TAO NAN SCHOOL 道南学校

SINCERITY & PERSEVERANCE

2023 PRIMARY 5 END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION

Name: _____ ( ) Date: 23 October 2023

Class: Primary 5 ( ) Time: 8.00 a.m. – 9.50 a.m.

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

Parent's signature: _____

ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2
(BOOKLET A)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Write your name, class and register number.
2. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.
5. Use a 2B pencil to shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

Booklet A	28
Booklet B	67
Total	95

This booklet consists of 10 printed pages.

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For each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the OAS. (10 marks)

1. Abram and Noah _____ each other at the camp last week.

   (1) befriend
   (2) befriends
   (3) befriended
   (4) were befriending

2. The king was sad as he did not have _____ freedom to explore the land.

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

3. The teacher's words of encouragement were still _____ in her ears.

   (1) ring
   (2) rang
   (3) rung
   (4) ringing

4. The show _____ . Please be quiet.

   (1) begins
   (2) beginning
   (3) has begun
   (4) had begun

5. If Rajan _____ about the competition, he would definitely take part in it.

   (1) knew
   (2) knows
   (3) has known
   (4) had known

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6. Mr and Mrs Reyes _____ sailing round the world for charity and will end their journey next month.

(1) are being
(2) had been
(3) have been
(4) would have been

7. By emerging first in the photography contest, I had won _____ myself a pair of free tickets to the zoo.

(1) of
(2) by
(3) for
(4) with

8. The newspapers are on that table _____ you need to refer to them to complete your project.

(1) must
(2) could
(3) would
(4) should

9. The student, _____ speech I like, has been selected to represent the school in an oratorical contest.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose

10. You have to admit that the idea is original, _____ you?

(1) don't
(2) won't
(3) haven't
(4) wouldn't

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For each question from 11 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the OAS. (5 marks)

11. The man _____ the rope tightly as he was afraid that he would fall.

(1) hauled
(2) lugged
(3) clasped
(4) dragged

12. Jamilah _____ after learning that she was not selected as the Star Pupil.

(1) broke the ice
(2) sat on the fence
(3) pulled a long face
(4) shed crocodile tears

13. The water in the tank was so _____ that we could not see the fishes clearly.

(1) dim
(2) dull
(3) hazy
(4) murky

14. Since the two movies are screened _____, we have no choice but to choose one.

(1) frequently
(2) punctually
(3) consecutively
(4) simultaneously

15. You are sneezing non-stop. I think you may be _____ a cold.

(1) coming on to
(2) coming up with
(3) coming out with
(4) coming down with

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For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS. (5 marks)

Gina loved bats. In fact, she had twenty bats hanging around at her home. She did not live in a bat cave. On the contrary (16), she lived in a house that turned into a bat shelter by night. You would not find these little creatures relaxing (17) on benches but you might find one or two of them snuggling up to Gina. At her home, Gina had taken care of bats with injuries, such as a broken wing. She had also cared for bats that were left behind (18) for the winter because they did not travel south before low temperatures set in. With the help of a vet, Gina nursed these winged mammals back to health and then set them free. When Gina was little, she grew up on a farm where bats were a common (19) sight. Hence, it was no surprise how quickly she took to (20) an orphaned baby bat she found squeaking on the ground outside her house. She immediately fed it goat's milk. To her delight, the bat survived the night. She had helped bats ever since.

16. (1) Instead
(2) Likewise
(3) Therefore
(4) Furthermore

17. (1) huddling
(2) lounging
(3) snoozing
(4) hibernating

18. (1) trapped
(2) isolated
(3) detained
(4) stranded

19. (1) rare
(2) unique
(3) familiar
(4) surprising

20. (1) liked
(2) favoured
(3) preferred
(4) welcomed

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Study the flyer carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

Holiday Climbing Camps from 8 – 11 December 2023

The Adventure Climbing Club has organised camps for children aged 7 to 11 and youths aged 12 to 16. Regardless of your experience or fitness level, we can provide the **BEST** training that caters to your needs. During the camp, you will be briefed on the safety rules before you learn the basic climbing skills. There will also be fun and exciting games.

