Methodist Girls' School (Pri)
Primary 3 English Language
SA2 Practice Paper

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Class: P3. ___

Section A: Grammar (8 marks)

For each question from 1 to 8, 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 Optical Answer Sheet.

1 Both Caleb and Ben _____ chosen to be prefects yesterday.

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

2 In his anger, Leo _____ his sister's journal and stormed out of the room.

(1) tear
(2) tore
(3) is tearing
(4) was tearing

3 A few minutes after I had sprained my ankle, it began to _____.

(1) swell
(2) swelled
(3) swollen
(4) swelling

4 Meiling fell asleep _____ watching a television show.

(1) so
(2) while
(3) because
(4) although

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5 When the twins saw that my green pen had run out of ink, they offered me _____.

(1) his
(2) hers
(3) mine
(4) theirs

6 Jamila will attend the birthday party if her parents _____ her to.

(1) allow
(2) allows
(3) allowed
(4) had allowed

7 Greedy Gary ate _____ fried rice for lunch. There was hardly any left in the pot for his sister.

(1) few
(2) some
(3) many
(4) a lot of

8 "This white blouse with pink flowers is really pretty, _____ it?" Pam asked her mother.

(1) isn't
(2) aren't
(3) hasn't
(4) doesn't

Section B: Vocabulary (6 marks)

For each question from 9 to 14, 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 Optical Answer Sheet.

9 The boys needed to _____ so that they could solve the puzzle and win the game before they ran out of time.

(1) get cold feet
(2) have two left feet
(3) think on their feet
(4) keep their feet on the ground

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10 The children _____ with joy as they splashed water on one another.

(1) scoffed
(2) sneered
(3) squealed
(4) stammered

11 Ravi was reprimanded by his parents for being too playful and _____ in his studies.

(1) falling out
(2) falling apart
(3) falling away
(4) falling behind

12 Shu En was _____ when her pet dog, Jojo, went missing last month. No one could make her as happy as Jojo could.

(1) thrilled
(2) envious
(3) depressed
(4) remorseful

13 Osman wants to be a _____ when he grows up as he enjoys making models using clay.

(1) painter
(2) sculptor
(3) calligrapher
(4) photographer

14 The bullies were demanding money from Zack. _____, the principal walked past and stopped them.

(1) Hopefully
(2) Gratefully
(3) Thankfully
(4) Cheerfully

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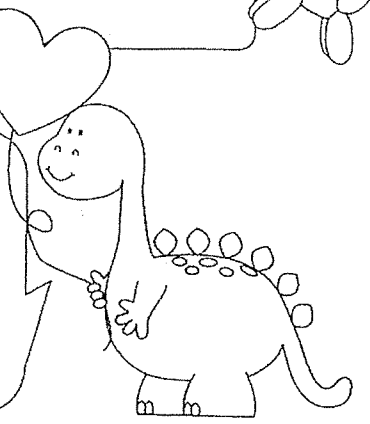
Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (4 marks)

Study the following poster and answer questions **15 to 18**.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

ANNUAL FANTASY BALLOON FAIR*

Venue: Expo City Hall
Date: 23 to 30 November 2020
Time: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily
FREE ADMISSION!



The hall will be filled with breath-taking balloon sculptures ranging from magical tree houses to ferocious dinosaurs, giant spaceships, jungles, sea creatures and many more.
All these amazing sculptures will be created using 80,000 to 150,000 balloons!

HIGHLIGHTS

Balloon Zoo Adventure

Identify majestic balloon elephants, zebras, snakes, monkeys and many other animals in our Fantasy Zoo.

Fantasy Playground

Have fun at the playground with Bouncy Slides, Loopy-Loop Tunnels and more!

Balloon Sculpting Workshop

Join the workshops for free at 11 a.m. & 3 p.m. daily.

Balloon Pet Stall

Bring home a lovable Balloon Pet! Choose from a variety of animals at $5 each.

Refreshments are available at Party Supplies Balloon Café.
Half of the earnings will be donated to Greendale Children's Home.

*** Proudly organised by Blackmore Holdings**

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For each question from 15 to 18, 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 Optical Answer Sheet.

