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PRIMARY 4
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2 – LANGUAGE USE & COMPREHENSION

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Class: Pr. 4_____

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Total Time: **1 hour 15 minutes**

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
Follow all instructions carefully.
Answer all questions.
For Questions 1 - 16, shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

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SECTION A: VOCABULARY (6 X 1 mark)
Choose the most suitable answer and write the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided below.

1. Hannah had to go to the supermarket to buy the _____ for the cake she planned to bake as she had run out of eggs and flour.

   (1) recipe
   (2) flavours
   (3) equipment
   (4) ingredients

2. Tom felt bad for playing a prank on his friend and _____ to her sincerely.

   (1) yelled
   (2) explained
   (3) apologised
   (4) complained

3. Jiawen is a careful driver. She _____ follows traffic rules.

   (1) never
   (2) rarely
   (3) always
   (4) sometimes

4. When Ryan heard a loud growl coming from behind, he was _____ and a cold shiver ran down his spine.

   (1) annoyed
   (2) delighted
   (3) frightened
   (4) embarrassed

5. The explorers had to pack a lot of supplies for their long _____ across the desert.

   (1) route
   (2) cruise
   (3) voyage
   (4) expedition

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6. Linda was so _____ with playing the piano that she forgot to eat her lunch.

(1) carried on
(2) carried off
(3) carried out
(4) carried away

SECTION B: GRAMMAR (10 X 1 mark)
Choose the most suitable answer and write the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided below.

7. When the explorers awoke, they _____ shocked to see their belongings scattered all across the campsite.

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

8. The Night Safari Tram Experience is usually open _____ Saturday evenings.

(1) in
(2) at
(3) on
(4) about

9. The group of schoolgirls _____ excited that their favourite singer came to town yesterday.

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

10. _____ hairband should I wear today: the pink or the blue one?

(1) Who
(2) What
(3) Which
(4) Whose

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11. Shawn fell into a puddle while he _____ his dog, Rufus.

(1) chase
(2) chased
(3) has chased
(4) was chasing

12. Last week, my parents _____ me to the airport to look at airplanes.

(1) take
(2) took
(3) was taking
(4) have taken

13. "There isn't _____ sugar left to bake a cake. We need to buy a packet," Mom said.

(1) few
(2) any
(3) little
(4) some

14. "My brother _____ his homework now. Please call back later," I told the caller.

(1) do
(2) does
(3) is doing
(4) has done

15. Rachel went to bed at 9:00 pm _____ she had a tiring day.

(1) or
(2) as
(3) but
(4) and

16. _____ boys are happily playing football in that field over there.

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

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SECTION C: GRAMMAR CLOZE (PERSONAL PRONOUNS) (4 X 1 mark)
Read the following passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

USE A WORD **ONCE ONLY.**

(A) its	(B) it	(C) you
(D) us	(E) them	(F) I

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Dear Diary,

Today my classmates and I went on a learning journey to the Singapore Discovery Centre. A tour guide welcomed (17) _____ before we were brought to a theatre to watch a short film. The tour guide, Miss Robin, said, "(18) _____ will watch a local film. (19) _____ is a story about a boy and his pet dog. (20) _____ hope you will enjoy the film." I was very excited and eagerly waited for the film to start.

SECTION D: GRAMMAR CLOZE (SUBJECT-VERB AGREEMENT) (4 X 1 mark)
*Read the following passage carefully. **Underline** the correct word from the words given in the brackets.*

Tom and Jerry are best buddies. They (21) **[love / loves]** doing many activities together. Their new favourite pastime (22) **[is / are]** making model toy cars. Whenever one of them (23) **[get / gets]** a new model, they will meet and try to assemble it within one day. Once in a while, Jerry's brother (24) **[come / comes]** to help the boys out when things get too difficult.

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SECTION E: EDITING (6 x 1) marks

Each of the underlined words contains either a grammatical error or a spelling error. Put the correct word in each of the boxes.

Matt was reading a book when his brother, James, came into the room.

(25) [ ]

"Hey Matt, here's a little something for you!" exclaims James with a twinkle in his eye.

(26) [ ]

Matt placed the book down on his lap before looking up. James aproached him and held out a box.

(27) [ ]

As he opened the box, Matt said, "It's suprising that you're giving me a present now. It's not even my birthday yet."

Suddenly, Matt screamed and flung the box onto the floor. A big, hairy spider

(28) [ ]

crawled out of it. James burst into laughing.

(29) [ ]

Matt turned red, but he did not feel angry with his mischevious brother. James was

(30) [ ]

the naughtier one among them. Soon, Matt was laughing too.

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SECTION F: SYNTHESIS & TRANSFORMATION (2 X 1 mark)

For each of the items, rewrite the given sentences using the words provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of each sentence must be the same as the given ones.

31. It was raining cats and dogs. Mother brought an umbrella to the supermarket.

_____

since _____

32. James needs to finish his homework. James wants to watch the football match.

_____ **if**

_____

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SECTION G: COMPREHENSION 1 (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions 33 to 39.

On 14 August 2021, Le Le, Singapore's very first giant panda cub, was born. He was then separated from his parents, Kai Kai and Jia Jia, and placed at the nursery for proper care.

