



**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL
2011 SECOND SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION
PRIMARY 5**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2: BOOKLET A

TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min

Name: _____ () Pr 5 ()

There are a total of 80 questions – 30 MCQ and 50 open-ended questions.

Instructions to pupils:

- 1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.**
- 2. Follow all instructions carefully.**
- 3. Answer all the questions**
- 4. Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.**

Section A: Graphic Stimulus (5 x 1m = 5m)

Study the flyer below and answer questions 1 to 5.

MEGA Bookworm Annual Book Fair!

21st October 2011 – 25th October 2011



UP TO 50% DISCOUNT!!!

Venue : Singapore Exhibition Hall A1

Ticket: \$1 - Available at ticket booth

(Admission is free for all Bookworm Club members, children below 10 years old and senior citizens above 60 years old.)

Opening Hours: 9 am to 9 pm

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Bookworm pen with
purchases of \$80
and above!



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3. For free admission, please flash your Bookworm Club Member Card or Identity Card at the entrance.

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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The Book Fair will be going on for _____.

- (1) 5 days
- (2) 6 days
- (3) 21 days
- (4) 25 days

2. The Book Fair is organized by _____.

- (1) Bookworm Club
- (2) Singapore Exhibition Hall
- (3) Bookworm Distributors (S) Pte Ltd
- (4) Mega Bookworm Annual Book Fair

3. _____ will be able to enjoy the additional 10% discount.

- (1) A Bookworm Club member who has a \$100 discount voucher
- (2) A Bookworm Club member who makes a minimum purchase of \$100
- (3) A non-Bookworm Club member who purchases \$100 for special offer items
- (4) A non-Bookworm Club member who makes a minimum purchase of \$100

4. If one wants to become a member, one has to _____.

- (1) pay a fee of \$2
- (2) call Bookworm Distributors to apply
- (3) flash your identity card at the entrance
- (4) register at <http://www.bookwormfair.com>

5. Which one of the following is true?

- (1) The book fair is held once every year.
- (2) All items are sold at a discount of 50%.
- (3) One only needs to pay \$8 if one applies to be a Bookworm Club member at the fair.
- (4) A Bookworm Club member without his member card is entitled to a free admission.

Section B: Grammar Discrete (7 x 1m = 7m)

For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. Max _____ a wooden toy car for the baby last night.
- (1) buy
 - (2) bought
 - (3) has bought
 - (4) was bought
7. John, together with his teammates, _____ very sad when they lost the match last year.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were
8. I saw Jane _____ the bell just now.
- (1) ring
 - (2) rang
 - (3) rung
 - (4) rings
9. (None) of your answers in the test you sat for last week _____ correct.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) had
10. The fish should not be given too _____ food as they will die if they overeat.
- (1) few
 - (2) little
 - (3) many
 - (4) much

11. You will keep this a secret, _____ you?

- (1) will
- (2) won't
- (3) would
- (4) wouldn't

12. Kate turned _____ the offer of a ride home from the stranger.

- (1) up
- (2) off
- (3) down
- (4) away

Section C: Punctuation (3 x 1m = 3m)

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1,2,3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Daniel and Jenny heaved a loud sigh in unison.

"This is so boring (13) Jenny shrieked in irritation.

At that juncture, there was a loud bang. Their car screeched to a halt.

Everybody was shocked beyond words (14) Dad immediately alighted to check it out.

"What happened (15) Daniel asked: "Did we hit something?"

Jenny alighted from the car and ran to where Dad was standing with his hands akimbo.

They had a flat tyre.

13.

- (1) [.] full stop and inverted commas
- (2) [?] question mark and inverted commas
- (3) ["] inverted commas and exclamation mark
- (4) [!] exclamation mark and inverted commas

14.

- (1) [:] colon
- (2) [,] comma
- (3) [.] full stop
- (4) [;] semi colon

15.

- (1) [, "] comma and inverted commas
- (2) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
- (3) [? "] question mark and inverted commas
- (4) [! "] exclamation mark and inverted commas

Section D: Vocabulary (5 x 1m = 5m)

For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. The teacher will _____ the matter. You do not have to worry.

- (1) look at
- (2) look on
- (3) look up
- (4) look into

17. Mary's shirt was _____ with paint after she had leaned against that wall.

- (1) dyed
- (2) ripped
- (3) streaked
- (4) splashed

18. Gulliver was stranded on a _____ island. There was nobody there.

- (1) bleak
- (2) dreary
- (3) barren
- (4) desolate

19. James was put off by Mr Lim's _____ stories.

- (1) silly
- (2) funny
- (3) unusual
- (4) entertaining

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20. Mother was unable to sleep because of the _____ barking of our neighbour's dog the whole night

- (1) sturdy
- (2) resilient
- (3) enduring
- (4) incessant

Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1m = 5m)

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Pipi was my pony. A few years ago, it was mauled by a dog. The dog bit

(21)

all four of Pipi's legs. There were also large gashes on its face. I took it to a

(22)

distinguished animal hospital.

(23)

Then, Pipi developed an infection. Veterinarians thought Pipi would have to be put to sleep.

I was shocked. I did not expect the infection to be fatal.

(24)

However, the doctors noticed something about Pipi. It had a strong will

(25)

to live. They felt that it would survive the ordeal.

