Maha Bodhi School
2020 Semestral Assessment 2
English Language
Paper 2
(Booklet A)

Name : _____ ( )

Class : Primary 3 _____

Date : 2 November 2020

Total Duration for Booklets A and B: 1 h 20 min

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

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4. Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

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Section A: Grammar MCQ (8 x 1 mark)

For each of the following, choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

1. _____ girls playing at the field are having so much fun that we can hear them from here.

   (1) This
   (2) That
   (3) These
   (4) Those

2. During the holidays, Seema and her brother learnt to cook scrambled eggs all by _____.

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

3. When we walked towards our car, we were surprised to see a black cat sitting comfortably _____ it.

   (1) at
   (2) on
   (3) along
   (4) between

4. _____ the weather is fine, Ho Kiat and his best friend are going cycling.

   (1) Since
   (2) While
   (3) Though
   (4) As soon as

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5. Miss Tan _____ raises her voice, so her students were shocked to hear her shout at the fleeing thief.

(1) often
(2) rarely
(3) always
(4) constantly

6. "_____ muddy footprints are all over the floor in my living room? Own up now!" Mother demanded angrily.

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

7. Jiamin _____ caught by surprise when she realised that her friends had planned a birthday party for her.

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

8. Rosli and his sister _____ for their very first swimming lesson next week. They are looking forward to it.

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

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Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (7 x 1 mark)

For each of the following, choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

9. Marianne enjoys sewing. As she sews, she _____ her favourite song.

(1) hums
(2) chirps
(3) snorts
(4) mumbles

10. When it rains, we walk along the corridors slowly and _____.

(1) uneasily
(2) cautiously
(3) sorrowfully
(4) instinctively

11. Alan told me he had met a magician who could turn his dog into a duck. I could not believe his _____ story!

(1) convincing
(2) incredible
(3) realistic
(4) simple

12. The _____ of deer has been greatly reduced. The forest has been destroyed and there is not enough food for them.

(1) habitat
(2) territory
(3) population
(4) surroundings

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13. Kayla _____ in pain when she fell and twisted her ankle.

(1) stammered
(2) whimpered
(3) whispered
(4) squeaked

14. Henry is _____. It is difficult to get him to change his mind once he has decided on something.

(1) as bald as an egg
(2) as meek as a lamb
(3) as cunning as a fox
(4) as stubborn as a mule

15. Miss Reena told her pupils to check their work but her advice _____. Her pupils did not pay attention to her.

(1) did them a good turn
(2) fell on deaf ears
(3) was tight-lipped
(4) set it right

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Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (5 x 1 mark)
Read the poster carefully then answer questions 16-20.
Choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.



Yoga Camp for Kids

Looking for a way to keep your child busy during the December holidays? Look no further! Your child can pick up new skills during this fun-filled five-day camp. The camp aims to help develop children's resilience, flexibility and strength. It helps them to reduce stress, keep their bones and joints healthy and build their muscle strength.

Details of the Camp
Date: 7 to 11 December 2020
Age of participants: 7 to 12 years old
Cost per child: $200
Venue: Yoga4Kidz Studio, #B2-04, Riverside Mall

How to register
Email your child's details (name and age) to info@yoga4kidz.com.sg.

Alternatively, you may head down to our yoga studio, Yoga4Kidz, to sign up.

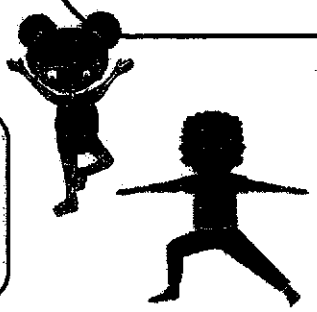
Early Bird Special!

Sign up between 1 to 10 November to get a 10% discount and receive a free yoga mat & yoga block!

Sign up with a friend and get a 20% discount!

Call 9988 7766 or email info@yoga4kidz.com.sg if you have any queries.

You may log on to our website, Yoga4Kidz.com.sg *or* scan the QR code below to find out more about the camp.



