NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL
PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION
2025

PRIMARY 6

ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 1

Total Time: 1 hour 10 minutes

Additional materials: Answer Booklet

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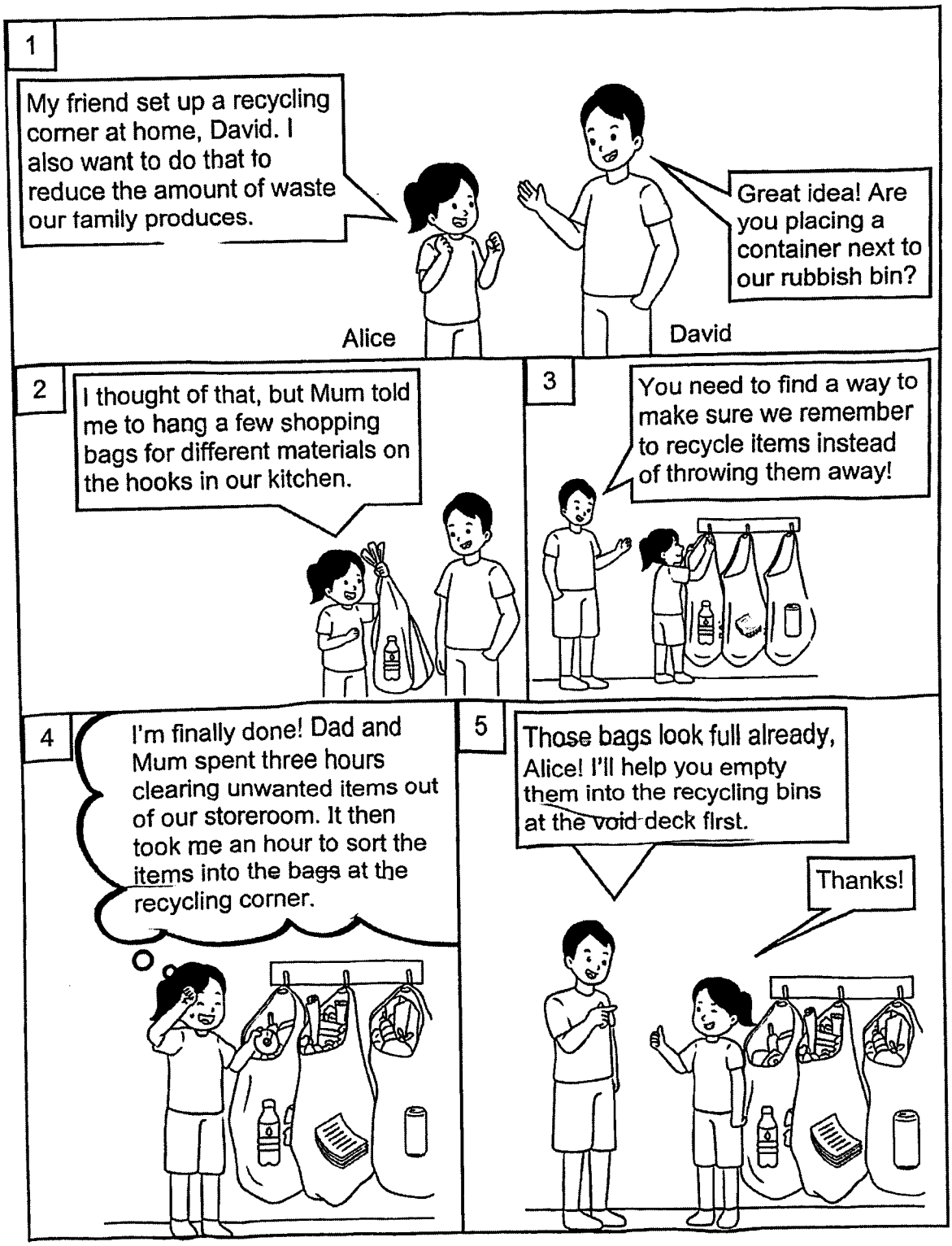
Class: Primary 6 ( )

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Part 1: Situational Writing (14 marks)

1 The pictures below show Alice discussing with her brother how she should set up a recycling corner at home. Study the pictures carefully.



