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MARIS STELLA HIGH SCHOOL (PRIMARY)

2024 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 1 (WRITING)

15 August 2024 (Thursday)

1 hour 10 minutes

55 marks

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CLASS	: PRIMARY 6 _____

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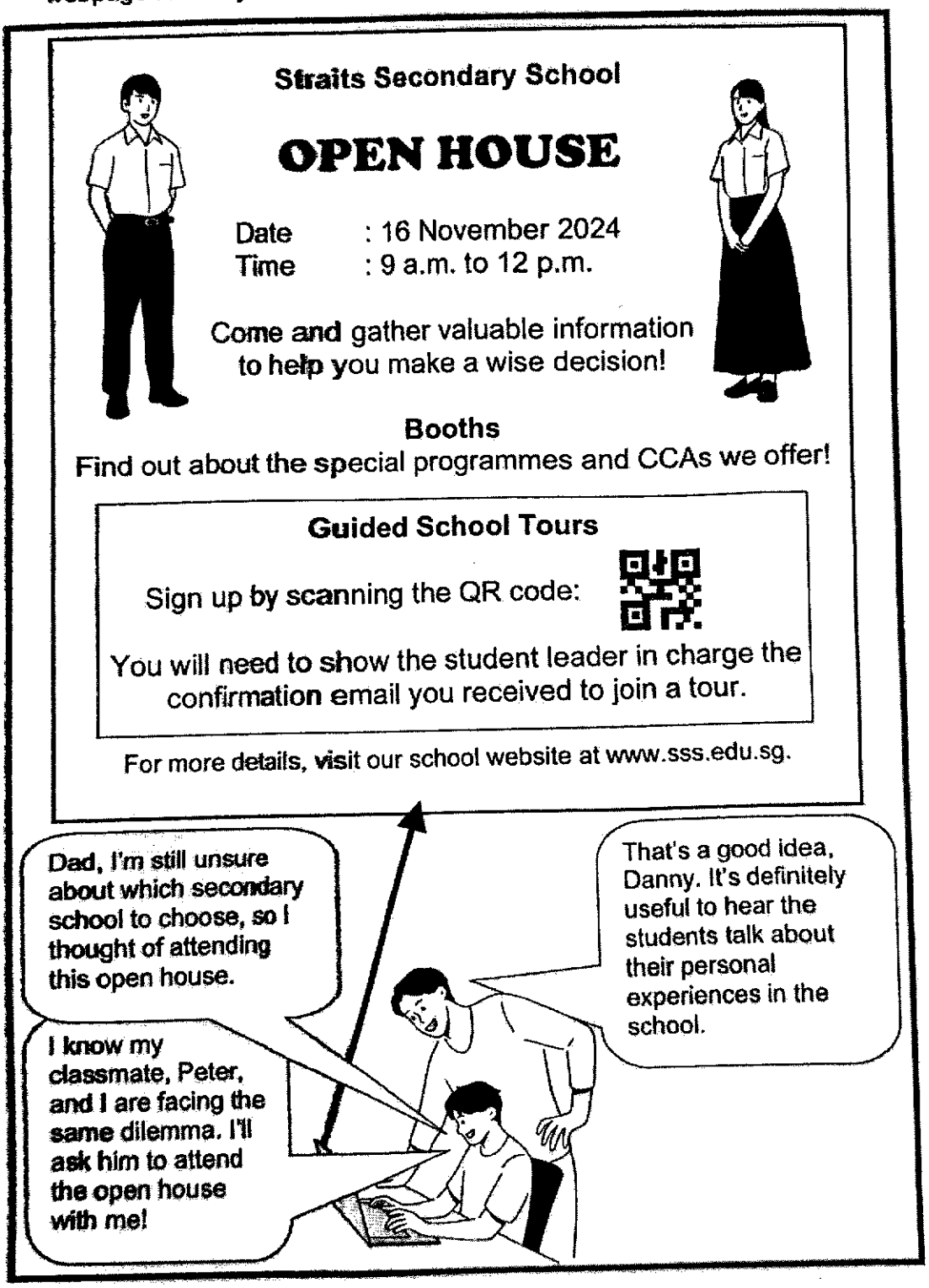
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Part 1: Situational Writing (15 marks)

1 The picture below shows a father and his twelve-year-old son discussing a webpage that they saw online. Study the picture carefully.



