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2021 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT ONE
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER TWO (BOOKLET A)
PRIMARY SIX

Name: _____ ( ) Class: Primary 6 ___

Date: 10 May 2021 Duration of paper: 1h 50 min

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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). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (10 marks)

1. "Your brother has left the house, _____ he?" asked Hans.

(1) isn't
(2) can't
(3) hasn't
(4) doesn't

2. My cousin would have met the actor if she _____ me to the concert.

(1) follows
(2) followed
(3) had followed
(4) was following

3. Since I am not well, someone will deliver the speech _____ my behalf.

(1) in
(2) to
(3) on
(4) from

4. "The news _____ usually shown at nine o'clock Please remind me to switch on the television," said Father to me.

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

5. Not only _____ control of the bicycle, but she also hit a tree.

(1) did she lose
(2) is she losing
(3) does she lose
(4) was she losing

6. "We're full, Mrs Tan. We ate _____ bread and butter this morning," said the children cheerfully.

(1) little
(2) some
(3) much
(4) several

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7. You should visit your grandparents _____ possible. They will be pleased to see you.

(1) whatever
(2) wherever
(3) whenever
(4) whichever

8. Samy gave the story books to Ali and _____. We were very happy.

(1) I
(2) me
(3) you
(4) him

9. "Could Mr Ravi _____ our appointment? I've been waiting since six o'clock," wondered his secretary.

(1) forget
(2) forgot
(3) had forgotten
(4) have forgotten

10. _____ it rains heavily, we will meet at the park at three o'clock

(1) Since
(2) Unless
(3) Despite
(4) Although

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11. We live with three _____ of women under one roof. They are my grandmother, my mother and my sister.

(1) ages
(2) heirs
(3) ancestors
(4) generations

12. My aunt _____ up the hill with her heavy grocery bags. She was panting by the time she reached her house.

(1) bolted
(2) paced
(3) strolled
(4) trudged

13. Since young, I was told to spend within my _____.

(1) life
(2) ends
(3) ways
(4) means

14. The king _____ some changes in the country. It became more peaceful and stable than before.

(1) brought along
(2) brought about
(3) brought across
(4) brought around

15. The farmer was worried as his vegetables were _____ growing during the dry season.

(1) barely
(2) acutely
(3) steadily
(4) remarkably

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For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

It was unusually cold. On my way to work, I decided to drop by a café. A cup of hot coffee and a toasted sandwich seemed inviting (16). As I approached the café hurriedly (17), I noticed an old gentleman covered in a blanket near the door. When I entered the café, it was empty (18) except for a middle-aged lady sitting by the window. I ordered quickly and then took a glance at the gentleman. He looks hungry, I thought. As soon as my breakfast was ready, I grabbed the brown bag and left. While strolling past the gentleman, something inside me made me walk back. I stopped (19) in front of the gentleman and gave him my breakfast. He looked at me with gratitude (20). I just smiled and walked away. However, all was not lost. I felt a light tap on my shoulder. It was the lady at the café. She said, "Hot coffee and a muffin for you."

Adapted from *The Reader's Digest*

16. (1) intriguing
(2) appealing
(3) fascinating
(4) depressing

17. (1) rashly
(2) hastily
(3) suddenly
(4) frenziedly

18. (1) void
(2) clear
(3) deserted
(4) abandoned

19. (1) stood
(2) halted
(3) retreated
(4) proceeded

20. (1) sincerity
(2) kindness
(3) recognition
(4) appreciation

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Study this flyer carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

Holly Community Library Presents

Our 5th Film Festival!

About the 2021 Festival

It is a special year for our film festival. Our selection of films is going online! A variety of films based on award-winning books will be screened. This year you can view the films in the comfort of your home for two weeks. These films and books have won the hearts of book lovers in the last few decades. The selection also includes films based on books by our local authors, Katrina Lim and Anand Veloo. Like previous years, there are different categories of films such as mystery, adventure, fantasy, science fiction and even horror. We will be screening the latest box office hit, "Man and Steele", on the final day of our festival for our library members only.