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Your Task

Imagine you are Alice.

Write an article for your school newsletter to share your experience setting up a recycling corner at home.

You are to refer to the pictures and information on page 2 for your article. The bullet point underlined below requires you to come up with your own information.

In your writing, include the following key information:

- why you wanted to set up a recycling corner at home
- the advice you were given about setting up the recycling corner
- how you made sure your family members remembered to recycle items
- two things your family members did after you first set up the recycling corner
- how long it took you to sort out the recyclable items from the storeroom

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

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Part 2: Continuous Writing (36 marks)

2 Write a composition of <u>at least 150 words</u> about **a meaningful encounter**

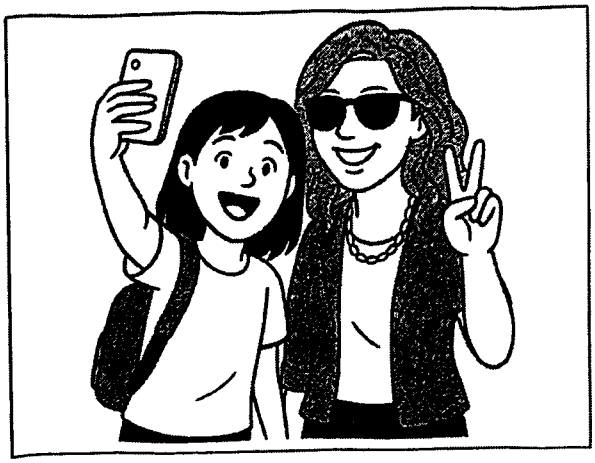
The pictures are provided to help you think about this topic.

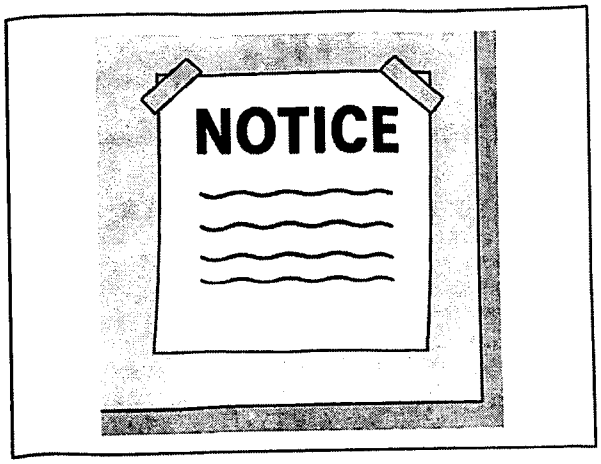
Your composition must be based on one or more of these pictures.

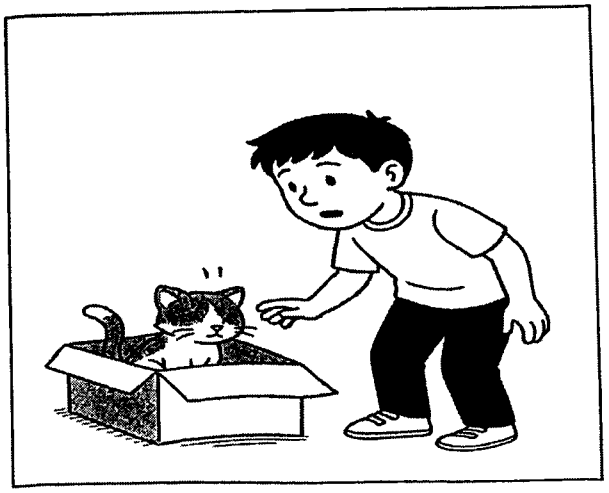
Consider the following points when you plan your composition :

- What was the encounter?
- What was meaningful about the encounter

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







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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2
(BOOKLET A)

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

Additional materials: Optical Answer Sheet (OAS)

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5. Use a 2B pencil to shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

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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 (OAS).

(10 marks)

1. By the time we arrived at the party, most of the guests _____ and the venue was rather empty.

   (1) had left
   (2) have left
   (3) are leaving
   (4) were leaving

2. Neither of the twins _____ willing to share their toys.

   (1) is
   (2) are
   (3) were
   (4) have been

3. You _____ have completed the assignment when you were free last Friday, but you chose to put it off and have to rush through the work now.

