2024 Primary 4 Practice Paper 2

English Language Paper 2

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Section A (6 x 1m) Vocabulary

For each question from 1 to 6, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

1. _____ chocolate chips over the vanilla ice cream to add flavour to it.

   (1) Spill

   (2) Drop

   (3) Topple

   (4) Sprinkle

2. The ambulance arrived to take the _____ of the accident to the hospital.

   (1) victims

   (2) witnesses

   (3) onlookers

   (4) attendants

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3. I felt happy after watching the movie as the ending was very _____.

(1) abrupt

(2) satisfying

(3) complicated

(4) disappointing

4. As he could not _____ his mistake on his artwork, he had to start painting all over again.

(1) undo

(2) unfold

(3) unstop

(4) unwind

5. The students put up posters in the canteen to raise _____ of good hygiene practices.

(1) alertness

(2) awareness

(3) carefulness

(4) production

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6. We had a _____ escape when the landslide happened. No one was hurt.

(1) scary

(2) sudden

(3) dangerous

(4) miraculous

Section B (10 x 1m) Grammar

For each question from 7 to 16, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

7. The canteen is open _____ school hours.

(1) at

(2) on

(3) for

(4) during

8. "The game equipment _____ a ball, a cone and a hoop," Mr Zulhelmi told us.

(1) include

(2) includes

(3) included

(4) including

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9. Mrs Low was surprised that Keagan _____ her a beautiful Teachers' Day card.

(1) made

(2) makes

(3) has made

(4) had made

10. "Watch carefully and learn. I _____ the cake now," Gabriel told his sister, Ziyan.

(1) decorate

(2) decorated

(3) am decorating

(4) have decorated

11. Joel and his dad _____ their dog at the park this morning before giving it a bath.

(1) walk

(2) walked

(3) had walked

(4) were walking

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12. _____ the knee injury, the Paralympian persevered and scored the winning goal.

(1) While

(2) Due to

(3) Despite

(4) As a result of

13. Is _____ boy standing outside our classroom your brother?

(1) this

(2) that

(3) these

(4) those

14. The audience left the hall _____ the performance was over.

(1) but

(2) thus

(3) then

(4) since

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15. There were _____ people in the long queue at the gift collection counter.

(1) a few

(2) much

(3) many

(4) some

16. Mother was very busy baking muffins for my birthday party, so she had _____ time to prepare lunch.

(1) no

(2) any

(3) few

(4) much

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Section C (8 marks) Comprehension

Read the passage below and answer questions 17 to 23 based on the passage.

It was six in the morning. I was crouching in the tall grass in the dark, metres away from a hideout belonging to Singapore's famous Bishan otters. As a reporter for the local newspaper, I was there to take photographs of the otters and then write an article about them. For the past half an hour, the area had been quiet. The silence was interrupted only by the call of a bird and joggers.

The otter family was still asleep but would be up any minute now. Soon, I spotted the first otter. Then, I heard high-pitched squeaks as more otters awoke. They swam along the river, catching fish. One otter tried to snatch a fish from another. Others engaged in playfighting. Meanwhile, an older otter taught the younger ones how to fish. When some otters got tired of treading water while chomping down fish, they carried the food to the riverbank to eat. The otters rested till late afternoon and fished again in the river before dark.

Although otters are native to Singapore, they were not seen much before the 1990s. There are now ten otter families and they occupy mangroves, coasts, reservoirs, rivers and canals. The increase in the number of otters is due to the abundance of clean water and fish along our waterways.

Adapted from *The Straits Times*

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17. In paragraph 1, state two things that the author had to do as part of his job.

i. _____ (1m)

ii. _____ (1m)

18. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

In paragraph 1, while waiting for the otters to appear, the author _____. (1m)

- ☐ squatted in the grass
- ☐ jogged along the river
- ☐ listened to birds chirping in the trees

19. In paragraph one, which word tells you that the otters' home is not easily seen by people? (1m)

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For Q20 - 22, read each sentence and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to paragraph 2 to help you. The first example has been done for you. (3m)

Statement		True	False
Example	The author is a reporter.		
20.	The otters swam and played together.		
21.	Young otters learnt to snatch fish from the older otters.		
22.	The otters ate in the water or on the riverbank.		

23. Which word has the same meaning as 'large amount'?
Circle either (A) or (B). (1m)

(A)	(B)
The increase in the number of otters is due to the abundance of clean water and fish along our waterways.	

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Section D (4 x 1m)

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 blanks, numbered 24 to 27, in the passage below. 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)	his	(C)	I
(D)	it	(E)	them	(F)	us

It was the school holidays. Dad and I went on a hiking trip. I was thrilled as **(24)** _____ had never gone hiking before. Dad gave me **(25)** _____ compass which he had been using for years. He taught me how to use **(26)** _____ properly.

