Anglo-Chinese School
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2021 PRACTICE PAPER
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY THREE

Name: _____ ( ) **Class: Primary 3** ___

Date: _____ **Duration of paper: 50 minutes**

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This question paper consists of **12** printed pages.
2. Do not turn this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.

No.	Contents	Marks	Marks Obtained
1.	Grammar Cloze 1	4	
2.	Grammar Cloze 2	4	
3.	Editing	6	
4.	Comprehension 1	8	
5.	Comprehension 2	8	
	Total Marks	30	

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Section A: Grammar Cloze (8 marks)

Cloze 1: Connectors (4 x 1 mark each = 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) and	(B) because	(C) but
(D) if	(E) so	(F) then

One day, I was waiting for the MRT train. Once the train arrived, I stepped into it (1) _____ tried to look for an empty seat. (2) _____ I spotted one. I walked towards the seat (3) _____ an elderly man got there first. To my surprise, he offered the seat to a pregnant lady. He gave the seat to her (4) _____ she needed the seat more. I was touched by his act of kindness.

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Cloze 2: Subject-Verb Agreement (4 x 1m = 4 marks)

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

Dolphins are intelligent animals. Many people (5) [think / thinks] dolphins are friendly too. Dolphins (6) [is / are] often seen jumping out of the water. Although they are adorable, we (7) [need / needs] to be careful when approaching them so that we will not be injured. It (8) [is / are] better for children to avoid being too near to them. Children should stay close to their parents when they approach dolphins.

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Section B: Editing (6 x 1 mark = 6 marks)

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. A wrong or missing punctuation is denoted by a circle. Put the correct punctuation mark or word (in terms of usage, spelling and form) in each of the boxes.

(9) [ ]

My father is an army officer. He look smart in his uniform. My family knows

(10) [ ] (11) [ ]

he is proud to serve the naysion. He works hard and comes home late at night (?)

(12) [ ]

My father tells interesting stories. Every weekend, we listen for the stories he

shares about his job.

(13) [ ] (14) [ ]

When I grow up (.) I want to be an army officer too. My father enkourages

me to work hard to achieve my dream. I hope I will be able to make my father proud.

Adapted from *Stories of Loving Singapore, Our Home*

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Section C: Comprehension 1 (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Mindy, the class monitor, stood in front of Primary 3G. She reminded the class to be quiet. They were waiting for their Science teacher, Miss Lee.

At first, everyone listened to her. Suddenly, Sharon started making faces at Sam. Sam was upset and did the same to her. Soon, they started yelling at each other. "Stop arguing or I'll write your names on the board!" Mindy warned them.

Sam decided to obey as he did not want his name to be written on the board. However, Sharon starting laughing at Mindy. Furious, Mindy wrote Sharon's name on the whiteboard. Sharon was unhappy but she stopped misbehaving.

After a while, some pupils started talking. Mindy wrote their names on the whiteboard but they ignored her. By then, Mindy was very upset. She realised that being a class monitor was not an easy job.

When Miss Lee arrived, Mindy told her, "Miss Lee, it is difficult to keep the class quiet." At that moment, Miss Lee glared at the class and said, "Class, you should listen to the class monitor! You need to show respect to Mindy."

After the scolding, the pupils were ashamed of themselves and decided to listen to Mindy in future.

Adapted from *Stories from MJ's classroom*

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15. Mindy stood in front of the class because _____. [1 mark]

(1) she wanted to be the class monitor

(2) she wanted to keep the class quiet

(3) her Science teacher was not in school

(4) the pupils wanted her to keep them quiet ( )

16. Mindy wrote Sharon's name on the whiteboard because Sharon _____. [1 mark]

(1) yelled at her

(2) laughed at her

(3) argued with Sam

(4) made faces at Sam ( )

17. Match the following characters to their actions in the passage by drawing a straight line to connect them. [2 marks]

Miss Lee	▪	▪	was the first person to misbehave.
Sam	▪	▪	scolded the pupils.
Sharon	▪	▪	stopped misbehaving immediately.

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18. Which word in paragraph 5 means "looked in an angry way"? [2 marks]

19. What were the two things that Miss Lee said the pupils should do? [2 marks]

i) _____

ii) _____

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Section D: Comprehension 2 (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

George was excited as it was his seventh birthday. When his mother gave him a present, George thought, "Not toys again, please." As soon as he unwrapped it, he saw a few storybooks. George looked disappointed but thanked his mother.

"Mum, could you buy me a musical instrument, please?" George asked.

"Well, George, follow me," his mother replied.

She took him to a small room. When she opened the door, George was amazed. He saw a piano. "This is Grandfather's piano! Do you like it?" said his mother. George beamed and nodded his head.

From then on, George played on the piano daily. George wanted to take up music lessons at first but his parents could not afford them. His father also wanted him to focus on his studies. George learned to play the piano on his own.

George's father was a barber. Every Sunday, he would give haircuts to a group of musicians in a theatre. One day, George went along and secretly played the piano there. Then, one of the musicians heard him playing the piano. He enjoyed listening to it and invited George to perform with them at a concert that evening.

A businessman attended the concert and saw George playing the piano. He found out that George's family could not afford to pay for piano lessons. The businessman felt that it would be a pity if George was not able to develop his talent. He decided to pay for George's piano lessons.

George was overjoyed because he could finally have piano lessons!

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For Questions 20 and 21, write **1, 2, 3** or **4** in the bracket.

20. Why was George unhappy when he received a present from his mother? [1 mark]

(1) He was hoping to receive some toys.

(2) He did not get the present he wanted.

(3) He wanted a different kind of storybook.

(4) He did not receive any present from his father. ( )

21. George's mother took him to a small room to [1 mark]

_____.

(1) help her open the door

(2) celebrate his birthday with him

(3) play as his father had left for work

(4) show him a present that he would like ( )

22. These are events that occurred in the passage. Put them in the right sequence, according to the flow of the story. Write **1, 2, 3** and **4** on the boxes provided. [2 marks]

	George unwrapped his birthday present.
	George followed his father to work.
	George was noticed by a businessman.
	George took part in a concert.

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23. Why was George unable to attend music lesson at first? [2 marks]

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For Questions 24 – 25, read each statement and tick (√) True or False.

The first example has been done for you. [2 marks]

	Statement	**True**	**False**
Example	George was invited to perform at a concert.	√	
24.	George's father played the piano at the theatre.		
25.	The businessman gave George a chance to attend music lessons.		

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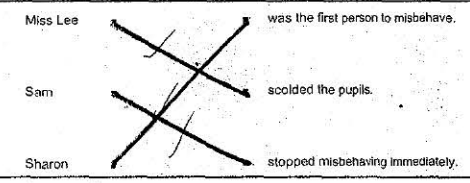
Section A

Q1	A	Q2	F	Q3	C	Q4	B
Q5	think	Q6	are	Q7	need	Q8	is

Section B

Q9	looks	Q10	nation	Q11	Q12 to
Q13	,	Q14	encourages		

Section C

Q15	2
Q16	2
Q17	
Q18	glared
Q19	(i) Listen to the class monitor. (ii) Show respect to Mindy.

Section D

Q20	2
Q21	4
Q22	1 2 4 3
Q23	They could not afford piano lessons for George and his father wanted him to focus on his studies.
Q24	False
Q25	True

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