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

4. Our neighbours were kind enough to lend us _____ car for the trip.

   (1) his
   (2) they
   (3) their
   (4) theirs

5. There wasn't _____ bread left, so I had to eat cereal instead.

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

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6. "I stayed up all night revising, _____ I still forgot the formula during the exam," said Bryan.

(1) as
(2) so
(3) but
(4) and

7. He's been working late every night this week, _____ ?

(1) is he
(2) didn't he
(3) hasn't he
(4) doesn't he

8. He was _____ the impression that the meeting had been cancelled upon seeing the empty meeting room.

(1) by
(2) on
(3) with
(4) under

9. The teacher praised the student _____ composition was the most creative.

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

10. Sandra noticed her teacher _____ at her in disapproval throughout the entire presentation.

(1) looks
(2) looked
(3) to look
(4) looking

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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 (OAS).

(5 marks)

11. The audience watched in awe as the archer hit the target with remarkable _____ .

(1) detail
(2) agility
(3) clarity
(4) precision

12. The villagers struggled to _____ themselves during the harsh winter with the limited food supplies they had.

(1) control
(2) endure
(3) sustain
(4) preserve

13. The students completed the experiment _____ , following every step closely.

(1) wilfully
(2) intuitively
(3) haphazardly
(4) meticulously

14. Engrossed in her book, Sarah was completely _____ to the noise around her

(1) attuned
(2) oblivious
(3) receptive
(4) sensitive

15. Even though he was feeling unwell, Jayden decided to _____ with his promise to volunteer at the old folks' home.

(1) put up
(2) do away
(3) catch on
(4) follow through

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

(5 marks)

Gaming addiction has become a growing concern, especially among children. While video games can be <u>engaging</u> **(16)** as a pastime, excessive gaming can lead to serious consequences. Some children become so <u>caught up</u> **(17)** in their games that they neglect their studies and even lose sleep. Parents who try to limit their child's gaming often face <u>resistance</u> **(18)**, with some children becoming agitated or even defiant when asked to stop. One reason gaming is so <u>compelling</u> **(19)** is the sense of achievement it provides. Many online games reward players for completing tasks, encouraging them to keep playing to unlock new skills and abilities. This constant reinforcement <u>fosters</u> **(20)** an addictive cycle, making it difficult for some children to stop. If left unchecked, this cycle may impair a child's development, affecting attention span, emotional control, and real-life social skills.

Adapted from Kids+ Pediatrics

16. (1) amusing
(2) tempting
(3) satisfying
(4) captivating

17. (1) absorbed
(2) distracted
(3) indifferent
(4) overwhelmed

18. (1) hesitation
(2) opposition
(3) discomfort
(4) stubbornness

19. (1) necessary
(2) irresistible
(3) persuasive
(4) compulsory

20. (1) limits
(2) creates
(3) controls
(4) develops

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Study the poster (Text 1) and the extract from an article (Text 2) and answer questions 21 to 25.

Text 1

The text below shows a poster for a smartphone.