Organised by The Yoga School

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16. Mrs Nazreen wants to register her child for the camp but she cannot go to Yoga4Kidz Studio personally. How can she register her child?

    (1) Call 9988 7766.
    (2) Scan the QR code on the poster.
    (3) Email to info@yoga4kidz.com.sg.
    (4) Visit the website Yoga4Kidz.com.sg.

17. Participants who sign up with a friend will get a _____.

    (1) 10% discount
    (2) 20% discount
    (3) free yoga mat
    (4) free yoga block

18. The Yoga Camp is organised by _____.

    (1) Health Board
    (2) Riverside Mall
    (3) The Yoga School
    (4) Yoga4Kidz Studio

19. Which of the following statements is **true**?

    (1) The camp is open for all ages.
    (2) The camp will be held at Yoga4Kidz Studio.
    (3) You can only register for the camp via email.
    (4) You can get an early bird discount if you register on 1 December.

20. The **main** aim of the yoga camp is to _____.

    (1) allow children to have fun
    (2) help children grow taller and stronger
    (3) keep children busy during the December holidays
    (4) develop children's resilience, flexibility and strength

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2	A		20
	B		30
Total			**50**

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Section D: Grammar Cloze (7 x 1 mark)

Passage 1

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct form of the verb from the box and write the answer in the blanks provided.

USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.

splash	splashing	splashes
are splashing	splashed	were splashing

Moments later, the dragon stuck its neck out from under the water. It (21) _____ water at Katie but she did not mind. It even made her laugh. Katie touched the dragon gently when it moved closer to her.

From that day on, Katie and the dragon became friends. One day, Katie brought her friends to meet the dragon. They (22) _____ water and playing for hours before they went home. Katie loved spending time with the dragon. There were many things they would do together – lying on the sand, playing and (23) _____ about in the lake, and even reading a story! Katie was glad to have such a good friend.

Adapted from *Katie and Her Best Friend* by Glenn Francis F. Faelnar

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Passage 2

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct pronoun from the box and write the answer in the blanks provided.

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it	we	them
he	her	she

Mr Abdul Gasazi is a magician. (24) _____ does things that look impossible. He enjoys performing amazing tricks to his audience. Card tricks, making people disappear and pulling a rabbit from a hat are examples of his magic. The tricks are spectacular. I love watching (25) _____. My sister also loves magic. (26) _____ will watch magic shows with me. I will clutch her hand in excitement whenever (27) _____ watch a show together. Magic never ceases to amaze us.

Adapted from *Magic Facts by* KidsKonnect

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Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the best word from the box and write the answer in the blanks provided.

USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.

build	abandoned	burrow	stranded
grow	ashore	stroll	wander

Atlantic puffins spend most of their life at sea, floating in the open ocean. When it is time to lay eggs, the birds leave the water to go (28) _____ and dig into the ground to (29) _____ nests. After a puffling hatches, it spends six weeks in the (30) _____, feasting on fish caught by its parents. Pufflings leave the nest at night and follow the light of the moon to the sea. However, they are confused by the town's bright lights and (31) _____ onto the streets. Thankfully, the children in the town form search teams to rescue the (32) _____ pufflings. They take the rescued birds home and release them to the ocean the next morning.

Adapted from *Team Puffin* by Shay Maunz

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Section F: Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Fill each blank with a suitable word.

Jack and his sister, Nancy, could see the sailing ships at sea from their window in the cottage. Sometimes, the sailors from the ships would tell them stories about the interesting places they had been to. The children would (33) _____ attentively.

"I wish we could go there," thought Jack.

The next day, the children went for a (34) _____ in the park. They packed a basket full of buns, apples and other delicious food. Jack took along his big, green umbrella to shelter both of them in case it rained. Soon, they found a good (35) _____and laid out the mat.

When they sat down to eat, they felt a few drops of (36) _____. Immediately, Jack opened up the umbrella. At that moment, a strong gust of (37) _____ began to blow. Jack and Nancy held on tight to the umbrella. Suddenly, they were blown into the air! Up they went into the clouds and after a long time, they floated down towards an island in the sea.