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Your Task

Imagine you are Danny.

Write an email to Peter to persuade him to attend the Straits Secondary School open house with you.

You are to refer to the picture and information on page 1 for your email.

In your email, include the following key information:

- the date and time of the open house
- why you are approaching him to attend the open house with you
- two reasons both of you will find the open house informative
- what you must do to join the guided school tour and why

You may reorder the points. Remember to write in complete sentences.

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Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

2 Write a composition of at least 150 words about **being confident.**

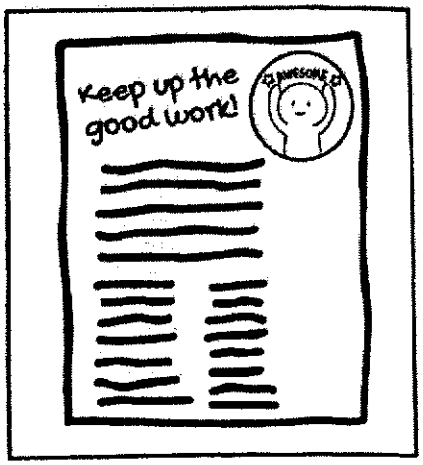
The pictures are provided to help you think about this topic.

Your composition should be based on one or more of these pictures.

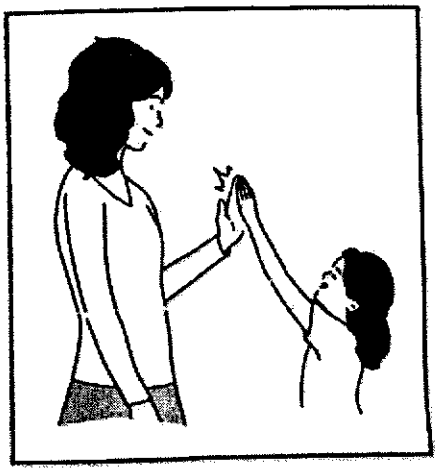
Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

- What caused the confidence?
- What happened in the end?

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







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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET A

15 August 2024 (Thursday)

28 marks

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

NAME	: _____ ( )
CLASS	: PRIMARY 6 _____

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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 shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(10 marks)

1. The teachers, as well as Mr Lee, _____ for a learning journey this coming Monday.

(1) went
(2) is going
(3) has gone
(4) are going

2. "Please let Mary and _____ know if you need anything. Both of_____ would be most willing to assist," the manager said.

(1) I ... us
(2) me ... us
(3) I ... them
(4) me ... them

3. I cannot agree _____ you in this situation as there are alternative solutions that we have not explored yet.

(1) to
(2) by
(3) with
(4) from

4. "I'm going to be scolded again, _____ I?" Mary cried.

(1) isn't
(2) won't
(3) aren't
(4) haven't

5. _____ people could withstand the harsh conditions of the desert, including the seasoned travellers. However, the locals have adjusted their way of life to survive there.

(1) All
(2) Few
(3) Most
(4) Many

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6. Sally consoled her friend, "Poor you! You _____ have cried buckets when your pet cat went missing."

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

7. The panel made _____ unanimous decision to award Meiling _____ "Most Inspirational" prize.

(1) a ... a
(2) an ... a
(3) a ... the
(4) an ... the

8. _____ challenging the test may be, I am determined to complete it.

(1) Despite
(2) However
(3) No matter
(4) Whenever

9. Mr Chua _____ Tim _____on stage before he dropped the microphone.

(1) witnesses... freeze
(2) witnesses... frozen
(3) witnessed... freezes
(4) witnessed... freezing

10. "She'd better _____ now if you want to catch the last bus," he advised.

