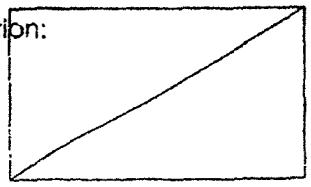
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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2

(LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Write your name, class and register number.
2. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.
5. For questions to , shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet(OAS) provided.
6. For questions to write your answers in this booklet.

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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).

1. One of the _____ of exercising regularly is a healthy body.

   (1) uses

   (2) ways

   (3) forms

   (4) benefits ( )

2. It was a _____ day for us. The trip that we had been looking forward to was cancelled due to the rain.

   (1) tiring

   (2) satisfactory

   (3) complicated

   (4) disappointing ( )

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3. If you _____ an accident on the road, you should make a police report immediately.

(1) view

(2) detect

(3) witness

(4) observe ( )

4. The Science teacher _____ how to use the weighing scale before letting her pupils try it.

(1) revealed

(2) exhibited

(3) displayed

(4) demonstrated ( )

5. John had to get _____ from his teacher to leave school early yesterday.

(1) support

(2) attention

(3) permission

(4) acceptance ( )

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6. Playing football in the heavy rain is _____ as you might slip and fall.

(1) serious

(2) ambitious

(3) dangerous

(4) adventurous ( )

Section B (10 x 1m)

Grammar

For each question from 7 to 16, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4).

7. The prefects stationed _____ along the corridor to guide the visitors to the school hall.

(1) herself

(2) himself

(3) ourselves

(4) themselves ( )

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8. You _____ so brave when you jumped into the drain to rescue the drowning kitten.

(1) is

(2) are

(3) was

(4) were ( )

9. "Keep still. I _____ your shoelaces now," I told my little brother.

(1) tie

(2) tied

(3) am tying

(4) have tied ( )

10. Yesterday, we _____ our costumes after wearing them for the full dress rehearsal.

(1) wash

(2) washed

(3) have washed

(4) were washing ( )

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11. While everybody _____ to the classroom, Sam heard the bell ring.

(1) walks

(2) will walking

(3) has walked

(4) was walking ( )

12. _____ houses along that road have the best view of the sea.

(1) This

(2) That

(3) These

(4) Those ( )

13. I decided not to buy the cupcakes as there were _____ customers in the long queue.

(1) few

(2) little

(3) many

(4) much ( )

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14. Mother had _____ time to do the shopping as the store was closing soon.

(1) few

(2) little

(3) much

(4) a lot of ( )

15. We have Art lessons _____ Mondays.

(1) in

(2) at

(3) on

(4) during ( )

16. This computer game is both fun _____ exciting.

(1) or

(2) but

(3) and

(4) before ( )

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Section C (8 m)

Comprehension

Read the passage below and answer questions 17 to 22 based on the passage.

Hill Street Police Station was built in 1934. It was home to one thousand policemen. As a child, Kim Seng would visit his uncle, Mr Lim, who lived at the police station. He looked forward to those Saturday evening visits, when movies would be screened at the courtyard. Policemen and their families would gather there to watch movies. Action movies attracted the largest crowd.

Four years after Mr Lim had retired from the police force, Kim Seng became a policeman. He lived at the same police station and paid a monthly rent of less than twenty dollars. It took up most of his salary then. However, there was free tea at the canteen and bread cost only ten cents.

In the evenings, Kim Seng and the other policemen would relax in a small room beside the canteen. There, they would play table tennis or listen to music from the radio.

The police station was the most modern building in the Hill Street area. There were toilets with a flush system and even a lift that went to the higher floors. In 1981, the police moved out of the building.

Today, the courtyard is used to hold many art exhibitions. The windows have been colourfully painted to make the place lively.

Adapted from *The Straits Times, 'Opening the windows to a colourful history'*

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17. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes below to indicate the order in which the events took place in the story. (1m)

	Kim Seng became a policeman.
	Kim Seng's uncle retired from the police force.
	Kim Seng often visited his uncle at Hill Street Police Station.

