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METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)
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WEIGHTED ASSESSMENT (2) 2023
PRIMARY 3

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER

Total Time for Booklet: 40 min

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. Answer all questions.
4. Use a pencil to write your answers in the space provided for each question.

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**Section A: Vocabulary (2 marks)**

For each question from **1 to 2,** four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3, or 4) and write it in the brackets.

1 Many animal species are endangered due to the loss of their _____ when forests are cleared.

(1) nature
(2) habitats
(3) sceneries
(4) background ( )

2 As a young artist, Vincent van Gogh loved to go to the mountains and paint because the scenery was _____.

(1) blissful
(2) bountiful
(3) beaming
(4) breathtaking ( )

**Section B: Grammar (2 marks)**

For each question from **3 to 4,** four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3, or 4) and write it in the brackets.

3 Mother _____ in the kitchen when the delivery man rang the doorbell.

(1) cooks
(2) cooked
(3) is cooking
(4) was cooking ( )

4 The troupe of dancers _____ taking a break before their next performance begins in an hour's time.

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

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**Section C: Sentence Combining (2 marks)**

Combine each pair of sentences to make one sentence using the given word. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

**5** Jane passed the test. She did not study.

Although _____

_____

**6** The students hurried to their seats. The students saw their teacher approaching.

_____ when

_____ .

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**Section D Editing (4 marks)**

Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar.
Write the correct word in the boxes provided.

Whales are often mistaken to be fish, which are cold-blooded animals that can change their body temperature according to their environment. However, whales are actually warm-blooded mammals with a thick layer of fat under their skin called blubber that helps to **(7) maintane** a body temperature around 37 degrees celsius( °C). Whales give birth to their young alive and nourish them with milk. Whale calves are fed with milk and protected by their parents for at least a year. Some whales have two blowholes while others have one. The breathing process **(8)** involved removing air from their lungs through the blowholes before forming an upward pout of air and water. This is **9) forlowed** by taking in fresh air into the lungs. Whales also have blubber to **(10)** helps whales float in water.

Do you know that whale blubber is also used to make candles, soap, and lubricating oil?

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For **Q11 – 12**, read each statement and tick (✓) either "True" or "False". An example has been done for you. [2m]

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| | Statement | True | False |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Example** | John wanted to keep Blackie as a pet. | ✓ | |
| **11** | John's father was reluctant to keep Blackie as a pet at first. | | |
| **12** | John blamed himself for Blackie's accident. | | |

**13** Why did John's father think that Blackie was in a bad condition and would not survive at first? [1m]

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**14** Which word has the same meaning as "**vowed**"? Circle (A) or (B). [1m]

John persisted and promised (A) that he would take full responsibility for Blackie before his parents agreed (B) to his request.

**15** Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story. [1m]

_____ Blackie waited for John to return home from school.

_____ John promised to take full responsibility for Blackie.

_____ Blackie met with an accident.

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**Section F: Comprehension (Selected Response) (5 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Two years ago, Father brought Blackie home from a fishing trip in the mountains. It was full of cuts and so thin that its ribs could be clearly seen.

"Can we keep him, please?" John begged his parents. Father hesitated. He warned John that Blackie would grow to be a big dog and require a lot of care. Besides, it was in such a bad condition that it might not be able to survive. John persisted and promised to take full responsibility for Blackie before his parents agreed to his request. He kept to his word and ensured that Blackie had clean food, water and medicine daily.

Over the months, Blackie became a big, strong dog and was John's best companion. Every weekday afternoon, Blackie would wait for John at the playground until he returned home from school. One day, John was playing a new game on his mobile phone and was not paying attention as he did his usual walk. Suddenly, he heard a loud screeching of brakes. To his horror, he turned around only to see Blackie sailing through the air before it laid motionlessly on the road.

When John's parents rushed to the accident scene, John was wailing with remorse. "It is all my fault. Blackie thought the car was going to hit me as I was not looking and the car was coming from behind me," John explained.

Father consoled him saying that it was a gesture of love from Blackie. John was there when Blackie needed help and Blackie was there when it thought John needed it. Fortunately, Blackie was not badly injured and John learnt to be more careful in future.

*Adapted from: Chicken Soup for the Kids' Soul "The Game of Love"*

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**SECTION A & B**

| Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 4 | 4 | 1 |

**SECTION C**

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| Q5 | Although Jane did not study, she passed the test. |
| Q6 | The students hurried to their seats when they saw their teacher approaching. |

**SECTION D**

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|---|---|
| Q7 | Maintain |
| Q8 | Involves |
| Q9 | Followed |
| Q10 | Help |

**SECTION E**

| | |
|---|---|
| Q11 | True |
| Q12 | True |
| Q13 | Blackies was full of cuts and so thin that its ribs could be clearly seen. |
| Q14 | A |
| Q15 | 2, 1, 3 |



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