(1) hurry
(2) hurried
(3) hurries
(4) hurrying

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For each question from 11 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

11. Even after taking the medication, his _____ fever refused to subside, leaving him weak and bedridden for days.

(1) drastic
(2) persistent
(3) consistent
(4) continuous

12. The workers were instructed not to _____ with the equipment while the authorities inspect the area to determine the cause of the accident.

(1) tamper
(2) fumble
(3) hamper
(4) interfere

13. _____ her experiences as a volunteer, Sarah inspired many of her peers to get involved in community service.

(1) Relating
(2) Enacting
(3) Explaining
(4) Portraying

14. The sudden thunderstorm _____ a wave of cancellations for the outdoor concert.

(1) brought along
(2) brought out
(3) brought on
(4) brought in

15. There are plans to strengthen _____ against irresponsible driving by imposing heavier fines and imprisonment terms.

(1) restraint
(2) limitation
(3) restriction
(4) deterrence

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For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

Dear Uncle Joe,

How are you? I hope everything is going well on your end. I am currently preparing for my PSLE. There is a lot of revision to do and the relentless (16) pressure sometimes feels overwhelming, but I am tackling (17) it well. I have noticed that my consistent efforts have drastically (18) improved my understanding of the subjects. My teachers have also been very helpful and encouraging (19). They are always ready to clarify doubts and provide extra practice materials.

On a brighter note, I am really excited about visiting you in December! This trip has proven to be a great source of incentive (20) for me. I have even started making a list of things I want to do and see when I am there!

I cannot wait to catch up with you. Take care and see you soon.

Love,
Randy

16.
(1) harsh
(2) serious
(3) intense
(4) important

17.
(1) settling
(2) resolving
(3) balancing
(4) managing

18.
(1) easily
(2) certainly
(3) inevitably
(4) noticeably

19.
(1) supportive
(2) sensitive
(3) inspiring
(4) soothing

20.
(1) aspiration
(2) motivation
(3) expectation
(4) anticipation

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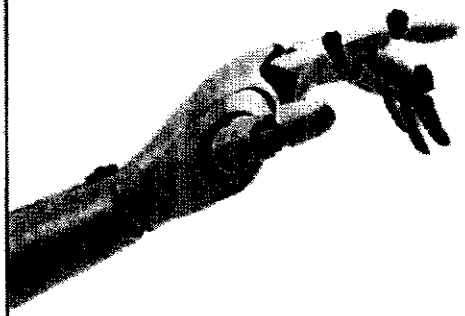
Study this webpage carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

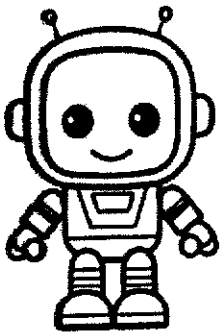
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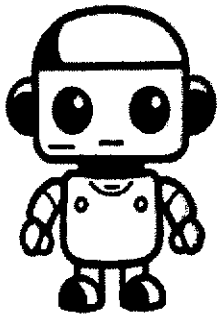
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Robots, Then and Now

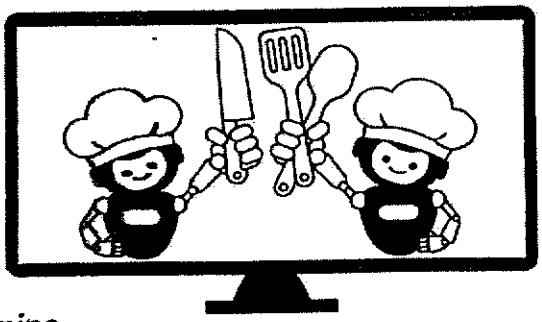
Robots have come a long way since their early days. Back then, they were mostly used in factories, were big and could not move much. They did simple tasks repetitively, and they could not handle anything too complicated.







But now, things are different! Thanks to new technology and smart computers, robots can do a lot more. They have special sensors and can work in different places. They can even understand what is happening around them in real time as they are embedded with Artificial Intelligence (AI).



Robots and Futuristic Dining

Imagine walking into a restaurant where robots greet you, take your orders, and serve your food with precision. That is what Robo Cafe is doing to enhance customer service and your dining experience.

