Anglo-Chinese School (Junior)

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2019 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER TWO (BOOKLET A)
PRIMARY SIX

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

Date: 22 August 2019 **Duration of paper: 1h 50 min**

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(10 marks)

1. Joe, as well as his brothers, _____ attending the concert tomorrow evening.

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

2. Tom is looking forward to _____ the letter of acceptance to the school.

   (1) receive
   (2) receives
   (3) received
   (4) receiving

3. "I'm going to be the one presenting the project, _____ I?" Seng Kiat asked his group member.

   (1) am
   (2) will
   (3) isn't
   (4) aren't

4. Since the coffee was still very hot, Mr Ang took _____ sips at a time.

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

5. The lady,_____ is my neighbour has a cute dog.

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

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6. People are becoming more aware _____ the need to reduce, reuse and recycle.

(1) of
(2) on
(3) with
(4) from

7. Although fifty cents _____ not a big sum of money, Sam returned it to the owner when he found it.

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

8. _____ from a stray dog, there was no one on the beach.

(1) Apart
(2) Except
(3) Besides
(4) In addition

9. Neither the boys nor Mr Tan _____ where Nick is.

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

10. _____ tired you are, you should brush your teeth before going to bed.

(1) Since
(2) Whether
(3) Although
(4) However

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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. Peter and I were _____. We had to ask the teacher for help as we ran out of ideas for our project.

(1) neck and neck
(2) a dime a dozen
(3) in the same boat
(4) singing a different tune

12. We are impressed by Sally's creativity. She has found _____ ways to reuse plastic bottles in school.

(1) intricate
(2) infamous
(3) indefinite
(4) ingenious

13. As he did not clean his wound properly, an infection _____.

(1) set in
(2) set up
(3) set off
(4) set out

14. As the person in-charge of the project, Tom _____ some of his work to his assistant so that the project could be completed on time.

(1) quoted
(2) rostered
(3) invested
(4) delegated

15. The teacher was upset because the pupils were _____ during the Science lesson and did not want to listen to her instructions.

(1) tolerant
(2) turbulent
(3) boisterous
(4) empathetic

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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)

Money is not the most important thing in life. Passion is what really matters the most. Without passion, one will find that work is nothing but a boring (16) routine. This was the point made by naval officer, Lieutenant Mary Lim.

At the age of 29, she left a well-paid (17) job as a banker to pursue her dreams as a naval officer on a missile gunboat. She recollected (18) the stories that her father had told her of his own experiences as a naval officer. She had learnt two important (19) things from her father.

The first is the sense of belonging to a family. In the Navy, everyone must work with one another to operate (20) a whole ship because no one can know everything. The second is the sense of loyalty to a country that has given so much. This officer hopes to one day command a ship of her own.

Adapted from *Pioneer*

16. (1) regular
(2) normal
(3) general
(4) mundane

17. (1) lucrative
(2) productive
(3) successful
(4) meaningful

18. (1) recalled
(2) restated
(3) retraced
(4) repressed

19. (1) urgent
(2) crucial
(3) dominant
(4) compulsory

20. (1) handle
(2) remove
(3) oversee
(4) administer

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

Come join the Funtastic Hobby Club today!

Do you want to connect with people who share the same interests as you? Sign up as a club member now and you will get to join a wide range of hobby interest groups led by specialists. You will also get to meet people who enjoy the same hobbies as you.

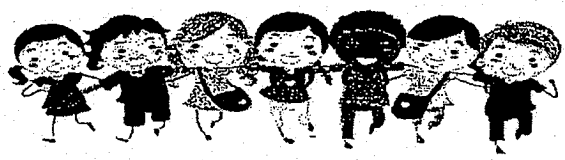


Venue: Funtastic Hobby Club Centre
12 Hobby Road, Singapore 876678
Time: 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Weekdays)
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (Weekends)



