METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 4
LANGUAGE REVIEW 2020

BOOKLET A

Booklet A	24
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Total	50

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Class: P4._____ Parent's Signature: _____

Section A: Grammar (10 marks)

For each question from **1 to 10**, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Write the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) within the brackets.

1 Mrs Tan asked her sons, "Did you bake this cake by _____?"

(1) himself
(2) yourself
(3) yourselves
(4) themselves ( )

2 That pair of spectacles _____ to my sister. She is short-sighted.

(1) belong
(2) belongs
(3) belonged
(4) belonging ( )

3 _____ Jason was reading a storybook, a cockroach flew onto him.

(1) While
(2) Since
(3) Although
(4) Because ( )

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4 Her dog will _____ beside her whenever she goes jogging in the park.

(1) ran
(2) run
(3) runs
(4) running ( )

5 "The movie will end by seven o'clock, _____?" John asked Lisa.

(1) isn't it
(2) don't it
(3) won't it
(4) wouldn't it ( )

6 That cup of tea tasted salty because Mother had added _____ salt in it by mistake.

(1) many
(2) some
(3) much
(4) several ( )

7 John enjoys _____ his grandmother during the weekends.

(1) visit
(2) visits
(3) visited
(4) visiting ( )

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8 The injured boy _____ on the pavement and groaned in pain.

(1) lie
(2) lay
(3) laid
(4) lain ( )

9 Neither Daniel nor his brothers _____ going to the party this weekend.

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

10 I did not go _____ during the last December holidays as my parents were busy with their work.

(1) nowhere
(2) anywhere
(3) somewhere
(4) everywhere ( )

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Section B: Vocabulary (6 marks)

For each question from 11 to 16, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Write the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) within the brackets.

11 After walking for more than three hours, the hikers were _____ and looked for a shady spot to rest.

(1) dejected
(2) disturbed
(3) exhausted
(4) enthusiastic ( )

12 The toddler cried _____ when she realised she was lost and could not find her parents in the toy shop.

(1) excitedly
(2) impatiently
(3) hysterically
(4) melodiously ( )

13 Mr Lim's car _____ at a traffic junction and had to be towed to the nearest workshop.

(1) broke up
(2) broke out
(3) broke into
(4) broke down ( )

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14 The famous steak restaurant offers monthly discounts to their regular _____.

(1) clients
(2) diners
(3) guests
(4) commuters ( )

15 Despite failing many times, Jenna never gave up trying as she was _____ to learn how to bake a cheesecake.

(1) obliged
(2) hesitant
(3) reluctant
(4) determined ( )

16 When Muthu was questioned by his parents about the broken window, he _____ and did not dare to tell the truth immediately.

(1) backed out
(2) turned the tables
(3) threw in the towel
(4) beat about the bush ( )

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Section C: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. **USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) at	(B) for	(C) from
(D) of	(E) on	(F) with

Opening a box of crayons can open up a world of imagination and hours of fun for children and adults. Each year (17) _____ 31 March, people can pick up their favourite coloured crayons and spend some time colouring on National Crayon Day to celebrate the invention (18) _____ crayons. However, no one really knows when the crayon was invented.

Thousands of years ago, the early crayons were not used as a writing or drawing tool (19) _____ children. It was a tool used mainly by artists. In the past, the crayons were made of charcoal and oil. In 1828, the oil normally found in crayons was replaced (20) _____ wax. Since then, crayons became more suitable for children to use.

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Section D: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)
Read the passage carefully. UNDERLINE the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

My twin sister, Samantha, and I really love to dance. Both of us first **(21)** [develop / developed] a love for dancing when we were only three years old. The way our feet moved to the rhythm of the music convinced our parents that we were born dancers.

Dancing **(22)** [teach / teaches] us to move our body rhythmically. It is also a kind of physical exercise which is extremely delightful and enjoyable.

Moreover, dance has also **(23)** [teaches / taught] us to persevere and push our limits. We had several injuries while dancing. However, that did not stop us from pursuing our passion. Instead, it pushed us to do our best and **(24)** [realise / realised] our potential.

In fact, we hope to achieve our dream of becoming professional dancers.

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Section E: Sentence Combining (3 marks)

For each of the questions **25** to **27**, rewrite the given sentences using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

25 "You need to sign on this form," the officer told Mr Tan.

The officer told Mr Tan _____

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26 Unless it rains, we will go for a picnic.

_____

if _____

27 Ben saved his money for almost two years. He could buy his own mobile phone.

In order to _____

_____

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Section F: Comprehension Cloze (6 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Prince Amos, a young and handsome prince, was looking for a suitable woman to be his wife. Many people came to offer their daughters' hand in marriage but Prince Amos was not impressed with any of them.

Prince Amos decided to take matters into his own hands.

He _____ (28) himself as a dirty, homeless man carrying a bag of spices. His plan was to find a woman who could separate the spices and cook something delicious for him.

Every door he knocked on, he was turned _____ (29). Many young women thought he was crazy to ask them to separate the spices in the bag. They hurled unkind words _____ (30) him and slammed their _____ (31) in his face. All _____ (32) for one. A young woman named Sheila, took the bag of spices and started separating them.

With only one hand, she then cooked a delicious bowl of porridge for Prince Amos. It was only when she was serving the bowl of porridge, did Prince Amos realise that one of her arms _____ (33) missing. Sheila's kindness and patience in fulfilling Prince Amos's requests, despite her own disability, was what captured Prince Amos's heart.

Adapted from a Malay Folktale - "Bearded Civet"

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Section G: Comprehension (Selected Response) (7 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions 34 to 40.

Matthew returned home at dinnertime. "I got the job!" he yelled at the top of his voice the minute he walked through the main door.

