSION (5 x 2 marks)

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

Singapore Auto Merchants Association *Proudly presents*

The Singapore Car Show 2019

Come check out the latest car models for sale now!

Date: 17 to 18 June 2019
Venue: Changi Exhibition Hall
Opening hours: 9am – 9pm

Ticket prices
Adult: $10
Child (below 14 years old): $4
Purchase from www.sgcarshow.com

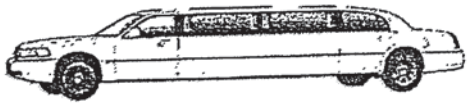
Russell Car Stunt Show (3pm daily)

Obtain a free pass to the Russell Car Stunt Show from the Welcome Booth.
Scan the QR code to find out more about the stunts.

Limited to first 100 visitors daily!

**Loud engine noise and burnt rubber smell are expected at this stunt show!*

Lucky Draw
Stand a chance to go for a spin in a luxurious limousine!



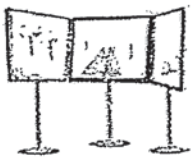
Car Show App
Download the Car Show App on your mobile device now to view the layout of the booths at the exhibition. The App also allows you to play the car racing game, FastTrack.

Celebrity Appearance
Here's your chance to meet your favourite celebrities! They will share what their favourite cars are.

Schedule

Date	Time	Booth	Celebrity
17 Jun Sat	2pm -3pm	Leong Motors	Asha Shanti
18 Jun Sun	4pm -5pm	Nikkan Sedans	Wayne Fernandez

NasAuto Driving Simulator
Experience what it is like to drive in a competition sports car in our specially flown-in driving simulator from Germany.
The simulator will be open to visitors from 4pm to 9pm daily during the Singapore Car Show.



For more information, please contact us below:

Tel: 6777 5321
Email: enquiry@sgcarshow.com

Official Sponsors

TEXXAN Auto Ltd

Diners BANK

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For each question from 15 to 19, 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. According to the poster, who is the organiser of this car show?

(1) Singapore Auto Merchants Association
(2) Changi Exhibition Hall
(3) Texxan Auto Ltd
(4) Diners Bank

16. Kevin wants to go for the Stunt Show. What must he do?

(1) Scan the QR code provided
(2) Download the Car Show App
(3) Register at www.sgcarshow.com
(4) Be among the first 100 visitors at the Welcome Booth

17. Which one of the following will allow visitors to experience racing in a sports car?

(1) Leong Motors
(2) Car Show App
(3) Russell Car Stunt Show
(4) NasAuto Driving Simulator

18. Which one of the following statements is true?

(1) The winner of the Lucky Draw drives away a limousine.
(2) Visitors sensitive to loud noises should not attend the Russell Car Stunt Show.
(3) Wayne Fernandez will make his appearance at 4pm, 17 June at Nikkan Sedans Booth.
(4) The Car Show App allows visitors to purchase tickets to enter the Car Show.

19. The main aim of the advertisement is to _____.

(1) promote the Singapore Car Show 2019
(2) attract people to participate in the lucky draw
(3) inform the public about the Russell Car Stunt Show
(4) educate the public about the launch of new car models

(Go on to Part 2)

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MARKS OBTAINED		
PART 1	: _____	/ 24
PART 2	: _____	/ 26
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SECTION D: GRAMMAR CLOZE (8 x 1 mark)

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 A WORD ONLY ONCE

PASSAGE 1

(A) they	(B) he	(C) I
(D) we	(E) me	(F) she

Last Thursday, my classmates and I brought ingredients to make a healthy snack.

My friend, Sue, brought capsicums. **(20)** _____ took them out to make her snack. **(21)**_____ looked bright red. When we were done, our teacher told my classmates and **(22)** _____ to dig in. When Sue started eating, she began tearing! We then realised that Sue had brought chillies instead of capsicums! From then on, **(23)**_____ learned to check our ingredients properly. It was a good lesson learnt!

Score: / 4

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PASSAGE 2

Read each passage carefully. **Circle** the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Whales always fascinate us. They _____ **(24)** [is / are] the largest known mammals in the world. The loud clicking noise they _____ **(25)** [produce / produces] to locate their prey is amazing. The ability to hold their breath for a long time _____ **(26)** [allow / allows] them to dive deep in search of food. A female whale, together with her calf, _____ **(27)** [migrate / migrates] long distances to look for food. These gentle giants of the sea are indeed captivating.