NOVA

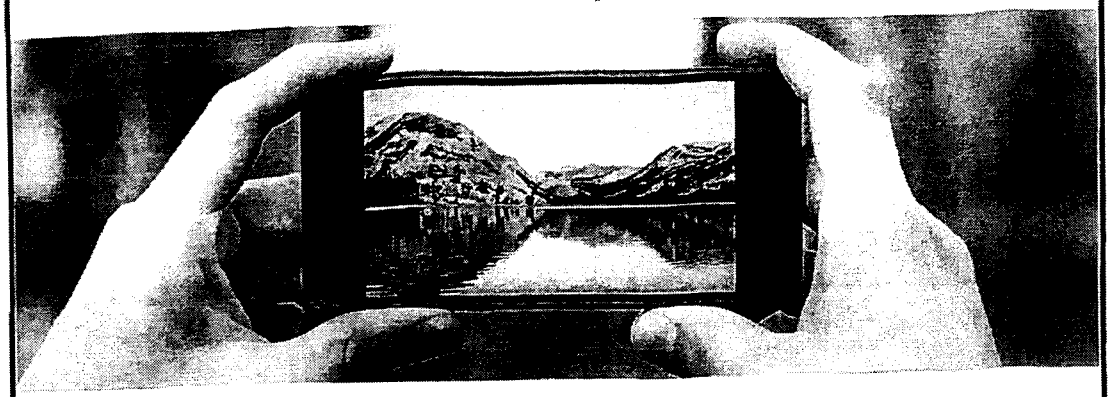
The Future in Your Hands

Introducing the Sunburst X10 – the most advanced compact smartphone of 2025. Experience lightning-fast performance with our upgraded processor, an ultra-clear camera, and improved battery life for all-day use!

Key Features:

#1 Enhanced camera clarity

Take shots like a professional!



#2 Unmatched speed
Win games easily!

#3 Smarter battery management
Ditch your power banks!

Purchase our new model at any Nova retail store before 1 December 2025 and stand to win a pair of air tickets!

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Text 2

The extract below is taken from an article about smartphones.

Every year, new smartphones are released with promises of cutting-edge features and better performance. Advertisements claim that upgrading to new models will significantly improve user experience, causing consumers to eagerly anticipate new phone models. However, in many cases, the actual difference between old and new models is minor, while the price increase is substantial. It is worth considering whether the improvements in new models are indeed value for money.

Advertisements intentionally focus on features such as faster processing speed or higher camera quality to create the impression that the new model is a major improvement. Longer battery life is another frequently advertised feature. New models may have significantly larger batteries or major hardware changes. However, as battery life gradually decreases over time, a simple battery change may be considerably cheaper than purchasing expensive new models.

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the best answer. Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

21. The writer made the statement, "The Future in Your Hands", in Text 1 to emphasise that the Sunburst X10 is _____.

(1) better than current phone models
(2) guaranteed to improve in the future
(3) small enough to fit into anyone's hands
(4) suitable for future generations of people

22. "Take shots like a professional!" The picture supports this statement by giving the impression that the camera _____.

(1) takes high quality photographs
(2) takes clear pictures even in the dark
(3) zooms in on distant places automatically
(4) is suitable for professional photographers

23. Based on Text 2, what does the writer suggest about the real improvements in new phone models?

(1) They make old phone models stop working properly
(2) They are only noticeable in certain expensive models.
(3) They are necessary to keep up with the latest technology.
(4) They may not be significant enough to justify the price increase.

24. What advice does the article in Text 2 give to consumers who are thinking about buying a new phone?

(1) Compare different brands carefully before buying.
(2) Wait for prices of new models to drop before buying.
(3) Replace parts of the old phone instead of buying a new one
(4) Only buy phones with much larger batteries or better hardware.

25. Which of the following statements based on Text 2 most clearly challenges the way Nova's new model is promoted in Text 1?

(1) The actual difference between old and new models is often minor.
(2) A common advertising strategy is to highlight better performance features.
(3) New models may seem exciting, but their higher prices are not always justified.
(4) Improvements like longer battery life may not be good enough a reason to buy a whole new phone.

Please note that the passage for Comprehension questions 66 to 75 in Booklet B is on the next page. You may now go on to Booklet B.

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Refer to the passage below when you answer questions 66 to 75 in Booklet B.

One balmy day at the start of June, Gary was given an important responsibility—caring for his neighbours' cat, Eva, for a month. She was a gray tabby with an inquisitive streak. She enjoyed exploring the neighbourhood by herself and had met most residents. Gary's neighbours, Uncle Tim and Aunty Daisy, were going to another part of the country to check on their new house. Gary was eager to prove himself and took **his role** seriously. Each morning, he would go into his neighbours' backyard to replenish her food and water. He would even play with Eva. She would come and go as she pleased using the pet door installed on the back door. After a week, Eva began appearing on Gary's porch every morning instead, stretching lazily in the sun, waiting for Gary. Gary thought, "Great! I don't have to go to the backyard anymore since Eva comes to my porch every day." Just when everything felt perfect, disaster struck.