Come and check out our space-themed outlet located in Tech Park and embark on a novel food adventure like no other! Dive into a world of mouth-watering dishes inspired by the blockbuster movie Robochefs. Our team of local chefs has put their own twist on the dishes to make them perfect for everyone's taste. But that is not all – immerse yourself in the movie's plot as our robot waiters serve you! They move gracefully through the restaurant, chatting with diners and making sure your food arrives right on time. And don't forget to capture the unforgettable moment! Feel free to snap photos of your experience at our newly-launched outlet and share them with your friends and family. It's a meal you won't want to forget!

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Come Dine with Your Loved Ones

Bring your family and friends for an exceptional dining experience at Robo Cafe!

Group Discounts:

- Groups of 3 - 5 diners: 10% off
- Larger groups: 15% off

Weekday Special:

- Visit on weekdays before 5 p.m. and enjoy an additional 15% off!

Make a reservation at www.robocafe.sg before 1 December 2024 to enjoy the discounts.

Don't Miss Out – Reserve Your Table Today!

Visit www.robocafe.sg to secure your spot and enjoy these exclusive offers!

Offer Valid till 1 December 2024

Customer Reviews

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"I enjoyed the movie very much, and watching the robot waiters take orders and serve food was most amusing! When I tasted the unusual dishes, I have never heard of before, it felt like I was a character in the movie. I will always remember that meal!"

Warren, 20-year-old student

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"Not only were my children fascinated, but my wife and I also found the experience most amazing. I heard the menu took three months to curate, so it is no wonder the unusual dishes tasted wonderful. The capabilities of the robot waiters also left us speechless. We made quite a few requests, and they promptly responded in the appropriate manner. It was an unforgettable family outing! My family is looking forward to our next meal there!"

Ronald, father of two

To ensure a pleasant dining experience, please take note of the following:

- ✓ *Arrive five to ten minutes before your reservation time for a short presentation.*
- ✓ *Keep the floor free from clutter by storing your belongings in the lockers provided.*
- ✓ *Scan the QR code on your table to look at the menu and place your order.*
- ✓ *Press the buzzer on your table to report a robot malfunction.*

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For each question from 21 to 28, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

21. In the section "Robots, Then and Now", the expression "But now, things are different!" is used to _____.

(1) emphasise that robots are limited to factory use
(2) indicate that robots can only perform repetitive tasks
(3) imply that robots can perform many simple functions
(4) suggest that robots have become more advanced and intelligent

22. Which of the following is not true about Robo Cafe?

(1) Robots do the cooking in the restaurant.
(2) The outlet in Tech Park boasts a space-themed décor.
(3) The local chefs adjusted the dishes based on the movie Robochefs.
(4) The restaurant is committed to improving the dining experience for diners.

23. According to the section "Robots and Futuristic Dining", which word best describes the dining experience as a unique way to enjoy a meal?

(1) local
(2) novel
(3) newly-launched
(4) mouth-watering

24. Under the section "Robots and Futuristic Dining", which of the following does not tell us what the futuristic dining experience is like?

(1) "serve your food with precision"
(2) "snap photos of your experience"
(3) "put their own twists on the dishes"
(4) "immerse yourself in the movie's plot"

25. Mr Tan wishes to have a meal at Robo Cafe. Which of the following will allow him to enjoy the biggest savings?

(1) He goes with as many friends as possible.
(2) He goes with five other friends on a weekday before 5 pm.
(3) He makes an online reservation on a Sunday on 30 November 2024.
(4) He makes an online reservation on a weekend before 1 December 2024.

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26. What do Warren and Ronald have in common in their reviews?

(1) They thought the movie was amazing.
(2) They thought the menu was impressive.
(3) They felt that the unusual dishes were delicious.
(4) They felt that the dining experience was memorable.

27. Diners who want to enjoy their dining experience at Robo Cafe should _____.

(1) put their belongings in the lockers provided
(2) go through the menu on the table before ordering
(3) make a reservation at least ten minutes in advance
(4) press the buzzer on the table to summon a robot waiter

28. The main purpose of this webpage is to _____.

(1) encourage people to watch the movie Robochefs
(2) provide information about dining with robots
(3) promote a futuristic dining experience
(4) showcase good customer reviews

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Read this passage and answer the questions 71 to 80 (in Booklet B).