Music (Mondays) Learn to: ❖ play an instrument ❖ create music recordings and mixes using computer programmes ❖ perform in community bands (All equipment will be provided.)	**Art & Craft Using Recycled Materials (Tuesdays)** Learn to: ❖ paint & sculpt ❖ make costume jewellery (Participants need to pay for the materials.)
Performance Arts (Wednesdays) Learn the following skills: ❖ acting ❖ singing ❖ dancing (Please come in proper attire and footwear.)	**Community Service For The Environment (Thursdays)** You can volunteer at these venues: ❖ nature parks ❖ animal shelters
Fitness Training (Fridays) You can join these activities: ❖ gym training ❖ yoga classes ❖ zumba workout ❖ pilates sessions (Please come in proper attire and footwear.)	**Outdoor Sports* (Saturdays & Sundays)** You can participate in these activities: ❖ cycling ❖ skateboarding ❖ a game of ultimate Frisbee (Please come in proper attire and bring your own sports equipment.) [*subject to weather conditions]

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Do you know taking up a hobby brings many benefits?

There are many advantages of taking up a hobby. Hobbies help you to structure your time. If you have a hobby, you will probably be more efficient and get your work done more quickly in order to make time for your hobby. In addition, hobbies help to foster new friendships. You will find it easier to make new friends who share your passion and interest. Last but not least, hobbies help relieve stress. When you are engaged in something you enjoy, it enables you to take your mind off the stresses of everyday life and helps you relax. These are just some of the many benefits that hobbies bring.

What other Funtastic Hobby Club members say:

Ever since I've joined the Funtastic Hobby Club, I've made many new friends. Thanks to the support and guidance of the fun and fantastic people there, I am now more skilful in my craft.

– Paul Yong

I've not only gained self-confidence and skills, but I've also made many friends who share the same passion at the Funtastic Hobby Club. It's truly enriching and it's great value for money too!

– Sherry Lin

I joined the interest groups at the Funtastic Hobby Club with no experience at all. But under the guidance of the specialists and helpful members, I've not only picked up the skill, but I'm also pretty good at playing the keyboard now.

– Tom Han

Funtastic Hobby Club Membership:

1. Age: 12 years and above
2. No experience required
3. Membership Fee: $50 per year
4. You may join as many interest groups as you like. However, you are strongly encouraged to attend the sessions regularly and stay connected with your group(s) to experience the full benefits of the Funtastic Hobby Club.
5. Visit our website to register online before 24 August 2019 (Saturday) and receive a limited edition Funtastic Hobby Club T-shirt FREE (whilst stocks last)!

To find out more about Funtastic Hobby Club, visit our website at www.FuntasticHobbyClub.com.sg.
For more information, call 62345234 or email us at FuntasticHobbyClub@gmail.com.

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(8 marks)

21. Which of the following is **NOT** true?
Joining the Funtastic Hobby Club_____.

(1) is fun and meaningful
(2) allows you to learn a new skill
(3) enables you to perfect a skill immediately
(4) enables you meet others with the same hobbies

22. Mr Pong is passionate about saving the environment. He should attend the Funtastic Hobby Club sessions on _____.

(1) weekends
(2) Tuesdays only
(3) Thursdays only
(4) Tuesdays and Thursdays

23. Jean does not own any sports attire or equipment. Other than the yearly membership fee, she does not wish to spend more money. You will advise her to join _____.

(1) Music and Community Service groups
(2) Art & Craft and Community Service groups
(3) Music, Art & Craft and Community Service groups
(4) Music, Performance Arts and Community Service groups

24. Which of the following statements about the Funtastic Hobby Club is <u>true</u>?

(1) There is a specialist in every group to guide the members.
(2) You must attend the sessions daily to remain as a member.
(3) You need to have basic knowledge of the hobby to join the group.
(4) Every new member who signs up before 24 August 2019 will receive a limited edition Funtastic Hobby Club T-shirt.

25. To join the Funtastic Hobby Club, you need to _____.

(1) call 62345234
(2) visit The Funtastic Hobby Club Centre
(3) sign up at www.FuntasticHobbyClub.com.sg
(4) send an email to FuntasticHobbyClub@gmail.com

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26. Joining the Funtastic Hobby Club has enabled Paul Yong to _____.