15 Fantasy Balloon Fair will be held at _____.

(1) Fantasy Zoo

(2) Expo City Hall

(3) Greendale Children's Home

(4) Party Supplies Balloon Café

16 Visitors will have to pay to _____.

(1) take home a balloon pet

(2) play at Fantasy Playground

(3) spot majestic balloon animals

(4) join a Balloon Sculpting Workshop

17 Which of the following statements is true?

(1) The balloon fair is held for the first time this year.

(2) Blackmore Holdings is the organiser of the event.

(3) The Balloon Sculpting Workshop is held once a day.

(4) All of the earnings will be donated to Greendale Children's Home.

18 The main purpose of the poster is to _____.

(1) attract visitors to the fair

(2) create 80,000 to 150,000 balloons

(3) raise funds for Greendale Children's Home

(4) encourage people to visit the magical tree houses

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Section D: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)
Read the passage carefully. **Underline** the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Bengal tigers are the largest of all cats. They live in India and are known fo their strength.

Bengal tigers **(19)** [hunt / hunted] deer and water buffalo for their meat. Sometimes, they **(20)** [steal / steals] food from other cats. After a big meal, a tiger does not eat for many days.

Bengal tigers are at risk of dying out. For many years, people have been hunting them as they wanted to sell their body parts. Another reason is that people cut down the forests **(21)** [who / where] they lived for farming.

Now, the Bengal tigers are protected. Selling their body parts **(22)** [is / are] illegal. In addition, rangers protect the tigers from poachers in national parks.

Adapted from *"Animals in Danger: Bengal Tigers"*

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Section E: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)
Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and fill in the blanks. **WRITE THE LETTER ONLY. USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) down	(B) with	(C) in
(D) up	(E) from	(F) into

Tappy, the little rabbit, was playing in the garden when it was time for dinner. Mother called out to him from the house, "Tappy, come _____ **(23)** now! It's time to eat!"

Tappy was annoyed. He wanted to continue playing. Therefore, he decided to pretend he did not hear Mother and hide _____ **(24)** her instead. First, Tappy climbed up the tree but Squirrel chased him away as that was his tree! Then, he climbed _____ **(25)** a hole in the tree but Owl, who was sleeping there, shooed him away angrily.

As he was climbing _____ **(26)** the tree, Mother caught him at the bottom and dragged him into the house by his ears.

"You promised to help me to set the table today," Mother reminded Tappy with a smile. Tappy had no choice but to follow Mother into the house.

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Section F: Editing (4 marks)
Read the passage carefully. The words that are underlined have either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. Put the correct punctuation mark in the circle.

Food gives our body energy and nutrients. Nutrients help us stay healthy.

There are five main food groups. We should eat foods from each group every day

(27) [ ]

Fruits and vegetables are two **impawtent** food groups. They form a large part of a healthy diet.

(28) [ ]

Children between the ages of 7 and 9 years old should **ate** about 150 to 225 grams of fruits a day. That is at least thirty-two grapes or one large banana. Some people like to eat cooked vegetables while others like them raw? It is necessary to eat

(29) ◯

different types of vegetables, such as broccoli and spinach, to ensure that your body gets the vitamins it needs. Eating vegetables also helps prevent constipation and other digestion problems.

(30) [ ]

Make good **choyses** to have a healthy diet. It will give you energy to work and play.

Adapted from *"What's on my Plate?: Choosing from the Five Food Groups"*

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Section G: Synthesis (2 marks)
For each of the questions **31** and **32**, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

31 Ray enjoys going to the beach. Preeta enjoys it too.

Both _____

_____

32 Nurul sends her daughter to school. Then, she goes to the market.

_____ **before** _____

_____

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Section H: Comprehension Cloze (6 marks)
Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

Our teacher, Mr Boogie, always tries to do his best at school. However, even the best teachers can have a bad day. No matter how they try, sometimes things do not go **(33)** _____ way.

The other morning, when getting out of bed, Mr Boogie bumped his head. Then, he took a shower and got soap in both his **(34)** _____. He had to wash the soap out with plenty of water before he could see properly again.

At school, after cleaning out the cage of our class pet hamster, Nibbles, Mr Boogie left the cage open. Nibbles **(35)** _____ from its cage and jumped down to the floor. Mr Boogie ran around the classroom trying to **(36)** _____ it but it was too fast. Nibbles slipped away and disappeared down the corridor.

Exhausted, Mr Boogie sat down **(37)** _____ a sigh and the unexpected happened! Nibbles appeared out of nowhere and jumped into his lap.

