# CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
# END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION (2023)
# PRIMARY FOUR
# ENGLISH LANGUAGE

## COMPOSITION

Name: _____ (  )

Class: Primary Four _____

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11 October 2023

50 minutes

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Write a composition of at least 120 words about **making a bad decision.**

The pictures, not arranged in sequence, are provided to help you think about this topic. Your composition should be based on one, two or all of these pictures.

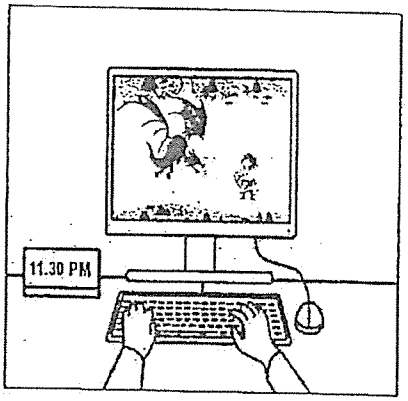
Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

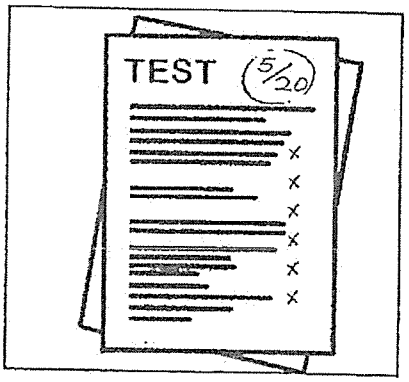
- What was the bad decision?
- Why was it a bad decision?
- What happened in the end?

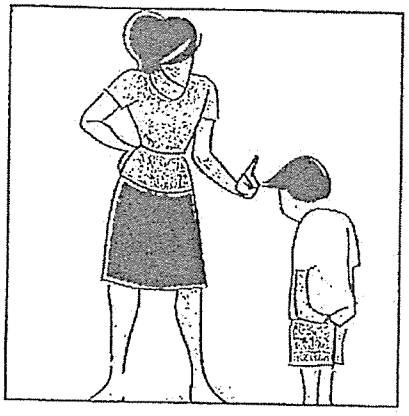
You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.

*Helping words:*

- *played computer games*
- *could not focus during lessons*
- *did not revise*
- *failed*
- *regretted*
- *think before you act*



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PAPER 2

Name: _____ (  )

Class: Primary 4 _____

23 October 2023

42 Questions

1 hour 15 minutes

| Component | Marks Awarded | Max Marks |
|---|---|---|
| Paper 1 – Writing | | 20 |
| Paper 2 – Sections A-B | 16 | 50 |
| Paper 2 – Sections C-H | 34 | |
| Paper 3 – LC | | 14 |
| Paper 4 – Oral | | 16 |
| TOTAL | | 100 |

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**Answer all the questions.**

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## Section A – Grammar MCQ (10 x 1 mark)

**Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.**

1. Raju likes to play basketball _____ the evening.

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

2. On our way to school yesterday, my brother and I _____ caught in a traffic jam.

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

3. The pupils _____ upset when they lost the soccer match.

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

4. "Look! John _____ on stage now," said my teacher.

   (1) performs
   (2) performed
   (3) is performing
   (4) has performed

5. Last year, Ali _____ in an art competition and came in first place.

   (1) participates
   (2) participated
   (3) has participated
   (4) was participating

6. While Mr Tan _____ home, he met Mr Lim.

   (1) walks
   (2) will walk
   (3) has walked
   (4) was walking



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7. While you _____, I cooked your favourite meal.

(1) sleep
(2) will sleep
(3) have slept
(4) were sleeping

8. _____ spectators seated here have the best view of the soccer match.

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

9. Mother goes to the fitness centre every weekend as she has _____ friends there.

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

10. Joshua cried _____ he fell down.

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

11. As he came home late, Jia Ming had _____ time to complete his homework.

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



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**Section B – Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)**
**Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.**

12. After the flood, hundreds of people were _____ from their homes.

(1) located
(2) cleared
(3) disrupted
(4) evacuated

13. My aunt was one of the guests invited to the opening _____ of the new shop.

(1) festival
(2) ceremony
(3) celebration
(4) presentation

14. Siti could not decide on the topic of her Science project so she decided to _____ her teacher for advice.

(1) turn to
(2) turn in
(3) turn over
(4) turn down

15 "You may feel _____ after taking this medication so do not drive," advised the doctor.

(1) clumsy
(2) drowsy
(3) unusual
(4) awkward

16. When Mother discovered that Rani had cheated in the test, she was _____and glared at Rani angrily.

(1) furious
(2) anxious
(3) amused
(4) frightened



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**Section C – Grammar Cloze (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 each word ONCE only.**

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|---|---|---|
| (A) he | (B) him | (C) its |
| (D) our | (E) their | (F) they |

My family went to the zoo yesterday. My brother, Max, was excited when (17) _____ saw the lions. However, the lions did not seem interested in (18) _____. They did not seem willing to get up on (19) _____ feet. Max was frustrated so he started roaring. Suddenly, the lions stood up. We could not believe (20) _____ eyes. Finally, the lions were up and about!

**Section D – Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**
**Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.**

Sue works for the National Parks (NParks). She (21) [ take / takes ] care of the trees in Singapore. Every day (22) [ is / are ] an adventure for her as she learns something new. NParks officers (23) [travel / travels ] around Singapore to inspect the trees. They (24) [learn / learns ] to climb trees to do their job. Sue really enjoys her job!