Under the evening sky, Gary was watering the plants in his garden. Suddenly, a sharp yowl pierced the air. Gary spun around and saw the tail lights of a motorcycle which was speeding down the deserted road. Near the kerb, Eva lay motionless, her fur ruffled, one paw curled awkwardly beneath her. Panic surged through him. She was still breathing but weak, her body trembling. 'Oh no! What should I do? Would I worsen her injury if I move her?' He hesitated for a moment before scooping her up in a towel, cradling her like fragile glass. His mother rushed to his side. "We'll take her to the vet now," she said firmly, already holding the car keys.

The drive to the vet felt like hours. Gary's mother placed a reassuring hand on his shoulder. "She'll be okay," she said. Inside the clinic, the sterile scent of antiseptic filled the air, and then came **the hardest part**—waiting. How badly was Eva hurt? What would the vet say? Would she be able to recover? Time crawled by as the vet examined Eva thoroughly and administered the treatment. Finally, after an hour, the vet told them Eva's condition—a fractured paw, bruised body but no other broken bones. Her paw was bandaged. She would need to stay indoors for weeks to heal. On the way home, Gary's mother bought a cage.

Gary dedicated himself to her recovery. He placed the cage in his room and padded it with towels. Then, he placed Eva carefully into the cage. "Be good, Eva. You mustn't move too much so that your paw will recover faster," Gary said as he patted Eva and closed the cage door. Strangely, Eva did not protest. "Looks like Eva understands what you said," Gary's mother chuckled. For the next few days, Gary changed Eva's bandage daily and made sure Eva had a comfortable **cage rest**. Once her paw healed and the swelling subsided, Gary let Eva out of the cage. He monitored Eva's movement in his room. Whenever Gary sat on the floor, Eva would curl up beside him and purr softly. She even rubbed her face against his arm or leg. Gary wondered why Eva did that. He checked online and discovered that Eva was showing him affection. "Mum! Eva loves me!" Gary ran to his mother and showed her what he had read. "Of course, she does. Don't you love her too? You've taken such good care of her." Gary's mother answered, giving Gary a pat on his back. "I'm proud of you!" Gary grinned broadly.

Uncle Tim and Aunty Daisy came back and thanked Gary and his mother. Uncle Tim announced, "We'll be moving to our new house in two weeks' time. We're already in our seventies and the smaller new house is easier to maintain. Now we have to drive five hours to visit our daughter. The new house is within walking distance from my daughter's home. We'll miss you. You're such good neighbours all these years." Tears welled up in Gary's eyes when he heard that and saw Aunty Daisy picking up Eva. He stifled his sobs and ran to his room. Gary's mother explained to her neighbours how Gary's relationship with Eva had changed over the month. Meanwhile, Eva was meowing loudly in Aunty Daisy's arms.

On the night before Uncle Tim and Aunty Daisy moved to their new home, Gary's doorbell rang. Gary opened the door and received a surprise. Uncle Tim handed Gary a box with Eva inside. "Gary, we would like you to take care of Eva from now on. We know that she will be in good hands." Uncle Tim said. "Don't you think one good turn deserves another?" Aunty Daisy added with a wink. Gary was at a loss for words as he clutched the box tightly. Gary's mother thanked Uncle Tim. As they turned to leave, Gary put down the box, ran to the elderly couple and gave them a bear hug. "I promise to take VERY good care of Eva," Gary said with heartfelt gratitude.

Adapted from When the thief doesn't fall far from the tree by Lorrie Osmonson

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PAPER 2
(BOOKLET B)

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Parent's Signature: _____

Please sign and return the examination paper the next day. Any queries should be raised at the time when the paper is returned.

Booklet B	/ 65

This booklet consists of **8** printed pages and **0** blank page(s).

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 26 to 35, 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)	against	D)	however	G)	over	K)	this	N)	when
B)	even	E)	like	H)	therefore	L)	unlike	P)	who
C)	had	F)	many	J)	these	M)	were	Q)	whom

Maria Hertogh's court case in Singapore received a lot of attention. _____ (26) over in the Netherlands, film crews covered the development of the case. Her sad story was _____ (27) known by many.

