ST. HILDA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2024
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 4
PAPER 1

NAME: _____( ) CLASS: P4 / _____

DATE : 8 October 2024 DURATION : 50 minutes

TOTAL NO. OF PAGES: 2 PRINTED PAGES AND 1 BLANK PAGE

TOTAL MARKS : 20

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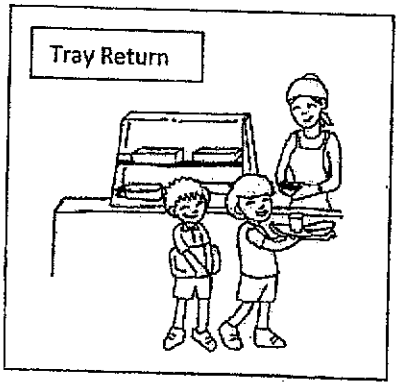
Write a composition of at least 120 words about **a responsible act.**

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:

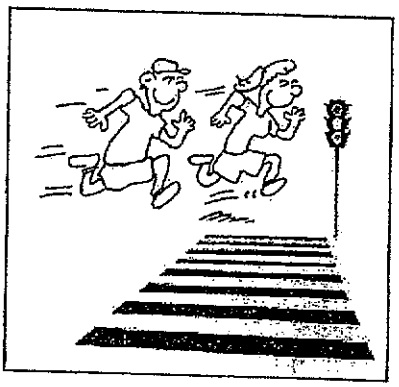
- What was the responsible act?
- How did the characters react?
- What was the lesson learnt?



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

Helping words:

- *careless*
- *litter strewn all over*
- *turned a deaf ear*
- *lent a helping hand*
- *brakes screeching*
- *breakneck speed*



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PRIMARY 4
PAPER 2
BOOKLET A

DATE: 23 October 2024

DURATION: 1 h 15 min
(Booklets A and B)

TOTAL NO. OF PAGES: **5** PRINTED PAGES AND **1** BLANK PAGE

NAME: _____( )

CLASS: P4 / _____

BOOKLET A		
SECTION	**COMPONENT**	**TOTAL MARKS**
A	Vocabulary	6
B	Grammar	10
	TOTAL MARKS	**/16**

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Section A: Vocabulary (6 x 1 mark)

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

1. The _____ in the stadium watched eagerly to see who would clinch the gold medal for the race.

   (1) audience
   (2) witnesses
   (3) onlookers
   (4) spectators

2. Rabbits are _____ animals that need to be handled with care.

   (1) majestic
   (2) delicate
   (3) strong
   (4) feeble

3. Layla is never late for meetings. She always arrives _____.

   (1) swiftly
   (2) regularly
   (3) punctually
   (4) frequently

4. I _____ through the keyhole to check who is at the door.

   (1) peer
   (2) gaze
   (3) stare
   (4) observe

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5. Devi loves to explore new and exciting places with her similarly _____ brother.

(1) adventurous
(2) cautious
(3) resilient
(4) fussy

6. When the cat saw its prey, it crouched and got ready to _____.

(1) dive
(2) climb
(3) pounce
(4) scamper

Section B: Grammar (10 x 1 mark)
Choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the **Optical Answer Sheet** provided.

7. The carnival starts _____ noon tomorrow.

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

8. The boys _____ disappointed when they lost the soccer match yesterday.

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

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9. I _____ delighted when my parents brought me to the zoo.

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

10. "James feels unwell. He _____ now," said Uncle Bob.

(1) is sleeping
(2) has slept
(3) sleeps
(4) slept

11. While we _____ in the park, it started to rain.

(1) jog
(2) will jog
(3) have jogged
(4) were jogging

12. Sue _____ to school after having breakfast with Grandfather yesterday.

(1) cycles
(2) cycled
(3) has cycled
(4) was cycling

13. "_____ students over there are talking loudly," Linda informed Mrs Tan.

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

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14. Sam wanted to go to the party _____ his mother wanted him to stay at home.

