Nanyang Primary School
Primary 5
English Language
2023 Term 1 Weighted Assessment

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Grammar Cloze	10
Cloze Passage	15
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Section A: Grammar Cloze

There are 10 blanks, numbered 1 to 10, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

A)	a	D)	how	G)	it	K)	this	N)	what
B)	an	E)	however	H)	or	L)	those	P)	will
C)	can	F)	is	J)	these	M)	was	Q)	within

Humpback whales are known to be superb singers. The males are capable of complex vocal performances that are often repeated for many hours. The longest known recording of _____ (1) humpback whale song is a staggering 22 hours. _____ (2) album of their songs released in the 1970s gained worldwide fame and _____ (3) still the best-selling recording of nature sound even made.

Humpbacks _____ (4) a particular sea area deliver the same songs in the same way every year. _____ (5), songs vary between whale populations. For example, North Atlantic humpbacks sing different ones from _____ (6) in the North Pacific.

A team of researchers from the University of Queensland in Australia studied _____ (7) humpbacks are able to deliver the same songs. The researchers discovered that the humpbacks learn the exact sounds from one another without simplifying _____ (8) leaving anything out. This suggests that humpback whales _____ (9) learn an entire song pattern from one another very quickly, even if it is complex or difficult. _____ (10) ability of theirs explains why the song of a whale population changes over time. They likely learned the tune from another whale population when sharing the same feeding ground.

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Section B: Cloze Passage

Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

A few months into the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, food charity Willing Hearts started receiving more requests for its food distribution service. In response, its volunteers _____ (11) the level of production in its kitchen at Chai Chee, packing about 11,000 meals, compared with the 7,000 before the pandemic.

Today, the charity is able to _____ (12) up to approximately 15,000 meals a day _____ (13) the opening of its new soup kitchen in Joo Chiat. The new kitchen is three times bigger _____ (14) the charity's previous premises in Chai Chee. It includes new equipment that will help Willing Hearts boost its meal production.

In addition, the new premises is expected to serve as a _____ (15) for homeless beneficiaries from August this year. Willing Hearts founder Tony Tay, who _____ (16) the charity in his home kitchen in 2003, said, "During the pandemic, we saw more requests from residents, _____ (17) we decided to step up our efforts to help them. It is the desire _____ (18) the volunteers to reach out to more people that has helped us move into the new space, and I am thankful for _____ (19) support in making this happen."

The kitchen is managed by a team of about 200 volunteers and runs _____ (20) the year. It produces a nutritious spread with about a tonne of rice cooked daily. Mr Tay is grateful that the charity, _____ (21) receives support from sponsors for its groceries, _____ (22) been able to continue providing cooked food to its beneficiaries _____ (23) the rising raw material cost in recent months.

Besides providing food and shelter, Mr Tay is hopeful the charity will find new _____ (24) of helping the community. He said, "I hope that the number of people requesting for our help will go down. That would mean compared to now, _____ (25) people are facing hardships. We hope that day will come soon."

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Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
A	B	F	Q	E	L	D	H	C	K

Q11)	increase	Q16)	founded	Q21)	which
Q12)	produce	Q17)	so	Q22)	has
Q13)	with	Q18)	of	Q23)	despite
Q14)	than	Q19)	their	Q24)	ways
Q15)	shelter	Q20)	throughout	Q25)	countable

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