As Mr Boogie put Nibbles **(38)** _____ into the cage, he grinned and said, "When things don't go your way, take a rest and don't be stressed." Everyone in class nodded in agreement.

Adapted from *"Oopsy Teacher!"* By Stephanie Calmenson

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Section J: Comprehension (Open-ended) (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions **43 to 47**.

Paul received a new car from his brother on Christmas Eve. On Christmas Day, when Paul was walking to his car after work, he spotted a stranger walking around his new and shiny car. Admiring it, the stranger introduced himself as David and asked Paul, "Is this your car, sir?"

Paul nodded and replied, "My brother gave it to me for Christmas." David was astonished and could not believe what he had just heard. David barely had enough money for his daily meals and owning a car was his lifelong dream.

"You mean your brother gave you this car and it cost you nothing? How I wish..." he hesitated.

Deep in his heart, Paul thought that David was going to wish for a brother, just like his. Instead, David continued, "I wish to be a brother like yours." It was Paul's turn to be shocked. David then turned to Paul and requested politely, "Would you mind driving me home?" Paul smiled and he thought he knew what David wanted – to show his neighbours that he could ride in a new and shiny car. Again, Paul was mistaken.

David asked Paul to stop in front of his old and run-down house to wait for him. Moments later, David appeared but he was moving slowly. He was carrying his physically disabled sister on his back as the family could not afford a wheelchair for her.

David pointed to the car and told his sister, "That is the car I was telling you about earlier on. His brother gave it to him for Christmas and it did not cost him anything. Someday, I will buy a car just like it! Then, I will be able to drive you around the town to see all the beautiful Christmas decorations!"

Touched by what he had heard, Paul got out of the driver's seat and helped the girl into his car. The excited elder brother joined in as the three of them enjoyed a memorable holiday ride.

That Christmas, Paul learnt that it was indeed more blessed to give than to receive.

Adapted from "Chicken Soup for the Soul - A Brother Like That" by Dan Clark

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Answer the following questions.

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43 Which word from paragraph 1 has the same meaning as "looking with pleasure"? [1 m]

For questions **44 and 45**, write your answers in complete sentences.

44 From the passage, how can you tell that David did not have much money? Give two reasons. [2 m]

(i) _____

(ii) _____

45 Explain clearly why David wanted to buy his sister a car. [2 m]

_____

_____

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

_____ Paul drove David home.

_____ David admired Paul's new car.

_____ Paul took the siblings out for a ride in his car.

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State whether each statement below is **True** or **False**.

Give a reason for your answer. [2 m]

	Sentence	True / False	Reason
i.	David wanted to show off to his neighbours that he could ride in a new and shiny car.		
ii.	David wished to have a brother like Paul's.		

END OF PAPER

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Q1	4	Q2	2	Q3	1	Q4	2	Q5	4
Q6	1	Q7	4	Q8	1	Q9	3	Q10	3
Q11	4	Q12	3	Q13	2	Q14	3	Q15	2
Q16	1	Q17	2	Q18	1				

Q19	hunt
Q20	steal
Q21	where
Q22	is
Q23	C
Q24	E
Q25	F
Q26	A
Q27	important
Q28	eat
Q29	.
Q30	choices
Q31	Both ray and preeta enjoy going to the beach
Q32	Nurul sends her daughter to school before she goes to the market.
Q33	their
Q34	eyes
Q35	escaped
Q36	catch
Q37	with
Q38	back

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Answer Key (Booklet A)

Grammar MCQ (8 marks) and Vocabulary MCQ (6 marks)

1	4	7	4	9	3
2	2	8	1	10	3
3	1			11	4
4	2			12	3
5	4			13	2
6	1			14	3

Answer for Comprehension OE

Q43 Admiring, admiring

Q44 *(Any 2 points)*
The family could not afford a wheelchair for David's sister.
David barely had enough money for his daily meals
David and his family lived in an old and run-down house.

Q45 David's sister was physically disabled and he wanted to bring her around to see the Christmas decorations.

Q46 2, 1, 3

Q47

	Sentence	True / False	Reason
iii.	David wanted to show off to his neighbours that he could ride in a new and shiny car.	False	- David wanted his sister to see Paul's car. - David wanted to show his sister Paul's car.
iv.	David wished to have a brother like Paul's.	False	- David wished to be like Paul's brother (and not to have a brother like Paul's).

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