(1) make new friends
(2) gain self-confidence
(3) understand the value of money
(4) be skilful in playing the keyboard

27. The **main** aim of the flyer is to _____.

(1) persuade people to take up a hobby
(2) encourage people to join the Funtastic Hobby Club
(3) educate people on the importance of having a hobby
(4) enable people who share the same hobbies to come together

28. According to the flyer, having a hobby _____.

(1) helps you to de-stress
(2) enables you to gain popularity
(3) takes up all the time that you have
(4) makes your work more fun and enjoyable

~ End of Booklet A ~

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No.	Contents			Marks	Marks Obtained
1.	Oral			30	
2.	Listening Comprehension			20	
3.	Paper 1	CW	SW	55	
4.	Paper 2	Booklet A	Booklet B	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)	have	(G)	most	(K)	than	(N)	when
(B)	as	(E)	in	(H)	of	(L)	these	(P)	who
(C)	has	(F)	is	(J)	on	(M)	up	(Q)	with

Bay Gardens, which opened in January, has welcomed more than 2 million visitors. It has become one of the _____ (29) popular places of interest in the country today. _____ (30) the launch of Orchid Plaza last month, visitors now have more attractions to go to, without having to pay a fee.

Orchid Plaza, which is located next to Bay train station, was launched _____ (31) part of efforts to expand the Gardens' non-ticketed spaces. The plaza houses a floral exhibit and cafe, as well as spaces that _____ (32) reserved for the setting up of a weekend market.

Senior citizens who are 60 years or older will enjoy free admission to two of the Gardens' main attractions, namely the Biodome and the Tropical dome, for the whole _____ (33) this year. There will also be activities and programmes to attract the local population, _____ (34) made up about half of the 2 million visitors to the Gardens last year.

In addition, they will enjoy discounts _____ (35) tickets to the Magical Forest. This attraction features more _____ (36) 3000 plants across four garden areas and a fantasy ride known as the Flight of the Butterfly. There are also plans to pull _____ (37) the crowd at night. The Gardens' management _____ (38) come up with a number of evening activities that will surely be of interest to many visitors. It is hoped that all these efforts will help make the Gardens available to everyone of all ages.

Adapted from *The Straits Times*

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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) [ ]

Some people love durians and others find it disgusting. Apparently, it is quite delektible.

(40) [ ]

My very first experience with this Asian fruit was pekulier.

(41) [ ]

My father took me to a durian stall since I was five years old. The first thing I noticed

(42) [ ]

was the stench that filled the air. I quickly took my hankercheef and covered my nose. I thought

(43) [ ]

that there was rotten food in a drain but my father informed me that the pungency smell came from the durians that were on display.

(44) [ ]

We approached the owner of the stall and asked him to pick the better durian from the

(45) [ ] (46) [ ]

huge pile . He made his rekemendation and we paid the owner. While we walked towards our car,

(47) [ ]

I wondered how my father was going to cracking open the fruit.

(48) [ ]

When we got home, I imediatly took the durians to the kitchen. My father

(49) [ ]

took a cleaver and open the spiky fruit. We stood there, in exzileration, looking at the yellowish, creamy flesh. Then I picked up a piece and examined it.

(50) [ ]

I remembered that the flesh of the fruit felt slippery and the texture were custardy and foamy. I hated how it felt but I enjoyed eating it.

[ ]

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

My fondest childhood memories were of growing up in the 1970s. We lived in a crowded flat which I shared with my grandparents, parents, uncles and younger brother. There was (51) _____ any space for my brother and me to run or play. (52) _____, my brother and I had a happy childhood.

Whenever they could, my parents took us to various (53) _____ such as the Zoo and the Bird Park. Sometimes, we just went to the seaside for a swim or to the fast food restaurant for a special treat. Even though these outings were quite (54) _____, my parents still had to save up for them. That did not stop them from wanting to give my brother and (55) _____ a good time. We were fortunate to be (56) _____ to go out and play. To my parents, the sacrifice was (57)_____ it when they saw the smiles on our faces.

At home, my brother and I entertained (58) _____ with simple games. We played with my grandmother's discarded pots and pans and (59) _____ we were superheros, imitating the stunts we saw on television, with occasional disastrous results. We sustained bruises, sprains and fractures, which (60) _____ us into trouble with our parents. They dragged us to the doctor to get those problems (61) _____.