Maria was separated from her birth parents, the Hertoghs, _____ (28) she was five years old due to circumstances of war. For the next seven years, she was cared for by Aminah Mohamed and grew to love her like family. After the war, _____ (29) her wishes, she was taken from Aminah Mohamed and sent to live with the Hertoghs in the Netherlands. This ruling by the court triggered tensions which erupted into riots. At the same time in other parts of the world, other children _____ (30) also taken away from families they loved. _____ (31) Maria's case, there were no protests, riots, or news reports about _____ (32) children. People only got to hear about their tragic stories years later, _____ (33) of which reminded us of the impact of separating children from their loved ones.

Today, we know that when there are conflicts — whether _____ (34) issues like race, religion, or other differences — it is often the children _____ (35) suffer the most. We must remember these stories and prevent children from experiencing such suffering again.

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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. (10 marks)

(36) [ ]

It was the first day of Sarah's vacation. With enthooziasm bubbling inside her, she planned her day — a visit to the art museum and a local café.

(37) [ ]

By midday, Sarah wandered around the museum, amazed by its intrakate exhibits with detailed carvings and tiny moving parts. Noticing her interest, a guide offered her (38) [ ] (39) [ ] a compliment tour. He explained, "This guided tour is free and no rehzevations are (40) [ ] needed." They then began uncovering the museum's hidden treshures.

The guide started telling Sarah stories behind the exhibits which made each (41) [ ] piece of artwork came alive. Sarah felt a fervent fondness for the beautiful artworks (42) [ ] as she listened close to the guide, amazed by the passion and effort the artists had (43) [ ] put into each piece. The guide shared how many of the artworks were created on scratch, often involving weeks or months of work. It took a lot of patience and (44) [ ] persistence to strength their skills and complete each masterpiece.

That evening, she relaxed in a cozy café, holding her warm coffee and watching (45) [ ] the glowing sunset. A sense of acompleashment filled her. Smiling gently, she knew this vacation was more than just a break.

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

Most people can only share stories about trekking based on what they have seen in books or movies. However, only a few people have actually experienced _____ (46) it is really like to hike through tall, snowy mountains and see the amazing views for _____ (47).

Trekking in the mountains is certainly a task that is not for everyone _____ (48) it can be dangerous and difficult. To the faint-hearted, having to trek mountainous terrains and staying overnight in tents where one is _____ (49) to sudden changes in weather is considered an _____ (50). For those who appreciate it, it is a test of strength and being able to enjoy the beauty of nature along the way makes facing all the challenges _____ (51).

One of the greatest trekking expeditions of all was that of Tenzing Norgay's, a legendary mountaineering guide who made history _____ (52) bravely reaching the summit of Mount Everest with Sir Edmund Hillary. This groundbreaking achievement made him famous all _____ (53) the world. On one expedition, Tenzing and his team had to change their plans because the weather got worse, forcing them to find a new route. Tenzing kept going _____ (54) the conditions getting harsher. Along the way, he chanced _____ (55) a hidden part of the mountains with colourful wildflowers. _____ (56) discovery revealed a part of the Himalayas so untouched that it had never been documented _____ (57).

Trekking helps one become more adaptable and allows one to _____ (58) resilient during challenging times. When hikers are prepared for the challenges that lie _____ (59), the mountains actually offer a journey that is _____ (60) deeply rewarding and unforgettable. Overcoming these challenges with determination can help one learn, grow and create lasting memories.

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For each of the questions 61 to 65, 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). (10 marks)

Do not write in this space.

61. "I was reading a thrilling novel last night," Lily told her cousin.

Lily told her cousin _____

_____.

62. If the coach had not encouraged us, we would have given up halfway.

Without the coach's _____

_____.

63. The chef prepares delicious meals every evening.

_____

_____ by the chef.

64. They did not spread the rumour that Hugo was expelled.

None of _____

_____.

65. The florist described in detail the floral arrangement at the banquet hall.

The florist gave a _____

_____.

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Read the passage on page 10 of Booklet A and answer questions 66 to 75. (20 marks)

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66. Pick out a word from the first paragraph that describes Eva's natural curiosity of places and people. [1m]

67. What were the two things which Gary was likely to do when Eva was at his porch? [2m]

a) _____

b) _____

68. Explain clearly why Gary hesitated before picking up Eva in paragraph two. [2m]

_____

_____

69. Based on lines 11 to 24, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/False	Reason
Eva was likely to have been hit by a motorcycle.		
Gary's mother was indifferent to Eva's injury.		
The vet was careful in handling Eva's condition.		