I sat in a quiet corner under the staircase to read, escaping the taunts of Ronnie and his gang. The tranquility was shattered by Ronnie, the ringleader whose bullying knew no bounds.

"Look at Timid Tim, hiding in the shadows again?" Ronnie sneered.

Upon hearing Ronnie's voice, I attempted to press myself against the wall, as if trying to make myself smaller. Barely whispering, I replied, "I... I don't want any trouble." Laughter erupted around me. I longed to defend myself but was overwhelmed by fear.

The bullying escalated beyond verbal taunts. Ronnie seized every chance to humiliate me. He often took advantage of my fear of public speaking, putting me in situations where my fear would be evident for all to see. Once, when the teacher asked for volunteers for a presentation, Ronnie slyly suggested that I go first. "You're too scared to speak up?" he said mockingly. It was time to face the audience. My palms grew clammy. In addition, my throat became constricted. This made it difficult for me to speak coherently. Once I concluded my presentation, I gritted my teeth.

On another occasion, Ronnie decided to play a nasty prank on me. While I was frantically searching for my wallet in the classroom, Ronnie and his gang revealed themselves as the culprits, sneering at my distress. "Looking for something, Timid Tim?" Ronnie taunted, holding the wallet out of reach. Before I could react, Ronnie dashed away, turning it into a chaotic chase. In spite of my attempts to snatch the wallet from his grip, I did not manage to do so. Eventually, Ronnie dropped the wallet with a thud and walked away, laughing at my predicament. With a deep sigh, I hid my face behind my hands in case my classmates see me in this plight.

During a school camp, our relationship took a significant turn. While wandering around the campsite, I stumbled upon a diary lying on the ground. Picking it up, I realised it belonged to Ronnie upon examining its cover. Eagerly, I began flipping through its pages. As I read, I was struck by his entries. I came to learn of Ronnie's challenges at home and his pressure to do well in school. This discovery completely changed my perception of him. He was not as bad as I had thought.

One afternoon, while on a hike, disaster struck when Ronnie stumbled and twisted his ankle on a hidden root. As Ronnie winced in pain, the group gathered around, unsure of what to do. Despite trailing behind, I immediately rushed forward to help Ronnie. "Are you okay, Ronnie?" I asked, examining the injured ankle. Ronnie, taken aback by my kindness, nodded hesitantly.

"I think so, but I can't put any weight on it," he admitted. I offered Ronnie a shoulder to lean on, helping him to his feet as the group watched in astonishment. Together, we made our way back to the campsite, supporting Ronnie every step. At the campsite, Ronnie turned to me. "Thanks, Tim. I... I didn't expect you to help me. I've been mean to you," he uttered.

I nodded, smiling. "It's no big deal, Ronnie. We're classmates after all."

Ronnie, upon hearing what I had said, stopped short. He reached out and patted my shoulder. Puzzled at this sudden turn of events, I managed a smile. Ronnie was ashamed it had taken him such a long time to realise the impact of his actions.

From then on, Ronnie began making amends by standing up for me whenever others tried to belittle me. Meanwhile, I regained my confidence, feeling more at ease in class and social activities. As my self-esteem grew, so did our friendship.

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET B

15 August 2024 (Thursday)

67 marks

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

NAME : _____ ( )

CLASS : PRIMARY 6 _____

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5. Do not use correction fluid/tape.
6. Do not use highlighter on any part of your answers.

MARKS OBTAINED

BOOKLET A	:	_____ / 28
BOOKLET B	:	_____ / 67
TOTAL	:	_____ / 95

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) and	(D) from	(G) might	(K) on	(N) unlike
(B) are	(E) if	(H) nevertheless	(L) since	(P) what
(C) for	(F) is	(J) off	(M) unless	(Q) which

Have you ever thought about how movies based on books make us see what characters and places look like? _____ special effects in movies make action scenes (29)
exciting and realistic, watching a movie based _____ a book can aid in understanding (30)
the story, especially _____ the book is difficult to read. In schools, movies can be (31)
utilised to help students comprehend books better and foster a greater love _____ (32)
reading. What's more, watching a movie adapted _____ a Roald Dahl story or a J.K. (33)
Rowling novel, like Harry Potter, does make the stories clearer and more enjoyable.