When my parents were at work, my grandmother prepared meals for us. She would cook for us and then tuck us (62) _____ bed. Whenever I was tired of playing with my brother, I would (63) _____ her in the kitchen. At first, I was only allowed to wash the vegetables and dishes because my grandmother felt that I was too (64) _____ to do anything else by myself. By the time I was older, I could cut the meat and fish under her (65) _____. She stood beside me and made sure that I did not cut myself. This was the beginning of my love for cooking.

Adapted from *Changing Times, Changing Childhoods* by Jaime Koh

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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. Jack was annoyed. He stomped out of the room.

_____ in

_____.

67. He announced the results of the singing contest excitedly.

It was with _____

_____

68. Sam refuses to accept help from his friends. He is a proud man.

_____

because of _____

69. "Do you know where my school diary is?" David asked his mother.

David asked his mother _____

_____

70. John ran very fast. However, he could not keep up with Tom.

No matter _____

_____

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

I decided to pay my grandparents a visit one Saturday afternoon. Grandfather had been ill lately and I knew my visit would certainly cheer him up. "Knock, knock," I whispered. No answer. I looked at the figure sitting quietly at the corner of the room. Grandfather was staring forlornly at something on his lap. He seemed to be deep in thoughts. The active and astute man had become quiet and dazed.

"Oh, hello, Sir!" Siti, his helper, greeted me cheerfully.

"Has he eaten?" I asked. She nodded happily. Siti had been helping Grandmother with her chores for ten years. Now she was Grandfather's main caregiver, looking after him round the clock. I noticed that Grandfather perked up as he listened to our conversation. Without looking up, he patted me lightly on my head. His eyes were still transfixed on something. I looked down and saw a framed photograph in his hand. It was a picture of him and his army buddies stylishly perched on their motorcycles. Yes, motorcycles. A topic that I was told never to bring up. The last time I mentioned **them**, I was reprimanded severely.

My sister, Kim, and I were practically raised by my grandparents. My parents were so busy with their business that we ended up living with our grandparents for almost ten years. After a while, we got used to their absence. Grandmother was a gentle lady who saw to our every need. She gave us her love and attention. Grandfather, on the other hand, was more of a disciplinarian as he was a retired army captain. However, once in while, he eased up and played with us. As time passed, we became an inseparable family of four!

I remembered my first Christmas with them. I came home crying one day as my classmates had jeered at me for believing in Santa. When Grandmother heard that, she snorted, "What? No Santa? I have heard that rumour for years. Ridiculous! Don't believe them!" Since Grandmother always told the truth, I took her word for it. We also had a fair share of silly moments with Grandfather. I used to love playing 'beautician' with Grandfather. When he was in a good mood, he would allow me to style his hair with his comb. I would go to the sink, wet the comb and style his hair in different ways. Soon Kim joined in **the fun**. It never occurred to us that she was not tall enough to reach the sink and yet her comb was always wet. Later, by coincidence, Grandmother discovered the source of her wet comb - the drain behind the house! That discovery ended our 'styling' session.

I remember an incident that affected Grandfather emotionally. It was my twelfth birthday and he wanted to take me for a ride on his motorcycle. I was thrilled! When the engine roared, I knew I was going to have **the greatest ride** of my lifetime. He took me around the neighbourhood a couple of times. Just as we were about to complete our last leg, something unfortunate happened. A cat had crossed our path and Grandfather swerved to avoid it. This resulted in him losing control of the motorcycle. Both of us ended up in a bush. We were lucky that we only had minor cuts and bruises. That incident left an indelible mark on Grandfather but not me. He never rode his motorcycle again! I was also forbidden from getting a motorcycle licence when I turned eighteen. However, I got my licence secretly a year ago.

"Sir, Grandpa wants me to give you this," Siti interrupted my thoughts. She handed me an envelope. That's strange, I thought. I opened it and a key dropped out. Puzzled, I turned to Siti. She smiled and pointed to a card in the envelope. I pulled it out and saw the familiar handwriting. "Grandma was always right. Who says there's no Santa?" it read. "I have something to show you, Sir. You will certainly like it," she said. I swiftly followed her. I could not believe my eyes when I saw a gleaming blue two-wheeler that rendered me speechless. "He loves you," Siti said softly. I wondered why Grandfather had changed his mind. However, I still could not get over the excitement of having my first motorcycle. I finally realised he had **a softer side** to him.