18. What three things could the policemen do to relax?

i. _____ (1m)

ii. _____ (1m)

iii. _____ (1m)

19. Tick ✓ the most suitable answer.

The police station was a modern building because it had a _____. (1m)

- ☐ lift
- ☐ canteen
- ☐ courtyard

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For Q20 - 22, read each sentence and tick ✓ "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. (3m)

	Sentence	True	False
Example	Hill Street Police Station was built in 1934.	✓	
20.	Most people liked to watch action movies.		
21.	Kim Seng had little money left after he paid for his rent.		
22.	Kim Seng had to pay for bread and tea.		

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Section D (4 x 1m)

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 blanks, numbered 23 to 26, 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)	he	**(B)**	her	**(C)**	it
(D)	their	**(E)**	them	(F)	they

Olivia has the habit of recycling. She always washes and flattens milk cartons before she puts **(23)**_____ into the recycling bin. After washing the vegetables, she will collect the water and use **(24)**_____ to water the plants. However, her brother, Tom, finds it troublesome to recycle so **(25)**_____ will just throw used paper away. Olivia wants Tom to support **(26)**_____ recycling efforts. So, she will make him put the paper into the recycling bin.

Adapted from *The Straits Times, 'Going Green a way of life'*

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Section E (4 x 1m)

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 blanks, numbered 27 to 30, in the passage below. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

The pandan cake is a local favourite. However, no one really **(27)** [know / knows] how the recipe came about. Pandan leaves **(28)** [is / are used to bake this cake. Its rich flavour **(29)** [make / makes] it suitable for any occasion. Both the young and old **(30)** [enjoy / enjoys] eating this cake. It is sold at bakeries in our neighbourhood. Could the pandan cake soon become our national cake?

Adapted from *Mothership.sg, 'Singapore Pandan Cake'*

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Section F (4 x 2m)

Synthesis and Transformation

For each of the questions 31 to 34, 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).

31. I was going swimming. My brother was going swimming.

Both _____

_____

32. "Did you keep my stationery?" Andy asked his mother.

Andy asked his mother _____

_____

33. We baked a cheese cake. The cake was for our mother's birthday.

_____ which

_____.

34. You may go to the park. You may stay at home.

_____ either _____

_____. or _____

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Section G (5 x 2m)

Comprehension Open

Read the passage below and answer questions 35 to 39.

Ben's adventure in the wilderness had begun. It was going to be his home for the next two weeks. In his canoe, he had some dried food, rice and sugar. At sunset, he lit a small fire in a can which he placed in the middle of the canoe. Then, he put dry leaves over the fire to make smoke. This would drive the flies and mosquitoes away.

The canoe was drifting among the lily pads when something moved suddenly near the bank, rustling through the tall grass. It sounded big and made a lot of noise. Ben saw a moose putting its head underwater to pull up the juicy roots of the lily pads. Beside the moose was its young. Ben quickly paddled away from them, knowing that a mother moose was very protective of her baby.

Before it was dark, Ben found a clearing on the bank and set up his tent for the night. He caught some fish and cooked them for dinner. "How delicious!" Ben thought, smacking his lips. Having satisfied his hunger, he soon dozed off.

A strange sound awakened him in the middle of the night. He heard a soft whine, the way a dog might sound if it was injured. A dark shape moved towards him, limping slowly. He sat up, completely awake.

"She must belong to somebody," Ben thought. Putting more wood on the fire, he studied the dog in the light. Its wound had probably come from a fight with an animal.

"Only one animal could do this. A bear!" Ben shivered at that thought. Sensing danger, Ben decided to spend the rest of the night in his canoe.

Adapted from *Brian's hunt by Gary Paulsen*

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

35. Where did Ben go on his adventure?

_____

_____

36. What did Ben do to keep himself from being bitten by mosquitoes?

_____

_____

37. In paragraph 2, which sentence tells you that the moose might be dangerous?

_____

_____

38. Which two of the dog's actions tell you that it was injured?

_____

_____

39. In paragraph 6, why did Ben decide to sleep in his canoe?

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