On 10 March 2022, Le Le was finally ready to meet the world. He joined his mother, Jia Jia, in the River Wonders' Giant Panda Forest Exhibit. Before that, some preparations were made. The zookeepers were careful to remove any dangers that might harm young Le Le. They drained the water area and filled it with padded leaves and bark chips. Now at seven months old, Le Le likes to explore the exhibit independently and spend time with his mother. He has also tried playing with enrichment activities.

To celebrate Le Le's appearance, River Wonders organised some engaging activities for visitors. These activities include snapping photos with adorable panda mascots and playing interactive Giant Panda quizzes. There is also the Panda-Mania Tour, where a limited number of visitors may enjoy a private tour of the Giant Panda Forest and a hearty lunch.

Le Le's name comes from "Shi Le Po", an ancient Chinese name for Singapore and was chosen by an online poll held in November 2021. Le Le and other exhibits are available at River Wonders, open daily from 10 am to 7 pm.

Adapted from CNA (10 March) and mandai.com/lele

33. What animal is Le Le? (1m)

34. Where was Le Le placed immediately after his birth? (1m)

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35. In paragraph 2, what is one activity Le Le enjoys doing by himself? (1m)

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

They drained (A) the water area and filled it with padded (B) leaves and bark chips.

37. What is one activity that **cannot** be done by all visitors to River Wonders? (1m)

(1) Snapping photos with panda mascots
(2) Playing interactive panda quizzes
(3) Going on a Panda-Mania tour ( )

38. Based on the passage, which two of the following statements are true?

Tick √ your chosen answers. (2m)

Le Le joined his father, Kai Kai, at one of the River Wonders' exhibits.	
The zookeepers made sure that the exhibit was safe for Le Le.	
All visitors to the River Wonders are treated to a satisfying meal.	
Exhibits at River Wonders can be viewed on any day of the week.	

39. According to the passage, how was Le Le's name finally decided on? (1m)

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SECTION H: COMPREHENSION 2 (10 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions 40 to 46.

May and Ned lived with their family on a rubber plantation. Their father owned the plantation, and their house was at the edge of **it**. On the plantation sat an enormous angsana tree, with a river flowing nearby. May and Ned spent their days running through the plantation. The plantation workers enjoyed resting under the angsana tree but they were often disturbed by the siblings' activities.

The angsana tree was home to many spiders. May and Ned loved to catch them. They liked to compete to see who could catch the biggest, hairiest spider, and make **them** fight each other.

One afternoon, while May was relaxing on a tree branch, she heard her brother shouting from below. "Time to hunt for spiders!" Ned said.

"So that you can win again? No way," May replied. Ignoring May, Ned raced up to her **resting spot** and started rustling the branches to look for spiders.

Just then, May glanced at the river nearby. She thought of a new game that they could play together. May climbed further up and found a strong vine. Grabbing onto it, she swung her body off the branch and leaped. Sploosh! She landed in the river. A worker awoke from his nap to see what had happened. He saw May splashing about and shook his head.

Ned's eyes sparkled. "Amazing! I'm not sure if I can do that!" he exclaimed.

"Come on now. Don't be such a chicken!" May taunted while flapping her arms like a chicken.

Ned breathed sharply, chose a thick vine and copied May's **stunt**. Splash! He landed beside May, irritating the workers who shook their fists at the siblings. May and Ned exchanged cheeky grins. May's face beamed and her chest burst with pride. For once, she showed her brother something new.

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All answers must be based on the given text. Answer in complete sentences.

40. 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. The first one has been done for you. (2m)

Words from the passage	What the words refer to.
it (line 2)	*the rubber plantation*
them (line 8)	
resting spot (line 12)	

41. Which word in lines 6-8 has the same meaning as 'challenge'? (1m)

42. Write 1, 2, 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage, as experienced by the siblings. (1m)

_____ May thought of a new activity.

_____ May was alone on the tree.

_____ Ned suggested to hunt for spiders.

43. Which word in lines 9-12 tells you that Ned had been winning their spider fights? (1m)

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44. Based on the passage, state whether each statement is true or false. Then support your answer with a reason. (2m)

	True/False	Reason
a) Ned liked May's new game.		
b) The workers were happy to see May and Ned playing in the river.		

45. What 'stunt' (line 21) did Ned perform? (2m)

_____

_____

46. Which one of the following words best describes how May felt in lines 19-24?

Tick √ your chosen answer. (1m)

proud	
fearful	
unsure	
annoyed	

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	3	3	3	4	4	4	3	3	3
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
4	2	2	3	2	4	D	C	B	F

Q21) love

Q22) is

Q23) gets

Q24) comes

Q25) exclaimed

Q26) approached

Q27) surprising

Q28) laughter

Q29) mischievous

Q30) between

Q31) Mothers brought an umbrella to the supermarket since it was raining cats and dogs.

Q32) James needs to finish his homework if he wants to watch the football match.

Q33) giant panda cub

Q34) nursery

Q35) exploring the exhibit

Q36) A-drained

Q37) 3

Q38) The zookeepers made sure that the exhibit was safe for Le Le.

Exhibits at River Wonders can be viewed on any day of the week.

Q39) Le Le's name was decided on buy an online poll held in November 2021

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Q40) them (line 8) – the spider

Resting spot (line 12) – the tree branch

Q41) compete

Q42) 3 , 1 , 2

Q43) again

Q44) a) True. Ned said it was raining.

b) False. The workers were irritated

Q45) He grabbed onto a thick vine swung his body off the branch and leaped onto river.

Q46) proud

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