Our Motto:
Rock climbing is safe and fun at our camps!

Never climbed before? Here's how you can get started!

- Email admin@adventureclimbingclub.com to register.
- Bring your own gym attire, towel, climbing socks and shoes.
- Camp fee: $300 (inclusive of 4 lessons plus one-year free membership fee)
- 30% discount if you book before 1 December 2023.
- Call us at 6228 0803 for more details.



There is more to climbing than just going up a rock!

Climbing explorations to test your limits!

Best Friends Forever Climb

This beginner-friendly route is great for friends and families of all ages. The Play Zone features speed climbing and a gamified Augmented Reality(AR) wall! The whole space screams fun, from the vibrant colours to the chill atmosphere while building your confidence.

Boulder World

Leave behind ropes and harnesses. Simply rely on climbing shoes and a bag of chalks over safety mats. Challenge yourself to climb short but tricky bouldering routes using balance, techniques, strength and your brains. Newbies and seasoned climbers are welcomed to join in this thrilling activity!



What do our past participants have to say?

"My climbing sessions are fun and challenging at the same time. Climbing has helped me become more confident," said Emma Lee.

"I never thought I'd fall in love with climbing. I was very fearful of heights at first but Coach Jeff guided me patiently. He made climbing so fun and easy! Whenever I overcame an obstacle, he would praise me. That is really unforgettable for me," said Joshua Wong.

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When did sport climbing make its debut in the Olympics?

Competition climbing first began at the 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo. However, it was postponed to 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

With the huge influx of interest in climbing, we are opening more courses for you to learn the ropes of climbing safely and help you become the best rock climber you can be!

Some benefits of rock climbing

- Improve your posture
- Improve motor skills, balance and co-ordination
- Overcome fears of heights and falling

Want to know more? Scan the QR code now.



Is Rock Climbing Dangerous?

Physical outdoor activities always come with some level of risk - even jogging! So, it's worth considering the risks that you are likely to incur.

Here are some:

- ankle injuries when you do not land on the pad correctly
- falling due to improper use of the equipment
- falling (usually when you are on your way up)

Just because rock climbing is dangerous does not mean that you should avoid it altogether!

DID YOU KNOW?

Rock climbing began in the late 1800s, where mountaineers explored steep and challenging rocks in an effort to reach the peaks.

Climbers of the early days of rock climbing used primitive equipment such as hemp ropes and wooden pegs. As the sport evolved, so too did the equipment and techniques to tackle even more challenging routes.

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For each question from 21 to 28, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the OAS. (8 marks)

21. What is the **main** aim of the Adventure Climbing Club?

(1) To train participants for the Olympics
(2) To promote rock climbing in a thrilling and safe setting
(3) To let the public know how skilful and competent their coaches are
(4) To provide training since more and more people are keen on rock climbing

22. Siti wants to join the holiday climbing camps. How can she sign up?

(1) Pay a deposit fee of $300
(2) Call the Adventure Climbing Club
(3) Learn the safety rules for climbing first
(4) Email admin@adventureclimbingclub.com

23. Why is the word 'BEST' under the main heading on page 6 in bold and capitalised?

(1) To make the word thicker and darker
(2) To make the sentence more important
(3) To emphasise the word and attract the readers' attention
(4) To tell readers to read on to find out more about the camps

24. According to the caption on page six , why is there 'more to climbing than just going up a rock'?

(1) Students' school holidays will be well spent.
(2) Joining the club will give members a sense of achievement.
(3) Participants can learn to endure hardship and adapt to difficult situations.
(4) Signing up for the camps allows one to enjoy free membership for a year.