However, some people think that watching movies _____ less rewarding than (34)
reading. Reading aids in enhancing vocabulary, spelling and writing skills, aspects _____. (35)
may be lost when we only watch the movies.

Moreover, books can be revisited many times for a deeper understanding, _____ (36)
movies that present only the director's viewpoint. As a result, we _____ not notice (37)
important details, causing us to miss the book's deeper meanings. _____, both books (38)
and movies offer unique benefits, making stories enjoyable in different ways.

Clearly, whether through reading or watching, stories continue to captivate and enrich our lives.

Score:	/ 10

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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes.

(12 marks)

What defines a true hero? In a recent news report, one lady showed

(39) [ ] *exactly what it means to be one. The incident occur on a busy road in the*

(40) [ ] *vincineti of a local neighbourhood. Susan Tan, a resident of Springfield,*

(41) [ ] (42) [ ] *demostretid remarkable kindness and compassion when she attended with an*

elderly man in need.

(43) [ ] *As Susan made her way home, she catch sight of the elderly man*

(44) [ ] (45) [ ] *struggling to ritreive a fallen bag of groceries amidst the inccesent traffic.*

(46) [ ] (47) [ ] *Instinktivli, Susan rushed to the man's aid by pick up the bag and guiding him*

(48) [ ] *safely across the street. This humaine act was captured on camera by a passer-by*

(49) [ ] *and later shared on social media platforms, which it garnered thousands of likes*

(50) [ ] *and shares. Netizens sang praises of her hera actions.*

Indeed, Susan's actions remind us of the impact small acts of

kindness can have on our community. So, let us all strive to continue being kind.

Score: / 12

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

My parents bought me a mobile phone when I turned twelve. From the very first day, I was inseparable from my phone, constantly sending text messages to my friends. Initially, my parents were (51)_____ the idea of me having a phone. I managed to (52)_____ them eventually, telling them that getting the phone for me meant that they could stay (53)_____ with me at all times and keep tabs on my whereabouts.

As time went by, I became increasingly (54)_____ on my phone. It seemed like it was always within arm's reach. Its screen would light up with notifications and tempt me to check them constantly. I would often choose to stay home after school just to text my friends and browse the internet, rather (55)_____ focusing on my studies. It became a constant struggle to tear myself away from the digital world and concentrate on the tasks at hand. (56)_____ my efforts to strike a balance, I found myself slipping further into digital addiction. Consequently, my grades suffered, and my friendships were affected.

In the end, my parents decided to intervene and put an (57)_____ to it. I was deprived of the (58)_____ of having the phone for a few months. I (59)_____ into tears and argued for a second chance but my father, (60)_____ a stubborn man, would not budge.

During those months, I felt lost and disconnected. (61)_____, as the days passed, I adjusted to life (62)_____ any digital distractions and began to rediscover the joys of the offline world. I spent more time engaging in face-to-face interactions, spending quality time with friends and family and pursuing hobbies that I had neglected in favour of my digital addiction.

When I finally got my phone back, I made a conscious effort to be more mindful of my usage. I set boundaries for myself, (63)_____ that my studies and personal life did not suffer because of (64)_____ screen time.

Since then, I realised that there was more to life than being glued to a screen. I was grateful for the tough love that my parents showed me. Their (65)_____ to confiscate my phone taught me valuable lessons about self-discipline, moderation and the importance of living in the moment. It was indeed a wake-up call that I sorely needed.

Score: / 15

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For each of the questions from 66 to 70,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).

