Tao Nan Primary School

2024 Primary 4 Practice Paper 1

English Language Paper 2

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Section A (6 x 1m) Vocabulary

For each question from 1 to 6, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

1. You can use elbow and knee pads to _____ the impact from a fall from a bicycle.

   (1) create

   (2) support

   (3) cushion

   (4) prepare ( )

2. Siti is looking for a good _____ that she can follow to make the best strawberry ice cream.

   (1) menu

   (2) recipe

   (3) manual

   (4) ingredient ( )

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3. The campers _____ their canoes merrily down the stream.

(1) rode

(2) drove

(3) cycled

(4) paddled ( )

4. The _____ boy teased his sister and made her cry.

(1) curious

(2) inquisitive

(3) mischievous

(4) troublesome ( )

5. After many months of preparation, Tiffany was _____ that she would do well in the singing contest.

(1) fearful

(2) hopeful

(3) grateful

(4) doubtful ( )

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6. Matilda lost the _____ of pearls I gave her.

(1) strip

(2) string

(3) stretch

(4) strand ( )

Section B (10 x 1m) Grammar

7. My grandmother always _____ me to school last year. This year, I walk to school myself.

(1) take

(2) took

(3) takes

(4) taken ( )

8. We ambled _____ the long, winding path to enjoy the evening breeze.

(1) at

(2) in

(3) along

(4) through ( )

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9. Emma _____ to bring her pen so she will need to borrow one from me.

(1) forget

(2) forgot

(3) forgets

(4) has forgotten ( )

10. Nadya _____ her homework when the doorbell rang.

(1) did

(2) does

(3) is doing

(4) was doing ( )

11. Lions hunt in the day and at night. _____ hunting routine keeps their prey alert all day.

(1) This

(2) That

(3) These

(4) Those ( )

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12. The soup was tasteless as Benjamin had added too _____ salt.

(1) few

(2) little

(3) much

(4) many ( )

13. "The colourful furniture really _____ up my day," said Vincent.

(1) brighten

(2) brightens

(3) brightened

(4) brightening ( )

14. We have put in our best effort to win the competition, _____?

(1) do we

(2) don't we

(3) have we

(4) haven't we ( )

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15. Have you met Joshua _____ is friendliest boy in the neighbourhood?

(1) who

(2) which

(3) whom

(4) whose ( )

16. The puzzle is extremely challenging. _____, he is not giving up.

(1) So

(2) Hence

(3) However

(4) Therefore ( )

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Section C (8 marks)

Reading Comprehension

Read the passage below and answer questions 17 to 23 based on the passage.

"Why don't we go for this holiday adventure camp?" Sandra asked as she pointed at the poster on the wall. Tom nodded and they signed up for it immediately. After studying so hard, they thought that it would be a good way to relax. They also wanted to pick up some survival skills that would prepare them for their year-end trekking.

The camp would be held at East Coast Park. There were some activities that Tom and Sandra could choose from. Tom suggested canoeing since they had not done any water sport before. Sandra disagreed as she was not a good swimmer. She was more interested in going on a night hike but Tom was scared of the dark. After much discussion, they both agreed on taking part in a treasure hunt.

Tom and Sandra were given a packing list which stated some items like clothes, food and sleeping bags. Tom added that they should pack a map and a compass for the treasure hunt. However, Sandra reminded him that those would be provided by the camp organiser. He then advised Sandra to bring mosquito repellent and sunblock. The packing process was tedious but necessary as they tried to fit everything into their backpacks. Finally, they were ready for the camp.

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17. In paragraph 1, which two-word phrase tells you that Tom and Sandra registered for a camp? (1m)

18. In paragraph 1, give two reasons why Tom and Sandra wanted to go for the camp. (2m)

i. _____ (1m)

ii. _____ (1m)

For Q19 – 21, read each sentence and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to paragraph 2 to help you. The first example has been done for you. (3m)

	Statement	True	False
Example	The camp would be held at East Coast Park.	✓	
19.	Campers could opt for their preferred activities.		
20.	Sandra was eager to take part in water sports.		
21.	Tom and Sandra could not decide on a camp activity at first.		

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22. Which word has the same meaning as 'essential'?

Circle either (A) or (B). (1m)

(A) **(B)** The packing process was tedious but necessary as they tried to fit everything into their backpacks.

23. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

_____ would be provided at the camp. (1m)

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Sleeping bags
- ☐ Mosquito repellent

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Section D (4 x 1m)

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 blanks, numbered 24 to 27, in the passage below. 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)	it	(B)	he	(C)	we
(D)	she	(E)	they	(F)	them

Last week, our Science teacher, Mrs Tan, assigned us a class project. **(24)** _____ gave us some seeds to grow. Everyone was excited because **(25)** _____ were curious to find out what plants would grow. Day by day, we took turns to water **(26)** _____ until the flowers bloomed. Finally, we realised that **(27)** _____ were sunflowers. What a pleasant surprise!