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

15. There are _____ interesting books on the shelf.

(1) any
(2) many
(3) much
(4) a little

16. The students need to work faster. There is not _____ time left for them to complete their work.

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

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ST. HILDA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
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PRIMARY 4
PAPER 2
BOOKLET B

DATE: 23 October 2024

DURATION: 1 h 15 min
(Booklets A and B)

TOTAL NO. OF PAGES: **11** PRINTED PAGES AND **3** BLANK PAGES

NAME: _____( ) CLASS: P4 / _____

BOOKLET B		
SECTION	**COMPONENT**	**TOTAL MARKS**
C	Grammar Cloze	/8
D	Vocabulary Cloze	/4
E	Sentence Manipulation	/4
F	Comprehension 1	/8
G	Comprehension 2	/10
	TOTAL MARKS	**/34**

BOOKLET A	BOOKLET B	TOTAL MARKS OBTAINED
/16	/34	**/50**

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Section C: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

Passage 1:

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 A WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) her	(B) his	(C) she
(D) them	(E) they	(F) we

Last weekend, Ali's cousins stayed over at his house. Ali's elder sister taught **(17)** _____ how to make fruit jellies. After laying out the ingredients, **(18)** _____ patiently demonstrated how the jellies were made. Before long, Ali and **(19)** _____ cousins managed to produce trays of colourful fruit jellies. **(20)** _____ shared the jellies with Ali's neighbours. All of them said that the jellies were simply delicious!

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Passage 2:

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

Wheelchair basketball is very similar to regular basketball. This popular sport **(21)** [is / are] played among two teams of five players each. Players **(22)** [use / uses] special lightweight wheelchairs to move around. Each team **(23)** [has / have] to score as many baskets as possible within the time given. The Singapore Wheelchair Basketball Club **(24)** [practise / practises] twice weekly. Everyone is welcomed to try wheelchair basketball!

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Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (4 x 1 mark)
Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letters (A to H) in each blank. **USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) cause	(B) curing	(C) discomfort	(D) fighting
(E) flavour	(F) prevent	(G) vitamins	(H) wounds

Honey is a healthy and tasty liquid that can be beneficial to both adults and children. It contains the necessary **(25)** _____ that growing children need. Honey is useful in **(26)** _____ against diseases and is especially great for sore throats and coughs.

Did you know that honey can help **(27)** _____ to heal faster? If you have a cut on the skin, apply some honey on it. It can **(28)** _____ infections and soothe the skin. There are many other benefits of honey. Honey is truly one of nature's gifts to mankind.

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Section E: Sentence Manipulation (2 x 2 marks)

For questions 29 and 30, rewrite the given sentences using the word provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentences.

29. The children have finished cleaning their rooms. They are allowed to play.

_____ if

_____.

30. Grandfather attended a gardening class. Grandfather wanted to learn how to grow sunflowers.

As _____

_____.

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Section F: Comprehension (8 marks)
Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Kim was creative and enjoyed writing. However, she dreaded speaking in front of the class. Whenever she did so, her voice would tremble.

One day, Kim's teacher told her about a storytelling contest. "But I get so nervous," Kim protested. "Everyone gets nervous. The important thing is to try. I'd love to hear you share your wonderful stories," encouraged Kim's teacher. Kim decided to try. Diligently, she practised presenting in front of the mirror daily. She even picked up breathing exercises to control her nerves. However, she was still scared.

On the day of the contest, Kim's teacher gave her a pat on the back before she stepped onto the stage. Kim was very nervous. She opened her mouth but her voice came out as a whisper. Just then, Kim spotted her best friend, Lucy, flashing her a bright smile. Kim took a deep breath and started again. This time, her voice was clearer.

"In a faraway land..." she began, imagining she was sharing the story with Lucy. As she spoke, her confidence grew. Soon, she was so engrossed in telling the story that she forgot her fear.

When Kim finished, the room erupted in loud applause. Kim grinned. She learned that bravery was not about being fearless — it was about facing her fears and trying her best.

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31. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.
Based on paragraph 1, Kim did not like _____. [1m]

☐	writing stories
☐	talking to her classmates
☐	speaking in front of the class

32. What were two things that Kim did to prepare for the storytelling contest?

i. _____ [1m]

ii. _____ [1m]

33. Which word tells you that Kim's teacher thought that Kim could write well? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

"Everyone gets nervous. The important **(A)** thing is to try. I'd love to hear you share your wonderful **(B)** stories," encouraged Kim's teacher.

For Q34-35, decide who did the following actions. Tick ✓ your chosen answer. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Activities described in paragraphs 3 to 4	Kim	Lucy	Kim's teacher
Example	gave someone a pat on the back			
34	smiled brightly			
35	told a story on stage			

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36. How do you know that the audience greatly appreciated Kim's performance?