Adapted from *Jack and Nancy* by Quentin Blake

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Section G: Sentence Manipulation – Combining (3 x 1 mark)

Combine the sentences to make <u>one</u> sentence using the word given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

38. Tom fell off his bicycle. Tom lost the race.

_____ because

_____. ☐

39. The delivery man left the box at the gate. Nobody answered the door.

_____ so

_____. ☐

40. You have washed your hands. Please turn off the tap.

When _____

_____. ☐

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Section H: Comprehension Open-Ended (10 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Your answers must be based on the passage read.

Through the streets and markets, a small, curly-tailed stray dog trotted about. Every day, little Laika rummaged for food and shelter in these places.

One day, a man was approaching her and Laika eyed him warily from a distance. He held out some food in one hand. Laika sniffed and slowly crept towards the treat. Whoosh! Laika was caught in the dogcatcher's net. She struggled to get free but it was no use. The dogcatcher drove to a laboratory. The scientists there needed stray dogs for some tests.

Life in the laboratory was difficult. Machine after machine, the scientists tested how Laika would handle the situation. The scientists liked Laika as she always stayed calm and did whatever they asked her to. Soon, Laika became one of the three dogs considered for a special mission in space. A rocket would be launched in less than a month and there would be a dog on board. No person or animal had been to outer space yet and scientists were unsure if it was safe.

In October 1957, the rocket was ready. A special space suit was made just for Laika. The scientists said a teary goodbye and wished Laika good luck. Then, they put her in a tiny cabin in the rocket that was specially set up for her. Soon, the engines roared to life. The noise was deafening. Laika's heart pounded and she barked in fear. However, there was no turning back.

A small crowd watched as the gleaming rocket sped up through the sky and out of sight. People across the country cheered for the brave pup, the world's first true astronaut. This tiny hero paved the way for many human astronauts to come.

Adapted from *Laika The Space Dog* by Jeni Wittrock

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41. Where did Laika rummage for food and shelter? [1m]

_____

_____

42. How did Laika show that she was not willing to go with the dogcatcher? Write the action in the box. [1m]

43. Why did the man catch Laika? [1m]

_____

_____

44. State whether each sentence below is True or False. Give a reason why you think so. [2m]

Sentences	True/ False	Reason
a. It was easy for the scientists to work with Laika.		_____ _____
b. Laika was frightened when she was in the rocket.		_____ _____

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45. Referring to lines 15-18, write down two things that the scientists did to prepare Laika for the flight to outer space. [2m]

Action 1	
Action 2	

46. The statements below show the events in the story. Put them in the right sequence, according to the flow of the story. Write **1, 2** and **3** on the lines. [1m]

_____ Laika was chosen for a special mission in space.

_____ The scientists wished Laika good luck.

_____ Many tests were carried out on Laika.

47. Why was Laika's role in space missions important? [2m]

_____

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Please remember to check your work thoroughly.



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TERM : 2020 SA2

SECTION A

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

Q21	splashed
Q22	were splashing
Q23	splashing
Q24	He
Q25	them
Q26	She
Q27	we

Q28	ashore
Q29	build
Q30	burrow
Q31	wander
Q32	stranded

Q33	Listen
Q34	Picnic
Q35	Spot
Q36	Rain
Q37	Wind

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Q38	Tom lost the race because he fell of his bicycle
Q39	Nobody answered the door so the delivery man left the box at the gate.
Q40	When you have washed your hands, please turn off the tap.

Q41	Laika rummaged for food and shelter through the streets and markets.
Q42	Struggled to get free.
Q43	The scientists in the laboratory needed street dogs for scientific tests.
Q44	(a) True. The scientist liked Laika as she stayed calm and did whatever the scientists told her to do. (b) True. Laika's heart was pounding and she barked in fear.
Q45	- A special suit was made for Laika - They put her in a tiny cabin
Q46	2 3 1
Q47	Laika was the first astronaut and she paved way for human astronauts to come.

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