After hiking for hours, we were exhausted. When we reached home, Mum prepared dinner for **(27)** _____. What a memorable day it was!

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Section E (4 x 1m)

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 questions, numbered 28 to 31, in the passage below. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Crayons are made of wax and colouring. Coloured powder **(28)** [is / are] mixed with hot liquid wax and poured into moulds. After the mixture cools, hard crayons are formed. Then, a machine **(29)** [puts / put] labels on the crayons. The crayons are then sorted by colour and packed into boxes. Each box **(30)** [has / have] crayons in eight different colours. Young children **(31)** [uses / use] crayons for drawing and colouring. They are attractive and easy to carry around.

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Section F (4 x 2m)

Synthesis and Transformation

For each of the questions 32 to 35, 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).

32. "Who will paint the walls today?" Mrs Tan asked the workers.

Mrs Tan asked the workers _____

_____.

33. Claire and Xavier were excited. They failed to follow the instructions.

Due to their _____

_____.

34. Ethan drank the chicken soup. Ethan no longer felt thirsty and hungry.

Having _____

_____.

35. Tiffany has never been on a hike. She is looking forward to the upcoming hike.

Tiffany, who _____

_____.

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Section G (10 marks) Comprehension Open

Read the passage below and answer questions 36 to 41.

When I was ten years old, Mother found a dog by the roadside that had been hit by a car. She immediately took him to a vet as one of his back legs was badly injured. His leg took some time to heal. Since Mother could not find the dog's owner, we kept him and named him Chip. Chip and Mother were inseparable. He was Mother's shadow and followed her everywhere. Whenever she left the house, he would whine pitifully.

One day, on our way to my grandparents' house for dinner, Mother stopped at a minimart. "Mary, let's buy some pears for Grandma and Grandpa and a snack for Chip," Mother told me as she got out of the car. I tagged along to seize the opportunity to buy an ice cream for myself. Soon, we were on the road again.

Half an hour passed when Mother asked suddenly, "Where's Chip?" Chip was a quiet dog, so nobody realised that he was not in the backseat. None of us remembered seeing him get out of the car at the minimart.

It was dark and raining very heavily by the time Mother drove back to the minimart. When she stopped in front of the store, she gasped. There sat Chip, soaking wet, with water dripping off his long ears. Tears welled up in her eyes. "My Chip!" cried Mother as she rushed out of the car and practically flew towards our pet.

"What a faithful dog you have!" the minimart owner exclaimed when she saw us hugging and patting Chip. "He must have been waiting for you to return and has not moved from this spot despite the rain."

That night, Mother rewarded Chip with as many treats as he could eat. "I'm so glad that you are safe and sound!" she said cheerfully.

Adapted from *The Definition of Faithful is 'Dog'*

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36. What had happened to Chip before Mother first found him? [1m]

_____

37. Which sentence shows Chip's displeasure when he had to be apart from Mother? [1m]

_____

_____

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

_____ The minimart owner praised Chip.

_____ Chip wandered out of the car.

_____ Mother suggested buying some fruits for Grandma and Grandpa.

39. Complete the table below. [2m]

	What Mother did	What the writer did
When they entered the minimart		

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40. Which three words best describe Mother's feelings from lines 15 – 18? Put a tick in the box beside each word. [3m]

disappointed	☐	satisfied	☐
excited	☐	shocked	☐
relieved	☐	worried	☐

41. Do you think Mother was a responsible pet owner? Give one reason from lines 12 to 21 why you think so. [2m]

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SUBJECT : ENGLISH
TERM : WA2

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

Q17	**i) Take photographs of the otters.** **ii) Write an article about the otters.**
Q18	✓ squatted in the grass ✓ jogged along the river listened to birds chirping in the trees
Q19	**hideout**
Q20, Q21, Q22	True / False ✓ / ✓ / / ✓ ✓ /

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Q23	**B**
Q24	**C**
Q25	**B**
Q26	**D**
Q27	**F**
Q28	**is**
Q29	**puts**
Q30	**has**
Q31	**use**
Q32	**Mrs Tan asked the workers who would paint the walls that day.**
Q33	**Due to their excitement, Claire and Xavier failed to follow the instructions.**
Q34	**Having drunk the chicken soup, Ethan no longer felt thirsty and hungry.**
Q35	**Tiffany, who has never been on a hike, looked forward to the upcoming one.**
Q36	**Chip had been hit by a car.**
Q37	**Whenever she left the house, he would whine pitifully.**
Q38	**3** **2** **1**
Q39	**What Mother did:** **Bought some pears for Grandma and Grandpa, and a snack for Chip.** **What the writer did:** **Seized the opportunity to buy an ice cream for herself.**

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Q40	disappointed ☐ satisfied ☐ excited ☐ shocked ✓ relieved ✓ worried ✓
Q41	**Yes. She drove back to the minimart to look for Chip after realising that he was not in the car.**

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