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

_____ The vet informed Gary and his mother that Eva would take some time to recover.

_____ Eva was nursed back to health at Gary's house.

_____ Gary found Eva badly hurt on the pavement by the road.

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71. Based on the information from lines 25 to 35, fill in the blanks in the following table. [2m]

Do not write in this space.

Event	How Gary felt	What Gary did
Gary checked online and found out that Eva was showing him affection.	a)	He went to tell his mother what he had discovered.

Event	How Gary's mother felt	What Gary's mother did
Gary's mother knew her son loved Eva and had taken good care of her.	proud	b)

72. Look at the table below. What do the word(s) 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
his role (line 5)	
the hardest part (line 20)	
cage rest (line 29)	

73. How would moving to the new house benefit Uncle Tim and Aunty Daisy? [2m]

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74. What did Gary do when he heard that Eva would be leaving, and why did he react that way? [2m]

Do not write in this space.

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75. In the last paragraph, Aunty Daisy said that one good turn deserved another. What was the good thing that Gary did and what did he deserve in return? [2m]

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English Language Paper 2
ANSWER KEY

BOOKLET A

Grammar (10m)			
1.	1	6.	3
2.	1	7.	3
3.	4	8.	4
4.	3	9.	4
5.	3	10.	4

Vocab (5m)	
11.	4
12.	3
13.	4
14.	2
15.	4

Vocab Cloze (5m)	
16.	4
17.	1
18.	2
19.	2
20.	4

Visual Text (8m)	
21.	1
22.	1
23.	4
24.	3
25.	4

BOOKLET B

Grammar Cloze (10m)	
26.	B (even)
27.	H (therefore)
28.	N (when)
29.	A (against)
30.	M (were)
31.	L (unlike)
32.	J (these)
33.	F (many)
34.	G (over)
35.	P (who)

Editing (10m)	
36.	enthusiasm
37.	intricate
38.	complimentary
39.	reservations
40.	treasures
41.	come
42.	closely
43.	from
44.	strengthen
45.	accomplishment

	Cloze Passage (15 marks)
46.	what/how
47.	themselves/real
48.	because/ as/ since/ for
49	vulnerable/subjected/ exposed/ susceptible
50.	ordeal/adversity
51.	worthwhile/ easier
52.	by/after/ upon/ for
53.	over/ around / across
54.	despite
55.	upon / on
56.	this/ the/ their/that/ his
57.	before/ yet/ anywhere
58.	remain/ stay / be
59.	ahead
60.	both/ so/ very/ especially/ really/ truly/ most/ surprisingly

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SYTNHESIS & TRANSFORMATION (10 marks; 2 marks each)

61. Lily told her cousin that she had been reading a thrilling novel the previous night.

62. Without the coach's encouragement, we would have given up halfway.

63. Delicious meals are prepared every evening **by the chef**. / Every evening, delicious meals are prepared **by the chef**.

64. None of them spread the rumour that Hugo was expelled.

65. The florist gave a detailed description of the floral arrangement at the banquet hall.

COMPREHENSION (20 marks)

66. inquisitive

67. a) replenish Eva's food and water
b) play with Eva

68. Gary was not sure what to do and he was afraid to worsen Eva's injury.

69. a) True - Gary saw the tail lights of a motorcycle that was speeding down the deserted road where Eva lay motionless.
b) False - Gary's mother immediately helped Gary take Eva to the vet.
c) True - The vet spent an hour examining Eva thoroughly and administering the treatment.

70. 2, 3, 1

71. a) surprised/ happy/ excited
b) She patted Gary on his back and commended him for taking good care of Eva.

72. a) Gary having to take care of his neighbours' cat (for a month) / Gary's responsibility of caring for his neighbours' cat
b) waiting to know how badly injured Eva was
c) (Eva) staying in a cage and not moving too much while in the cage

73. The new house was smaller, so it was easier to maintain and they would be within walking distance from their daughter's home.

74. Gary cried and ran to his room as he was upset about having to be separated from Eva.

75. Gary took good care of Eva, so he deserved to be her new owner.

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