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Section E (4 x 1m)

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 questions, numbered 28 to 31, in the passage below. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Beavers are known for their building skills. They **(28)** [build / builds] their homes out of sticks and mud. Every beaver **(29)** [has / have] teeth that are very strong. Their teeth never **(30)** [stop / stops] growing so they have to gnaw on trees. Some people **(31)** [think / thinks] that beavers are like engineers. They can build a dam in less than a day.

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Section F (4 x 2m)

Synthesis and Transformation

For each of the questions 32 to 35, 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).

32. I enjoy writing. My twin brother enjoys drawing.

While _____

_____

33. They had their dinner at five yesterday. We had our dinner at nine yesterday.

_____ but

_____

34. The princess was grateful. The princess kissed the frog.

Filled with _____

_____

35. "If you bring the equipment, I will bring the ingredients," Emmett said to his sister.

Emmett told his sister _____

_____

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Section G (10 marks) Reading Comprehension

Read the passage below and answer questions 36 to 41.

Three hens living in the palace garden were arguing. "Look at my fabulous feathers. I'm the prettiest!" claimed Dotty.

However, Stalky flashed her long legs and said, "But I have the most gorgeous legs." Plum, with the cutest crown, was unwilling to give in. Hence, they decided to seek the king's opinion.

"What you can do is more important than what you look like," explained the wise king. He then led the hens out of their cage for a competition. "The one who lays the most magnificent egg will be the winner," he announced.

Dotty smoothed her feathers haughtily. With ease, she settled herself on the grass. A while later, she clucked, stood up and stepped aside. The king was speechless. There lay an egg, spotless and perfectly shaped. "This is the most perfect egg I have ever seen!" cried the king. Dotty puffed up her chest and beamed with pride.

It was Stalky's turn next. After ten minutes, she too clucked, got up and stretched her legs proudly. The king clapped his hands with joy and exclaimed, "This is the best oval-shaped egg I have ever seen!" Stalky was delighted but felt sorry for Plum. Would she be able to lay a more perfect or better egg?

Calmly, Plum sat down. With only a small cackle, she got up to reveal an egg shaped like a box! Each side of the egg was straight, as if drawn with a ruler. The king was astounded and perplexed. "What an amazing egg!" he praised. Plum heaved a sigh of relief.

After much consideration, the king gave his verdict – all three hens were beautiful in their own ways. Dotty was livid. She strutted away indignantly while Stalky and Plum congratulated each other.

Adapted from *The Most Wonderful Egg in the World* by Helme Heine

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36. When the hens made up their mind to seek the king's opinion, they were going to ask the king _____. [1m]

(a) to come up with a competition for them

(b) to decide who the most beautiful hen was

(c) if he agreed with Plum that she had a cute crown ( )

37. Which of the following statements below show that Dotty was an arrogant hen? Tick (✓) your responses below. [3m]

	She argued with the other hens.
	She smoothed her feathers haughtily.
	She claimed that she was the prettiest.
	She laid a spotless and perfectly shaped egg.
	She puffed up her chest after laying an egg.

38a) Who laid the most unusual egg? [1m]

38b) Give a reason for your answer. [1m]

_____

_____

39. Which word has the same meaning as 'surprised'? Circle (A) or (B). [1m]

The king was <u>astounded</u> and <u>perplexed</u>.
(A) (B)

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40a) What is one value that Stalky possessed? [1m]

40b) Support your answer with a piece of evidence from the text. [1m]

41. What is the key message in this story? [1m]

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

Q17	Signed up
Q18	(i) They thought it would be a good way to relax (ii) they wanted to pick up survival skills that would prepare them for their year end trekking
Q19	True
Q20	False
Q21	True
Q22	B
Q23	Maps
Q24	D
Q25	C
Q26	F
Q27	E
Q28	build
Q29	has
Q30	stop
Q31	think
Q32	While I enjoy writing , my twin brother enjoys drawing
Q33	They had their dinner at five yesterday but we had ours at nine
Q34	Filled with gratitude , the princess kissed the frog
Q35	Emmett told his sister that if she bought the equipment , ~~I will~~ he would bring the ingredients.
Q36	b
Q37	She smoothed her feathers haughtily She claimed that she was the prettiest She puffed up her chest after laying an egg

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Q38	a) plum b) her egg shapped like a box
Q39	Astounded
Q40	a) caring b) stalky felt sorry for plam
Q41	Not to be too arrogant

END

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