RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL
END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION (2022)
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 4

PAPER 2

Name: _____ ( ) **Date:** 28 October 2022

Class: P4 _____ **Total Time:** 1 h 15 min

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Write your name, class and index number in the spaces provided above.
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 1 - 16, use a 2B pencil to shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).
6. For Questions 17 - 40, use a dark blue or black ballpoint pen to write your answers in the space provided for each question.
7. Do not use correction fluid/tape or highlighters in your answers.

Sections A to B	16
Sections C to G	34
Total	50
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Section A: Grammar (10 X 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. When you _____ your seat to the elderly lady, the train started to move.

   (1) offer
   (2) will offer
   (3) have offered
   (4) were offering

2. "Please be quiet. The examiners _____ the pupils now," said the teacher.

   (1) test
   (2) tests
   (3) is testing
   (4) are testing

3. While cleaning up the room just now, Mary and her sister _____ surprised when they found an old school magazine.

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

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4. When Mr Lee came _____ the room, all the children clapped for him.

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

5. _____ spectators standing there have the best view of the cars in the race.

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

6. Maria decided not to buy the donuts as there were too _____ people in the queue.

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

7. A few months ago, the villagers _____ a big alligator after someone reported seeing it.

(1) catch
(2) caught
(3) have caught
(4) were catching

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8. Fiona has been practising very hard for her ballet performance so she has _____ time to watch a movie.

(1) little
(2) many
(3) much
(4) a lot of

9. The newly-renovated indoor sports hall is both well-equipped _____ spacious.

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

10. Glenda and Henny _____ elated when they were invited to do a skateboarding demonstration.

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

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Section B: Vocabulary (6 X 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

11. It was such a _____ day for Father because he had to attend two meetings in the morning before leaving for the airport.

(1) tiring
(2) daring
(3) severe
(4) careless

12. The police _____ the crowd of onlookers once they arrived at the scene of the accident.

(1) faded
(2) scurried
(3) delivered
(4) dispersed

13. The scientists at the research centre _____ a home-testing kit to detect the virus infection.

(1) invented
(2) indicated
(3) composed
(4) conducted

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14. The sun that was shining straight in Ginny's eyes made her _____.

(1) peep
(2) glare
(3) squint
(4) gleam

15. The timely tsunami warning saved many lives as the villagers had enough time to _____.

(1) abandon
(2) evacuate
(3) withdraw
(4) discharge

16. The cupcakes come in three different _____. They are blueberry, coffee and peanut butter.

(1) colours
(2) aromas
(3) textures
(4) flavours

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Section C: Comprehension 1 (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 17 - 23.

We all have a part to play in living together harmoniously and we can do that by learning to understand, accept and care for our fellow Singaporeans. Despite living in such close distance to neighbours on all sides, it is safe to say that most of us stick to smiles and polite nods when we bump into them. There are numerous neighbourhood stories that prove that it is not hard to be kind and caring in our day-to-day life. This is one of the many heartwarming stories in the neighbourhood where a man used his artistic skills to spread festive cheer.

For the carpenter of Marsiling, Mr Tan Koon Tat, his massive handmade structures are all about recreating that neighbourly mood all year round, no matter the festivities. Inspired by the oil lamps lit during Hari Raya and red banners during Chinese New Year, Mr Tan became a carpenter by trade, fashioning festive decorations of all sorts. From pictures of peacocks for Deepavali to mosque facade for Hari Raya, he also constructed a life-sized log cabin for Christmas to bring his neighbours closer.

To this day, Mr Tan's handiworks in his neighbourhood feature elaborate, eye-catching and high-quality designs for his neighbours to appreciate, admire and snap photos with.

Adapted from https://thesmartlocal.com/read/heartwarming-stories-singapore/

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17. What do people usually do when they see their neighbours? [2m]

i) _____

ii) _____

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

This is one of the many heartwarming stories in the neighbourhood where a man
(A)

used his artistic skills to spread festive cheer.
(B)

For questions 19 - 21, read each statement 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	**Mr Tan works as a carpenter.**	✓	
19.	Mr Tan spreads festive cheer all year round.		
20.	Mr Tan creates structures using machines.		
21.	Mr Tan uses oil lamps, red banners, pictures of peacocks and logs when he creates his designs.		

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22. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

By creating handicrafts, Mr Tan aims to _____. [1m]

	be a carpenter
	admire his creations all by himself
	bring his neighbours closer to one another

23. Name <u>one</u> feature of Mr Tan's designs. Refer to **paragraph 3** to help you. [1m]

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Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (8 X1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to M) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) activities	(B) commenced	(C) displays	(D) elderly
(E) gathered	(F) honest	(G) kicked	(H) lively
(J) residents	(K) served	(L) stricter	(M) treated

Fireworks lit the night sky and the National Anthem rang loud. Thousands (24)_____ in Bishan-Ang Mo Kio Park on Saturday evening to put in motion the nation's 57th birthday bash a few days early. The carnival atmosphere was vibrant, with (25)_____ young and old enjoying the day out. Some even participated in (26)_____ such as art and craft workshops and games of ring toss.