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71. Where did the writer go that afternoon? [1m]

_____

_____

72. Pick out a sentence from the first paragraph that tells us that the writer's grandfather was no longer the person he used to be. [1m]

73. Based on lines 7-12, state 2 actions that showed Grandfather was aware of the writer's presence. [2m]

i) _____

ii) _____

74. Fill in the following table by identifying the correct word and phrase from the passage. [2m]

Question	Word/Phrase from the passage
a) Which phrase in the fourth paragraph tells us that the writer and his sister were brought up by their grandparents?	
b) Which word in the fifth paragraph tells us that the writer was made fun of in school?	

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75. 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
them (line 13)	
the fun (line 26)	
the greatest ride (line 31)	

76 Based on lines 20-37, fill in the blanks below to show the description of each character and their actions.[3m]

	Adjective	What each character did
Grandmother	supportive	
Grandfather		The writer's grandfather did not allow the writer to ride the motorcycle again after the accident.
Writer	disobedient	

77. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story. [1m]

_____ The writer received a gift from Grandfather.

_____ The writer saw Grandfather staring at a photograph.

_____ The writer wanted to make Grandfather happy.

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78. 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
Grandmother knew from the start how Kim had managed to get her comb wet.		
Grandfather always had a fear of motorcycles.		
Siti knew exactly what Grandfather's gift to the writer was.		

79. Which two of the following words correctly describe how the writer felt about motorcycles in lines 29-37? Put a √ in the box beside each of your answers. [2m]
DO NOT TICK MORE THAN TWO BOXES.

excited	☐	shaken	☐
confused	☐	indifferent	☐
angry	☐	unafraid	☐

80. According to the writer, how did Grandfather show that he had "a softer side" (line 45)? [2m]

_____

_____

_____

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Answer Sheets

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1.	1	6.	1	11.	3	16.	4	21.	3	26.	1
2.	4	7.	3	12.	4	17.	1	22.	4	27.	2
3.	4	8.	1	13.	1	18.	1	23.	1	28.	1
4.	3	9.	3	14.	4	19.	2	24.	1		
5.	1	10.	4	15.	3	20.	1	25.	3		

29.most 30.with 31.as 32.are 33.of 34.these

35.on 36.than 37.in 38.has 39.delectable 40.peculiar

41.when 42.handkerchies 43.pungent 44.best

45.recommendation 46.As 47.Crack 48.immediately

49.exhilaration 50.was 51.barely 52.However 53.places

54.cheap 55.Me 56.able 57.worth 58.ourselves

59.pretended 60.led 61.fixed 62.into 63.help 64.young

65.supervision

66.Jack stomped out of the room in annoyance.

67.It was with excitement that he announced the results of the singing contest.

68. Sam refuses to accept help from his friends because of his pride.

69.David asked his mother if she knew where his school diary was.

70.No matter how fast John ran, he could not keep up with Tom.

71.The writer went to pay his parents a visit that afternoon.

72.The active and astute man had become quiet and dazed.

73i.Grandfather patted the writer lightly on his head.

73ii.Grandfather perked up as he listened to the conversation between the writer and Siti.

74a.practically raised by

74b.jeered

75. them –motorcycles

The fun –styling grandfather's hair

The greatest ride –the motorcycle ride on the writer's birthday

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76. -supportive-she sided with the writer when everyone in school teased him for believing in Santa.She comfort the writer when he was bullied
-Strict-
-disobedient-He got his licence secretly a year ago although he was told not to do so.

77.3,
2,
1

78.grandmother..False ..Grandmother found out by accident.
Grandfather..False...Grandfather stopped riding ridding after a motorcycle accident.
Siti..True..She told the writer he would like the gift and she know where it was.

79.excited unafraid.

80.Although he was upset every time the writer mentioned motorcycles, he finally relented and got him one at the end of the story.

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