Screening Dates: 1 – 14 June 2021

Website: www.festivalholly.com

Online Tickets:
$ 5 (members) $ 8 (non-members)
Payment should be made on the website or at the library. The online tickets give you access to all the films which are screened during the festival.

Get more details and set up your Film Festival account at www.festivalholly.com

Members' Benefits

- Books featured in the festival will be reserved for library members only.
- Items such as stationery, T-shirts and mugs related to the films can be purchased at 20% discount.
- Invitation to an online chat with the star of "Dave Battlefield", Tim Cruz.

Organised by: Holly Community Library

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Some Of Our All-Time Favourite Book-to-Film Adaptations

Dr Solittle



Doctor Solittle, published in 1950, follows a doctor's journey to a city, Pinnacle, where he meets many talking animals and trees.

Suitable For All Ages

T-Rex Park



Professor X develops a park where hundreds of T-rex roam free and live side by side with their human keepers. The story was made into a movie in 2001 and it attracted more than 50 million worldwide audience.

Suitable For Ages 8 and above

The Broken Marble



Katrina Lim is one of the two local authors whose work has been made into a film. Her story centres around characters who live in a village in Hanoi. This film is well-liked by our local audience and has received many good reviews.

Suitable For Ages 12 and above

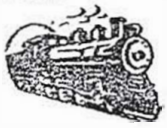
Dove Battlefield



This classic novel by Charlie Lickens is given a modern twist. Readers will be captivated by this brilliant masterpiece about a boy's life after he is kidnapped by a gang of robbers.

Suitable For All Ages

THE WOMAN ON THE TRAIN



This story by T. J. Flynn focuses on the mysterious disappearance of a woman on a train journey to New York. This film has won many awards for best acting by its cast.

Suitable For Ages 16 and above

Man And Steele



This latest film is rated the best superhero film of the decade. It had millions of global audience on its opening day. Adapted from the book by Judith Holt, it tells a story of how a teenager's life changes after he becomes a superhero.

Suitable for All Ages

Important Notice For Parents
Some films are not suitable for children aged 12 and below. Parental Guidance is advised for all the films screened during the festival. Please check the suitability of the films and visit the official website for more details.

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Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

21. Why is the exclamation mark used in the heading, "Our 5th Film Festival!"?

(1) to emphasise that it is a festival
(2) to show that the festival is an unexpected event
(3) to convey excitement about the return of the festival
(4) to thank Holly Community Library for holding the festival again

22. What makes the 2021 festival different from the previous years?

(1) The films are based on books.
(2) The films are only available online.
(3) Only library members are invited to the festival.
(4) New categories of films are included in this year's festival.

23. Kelly is interested in some of the films, especially "Man and Steele". Since she is not a member of the library, she has to _____.

(1) apply to be a member first
(2) pay more to have access to "Man and Steele"
(3) log on to the website on the last day of the festival
(4) set up a festival account between 1 and 14 June 2021

24. According to the flyer, which of the following is not true about the screening of the films?

(1) Library members need to pay $5 to watch each film.
(2) Some of the films help to promote books by local authors.
(3) The films will only be available online for a limited period of time.
(4) Silver Screen Production and National Film Board are sponsoring the festival.

25. Mr and Mrs Lee are library members who like books written by local authors. What can they enjoy doing together during the festival?

(1) have a chat with an actor
(2) reserve books by all local authors
(3) watch the film "The Broken Marble"
(4) buy stationery and mugs to support local authors

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26. Parents with children below the age of 8 _____.

(1) cannot chat with Tim Cruz even though they are members
(2) should take note that "T-Rex Park" is not suitable for their children
(3) should be able to watch "The Woman On The Train" with their children
(4) are encouraged to support local authors and watch "The Broken Marble"

27. Which of the following movies are popular worldwide?

(1) Dr Solittle and T-Rex Park
(2) Man and Steele and T-Rex Park
(3) Man and Steele and The Broken Marble
(4) Dave Battlefield and The Woman On The Train

28. The section, "Important Notice For Parents", is included in the flyer to _____.

(1) explain why some films are unsuitable for their children
(2) remind parents to check the website if they want to buy tickets
(3) tell parents to be mindful of what their children watch during the festival
(4) assure parents that all the films are suitable since they are carefully chosen

