NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL

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PRIMARY 4
~~END-OF YEAR EXAMINATION~~

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2

Total Time: 1 h 15 min

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Write your name, index number and class in the space provided below.
2. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.
5. Shade your answers for Q1 to Q16 on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided. Write your answers for Q17 to Q45 in this booklet.

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(A) Grammar

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) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS). (10 marks)

1. The policemen _____ very fast when they ran after the thief.

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

2. While everyone _____ television in the living room, Julie stayed in her room to read.

   (1) watches
   (2) will watch
   (3) has watched
   (4) was watching

3. "Please turn the volume of the television down. Mom _____ now," Sally told her sister.

   (1) slept
   (2) sleeps
   (3) has slept
   (4) is sleeping

4. _____ teenagers across the street are taking part in the skateboarding competition next week.

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

5. Alina likes mangoes _____ not mangosteens.

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

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6. There are only _____ packets of sugar left on the shelf.

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

7. Last week, Charlotte _____ to the library twice.

(1) goes
(2) went
(3) has gone
(4) was going

8. We had dinner _____ the food centre last evening.

(1) at
(2) on
(3) by
(4) with

9. My cousin _____ over the moon when he found his lost dog yesterday.

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

10. This dish is very unhealthy as there is too _____ salt in it.

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

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(B) Vocabulary

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) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS). (6 marks)

11. Mother reminded us to handle the glasses with care as they are _____.

(1) frail
(2) weak
(3) sturdy
(4) fragile

12. After the ballet performance, the _____ in the hall clapped their hands to show their appreciation.

(1) audience
(2) spectators
(3) bystanders
(4) competitors

13. David is a/an _____ boy who is always concerned with his appearance.

(1) vain
(2) proud
(3) arrogant
(4) snobbish

14. The main _____ for making ice cream are cream, sugar and vanilla essence

(1) appliances
(2) ingredients
(3) instructions
(4) accessories

15. The plastic ruler _____ into two when Ravi bent it.

(1) burst
(2) spoilt
(3) cracked
(4) snapped

16. During the Christmas season, the shopping malls are beautifully _____ with Christmas trees and lights.

(1) arranged
(2) displayed
(3) decorated
(4) organised

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(C) Grammar Cloze

There are 4 blanks, numbered 17 to 20 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. (4 marks)

(A)	her	(B)	I	(C)	them
(D)	they	(E)	me	(F)	my

I love playing the violin. I have been learning it since **(17)** _____ was five years old. My music teacher comes to my house to teach **(18)** _____. She is currently preparing me for the ~~piano~~ violin examination. **(19)** _____ parents are heartened to see me putting in hard work to do well. I want to make **(20)** _____ proud by getting a distinction. I hope they will hear good news soon!

For each question from 21 to 24, two options are given. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets. (4 marks)

Polar bears primarily eat seals. Polar bears often **(21) [rest / rests]** at a seal's breathing hole in the ice, waiting for a seal to surface. Sometimes, they **(22) [hunt / hunts]** by swimming beneath the ice. However, climate change **(23) [is / are]** making it harder for polar bears to hunt as ice **(24) [melt / melts]** earlier and re-forms later within a year. Without the sea ice, polar bears cannot hunt seals easily and must look for other food.

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(D) Editing for Spelling

Each of the underlined words contains a spelling error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (4 marks)

I was feeling extremely nervous. I was at the Inter-School Track-and-Field

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Meet and the 100-metre (25) spreent was just about to start. I scanned the

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(26) seroundings and saw that there was a sea of people wearing different coloured T-shirts with numbers printed on their backs.

[ ]

Looking at the (27) competeters around me, I regretted signing up for the

[ ]

race. There was a very (28) maskular boy standing beside me. He looked very confident. How am I ever going to win this race?

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(E) Sentence Synthesis

For each of the questions 29 and 30, 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). (4 marks)

29. Leena wants to perform well in the concert. She must practise hard daily.

_____ if

_____

30. Jill likes to eat chocolates. Jill likes to drink soft drinks more.

_____ prefers

_____

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(F) Comprehension 1

Read this passage and answer questions 31 to 36. (8 marks)

The Song family was at a pet shop and Ming Zhen, the youngest boy in the family, was eyeing a puppy. Ming Zhen squashed his nose against the glass panel and his eyes met hers. "So adorable," he thought to himself. "How I wish Dad would get her for me."

