RED SWASTIKA SCHOOL

2020 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2

ENGLISH LANGUAGE – PAPER 2

LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION

PRIMARY 4

Name : _____ ( )

Class : Primary 4 / _____

Date : 28 October 2020

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.

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

ITEMS	OBTAINED	POSSIBLE
MCQ		26
Qn 21 - 43		24
TOTAL		50

Parent's Signature : _____

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Section A : Vocabulary (10 marks)

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

1 Tom is a/an _____ friend whom I can depend on if I need help.

(1) honest
(2) straightforward
(3) reliable
(4) hardworking

2 The _____ quickly alighted from the ambulance and rushed to treat the victims.

(1) drivers
(2) doctors
(3) nurses
(4) paramedics

3 The building _____ after a strong earthquake occurred.

(1) tumbled
(2) shattered
(3) crumpled
(4) collapsed

4 When Clara saw a cockroach on her arm, she was so _____ that she screamed.

(1) terrified
(2) stunned
(3) amazed
(4) concerned

5 The scientists were excited with the results of their _____. They had finally succeeded in finding a cure to the disease.

(1) activity
(2) operation
(3) process
(4) experiment

6 The little bird flapped its wings _____ in a desperate attempt to escape from the cat.

(1) readily
(2) eagerly
(3) actively
(4) furiously

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Section B : Grammar (10 marks)

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

7 We are thinking of going hiking _____ the end of the month.

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

8 While walking home from school yesterday, I _____ surprised to see a wallet on the ground.

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

9 Cindy and her sister _____ so excited when the teacher told them about the trip to the zoo.

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

10 "Look over there. A big crowd _____ outside the new bakery now," Janice said.

(1) is gathering
(2) has gathered
(3) gathered
(4) gathers

11 A few days ago, Michael _____ a pet puppy as his birthday present.

(1) receives
(2) received
(3) has received
(4) was receiving

12 As Mother and I _____ in the kitchen, we heard the telephone ring.

(1) were cooking
(2) will cook
(3) have cooked
(4) cook

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13 _____ shirts hanging here belong to my brother.

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

14 He likes grapes _____ not oranges.

(1) or
(2) but
(3) then
(4) because

15 Ali only had time to pack _____ things into his bag as he was in a hurry.

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

16 The soup is tasteless. It has too _____ salt in it.

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

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Section C : Visual Text Comprehension (10 marks)

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

Christmas Donation Drive

The Christmas Donation Drive was started in 2010 to promote caring and sharing among Singaporeans during Christmas. Let us spread the joy of Christmas again this holiday season by donating food and gifts to the less fortunate. This year, we aim to distribute $60 000 worth of donations to 70 social service organisations.

Collection Period: 15 November – 15 December 2020
Distribution Period: 20 December – 29 December 2020

Collection Time: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily

Collection Points: Any store operated by F & L mall. You could also drop items into the box placed next to the information counter.

What to Donate?

Food Items
- jam
- milo
- rice
- cereal
- oatmeal
- cooking oil
- canned fruit
- canned soup
- peanut butter
- healthy snacks

Toys and Stationery
- puzzles
- crayons
- board games
- colour pencils

Others
- laptops
- clothing
- story books
- mobile phones

Note: Avoid donating fresh food items or food items which have expired
All other donated items must be in good working condition.

Please call Mr Jeremy Tan at 6123 4567 if you would like to help in the distribution.

Brought to you by : *Singapore Family Council*

Sponsored by : *F & L Mall*

Co-sponsored by : *Food Society* and *Toy Factory*

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17 The main purpose of the poster is to _____.

(1) raise money for the less fortunate
(2) encourage people to donate items to the less fortunate
(3) get people to buy presents from the stores in F & L Mall
(4) inform the public of who to contact if they want to help distribute items

18 Which one of the following items should <u>not</u> be donated?

(1) mobile phones which are faulty
(2) snacks which are good for health
(3) canned fruit which has not expired
(4) board games which are brand new

19 What should Devi do if she wants to help distribute the items?

(1) contact Mr Tan
(2) donate some food items
(3) bring boxes to the collection points
(4) register at the information counter of F & L Mall

20 Which one of the following is true about the donation drive?

(1) The public is encouraged to donate fresh food items.
(2) The last day for the collection of items is 15 November 2020.
(3) The distribution of items will be held on 29 December 2020 only.
(4) The donated items can be dropped off at stores operated by F & L Mall.

21 _____ is the organiser of the donation drive.

(1) F & L Mall
(2) Toy Factory
(3) Food Society
(4) Singapore Family Council

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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 and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.