25. What did one of the participants find **most memorable** about the camps?

(1) Becoming more confident
(2) Being guided patiently by the coach
(3) The compliment received upon overcoming an obstacle
(4) Taking part in the fun and challenging climbing sessions

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26. Which one of the following statements is true about the flyer?

(1) The Best Friends Forever Climb is unsuitable for beginners.
(2) Climbing in Boulder World requires only strength and agility.
(3) Boulder World requires climbers to use ropes and harnesses.
(4) The Play Zone in the Best Friends Forever Climb has a gamified AR wall.

27. How has rock climbing equipment evolved over time?

(1) It has become more advanced.
(2) It has become less risky to use.
(3) It has become more complicated.
(4) It has become less challenging to use.

28. What is the **purpose** of opening more climbing courses?

(1) To teach people how to climb safely.
(2) To share the benefits of rock climbing.
(3) To explain the dangers of rock climbing.
(4) To help people combat their fear of falling.

- End of Booklet A -

Please note that the passage for Comprehension questions 71 to 80 in **Booklet B** is on the next page. You may now go on to Booklet B.

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Refer to the passage below when you answer questions 71 to 80 in **Booklet B**.

"Unbelievable," Jade muttered angrily under her breath as she examined her camera that, seconds ago, had been dunked in the seawater. It was her father's favourite. She had brought it with her to a class barbecue to capture some memorable moments with her classmates. However, never would she have expected that the class prankster would be so bold as to carry and dunk her – along with the camera that was strapped around her neck – into the water. Sobbing, Jade held the camera close to her chest before wiping it with a towel. She jabbed at the power button several times. No response.

"Toby Gan! Look at what you have done! You've totally outdone yourself this time! My father's going to kill me!" Jade's voice boomed. Toby knew that he was in hot soup so he retreated sheepishly into their circle of friends, only to find them stepping away from him.

Lily tapped Toby on the shoulder. "You should apologise to her," she said.

Jade gathered her belongings and left the barbecue in a huff without saying goodbye. Tears welled up in her eyes. Ignoring the calls of her puzzled classmates, she stormed off. Jade decided **to take the camera to the repairman immediately**. Uncle Lee, the trusty repairman for all things digital, could only shake his head and give her a resigned look. "It's beyond repair. Its fate is sealed," he said.

The camera had been a gift from Jade's mother to her father on his fortieth birthday. Since then, it had been his companion for all events big and small. It had been instrumental in capturing all the significant milestones in their family ever since Jade was in Primary One. Now that Jade was in her teens, her father allowed her to borrow the device to snap some memories of her own, **an opportunity** that she had treasured deeply. Jade was mortified that she had misplaced her father's trust in her.

Jade stalled for a few days. Though she wanted to be honest with her father, she feared the wrath she would incur once he found out that she had destroyed something of such great sentimental value to him. Jade was certain that he would never trust her with his belongings again.

Then, the **inevitable** came. "Where's my camera?" Jade's father asked. He had been searching for it the entire Saturday morning. Jade's younger sister would be graduating from kindergarten the following week and he was preparing for the ceremony. Jade took a deep breath. "Erm... Dad, I dropped your camera into the water by accident, and it's damaged beyond repair. I'm sorry..."

Jade's father looked at her with a stunned expression before breaking into a loud guffaw. "It's heaven's will! I'd intended to buy a new camera for some time now, but I've been stopping myself because the old one was working so well. Now that it's gone, let's get a new one." Jade could not believe her ears.

The next day after lunch, Jade and her father spent the whole afternoon checking out different brands and models of digital cameras. Jade suggested that he purchase a smartphone instead. "See how convenient it is since it comes with a good built-in camera!" she exclaimed. Eventually, her father relented. However, he came up with a new rule about his new possession. She was not allowed to use it. Jade understood **this** perfectly. Then, to her surprise, her father presented her with a smartphone!

"Now, I don't have to worry about you breaking my smartphone," Jade's father **chuckled with a sly smile**. She flashed him a wide grin, overjoyed that she could now explore her budding interest in photography in her own time with her own smartphone.