66. Thomas is the most talented chef in the restaurant.

No chef is more _____

_____.

67. Alan drank the entire bottle of water. He felt refreshed.

_____having

_____.

68. The boy persevered and managed to complete the difficult puzzle.

Through_____

_____.

69. The students are responsible for keeping the class clean.

Keeping _____

_____.

70. Grandma asked, "Sally, do you have any chores today?"

Grandma asked Sally_____

_____.

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Read the passage on page 9 in Booklet A and answer quention 71 to 80 **(20 marks)**

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71. Based on lines 1-7, what two actions of the writer supported his given nickname"Timid Tim "? [2m]

(1) _____

(2) _____

72. From the first paragraph, pick out a three-word phrase that tells us that Ronnie would stop at nothing to bully others. [1m]

73. Based on lines 8-14, what are the two pieces of evidence that showed Ronnie was taking advantage of the writer's fear of public speaking in the classroom? [2m]

_____

_____

74. How did the writer react when he faced the audience (line 12)? [2m]

(1) _____

(2) _____

75. Why did the writer grit his teeth (line 14)? [1m]

_____

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76. Based on information from 15-22, fill in the following table.[3m]

How the write felt	How the write showed his feeling	Why the write reacted that way
determined	(b)	He wanted to get back his wallet from Ronnie
(a)	He hid his face behind his hands.	(c)

77. 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. [3m]

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
a) something (line 17)	
b) do so (line 20)	
c) This discovery (line 27)	

78. Based on lines 23-39, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/False	Reason
a) Ronnie gave his diary to the writer.		
b) The writer was curious about what was in Ronnie's diary.		
c) The group members were the first ones to help Ronnie when he was in pain.		

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79. How did Ronnie begin to make amends for his past actions towards the writer? [1m]

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80. Explain clearly why Ronnie patted the writer's shoulder (lines 40-41). [2m]

_____

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LEVEL : PRIMARY 6
SUBJECT : ENGLISH
TERM : 2024 PRELIM

Booklet A

Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	2	3	3	2	1	3	2	4	1
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
2	1	1	3	4	3	4	4	1	2
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28		
4	1	2	2	2	4	1	3		

Booklet B

Q 29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
L	K	E	C	D	F	Q	N	G	H

Q39)	occurred	Q43)	caught	Q47)	picking
Q40)	vicinity	Q44)	retrieve	Q48)	humane
Q41)	demonstrated	Q45)	incessant	Q49)	where
Q42)	to	Q46)	Instinctively	Q50)	heroic

Q51)	against	Q56)	Despite	Q61)	However
Q52)	convince	Q57)	end	Q62)	without
Q53)	connected	Q58)	privilege	Q63)	ensuring
Q54)	reliant	Q59)	Stop / burst	Q64)	excessive
Q55)	than	Q60)	being	Q65)	decision
Q66)	No chef is more talented than Thomas in the restaurant.				
Q67)	Alan having drunk the entire bottle of water felt refreshed.				
Q68)	Through perseverance, the boy managed to complete the difficult puzzle.				

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Q69)	Keeping the class clean is the student's responsibility.
Q70)	Grandma asked Sally if she had any chores that day.
Q71)	1) He sat in a quiet comer under the staircase to read, escaping the taunts of Ronnie and his gang. 2) He replied with a whisper when he spoke to Ronnie.
Q72)	Knew no bounds
Q73)	Ronnie suggested that the writer go first when the teacher asks for volunteers for a presentation and mocked that he was too scared to speak up.
Q74)	1) His palms grew clammy 2) The writers throat became constricted
Q75)	He was angry that Ronnie suggested for him to go first.
Q76)	a) Embarrassed b) He ran after Ronnie c) He did not want his classmates to see him in that plight
Q77)	a) The writer's wallet b) Snatch his wallet back from Ronnie c) Learning about Ronnie's struggle at home and the pressure to do well in school
Q78)	a) False ---- The writer stumbled upon a diary lying on the floor b) True --- Eagerly, the writer began flipping though the diary's pages. c) False --- The group gathered around, unsure of what to do while the writer rushed forward to help Ronnie.
Q79)	Ronnie stood up for the writer whenever others tried to belittle him.
Q80)	He was touched by the writer's kindness despite how mean he was to him.

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