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No.	Contents			Marks	Marks Obtained
1.	Oral			30	
2.	Listening Comprehension			20	
3.	Paper 1	CW	SW	55	
4.	Paper 2	Booklet A	Booklet B	95	
	Total Marks			200	

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, in the passage below. From the list of words gi
most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and
omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

(A)	after	(D)	away	(G)	in	(K)	of	(N) this
(B)	and	(E)	by	(H)	it	(L)	off	(P) to
(C)	at	(F)	how	(J)	more	(M)	these	(Q) with

A tsunami is not a single wave but a series of waves. _____ (29) waves cross oceans and travel long distances. They become more and _____ (30) powerful as they reach the shore. When the subsequent waves arrive on the shore, the impact is so great that _____ (31) destroys buildings.

The 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami is the deadliest in history. A massive earthquake shook the seas in Indonesia _____ (32) the early hours of 26 December. Subsequently, huge waves crashed onto the shore without warning. This tsunami took away the lives _____ (33) more than two hundred thousand people.

A survivor, Mr Wijaya, remembered _____ (34) the tsunami started. He saw fish jumping around on the empty beaches before disaster struck. Soon _____ (35), he heard a strange thunderous sound. The water behind him rose as high as a coconut tree and he was thrown _____ (36) his boat. Luckily, he clung onto a palm tree _____ (37) avoided being swept away by the waves.

This natural disaster destroyed many homes as well. It took many years to rebuild the houses that were destroyed _____ (38) the tsunami. Thankfully, many countries donated money to help rebuild them.

Adapted from *National Geographic*

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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

(39) [ ]

Do you ever wonder what it means to have good manners? A person with good manners do nice things for others without expecting anything in return. He or she is polite and respectful too.

(40) [ ]

Having good manners will help to develop good relayshionships with others.

Unfortunately, people often think of themselves as being too busy, too important or too good to extand kindness to someone else. Rude attitudes and unkind behaviours are mean but hurtful. How then can we get back to be kind and showing respect to everyone around us?

(41) [ ] (42) [ ] (43) [ ] (44) [ ]

An act of kindness, no matter what small, can go a long way. It can be as simple as holding the door for someone under you or offering your seat to an elderly. Putting a smile on someone's face or giving someone an unexpected suprice is easy. These acts of kindness do not cost a cent.

(45) [ ] (46) [ ] (47) [ ]

Encouraging and praising someone is also another simple geschure that can brighten up a person's day. Write a note to the people you love to let them know that they have doing well. Such heartwarming notes will definatly put a smile on their faces. After doing a few of these things, you may discover that it is ektucly not difficult to be kind.

(48) [ ] (49) [ ] (50) [ ]

Be kind and courteous. It pays to have good manners.

Adapted from Courtesy and Acts of Kindness

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (1

It was midnight. Mrs Sim was resting in her bedroom when she heard a howl echo through the house. A couple of seconds later, there was another sound. She (51) _____ the family's dog, Nobby, scratching her bedroom door. Once Mrs Sim got out of bed to (52) _____ the door, Nobby took her wrist in his mouth and led her to the other bedroom, where her five-year-old son was. Dominic was crying in bed while clutching (53) _____ abdomen. Instantly, Mrs Sim knew what was going on. She ran to get Dominic's medication and gave him some to (54) _____ him of his pain.

One year ago, when Mrs Sim saw Nobby for the first time, she had no idea how important the dog would be to her. Driving home (55) _____ work that day, Mrs Sim noticed a feeble-looking dog wandering along the streets. Without a (56) _____ thought, she stopped her car and opened the passenger door. The dog climbed (57) _____ the car and she took it to a veterinarian. The veterinarian examined the dog and told her it was malnourished as it had not (58) _____ for several days. It also had several wounds that could not (59) _____ properly. Initially, Mrs Sim's husband was unwilling to keep the dog. However, after the veterinarian's reassurance that the dog's problems were treatable, he finally (60) _____.

Nobby had several chances to (61) _____ the favour and show his gratitude. Once, when Mrs Sim was busy attending to Dominic, she forgot that she had left the stove on and the curtains (62) _____ fire. Nobby barked hysterically to get Mrs Sim's (63) _____. Luckily, Mrs Sim managed to put (64) _____ the fire in time.