On Monday, Lily reminded Toby to apologise to Jade for what he had done at the barbecue. "I'm so sorry, Jade. If I could turn back time, I would not have caused you so much distress," Toby said. Sensing his sincerity, she accepted his apology.

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2
(BOOKLET B)

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Write your name, class and register number.
2. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.
5. Use a dark blue or black ballpoint pen to write your answers in the space provided for each question.
6. Do not use correction fluid / tape or highlighters.

This booklet consists of 7 printed pages.

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, 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) before	(G) had	(K) more	(N) the
(B) after	(E) by	(H) has	(L) something	(P) to
(C) anything	(F) everyone	(J) her	(M) that	(Q) yet

Parents and educators have been worrying about the dying art of handwriting for years. The reason? Smartphones and laptops have led _____ (29) some schools spending less time on teaching the fine art of writing.

Sara, a ten-year-old, _____ (30) used her handwriting skills to win _____ (31) national penmanship competition. It was an impressive feat made even _____ (32) so since she was born without hands. Writing _____ (33) holding her pencil between the ends of her arms, Sara was trained in the art of penmanship by her teacher and _____ (34) she knew it, she began to love writing. Sara's teacher told her parents, "Your girl can do just about _____ (35)!"

At the National Handwriting Contest, the judges were so impressed with her perfect penmanship _____ (36) they awarded her the top prize. Sara won a trophy and $500 prize money. Although she had _____ (37) to decide what she wanted to do with her prize money, she was going to save half of it. To _____ (38), if anyone tried their hardest, they could do it. What a remarkable spirit!

Adapted from: https://time.com

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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

Kim woke up in the morning, listening to the birds and bugs. He walked to

(39) [ ]

school, admiring flowers and trees on mountains and breath in fresh air. During the

(40) [ ]

COVID-19 pandemic, the student from the Korean city transfer to a rural school.

(41) [ ]

Having attend online classes the whole of the previous year, Kim's mother said, "Even

if the children could go to school for the first time in a long time, they couldn't talk

(42) [ ]

freely to friends." Thus, she opting to have her son study in the countryside where

(43) [ ]

he could roam around and be intriged by nature.

Many students living in the city had also chosen to study in rural schools.

They looked forward to learning in a natural environment, savouring seasonal food

(44) [ ]

and building relationships with our new classmates.

(45) [ ]

It took a while for Kim to agree to give the expirene a try and move to the

(46) [ ] (47) [ ]

village. Belif it or not, now he has applied to stay in the countryside unteell the

(48) [ ] (49) [ ]

pandemic is over. Kim can discover nature at many ways which he finds fasinating.

(50) [ ]

"I can play with my friends and be fully emmersed in the learning despite

the pandemic," Kim said. "Recently, I harvested some sweet potatoes. What a lot of

fun!"

Adapted from: https://www.korea.net/

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

Letting go of your first love is hard. However, _____ (51) happens when our first soft and huggable toy becomes lumpy and grey? Childhood plushies carry years of memories that make it hard for owners to _____ (52) with them. To preserve them, soft toy hospitals were founded. They are businesses that offer soft toy repair services. _____ (53) it is a broken nose or a missing tail, the "doctors" will fix them without losing too much of their _____ (54) form. This includes bathing the "patients" in organic detergents. At SG Soft Toy Hospital, Lyn is an _____ (55) of such a "doctor". Trust her to _____ (56) these cuddly toys a brand-new look!

During admission, Lyn makes it a _____ (57) to speak to the owners. Then, she gives the toys treatments to get _____ (58) of germs. Next, she washes and dries the toys _____ (59) stitching and restuffing them. When they are ready to be _____ (60), she will send the owners videos and photographs to make sure that everything is fine prior to _____ (61) the toys home. The smiles on the customers' faces _____ (62) Lyn going in this trade. Lyn also partners Mandai Wildlife Conservation to upcycle soft toys. She _____ (63) the toys that are then sold. The proceeds are _____ (64) to the conservation. It is her _____ (65) of giving back to the society. "The bond that is developed with the soft toy helps the child learn and grow while having fun," said Lyn.

