CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION
PRIMARY FOUR
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2

Name: _____ ( )

Class: Primary 4 _____

41 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

INSTRUCTIONS:

Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
Follow all instructions carefully.
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. "I will see you _____ home later," Mother said.

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

2. During our Social Studies lesson last week, we _____ surprised when the teacher gave us a quiz.

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

3. Ali and his brother _____ overjoyed when their parents took them to their favourite restaurant.

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

4. "Keep quiet. The Primary 6 pupils _____ a test now!" said the monitor.

   (1) take
   (2) took
   (3) are taking
   (4) has taken

5. Last evening, I _____ to the shopping mall after I had my dinner.

   (1) go
   (2) went
   (3) was going
   (4) have gone

6. While we _____ the movie, my mobile phone suddenly rang.

   (1) watch
   (2) will watch
   (3) have watched
   (4) were watching

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7. _____ boys over there are playing on the swing.

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

8. Muthu was scolded by his mother _____ he did not complete his homework.

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

9. We are only going on a short holiday so we will be back in _____ days.

(1) a few
(2) many
(3) some
(4) a little

10. "Can I borrow _____ money? I forgot to bring my wallet," Meiling asked Susan.

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

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.

11. The water in the pond was so _____ that I could not see the fish inside clearly.

(1) hazy
(2) misty
(3) foggy
(4) cloudy

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12. Siti followed the _____ closely to make cheesecake. She made sure she did not miss any step.

(1) list
(2) menu
(3) recipe
(4) schedule

13. Father bought Kumar a bicycle as a _____ for doing well in his examinations.

(1) prize
(2) trophy
(3) reward
(4) souvenir

14. Jason _____ home after school as he had hurt his left knee during recess.

(1) limped
(2) trudged
(3) scurried
(4) waddled

15. My father is _____ but he still donates to the poor regularly.

(1) kind
(2) thrifty
(3) selfish
(4) generous

16. Boon Lee _____ a serious injury when he fell down the steps.

(1) endured
(2) received
(3) tolerated
(4) sustained

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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.

(A) he	(B) him	(C) it
(D) its	(E) their	(F) they

Max, Bill and Sally were cycling at the park. Max noticed a nest in a tree. (17)_____ told the others to stop. Max climbed the tree to reach the nest. His friends warned (18) _____ to be careful. Suddenly, the mother bird arrived to protect (19) _____ chicks. It pecked at Max's hand and he fell. His friends got off (20) _____ bicycles to help him. Fortunately, he had only sprained his leg.

Adapted from An accident by Daniel Boon

Section D – Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Ahmad's school is organising a food donation drive. He (21) [is / are] looking forward to donating food to needy families in the neighbourhood. Everyone in the class (22) [has / have] to bring some basic food items. These items (23) [include / includes] rice, oil and biscuits. Ahmad and his classmates (24) [plan / plans] to meet after school to pack the items into bags. They are happy to contribute to charity.

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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.

Mr Shan, a foreign worker, was called a hero for saving a toddler recently. On that day, he was working near a block of flats when he (25) _____ some people shouting. He turned around and saw a toddler hanging onto the railing of a second-floor balcony (26) _____ his dear life. Two onlookers immediately tried to pull themselves up onto the balcony (27) _____ failed. Mr Shan then came to the rescue. He (28) _____ himself up easily and rescued the toddler. Everyone cheered for Mr Shan and called him a hero.

Adapted from The Straits Times 24 Apr 2015

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 ones.

29. You can only go out if you finish your homework.

Unless _____

_____

30. Sam likes playing board games. He likes watching movies more.

_____ prefers _____

to _____

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Section G – Comprehension – Selected Response and Open-ended (8 marks)
Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Jill owned a pet bird called Carly. It lived in a shiny black cage. Every morning at 6 a.m., it would sing and wake Jill up.

One morning, Jill slept until Mother knocked on her bedroom door. Jill woke up and glanced at the alarm clock. It was 6.30 a.m.! She told Mother that Carly did not wake her up! Mother went to the kitchen to check Carly's cage. The cage door was open and Carly was gone!