Had it not been (65) _____ Nobby, Mrs Sim would not have realised that Dominic needed his medication. Mrs Sim was thankful that she had not hesitated to save Nobby then.

Adapted from *A surfing dog, a heroic cat and four more amazing pets* by Gary Sledge

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, 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). (10 marks)

66 The room was very cold. I had to wear a thick sweater.

The room was so _____

_____

67 Lina had completed her homework. She read a book and went to bed.

Having completed _____

_____

68 Mrs Tan asked Samuel to wash the dishes.

Samuel _____

_____

69 Rin prefers wearing sneakers to slippers.

Rin would rather _____

_____

70 Hannah wants to show her team that she is committed. Hannah trains hard for the match.

To show her _____

_____

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Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Bryan's father had received a promotion and they moved to a new neighbourhood recently. Bryan and his sister, Brenda, were comfortable in their previous home and happy with their lives. They did not want to lose their good friends and leave their beautiful house but they had no choice.

On the first day of school, their father bellowed at them to hurry up. Bryan and Brenda dragged their feet towards the vehicle. Both were unsure how their lives in the new school would be.

"What if the football team does not accept me because I have not recovered?" Bryan whispered to Brenda, staring at the cast on his right ankle.

Bryan had sustained the injury during one of the rigorous training sessions a month ago. He was a dedicated football player and the star player in his previous school's football team. His coach was grooming him to be a national football player. Bryan was eager to return to his team as he was told that he would be able to do light exercises in a month from then. However, when his father ecstatically announced his promotion and their family's relocation, Bryan's heart sank. The news was unexpected.

"What about me? What if the new school does not have a place for me in the dance club?" Brenda said. She was a natural leader and had won several medals for her previous school.

"You have nothing to worry about," comforted their father. The twins flashed a weak smile and looked out of the window, unconvinced.

Bryan's worst fears came true. The school football coach expressed his concern when he saw that Bryan had a cast around his ankle. He told Bryan that the competition season had started and he would not be accepting new players. The coach advised Bryan to recover fully before the next season. Bryan was devastated. He cried all the way home. He had played in every match and had not missed a single season since he started playing football.

Brenda, on the other hand, was grinning from ear to ear when she got home as she was accepted into the school dance club. With her leadership qualities, she was made the captain of the club. Brenda tried to console Bryan and while he felt better immediately after, it was short-lived. As soon as he headed back to his room, he could not help but feel crushed.

Brenda entered Bryan's room. She sat him down and spoke to him. "It is not easy to adjust to a new environment, and you need to give yourself time to recover from your injury," she said. Bryan nodded, lowering his head as he teared. "I know how much you love football, and not participating in this season is upsetting. Why don't you speak to the coach again and ask if you can help the team by offering advice? That way, you will be playing an important role and you won't feel like you have missed out on the season!" Brenda said excitedly.

Upon hearing her words, Bryan's eyes lit up. He realised that he should not brood over the fact that he could not play in the competition. Rather, he could offer his service to the football team and be part of the team! Mustering his courage, he approached the coach the next day. Sensing his passion for football, the coach agreed with Bryan's suggestion.

Bryan took his role seriously. Despite his injury, he stayed with the team till the end of the competition. Although he could not participate in the matches, he cheered the team on and offered strategies and tips whenever opportunities arose.

The team managed to emerge as winners at every match. By the end of the season, Bryan had fully recovered and the doctor told him that he could resume his football training. Seeing how Bryan had helped the team, the coach invited him to join the school team. Bryan was elated. Through perseverance and commitment, Bryan showed that all odds could be beaten. He became the team captain two years later.

Adapted from *Against All Odds* by Ramendra Kumar

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71 Based on lines 1-3, explain why the twins preferred to stay in their previous neighbourhood. [2m]

_____

_____

72 Which three-word phrase from the second paragraph shows us that the twins were hesitant to go to school? [1m]

_____

25

73 Based on lines 6-~~21~~, fill in the following table. [2m]

	What the children were worried about	What happened at the new school
Brenda	She was worried that the school might not have a place for her in the dance club.	
Bryan		He was told that he should recover fully before the next season.