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For each question from 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. The athlete completed the race. The athlete did it in less than three minutes.

The athlete was able to _____

_____

67. Nora received a letter for the Edusave Award. Nora jumped for joy.

Upon _____

_____

68. The lioness teaches the cubs how to hunt for food.

The cubs _____

_____

69. "Did you pay forty dollars for this set of stationery?" Andy asked Mei.

Andy asked Mei _____

_____

70. My brother enjoys swimming. However, my brother enjoys hiking more.

_____ finds

_____

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Read the passage on page 10 of Booklet A and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

71. From the first paragraph, which five-word phrase tells us that Jade was taken by surprise when Toby dunked her into the water? [1m]

72. What two things did Jade do to salvage the damage done to the camera? [2m]

a) _____

b) _____

73. State three reasons why the camera was important to Jade's father. [3m]

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

74. Explain Jade's feelings in lines 18 – 23 with a suitable reason. [2m]

Jade's feelings	Reason she felt this way
a) pleased	
b) embarrassed	

75. Circle **one** word that **best** describes the tone Jade's father would have used in lines 33 – 36. [1m]

authoritative	demanding	dramatic	persuasive

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76. Explain clearly why Jade's father responded in that manner when he found out the truth from Jade. [2m]

77. Do you think Lily was a good friend to Jade? Support your opinion with a reason from the text. [2m]

78. Look at the table below. What does/do the word(s) in the left column refer(s) to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [3m]

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
a) an opportunity (line 22)	
b) inevitable (line 28)	
c) this (line 41)	

79. a) Referring to lines 43 to 45, why did Jade's father chuckle with a sly smile? [1m]

b) What is one value that Jade's father was trying to teach his daughter? [1m]

80. a) From the last paragraph, what is one good quality that Jade displayed? [1m]

b) Support your answer with one piece of evidence from the text. [1m]

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
3	4	4	3	1	3	3	4	4	1
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
3	3	4	4	4	1	2	4	3	1
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28		
2	4	3	3	3	4	1	1		

Booklet B

Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
P	G	A	K	E	D	C	M	Q	J

Q39	breathing	Q43	intrigued	Q47	until
Q40	transferred	Q44	their	Q48	in
Q41	attended	Q45	experience	Q49	fascinating
Q42	opted	Q46	believe	Q50	immersed

Q51	what	Q56	give	Q61	sending
Q52	part	Q57	point	Q62	keep
Q53	whether	Q58	rid	Q63	sews
Q54	original	Q59	before	Q64	donated
Q55	example	Q60	discharged	Q65	way

Q66	The athlete was able to complete the race in less than three minutes.
Q67	Upon receiving a letter for the Edusave Award, Nora jumped for joy.
Q68	The cubs are taught how to hunt for food by the lioness.
Q69	Andy asked Mei if she had paid forty dollars for the set of stationery.

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Q70)	My brother finds hiking more enjoy able than swimming.
Q71)	never would she have expected
Q72)	a) She wiped it with a towel b) She took it to Uncle Lee
Q73)	a) It was birthday present from Jade's mother b) It had been his companion for big and small events. c) He used it to capture significant milestones in their family.
Q74)	a) her father allowed her to borrow his camera b) she had misplaced her father's trust in her
Q75)	dramatic
Q76)	The old camera was working well. Now that it was damaged, he had a good reason to buy one.
Q77)	Yes, she reminded Toby to apologise to Jade.
Q78)	a) Jade's father lending his camera to Jade b) Jade telling her father the trust c) Disallowed to use the new smartphone
Q79)	a) Jade's father did not have to worry about Jade breaking his new smartphone b) Responsibility
Q80)	a) forgiveness b) she accept Toby's apology

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