"Carly is missing!" Mother cried. Jill then remembered that she had not shut the cage door after feeding Carly the previous night. They looked for Carly all over the kitchen but could not find it. It was 7 a.m. and Jill was going to be late for school. She had to leave for school. Jill could not pay attention in class as she was worried. After school, she rushed home to continue searching for Carly.

She searched under the beds. She was checking the toilet when she heard a sound from the storeroom. Tweet! Jill rushed to the storeroom and switched on the lights. Carly was perched on a shelf. Jill sighed in relief and shrieked, "Found you!" She put Carly back in its cage and shut the door. She then called Mother who was at work to share the good news.

Adapted from Carly the Canary

31. How did Carly's cage look like?

_____ [1m]

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For questions 32-33, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to paragraph 2 and 3 to help you. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	Mother woke Carly up every morning.		✓
32.	Jill woke up late because she had forgotten to set her alarm clock.		
33.	Carly escaped from her cage which was accidentally left open.		

34. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.
When Jill was in class, she felt _____. [1m]

- ☐ angry
- ☐ hopeful
- ☐ anxious

35. After school, Jill searched for Carly. Where did she look for Carly?

i. _____ [1m]

ii. _____ [1m]

iii. _____ [1m]

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

Jill sighed in relief and shrieked, "Found you!"
(A) (B)

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

Have you ever looked through a telescope? If you have, you might want to thank Galileo Galilei. Galileo was born in 1564 in Italy. He was a bright and studious boy who was also talented in art and music. He did well in school and his father had hoped he would study to become a doctor.

However, Galileo liked Mathematics so much that he decided to study Mathematics. His father was very disappointed but eventually gave him his blessing. Galileo did well in school but he struggled to pay his own school fees as his family was not rich. Galileo was also helping to support his younger brother's studies. Desperately wanting to earn money, Galileo tried to develop inventions that he could sell.

One day, he heard that a Dutch inventor had invented something called a spyglass. Galileo learned that the instrument could show distant things as if they were nearby. It could magnify things to appear up to three times bigger! Galileo decided to develop one of his own. He quickly figured out how the original instrument worked and made improvements. He named his improved version of the spyglass, the telescope. Q40 It could magnify things up to ten times.

He continued to make improvements to his invention. One night, he pointed his telescope towards the night sky. He made his first of many space observations. Up until then, everyone thought that the surface of the moon was smooth! However, with his telescope, Galileo saw that the moon was covered with many bumps and craters. The telescope also showed many more stars that were not visible with the naked eye. With it, Galileo was able to make many important discoveries about space.

Adapted from https://www.britannica.com/biography/Galileo-Galilei

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Write your answers in complete sentences.

37. Which word in paragraph 1 has the same meaning as the word 'clever'?

38. Why was Galileo's father disappointed with him at first?

39. Why did Galileo want to earn money?

40. What does the word **'It'** in line 16 refer to?

41. What space observations did Galileo make from using his telescope?

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2	4	4	3	2	4	4	4	1	4
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16				
4	3	3	1	2	4				

Q17)	A
Q18)	B
Q19)	D
Q20)	E
Q21)	is
Q22)	has
Q23)	include
Q24)	plan
Q25)	heard
Q26)	for
Q27)	but
Q28)	pulled
Q29)	Unless you finish your homework, you cannot go out.
Q30)	Sam prefers watching movies to playing board games.
Q31)	Shiny and black
Q32)	False
Q33)	True
Q34)	anxious
Q35)	i) under the beds ii) in the toilet iii) the storeroom

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Q36	shrieked
Q37)	bright
Q38)	His father wanted him to become a doctor.
Q39)	Galileo struggled to his pay school fees and his brother's as his family was not rich.
Q40)	'It' refers to the telescope.
Q41)	Galileo observed that the moon was not smooth but filled with bumps and craters, he also saw many more stars that were visible to the naked eye.

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