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74 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. [3m]

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
The news (line 12)	
he (line 18)	
it (line 24)	

75 Based on the passage, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/False	Reason
a) In his previous school, Bryan had a bright future in football.		
b) Brenda was not qualified to be the captain of the dance club in her new school.		
c) Bryan had always participated in football competitions in his previous school.		

76 Fill in the following table by identifying the correct word(s) from the passage. [2m]

a) Which two-word phrase from the fourth paragraph tells us that Bryan did not feel the same way as his father about the move?	
b) Which word from the eighth paragraph tells us that Bryan was disappointed?	

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77 Explain clearly how Brenda comforted her brother. [2m]

78 Which two of the following words best describe Bryan in lines 32-35?
Put a tick ✓ in the box beside each of your answers. [2m]
DO NOT TICK MORE THAN TWO BOXES.

agreeable	☐	excited	☐
determined	☐	helpless	☐
disappointed	☐	patient	☐

79 *Bryan took his role seriously. (line 36)* What does this tell us about Bryan's attitude towards his service to the football team? [1m]

80 Do you think Bryan was a good team player in his new school? Why do you say so?
Support your answer with information from the passage. [2m]

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BOOKLET A

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Q21	3	Q22	2	Q23	1	Q24	1
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BOOKLET B

Q29	M	Q30	J	Q31	H	Q32	G	Q33	K
Q34	F	Q35	A	Q36	L	Q37	B	Q38	E

Q39	Does	Q40	Relationships	Q41	Extend	Q42	And
Q43	Being	Q44	How	Q45	Behind	Q46	Surprise
Q47	Gesture	Q48	Done	Q49	Definitely	Q50	Actually

Q51	Heard	Q52	Open	Q53	His	Q54	Relieve	Q55	From
Q56	Second	Q57	Into	Q58	Eaten	Q59	Heal	Q60	Agreed
Q61	Return	Q62	Caught	Q63	Attention	Q64	Out	Q65	For

Q66	The room was so cold that I had to wear a thick sweater.
Q67	Having completed her homework, Lina read a book and went to bed
Q68	Samuel was asked by Mrs Tan to wash the dishes.
Q69	Rin would rather wear sneakers than slippers.
Q70	To show her commitment to her team, Hannah trains hard for the match.

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Q71	The twins were comfortable in their previous house and they were happy with their lives, and they did not want to lose their good friends and leave their previous house.
Q72	Dragged their feet

Q73	What the children were worried about	What happened at the new school
Brenda	She was worried that the school might not have a place for her in the dance club.	Brenda got into the school's dance club and became captain.
Bryan	Bryan was worried if the football team will not accept him because he has not recovered from his injury.	He was told that he should recover fully before the next season.

Q74	
Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
The news (line 12)	Bryan and brenda's father's promotion and their family having to relocate to a new neighbourhood.
He (line 18)	The school football coach
It (line 24)	Bryan felling better.

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Q75		
	True / False	Reason
a) In his previous school, Bryan had a bright future in football.	TRUE	Bryan was the star player in his previous school and was dedicated football player, and his coach in the previous school was grooming him into a national football player.
b) Brenda was not qualified to the captain of the dance club in her new school.	FALSE	Brenda was accepted into the school dance club, and because of her leadership qualifies, was made captain of the club.
c) Bryan had always participated in football competitions in his previous school.	TRUE	Bryan had played in every match and had not missed a single competiton season.

Q76	
a) Which two-word phrase from the fourth paragraph tells us that Bryan did not feel the same way as his father about the move?	Heart sank
b) Which word from the eighth paragraph tells us that Bryan was disappointed?	Crushed

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Q77	Brenda spoke to Bryan and told him that it is not easy to adjust to a new environment and he has to give his injury some time to heal, then she suggested that Bryan can help the team by offering advice and that way he will be playing an important role and will not miss out on the season.
Q78	Determined , Excited
Q79	Bryan was dedicated about football.
Q80	Yes , I think Bryan is a good team player despite having an injury Bryan stayed with the team til the end of the competiton, and he cheered the team on and offered strategies and tips when the opportunities arose.

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