Score: / 4

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SECTION E: VOCABULARY CLOZE (5 x 1 mark)

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

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(A) carry	(B) immediately	(C) interested	(D) number
(E) reluctant	(F) rescued	(G) retrieve	(H) supply

Many children are keen to adopt a dog as a pet. You can teach a dog tricks such as getting it to **(28)** _____ a stick that you have thrown. However, we must be responsible enough before adopting one.

Very often, children are willing to play with their dogs but are **(29)** _____ to clean up after them. A pet owner must ensure that there is always a ready **(30)** _____ of food for his dog so it would not starve. When a dog falls sick, you must **(31)** _____ take it to the veterinarian to get it treated.

Dogs that you adopt from shelters are often **(32)** _____ after their owners had abandoned them. Hence, they need extra tender loving care!

Score: / 5

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SECTION F: SENTENCE MANIPULATION (3 x 1 mark)

For each of the items from 33 to 35, 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 given one(s).

33. It is Mother's Day. Jane bought a present for her mother.

_____ **because**

_____ .

34. Jason has studied for the test. So has Aaron.

Both _____

_____

35. Bryan is not going to the party. His classmates are not going to the party too.

Neither _____ **nor**

_____ .

Score:	/ 3

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SECTION G: COMPREHENSION (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

"Mum says that we should not swim in that deep pool!" protested Jim.

"Oh, don't be such a baby," said Ray with a sneer. On this hot June afternoon, the cool waters seemed so irresistible. The boys were very much tempted to jump in for a quick swim.

"Come on, Julian!" shouted Ray. "Let's compete!"

Despite Jim's constant protests, Ray and Julian dived into the pool happily. Shaking his head in disapproval, Jim walked to the nearby food corner to grab a bite. Like a fish, Ray swam ahead with his powerful strokes. Julian tried to catch up but he knew he could never win Ray. He had just begun his swimming lessons last week. Suddenly, Julian felt a pull in his right leg muscle.

"Help!" cried Julian. "It hurts!"

Ray was too far away to hear his cry for help. Hearing a familiar cry, Jim turned around and was startled to see his brother struggling in the water.

"Oh dear! What should I do?" exclaimed the frightened Jim.

Fortunately, there was a lifeguard on duty who heard the cries for help. Without hesitation, he jumped into the pool and pulled Julian out. Julian was unconscious and the lifeguard applied first aid on him. Julian soon regained consciousness. Heaving a sigh of relief, Jim and Ray thanked the lifeguard for saving Julian.

The three brothers went home and Jim reported the matter to their mother. Their mother reprimanded Ray and Julian severely and the boys promised not to do it again. Jim was glad that he was spared the scolding.

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For Q36 - 37, decide who does the following activities. Tick ✓ your chosen answer. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

Do not write in this space.

		Jim	Julian
Example	Was frightened.	✓	
36.	Had a cramp while swimming.		
37.	Did not swim.		

38. Give two reasons why Ray wanted to swim in the deep pool. [2m]

(i) _____

(ii) _____

39. What does the word 'it' in line 20 refer to? [1m]

_____

_____

40. Which word from lines 15 – 18 has the same meaning as 'pause'? [1m]

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41. State whether each sentence below is **True** or **False**. [2m]

	Sentence	True / False
Example	Julian and Ray were scolded by their mother.	True
i)	Julian was a strong swimmer.	
ii)	Ray told the lifeguard to save Julian.	

42. These are the events that took place in the story.
Put them in the right sequence, according to the flow in the story.
Write 1, 2 and 3 on the lines. [1m]

_____ Jim advised his brothers not to swim in the deep pool.

_____ Jim reported the matter to his mother.

_____ Jim went to grab a bite.

43. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

The lifeguard applied first aid on Julian because _____. [1m]

- ☐ he was in pain
- ☐ he cried for help
- ☐ he was unconscious

Score: / 10

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ANSWER KEY

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BOOKLET A

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

BOOKLET B

Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23
F	A	E	D
Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27
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Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32
G	E	H	B	F

Q33 Jane bought a present for her mother because it is Mother's Day.

Q34 Both Jason and Aaron have studied for the test.

Q35 Neither Bryan nor his classmates are going to the party.

Q36 Julian √

Q37 Jim √

Q38 (i) It was a hot June afternoon

(ii) The cool waters seemed irresistible

Q39 It refers to swimming in the deep pod.

Q40 hesitation

Q41 (i) False

(ii) False

Q42 1 Jim advised his brother not to swim in the deep pool.

3 Jim reported the matter to his mother.

2 Jim went to grab a bite.

Q43 [√] he was unconscious

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