Anglo-Chinese School (Junior)

Semester 1 Revision
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY FIVE

Grammar	/10
Vocabulary	/10
Comprehension	/10
Total	/30

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GRAMMAR

For each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and write your answer in the brackets. (10 marks)

1 The twins decided to go home by _____ as their mother was busy at work.

(1) herself
(2) himself
(3) yourselves
(4) themselves ( )

2 The bunch of keys, _____ you picked up at Mrs Tan's office, belongs to me.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose ( )

3 The bleeding _____ the cut on Chris' forehead needs to be stopped as soon as possible.

(1) in order to
(2) giving rise to
(3) regardless of
(4) resulting from ( )

4 I _____ for an extended deadline if I had known you were going to be late in submitting your work.

(1) had asked
(2) have asked
(3) will have asked
(4) would have asked ( )

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5 While I was walking towards the bus stop, I saw a young girl _____ behind the bushes. I wondered what she was up to.

(1) hid
(2) hide
(3) hides
(4) was hiding ( )

6 Not only did John _____ his medicine regularly but he also watched his diet to ensure a speedy recovery.

(1) take
(2) took
(3) takes
(4) had taken ( )

7 "The guest-of-honour, together with the school leaders, _____ expected to arrive soon," said the teacher to her students.

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

8 As a rule, all students _____ speak politely to the teachers.

(1) might
(2) could
(3) would
(4) should ( )

9 _____ Grace went to bed early last night, she woke up late.

(1) Despite
(2) However
(3) Although
(4) Nevertheless ( )

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10 How _____ salt do you need to add to the soup to make it tasty?

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

( )

VOCABULARY

For each question from 11 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and write your answer in the brackets. (10 marks)

11 During the excursion, the children _____ towards the shelter anxiously when there was a sudden downpour.

(1) ambled
(2) strutted
(3) scurried
(4) hobbled

( )

12 Mr Tan Tock Seng was widely known as a _____ for his generous donations to the Chinese community.

(1) miser
(2) wastrel
(3) spendthrift
(4) philanthropist

( )

13 My medical report indicates that I must _____ sugar as my diabetes is getting from bad to worse. Sugar is the main cause of it.

(1) give in
(2) give up
(3) give off
(4) give away

( )

14 The guard dog growled _____ at the stranger creeping into the house.

(1) shockingly
(2) imminently
(3) menacingly
(4) extravagantly

( )

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15 Mr Chen needs to give the bank a written _____ if he wishes to close his bank account with them.

(1) invite
(2) summon
(3) notification
(4) announcement ( )

16 A table lamp placed in the bedroom can help _____ a child's fear of darkness.

(1) cure
(2) ease
(3) repair
(4) adjust ( )

17 Before the ancient painting was bought, it was _____ by the buyer to ensure its authenticity.

(1) perceived
(2) scrutinised
(3) exchanged
(4) interrogated ( )

18 As Samy knew his mother's soft spot, he never failed to take _____ of it to get whatever he wanted.

(1) use
(2) care
(3) charge
(4) advantage ( )

19 The fireworks display during the National Day was _____. Everyone at the stadium was awestruck.

(1) scenic
(2) pictorial
(3) charming
(4) breathtaking ( )

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20 The bus driver _____ the safety of his passengers by speeding on the road.

(1) sterilised
(2) ostracised
(3) jeopardised
(4) antagonised ( )

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Refer to the passage below to answer questions 21 to 25. (10 marks)

Before daybreak, the crowds had already formed. Professor Hugo's Interplanetary Zoo would soon arrive. Long lines of children and adults were waiting with wonderment to see what strange creatures the Professor had brought this year. In the past, they had sometimes been treated to three-legged creatures from Venus, or tall, thin men from Mars, or even snake-like horrors from somewhere more distant.

