Ai Tong School

English Language

Primary 4 – Termly Review

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Name: _____ ( ) Date: _____

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Write a composition of at least 120 words about **teamwork.**

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 three of these pictures.**

Consider the following points when you plan your composition;

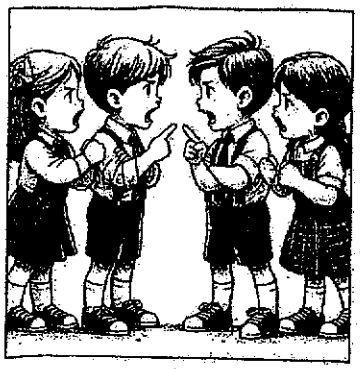
- When and where did the incident take place?
- What led to the lack of teamwork?
- What did the characters do?
- What happened in the end?

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

Helping words:

- group effort
- lacked cooperation
- stubborn
- snapped at
- got into an argument
- achieve a common goal







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Comprehension 1 (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

An elderly farmer lived in a village with his four sons. His sons were hardworking and helped tend to their father's farm every day. However, they often quarrelled. They could not see eye to eye as to how the farm should be run. Seeing this, their father was crestfallen.

Soon, the farmer fell seriously ill and could not go to work on his farm. In order to prevent his sons from arguing in his absence, he called them to his bedside. He handed a stick to each of his sons and instructed them to break the stick. All his sons could break the sticks easily.

Next, the farmer held a bundle of sticks which were tied together tightly. Passing the bundle of sticks to his eldest son, the farmer told him to break it. His eldest son failed miserably despite his efforts. The bundle of sticks changed hands to the other three sons, and each time, they failed.

Smiling, the farmer said, "Each stick represents you. When you are alone, you are weak. But when you stand together, you will be stronger than ever." His sons realised their mistake and promised to mend their ways.

Adapted from: https://www.momjunction.com/articles/moral-stories-for-kids

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1. Which word in lines 1-4 shows that the farmer was upset over his sons' behaviour? [1m]

2. Why did the farmer's sons quarrel? [1m]

3. What did the farmer expect to happen among his sons while he was ill? [1m]

4. What does 'it' in line 10 refer to? [1m]

For Q5-6, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	The farmer's sons worked on their father's farm.	✓	
5.	The farmer could not work on his farm as he was old.		
6.	All the farmer's sons failed to break the bundle of sticks.		

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

_____ The farmer called his sons to his bedside.

_____ The farmer smiled.

_____ The farmer fell ill.

8. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

The farmer's intention in gathering his sons was to _____. [1m]

☐	hand sticks to them
☐	teach them a lesson
☐	watch them fail

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Comprehension 2 (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

"Class, we will be going on a learning journey to Gardens By The Bay next Friday. We will visit the Cloud Forest and the Flower Dome to study the fascinating plants and flowers there," Mrs Bay, my form teacher, announced. The class broke out in wild cheers. "However, each of you will have to pay $10 to be admitted into the attractions. Please inform your parents about this. I will be collecting the payment tomorrow," she added.

Grinning widely, I turned to my best friend, Benny. However, he appeared downcast. "What's the matter?" I asked. "I don't think I'll be able to go... because of the payment. My father will be reluctant," Benny replied softly. It was then I remembered that Benny's father, the family's sole breadwinner, had lost his job a few weeks ago. Since then, Benny was advised to be thrifty, spending only on daily necessities. I paused, thinking of a way to help him.

At that moment, it hit me. Benny's birthday was around the corner. We had always given each other gifts, on the condition that **they** cost $10 or less. I knew then what my **surprise gift** to him would be.

After school, I approached Mrs Bay to tell her about my decision. Patting me on the back, she said, "You're a good friend, Adam." I smiled. I could hardly wait for the following Friday to arrive.

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9. Which five-word phrase in lines 1-6 shows how the class felt after hearing the announcement? [1m]

10. Why was Benny feeling miserable? [2m]

11. What does 'they' in line 14 refer to? [1m]

12. In lines 13 to 15, how had Benny and Adam always celebrated their birthdays? [2m]

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13. Based on lines 7 to 12, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [2m]

	True/False	Reason
a) Before Benny's father lost his job, both of Benny's parents worked to support the family.		
b) Benny had to be careful with how he spent his money.		

14i. What was the 'surprise gift' in line 15? [1m]

ii. How did Mrs Bay show that she approved of Adam's decision? [1m]

~ End of Paper ~
Please check your work carefully.

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Q1)	crestfallen
Q2)	The farmer's sons quarrelled because they could not see eye to eye as to how the farm should be run.
Q3)	The farmer expected them to argue while he was ill.
Q4)	The bundle of sticks
Q5)	False
Q6)	True
Q7)	2, 3, 1
Q8)	teach them a lesson
Q9)	broke out in wild cheers
Q10)	He did not think to go on the learning journey as his father reluctant to pay for it.
Q11)	The gifts
Q12)	They had always given each other gifts, on the condition that they would cost $10 or less.
Q13)	a) False // It was then I remembered that Benny's father, the sole breadwinner, had lost his job a few weeks ago. b) True // Since then, Benny was advised to be thrifty, spending only on daily necessities.
Q14)	i) The 'surprise gift' was to pay $10 for Benny to be admitted into the attractions. ii) Mrs Bay patted Adam on the back and told him he was a good friend.

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