_____ [1m]

37. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.
From the story, Kim can be described as _____. [1m]

- ☐ patient
- ☐ well-liked
- ☐ courageous

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Section G: Comprehension Open-Ended (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Twelve-year-old Meng worked at the local bakery every weekend. His family struggled to make ends meet and every cent Meng earned mattered greatly. One afternoon, a customer handed Meng ten dollars for a loaf of bread before hurrying out the door.

Meng realised that the customer must have made a **mistake** as the loaf of bread only cost five dollars. Meng's heart raced as he thought about all the different things he could do with the extra money. He could use it to buy groceries for his family. "Surely the customer wouldn't mind losing a little cash," Meng reasoned. In his heart, however, he knew it was wrong to be dishonest. With a sigh, Meng hurried out of the bakery and caught up with the customer.

"Excuse me, ma'am," Meng said earnestly. "You've accidentally overpaid for the loaf of bread." Surprised, the customer smiled and thanked him profusely before accepting her rightful change. Immediately, Meng felt like a weight had been lifted off his shoulders.

That evening, Meng recounted the day's events. His mother hugged him tightly, her eyes brimming with pride. "Meng, I know times are tough for us, but honesty is worth more than any extra money. You've made us proud today."

From then on, whenever Meng faced difficult choices, he remembered his mother's response. He understood that being honest was not just about following rules but about upholding values and earning respect through his actions.

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Answer the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

38. Where did Meng work on weekends?

_____ [1m]

39. Which five-word phrase in paragraph 1 shows that Meng's family was poor? [1m]

40. What was the "mistake" (line 5) that the customer made?

_____ [1m]

41. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.
Immediately after the customer left, Meng wanted to _____. [1m]

- ☐ spend the money on himself
- ☐ return the money to the customer
- ☐ use the money to buy groceries for his family

42. Based on paragraph 2, how do you know that Meng felt excited when he saw the extra money?

_____ [1m]

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43. Based on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [2m]

Statement	True / False	Reason
(a) The customer went back to the shop to claim her change.		
(b) Meng's mother was pleased with what he did for the customer.		

44. Based on paragraph 3, fill in the table with the appropriate answers. [2m]

Character	One word to describe how the character felt	Why the character felt that way
Meng		He did what was honest.
Customer	Grateful	

45. Write **1**, **2** and **3** in the blanks below to show the sequence of events in the story. [1m]

_____ Meng received a ten-dollar note.

_____ The customer got her change back.

_____ Meng struggled to make the right decision.

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PRIMARY 4 END OF YEAR EXAM 2024
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
SIMPLIFIED ANSWER KEY

BOOKLET A

No.	Ans
1	4
2	2
3	3
4	1
5	1
6	3

No.	Ans
7	2
8	4
9	3
10	1
11	4
12	2
13	4
14	2
15	2
16	4

BOOKLET B

Passage 1

17. D (them)
18. C (she)
19. B (his)
20. E (they)

Passage 2

21. is
22. use
23. has
24. practises
25. G (vitamins)
26. D (fighting)
27. H (wounds)
28. F (prevent)

29. The children are allowed to play **if** they have finished cleaning their rooms.

30. **As** Grandfather wanted to learn how to grow sunflowers, he attended a gardening class.

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Section F: Comprehension 1

31. speaking in front of the class **[1m]**

32. i) She practised **presenting in front of the mirror (daily)**. **[1m]**

ii) She (even) picked up breathing exercises to control her nerves. **[1m]**

33. (B) wonderful **[1m]**

34	smiled brightly		✓ **[1m]**	
35	told a story on stage	✓ [1m]		

36. They applauded / clapped loudly. **[1m]**

37. courageous

Section G: Comprehension Open-Ended (10 marks)

Qn.	Accepted Answers
38.	He worked in a / the (local) bakery. **[1m]**
39.	struggled to make ends meet **[1m]**
40.	She **paid ten dollars instead of five dollars** for the loaf of bread. **[1m]** She **gave more money** than what was needed. **[1m]** She **paid extra / overpaid** for the loaf of bread. **[1m]**
41.	use the money to buy groceries for his family
42.	His heart raced / was racing.
43.	(a) Meng had to **leave the bakery to find the customer so that he could return her the change.** (b) - She hugged him and her **eyes were brimming / filled with pride.** - She said **he made them proud.** - She **praised him for being honest.**
44.	**Meng felt:** Relieved [1m] **Why the customer felt that way:** - She got back her (rightful) change/money. - She received her (rightful) change/money. - Meng returned her the (rightful) change/money. - She received the extra money she had overpaid.
45.	**1 – 3 – 2 [1m]**

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