"Dad, can I have that one, please?" pleaded Ming Zhen. The puppy with blue eyes had fur that was silky, and its fluffy tail was wagging furiously. Father frowned a little and appeared lost for words. He turned to Mother, hoping for some wise answers to reject their son's persistent pleas. He did not want to be the one to crush his son's hope of getting a pet.

"She looks so sweet," said Mother, bending down to her son's level. Father was getting worried. He nudged Mother and shook his head vigorously to indicate disapproval. "However, we don't have enough space for a dog," Mother said, straightening up. "Please?" begged Ming Zhen, knowing that Mother was more easily persuaded than Father. "No dog. That's settled," Father said and started walking away. Ming Zhen knew that if he did not stop Father soon, his chance of getting a puppy would be lost forever.

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31. Ming Zhen wanted to get the puppy because he thought it was

_____. [1m]

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32. List three physical features of the puppy. [3m]

(i) _____

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

For questions 33 to 34, read each statement and tick √ "True" or "False". Refer to paragraph 3 to help you. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	**True**	**False**
Example	Ming Zhen was hoping for Father to get him a puppy.	√	
33.	Mother also thought that the puppy looked very lovely.		
34.	Father did not want Ming Zhen to buy the puppy.		

35. Tick √ your chosen answer.
Father nudged Mother and shook his head vigorously because he did not want Mother to _____. [1m]

	carry the puppy
	talk to Ming Zhen
	agree to Ming Zhen's plea

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

"Please?" **<u>begged</u>** Ming Zhen, knowing that Mother was more easily
(A)

<u>persuaded</u> than Father.
(B)

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(G) Comprehension 2

Read this passage and answer questions 37 to 45. (10 marks)

Jane slipped the silver pen discreetly into her pocket. She had been eyeing that **gleaming treasure** for some time. Whenever she went to the shopping mall, she would head straight to that stationery shop which had that pen. She had always been green with envy at how her classmates had such beautiful pens. When she found this unique-looking silver pen, she was disappointed to find out that it was too expensive for her to afford. She felt she had no other choice but to do **it.**

Her hands were clammy as she slipped the pen into her pocket. Then, she continued to walk around the pen section to avoid looking suspicious. A few minutes later, she left the stationery shop. Not wanting to spend another minute at the scene of her crime, she walked briskly towards the main exit of the large shopping mall, hoping she would not get caught.

She was just five steps from the main exit when a security guard tapped her on the shoulder. "I believe you have not paid for the silver pen in your pocket?" Jane was stunned. Her first instinct was to run away from the security guard and throw the pen away as a distraction. However, she knew she had to face the music.

The security guard escorted Jane to the mall manager's office. The manager called for her parents. When Jane's parents arrived, they paid for the pen and took her home. The manager was kind enough to let Jane go and not file a police report. Seeing the looks of disappointment on her parents' faces, Jane apologised to her parents and promised not to repeat the same mistake. She had learnt her lesson the hard way.

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37. Why did Jane feel disappointed? [1m]

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_____

38. Why did Jane want to leave the shopping mall quickly? [1m]

_____

_____

For questions 39 to 40, read each statement and tick √ "True" or "False".
The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	**True**	**False**
Example	Jane envied her classmates for owning beautiful pens.	√	
39.	Jane stole her classmate's silver pen.		
40.	Jane hung around the pen section as she wanted to steal more items.		

41. Which phrase has the same meaning as **'reaction'**? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

Her first **instinct** was to run away from the security guard and throw
(A)

the pen away as a **distraction.**
(B)

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42. Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [2m]

Word from the passage	What the word refers to
gleaming treasure (line 2)	
it (line 6)	

43. Jane was caught by the security guard when she was _____ . [1m]

(A) leaving the stationery shop
(B) about to exit from the shopping mall
(C) trying to escape from the mall manager ( )

44. Pick out a word in paragraph 4 which shows that Jane was accompanied to the manager's room. [1m]

45. Based on the last paragraph, tick √ one word that best describes how Jane felt about her action. [1m]

annoyed ☐ embarrassed ☐ remorseful ☐

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