Everyone watched with bated breath as the great round ship hovered in the sky. It then descended and settled slowly to Earth in the huge parking area just outside the city of Chicago. Soon the sides slowly slid up to reveal the familiar barred cages. In them were some wild breeds - small, horse-like animals that moved with quick, jerking motions and constantly chattered at a high-pitched tone.

The citizens of Earth clustered around as Professor Hugo's crew quickly collected the payment. Soon the good Professor himself made an appearance, wearing his many-coloured rainbow cape and top hat. "People of Earth," he called into his microphone ostentatiously. "This year, you see a real treat - the little-known horse-spider people of Kaan - brought to you from across a million miles of space at great expense. Gather around, see them, study them, listen to them, tell your friends about them. But hurry! My ship will remain here for only six hours!"

The crowds slowly filed by, both horrified and fascinated by these strange creatures that looked like horses but ran up the walls of their cages like spiders. "This is certainly worth a dollar," one man remarked. "I'm going home to get my wife." All day long it went like that, until ten thousand people had filed by the barred cages set into the side of the spaceship. Then, as the six-hour limit ran out, Professor Hugo once more took the microphone and announced, "I'm afraid we must go now, but not to worry, we will return next year on this date. And if you enjoyed our zoo today, phone your friends in other cities about it. We will land in New York tomorrow, and next week on to London, Paris, Rome, Hong Kong, and Tokyo. Then on to other worlds!" He waved farewell to them, and as the ship rose from the ground, the Earth citizens agreed that this had been the very best Zoo yet...

Some two months and three planets later, the silver ship of Professor Hugo settled at last onto the familiar jagged rocks of Kaan, and the queer horse-spider creatures filed quickly out of their cages. Professor Hugo was there to say a few parting words, and then they scampered in a hundred different directions, seeking their homes among the rocks. In one, the she-creature was happy to see the return of her mate and offspring. She babbled a greeting in the strange tongue and hurried to embrace them. "It was a long time you were gone. Was it good?" The he-creature nodded. "The little one enjoyed it especially. We visited eight worlds and saw many things."

The little one ran up the wall of the cave. "On the place called Earth, it was the best. The creatures there wear garments over skins, and they walk on two legs." "But isn't it dangerous?" asked the she-creature. "No," her mate answered. "There are bars to protect us from them. We remain right in the ship. Next time you must come with us. It is well worth the nineteen *commocs* it costs." And the little one nodded. "It was the very best Zoo ever..."

Adapted from 'Zoo' by Edward D Hoch

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COMPREHENSION

21 From **paragraph one**, give two pieces of evidence to show that Professor Hugo's Interplanetary Zoo was very popular on Earth. [2m]

(a)	
(b)	

22 Choose a word or phrase from **lines 6 – 16** which has a similar meaning to each of the descriptions below. [2m]

Description	Word/Phrase from the passage
(a) in a nervous and excited state	
(b) in a very obvious way to make people notice you	

23 **Based on the passage**, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false and give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True / False	Reason
(a) Professor Hugo tried to draw attention to himself.		
(b) The people of Earth and Kaan paid the same amount of money to their rulers.		
(c) Both the people of Earth and Kaan enjoyed viewing the zoo exhibits.		

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24 Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [2m]

Word from the passage	What the word refers to
them (line 8)	
them (line 35)	

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

The people of Earth and Kaan saw one another through the bars of the cages.	
The Kaan people returned home to tell their tales to the family members.	
Professor Hugo led the people of Kaan to visit the Earth and other worlds.	

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Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
3	4	2	3	3	2	2	4	4	2

Q21)	a) Crowds gathered before daybreak. b) There were long lines of children and adults.
Q22)	a) With bated breath. b) Ostentatiously.
Q23)	a) True / He wore a many-coloured rainbow cape and a top hat. b) False / The Earth citizen paid a dollar each and the Kaan people paid nineteen commocs. c) True / Both the Earth and Kaan people thought that they had the best zoo experience ever.
Q24)	(line 8) --- the cages (line 35) --- people on earth
Q25)	2, 3, 1

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