Matthew's mother gave him a puzzled look. Matthew continued, "Don't you remember? I applied for a job to be the neighbourhood's newspaper delivery boy!" Matthew's mother then broke into a faint smile.

Matthew's father, the sole breadwinner, had recently lost his job and his mother was unable to work as she had to take care of Matthew's two younger siblings. As a result, the family only had enough money for one meal a day, which consisted of potatoes and vegetables.

From that day on, Matthew left the house before sunrise to deliver newspapers. He had to wear the uniform that was provided for him by the newspaper company and had to return home before going to school. However, he never once complained as he dashed in and out of the house, changing out of one uniform and putting on another.

Usually, there was no time for breakfast. Even when Matthew fell during one of his rounds, he said nothing about it. Matthew memorised his route and soon he knew where to stand to avoid the sprinklers, how to befriend the ferocious dogs and how to throw the newspapers in such a way that they would land precisely on the porch.

A few days after he got his first pay, he presented his mother with the dress that she had been eyeing in the boutique for months. Matthew's mother was heartened and pleased that Matthew was such a sensible boy.

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34 Which of the following was not Matthew's reason for applying to be a newspaper delivery boy? [1m]

(1) His father lost his job.

(2) He had to buy a uniform for himself.

(3) There was not enough food for the family.

(4) His mother could not work to support the family. ( )

35 Look at the table below. What does the word in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [1m]

Word from the passage	What the word refers to
another (line 14)	

36 Which word has the same meaning as "encouraged"? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

Matthew's mother was heartened (A) and pleased (B) that Matthew was such a sensible boy.

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

_____ Matthew left home when it was dark to deliver newspapers.

_____ Matthew put on his delivery boy uniform.

_____ Matthew went home to change for school.

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For **Q38** to **40**, read each statement and tick (✓) either "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. [3m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	Matthew got a job as a newspaper delivery boy.	✓	
Q38	Matthew's father was the only one in the family working before he lost his job.		
Q39	Matthew's mother was delighted when he first told her that he found a job as a newspaper delivery boy.		
Q40	Matthew avoided the ferocious dogs in order to deliver the newspapers.		

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Section H: Comprehension (Open-Ended) (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 41 to 47.

Mrs Raju was sitting by the window at home, looking at the park. She was sipping her afternoon tea when she noticed a boy in the park across her house. He caught her attention as she rarely saw anyone there at that time. Looking weary and fearful, he was walking furtively around the park.

Straining her eyes, Mrs Raju took a closer look at the boy. He looked vaguely familiar. Deciding that it was probably her imagination, she went to the kitchen to wash her cup.

As she was nearing the kitchen, a photograph in the newspapers on the dining table caught her attention. It was a report of a missing boy on the front page and it dawned on Mrs Raju that it was the same boy whom she had seen earlier in the park!

Dashing to the window, she craned her neck for a glimpse of the boy. However, the park was deserted. Just then, she heard a light rap on her door. She hurried to the door and opened it. To her astonishment, the same boy was standing before her eyes, trembling. There were wounds on his arms and legs. She stared hard at the boy for a while and realised that his white shirt, covered with patches of dirt, was actually a school uniform.

The feeble boy staggered towards Mrs Raju, mumbled a few words to her before collapsing. She was in such a daze that she did not know who she was supposed to call. A while later, she finally regained her composure and called the police.

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The next day, it was reported that the boy was actually the son of a well-known businessman. He had been kidnapped a few days ago and the kidnappers had demanded a hefty ransom. Unaware that the boy had already escaped from the kidnappers, undercover agents were on their way to hand over the money when Mrs Raju made the call.

Her **timely act** had ruined the kidnappers' plan.

For **Q41-43**, write your answers in complete sentences

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41 Why did Mrs Raju notice the boy in the park? [1m]

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42 Explain clearly why Mrs Raju dashed to the window when she saw the photograph in the newspapers. [2m]

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43 Based on lines 18-21, give two pieces of evidence to show that the boy was feeling weak. [2m]

(i) _____

(ii) _____

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

a) Which word from the fourth paragraph tells us that Mrs Raju was shocked to see the boy?	
b) Which word from the sixth paragraph tells us that the kidnappers wanted a large sum of money from the businessman?	

For **Q45-47**, write your answers in complete sentences.

For **Q45 & 46**, state whether each sentence below is **True** or **False**. Give a reason for your answer. [2m]

	Sentence	True / False	Reason
45	The boy did not want to be spotted when he was at the park.		
46	Mrs Raju could immediately tell that the boy was wearing his school uniform when she saw him at her door.		

47 What was Mrs Raju's "timely act" (line 27)? [1m]

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ANSWER KEY

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

Q21	developed
Q22	teaches
Q23	taught
Q24	realise

BOOKLET B

Q25	The officer told Mr Tan that he needed to sign on that form.
Q26	We will go for a picnic if it does not rain.
Q27	In order to buy his own mobile phone, Ben saved his money for almost two years.
Q28	disguised
Q29	away
Q30	at
Q31	doors
Q32	except
Q33	was
Q34	2
Q35	Mattew's school uniform
Q36	heartened (A)

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Q37	2 1 3
Q38	True
Q39	False
Q40	False
Q41	She rarely saw anyone in the park at that time.
Q42	Mrs Raju recognized the boy in the photograph to be the boy she had seen at the park earlier that day and wanted to see if he was still there.
Q43	(i)The feeble boy staggered towards Mrs Raju (ii)The feeble boy mumbled a few words to Mrs Raju before collapsing.
Q44	a)astonishment b)hefty
Q45	True, He walked furtively around the park.
Q46	False, After staring hard at the boy, she then realized that the white shirt he was wearing was his school uniform that was covered in dirt.
Q47	It was Mrs Raju's act of calling the police just in time before the money was handed over.

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