(A) he	(B) I	(C) them
(D) they	(E) you	(F) your

People went to a wise man in the village. _____ **(22)** complained about the same problems to him each time.

One day, he told _____ **(23)** a joke and they laughed. He told them the same joke a few minutes later and only a few of them smiled. _____ **(24)** then said, "You can't laugh at the same joke again, so why do _____ **(25)** always complain about the same problems?" Everyone remained silent.

Adapted from https://wealthygorilla.com/best-short-moral-stories/

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Section E : Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Jessica is a nurse who works in a hospital. She cares for people who **(26)** [is / are] sick or injured. She also **(27)** [talk / talks] to the patients when they are feeling lonely.

Nurses **(28)** [do / does] help doctors too. Jessica takes notes as the doctors speak to the patients. She then **(29)** [give / gives] them the medicine they need. She is overjoyed when the patients recover and are able to return home.

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Section F : Editing (4 marks)

Correct each word in bold for spelling and *underlined* for punctuation. Write the correct word or punctuation in the relevant box.

Animals seem to know if something is wrong. During a diving competition with

(30) [ ]

whales in a deep tank of **extremly** cold water, diver Yang Yun felt her leg cramp up and

(31) [ ]

found it difficult to move. As there was no diving **ekuipment** provided for the competition,

(32) [ ]

she began to drown. Mila, the beluga whale rushed to rescue Yang Yun by pushing her towards the surface.

(33) [ ]

"Thank you, Mila," Yang Yun exclaimed as she patted the whale. "You saved my life."

Adapted from https://brightside.me/wonder-animals/15-times-animals-were-better-than-humans-430810/

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Section G : Synthesis (4 marks)

For each of the questions, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the words 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).

34 Tammy trains thrice a week. She wants to take part in a badminton competition.

In order to _____

_____.

35 Tom told Joy, "I am having noodles for dinner."

Tom told Joy _____

_____.

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Section H : Comprehension (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Janice was looking after her sister, Regina, for the day as their parents were at work. Janice wanted to give her some cereal and milk for breakfast but there was no milk in the fridge. She managed to find some buttermilk biscuits and sprinkled some sugar on *it* for Regina.
them

"What shall we do today?" Regina asked Janice excitedly after breakfast. Janice mumbled that she had some homework to do. Regina then decided to tie Janice's hair in different ways while she did her work. For lunch, Janice made some homemade pizza with Regina deciding on its delicious ingredients. After lunch, Regina borrowed Janice's stationery and pretended to sell them to imaginary customers. Watching her sister, Janice felt apologetic that Regina did not get to do anything special the whole day.

When their parents came home, Regina saw them and exclaimed, "I had an awesome day today! I ate what I wanted and Janice let me borrow her stationery so that I could pretend to be a store owner selling stationery!

"Aren't you disappointed we did not do anything fun today?" Janice asked Regina. Regina shrugged and said, "Life is only as fun as you make it, Janice." Janice smiled and thanked Regina for reminding her to look for happiness in the little things.

Adapted from Chicken Soup for the Soul – Think Positive

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36 What did Regina have for breakfast?

_____ [1m]

For Q37 – 39, decide who does the following acuvities. Tick √ your chosen answer. The first example has been done for you. [3m]

Activities described in paragraph 2		Janice	Regina
Example	Doing homework	√	
37	Tying hair in different styles		
38	Baking pizza		
39	Selling stationery		

40 Which word tells you that the girls created their own lunch? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

For lunch, Janice made some homemade (A) pizza with Regina deciding on its delicious (B) ingredients.

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41 Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

Selling stationery to "imaginary" customers suggests that _____. [1m]

	the customers were nice
	there were no customers
	the customers loved the stationery sold

For Q42 – 43, read the statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to paragraph 4 to help you. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	Regina was disappointed that she was not able to do anything fun the whole day.		✓
42	Regina was someone who thought positively about life.		
43	Janice was grateful that her sister taught her how to appreciate the small things in life.		

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End of paper

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
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Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
2	1	3	2	4	2	2	1	1	4
Q21									
4									

Q22	D	Q26	are	Q30	extremely
Q23	C	Q27	talks	Q31	equipment
Q24	A	Q28	do	Q32	whale,
Q25	E	Q29	gives	Q33	Mila! "

Q34	In order to take part in a badminton competition, Tammy trains thrice a week.
Q35	Tom told Joy that he was having noodles for dinner.

Q36)	Buttermilk biscuits
Q37)	Regina
Q38)	Janice
Q39)	Regina
Q40)	Homemade
Q41)	there were no customers
Q42)	True
Q43)	True

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