*https://www.nparks.gov.sg/about-us/careers*



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**Section E – Comprehension Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**
**Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word of your own.**

Since the start of the space age in the 1950s, Man has launched thousands of rockets and satellites into space. Many are still in space and there is a risk of collisions as we (25) _____ more rockets and satellites into space. The objects left in space are known (26) _____ space junk. Those in lower orbits can return to Earth but those in higher orbits continue to circle Earth. Fortunately, space junk does not (27) _____ a huge danger to our exploration efforts. The biggest danger it poses is to other satellites (28) _____ space. Therefore, the United Nations has asked that all companies remove their satellites from space after the end of their missions.

*https://www.nhm.ac.uk/discover/what-is-space-junk-and-why-is-it-a-problem.html*

**Section F – Sentence Synthesis and Transformation (2 x 2 marks)**
**For each of the items, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the words provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the given one(s).**

29. David arranged the tables in the classroom yesterday.

The tables _____

_____.

30. Ben was tired. He took a short nap.

_____ since

_____



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## Section G – Comprehension – Selected Response and Open-ended (8 marks)

**Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.**

Zul and Muthu were on their way home from school. When they reached their neighbourhood, they noticed a mango tree in front of Mr Tan's house.

"Look at all the mangoes!" Zul said, "We just need to climb the tree to get some." Muthu did not think it was a good idea. He explained that since the tree was so tall, they could get hurt if they fell from it. However, Zul managed to persuade him to do it.

Soon, they had a plan. Zul would climb the tree since he was lighter. Muthu would help to push him up the tree at the start and keep watch. Soon, Zul was halfway up the tree. "You are almost there," Muthu encouraged.

However, when Zul looked down, he suddenly felt weak and dizzy. He gripped the tree trunk firmly and cried anxiously. Muthu asked him to climb down but he was too afraid to move. Their neighbour, Mr Tan, came home just then. He was shocked to see what was happening. He quickly got his ladder and rescued Zul.

Mr Tan scolded the boys angrily. He warned them that he would report them to the police and call their parents if they tried to steal again. "We are sorry," the boys apologised, hanging their heads in shame.

31. Where was the mango tree?

_____ [1m]



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For questions 32-34, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to paragraph 2 help you. The first example has been done for you. [3m]

| | Statement | True | False |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Example** | Muthu spotted the mangoes first. | | ✓ |
| 32. | Zul did not want to take all the mangoes growing on the tree. | | |
| 33. | Muthu was worried about falling from the tree. | | |
| 34. | Muthu agreed to Zul's plan at once. | | |

35. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.
Zul was chosen to climb the tree because _____. [1m]

- ☐ Muthu was heavier than him
- ☐ Muthu encouraged him to do so
- ☐ he was very good at climbing trees

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

He gripped the tree trunk firmly and cried anxiously.
**(A)** **(B)**

37. What two things would Mr Tan do if the children tried to steal again?

i. _____ [1m]

ii. _____ [1m]



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**Section H – Comprehension – Open-ended (5 x 2 marks)**
**Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.**

Shanti was in the mall near her house. She was having trouble getting a birthday present for her father as she only had ten dollars. She wanted to get her father a wallet but it was too expensive.

Dejected, Shanti decided to head to the stationery store to buy a birthday card. "I hope I have enough money for that," Shanti exclaimed. As she neared the store, she noticed something on the ground. Shanti's heart skipped a beat as she picked it up. She quickly shoved the crumpled $50 note into her pocket. She looked around nervously and was relieved that no one had noticed her actions.

She was elated at first. However, the thought of taking someone's money weighed heavily on her. How could she use stolen money to buy her father's present? Therefore, she started reconsidering what to do with the money . Finally, she decided that she would return the money.

When she reached the information counter, she noticed a lady and two young children. The lady was in tears as she explained that she had lost $50. "I'm sorry but no one has returned it," the staff replied. "Miss, I found your $50!" Shanti exclaimed excitedly. "Thank you," the lady replied gratefully. She explained that she needed the money to buy food for her family. She added that the money was all she had left for the whole week. Shanti was relieved that she had done the right thing.

Shanti then had to rush home so she did not have time to even get a card. She told her father about everything that had happened. "I'm so proud of you! Your actions are the best birthday present!" her father said.



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**Write your answers in complete sentences.**

38. What was Shanti doing at the mall?

_____

_____

39. What does the word 'it' in line 6 refer to?

_____

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40. Why did Shanti decide to return the money?

_____

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41. Why was the lady so upset about losing her money?

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_____

42. What quality did Shanti show? Why do you say so?

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**– END OF PAPER –**



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| Q 1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q5 | Q6 | Q7 | Q8 | Q9 | Q10 |
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| 1 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| Q 11 | Q12 | Q13 | Q14 | Q15 | Q16 | Q17 | Q18 | Q19 | Q20 |
| 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | A | B | E | D |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Q21) | takes | Q22) | is | Q23) | travel |
| Q24) | learn | Q25) | launch | Q26) | as |
| Q27) | pose | Q28) | in | | |

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| Q29) | The tables in the classroom were arranged by David yesterday. |
| Q30) | Ben took a short nap since he was tired. |
| Q31) | In front of Mr tan's house |
| Q32) | True |
| Q33) | True |
| Q34) | False |
| Q35) | Muthu was heavier than him |
| Q36) | A |
| Q37) | i)He would report them to the police.<br>ii)He could call their parents. |
| Q38) | Shanti was looking for a birthday present for her father. |
| Q39) | If refer's to the crumpled $50 note. |
| Q40) | She did not feel good about taking someone's money and did not want to use stolen money to buy her father's present. |
| Q41) | The lady needed the money to buy food fir her family and that $50 was all she had left for the whole week. |



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| Q42) | Shanti showed the quality of honesty. When Shanti found the $50, she has decided to return it instead of return it instead of keeping it for herself when most people would have taken it. |



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