Around 20,000 people turned up for the ticketed event at the park, which (27)_____ off at 4 pm and ended at 9 pm. Besides the ever-popular fireworks display, they were also (28)_____ to a range of stage performances, from a magic show to popular tunes sung by veteran singers, and static (29)_____ of vehicles from the Singapore Armed Forces and the Home Team.

The (30)_____ celebration was in stark contrast to a year ago. The (31)_____ Covid-19 measures saw the National Day Parade postponed by nearly two weeks and community fireworks displays being cancelled. Some events were even moved online. The carnival on Saturday marked the first time large-scale celebrations returned to the island since the pandemic.

Adapted from National Day celebrations kick off as large-scale carnivals return to the heartland | The Straits Times

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Section E: Grammar Cloze 1 (4 X 1 mark)

Read the 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) her	(B) his	(C) it
(D) my	(E) she	(F) them

My sister, Mandy, has a special hobby. (32)_____ likes to collect paper bags that have special prints on them. Most of her paper bags are given by our uncle after (33)_____ travels. Her favourite paper bag has a very beautiful picture of swans on (34)_____. This makes me also want to start (35)_____ own bag collection. I hope to collect reusable shopping bags.

Section F: Grammar Cloze 2 (4 X 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Mrs Tan is an active volunteer. There (36) [is / are] altogether two different orphanages that she (37) [visit / visits] every week. She (38) [do / does] not mind spending more time with the children if they need her. Since her volunteering, her family and friends all (39) [agree / agrees] that she has become younger. This makes Mrs Tan very happy.

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Section G: Open-ended Comprehension 2 (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 40 - 48.

Peter got frustrated with life. Despite all the hard work and effort, failure was all that he learnt. Feeling defeated with life, he left everything and went to the forest. There he met John, shared his failure with him and said, "Give me one good reason not to quit."

"Look! Do you see that fern and bamboo there?" John said, pointing towards two plants.

"Yes," Peter nodded.

"When I planted the fern and the bamboo seeds years ago, I took very good care of them. I gave them water, light and fertiliser daily. Within a short period of time, the fern quickly grew from the earth," John continued. "Despite watering and nurturing the bamboo seed daily, it did not outwardly grow. In fact, nothing at all happened in the first year. There was no sign of growth. However, I did not give up on the bamboo seed and continued to water it. By the fifth year, a tiny sprout emerged from the earth. Within six months, the tree grew thirty metres tall."

"Why did the bamboo tree grow so quickly in the fifth year?" Peter asked. Baffled by the question, John kept quiet. "The answer is quite obvious. The little tree was growing underground, developing a root system strong enough to support its potential for outward growth from the fifth year onwards. Had the tree not developed a strong foundation, it would not have continued its life as it grew."

"Did you know that all the time you had been struggling, you were growing strong roots?" remarked John.

Peter finally understood what John was telling him. He learnt the value of persistence and hard work. Thanking John, Peter walked out of the forest to continue to work on his dreams.

Adapted from https://moralstories26.com

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40. In **paragraph 1**, where did Peter meet John? [1m]

41. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

In **paragraph 1**, which adjective best describes how Peter felt? [1m]

	guilty
	jealous
	disappointed

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For questions 42-44, read each statement, tick (✓) "True" or "False" and give a reason for your answer. Refer to **paragraph 4** to help you. The first example has been done for you.

[3m]

	Statement	True	False	Reason
Example	**The bamboo did not show any sign of growth in the first year.**	✓		**Despite watering and nurturing the bamboo seed daily, it did not outwardly grow.**
42.	John took very good care of the fern and bamboo seeds from the beginning.			
43.	The fern had a slow growth at first.			
44.	In the fifth year, the bamboo tree grew tall only after six months.			

45. Which word in **paragraph 5** tells you that John was puzzled by Peter's question? [1m]

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46. According to **paragraph 5**, what does the word '**it**' in bold refer to? [1m]

47. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes provided to show which event happened first, next and last based on the story. [1m]

	Peter shared his failure with John.
	John planted the fern and bamboo seeds.
	John pointed to the fern and bamboo tree in the forest.

48. Write your answer in a **complete** sentence.
What had Peter finally understood that caused him to continue to work on his dreams? [2m]

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	4	4	3	4	3	2	1	3	4

Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16
1	4	1	3	2	4

Q17)	i)smile ii)politely nod
Q18)	heartwarming
Q19)	True
Q20)	False
Q21)	False
Q22)	Bring his neighbours closer to one another
Q23)	Eye-catching
Q24)	E
Q25)	J
Q26)	A
Q27)	G
Q28)	M
Q29)	C
Q30)	H
Q31)	L
Q32)	E
Q33)	B
Q34)	C
Q35)	D
Q36	are
Q37)	visits

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Q38)	does
Q39)	agree
Q40)	the forest
Q41)	disappointed
Q42)	True,John gave the bamboo seeds water, light fertilizer daily.
Q43)	False,Wirhin a short period of time, the fern quickly grew from the earth.
Q44)	False, in the fifth year, the bamboo tree grew tall within six months.
Q45)	baffled
Q46)	the tree
Q47)	2, 1, 3
Q48)	Peter finally understood the value of persistence and hard work. If he want to accomplish his dreams, he need to put in effort.

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