- 21.
- (1) beaten
 - (2) flogged
 - (3) attacked
 - (4) defeated

22. (1) cuts
(2) slices
(3) pieces
(4) incisions
23. (1) significant
(2) celebrated
(3) prestigious
(4) extraordinary
24. (1) deadly
(2) disastrous
(3) destructive
(4) disparaging
25. (1) wish
(2) control
(3) purpose
(4) determination

Section F: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1m = 5m)

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Bob paddled in his canoe, with his spear beside him. He had paddled far up the river. But he had not seen a fish yet.

5 Bob knew it was unwise to float too far past the village. The river would begin to speed up in a short distance. There, the water became rough as the river narrowed until it was only a few miles wide. Only a few miles past this area was said to be the Great Waterfall. That was where the river fell off the edge of the world, where no one had ever safely returned. His mother had warned him many times about the risks. Yet, Bob refused to take heed this time. He wanted to make his mother proud when he returned home with a fish for dinner.

10 The sounds of the village faded behind him. Vines and trees along the bank were passing by more quickly. Bob's heartbeat quickened in fear. However, the thought of his mother counting on him to bring home their dinner spurred him on.

15 All of a sudden, a loud splash could be heard. Bob spun around. He spotted a large, shadowy creature, as big as his canoe, moving in the water. Large ripples of water could be seen on the surface. Bob caught his breath. It must be a big fish! He could feed the whole village with such a fish.

20 Bob's heart pounded with excitement. He held on tightly to his spear, aiming in anticipation. He needed the creature to **breach the water** so that he could see it clearly and take aim.

The dark shadow swimming beneath the water loomed as it neared the surface. Before he knew, the creature made a mighty leap out of the water again. It was what Bob had wanted the creature to do!

25 However, Bob did not throw his spear. He froze in utter shock. It was not a fish!

30 Before Bob could take a closer look to determine what that creature was, the creature had disappeared once again into the water. Its dive had caused yet another huge splash, showering the canoe and drenching Bob with the cold spray. Bob's flimsy little canoe swayed violently in the huge wave. With his heart in his mouth, he immediately grabbed the sides of his canoe, holding on for dear life!

Source: BOHIDEUS (EDGE OF ANOTHER WORLD) by Warren Scott Foster

26. Bob's intention in the first paragraph was to _____.

- (1) catch a fish for dinner
- (2) paddle far up the river
- (3) go to the Great Waterfall
- (4) prove that he was becoming a man

27. Bob's mother did not want the ^{gob} ~~writer~~ to paddle all the way to the Great Waterfall because _____.

- (1) the river was narrow there
- (2) there would be a loud splash
- (3) it was a very dangerous place
- (4) a fish as big as the canoe was there

28. What first made Bob notice that there was something in the water?

- (1) He heard a loud splash.
- (2) His canoe swayed violently.
- (3) He saw large ripples on the surface of the water.
- (4) He spotted a large shadowy creature moving in the water.

29. The phrase "**breach the water**" in line 19 means to _____.

- (1) create a ripple
- (2) splash around
- (3) leap out of the water
- (4) move deep in the water

30. Bob was most probably feeling _____ in the last paragraph.

- (1) fearful
- (2) hesitant
- (3) rebellious
- (4) determined



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TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min

Name: _____ ()

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Parent's Signature: _____

Booklet A	/30
Booklet B	/65
Total	/95

PAPER 1 - Writing	/55
PAPER 2 - Language Use & Comprehension	/95
PAPER 3 - Listening Comprehension	/20
PAPER 4 - Oral Communication	/30
TOTAL	/200

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Section G: Grammar Cloze (10 X 1m = 10m)

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40. 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 in order to avoid confusion during marking.

Use each WORD once ONLY

A) a	D) be	G) had	K) our	N) though
B) as	E) been	H) have	L) the	P) to
C) and	F) from	J) it	M) then	Q) when

There was an elderly man who was a coal miner in West Virginia. He owned the mine he worked in, but he often noticed he was sharing _____ with another creature – a rat. This was a unique rat that would always stay near him as he worked. It was as _____ the rat was keeping him company, and vice versa. _____ the miner sat down to eat from his lunch box, he would always feed the rat some scraps _____ his own meal.

One day, while the miner was working alone, the rat appeared to _____ unduly agitated. It scurried back _____ forth and repeated this behaviour so often that the miner had a feeling that the rat was trying to tell him something.

Intrigued, _____ miner put down his drill and followed the rat around the corner to see if he could figure _____ what was bothering the little creature. Just _____ the roof of the mine caved in at exactly the same spot the miner had _____ standing!

The miner would surely have been killed without the warning of his friend, the rat.

(Adapted from Animal Miracles: Inspirational and heroic true stories)

Marks:

Section H: Spelling and Grammar (10 x 1m = 10m)

Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box numbered 41 to 50.

When I was young, we lived in a dilapidated wooden house on the outskirts of the
(41)
town. It stood on wooden stilts and had a steeply **slopping** roof of corrugated zinc
(42)
sheets which made the scorching weather even more **unbarebel**.

I was the second oldest of the children. My siblings and I often ran about, and when
(43)
our play got too disorderly, the whole house shakes.

(44)
"The house is going to **colaps**!" my mother would yell at us.

(45)
We seemed to lived in perpetual darkness. During the day, the nearby trees blocked
(46)
out much of the sunlight. Whenever the sun set, the darkness would **terorice** us. We
(47)
had no electricity and light kerosene lamps, whom gave only dim light.

Sometimes, as little children we were just afraid of the dark, and Mother would ask
(48)
in a voice with a tinge of **aprehention**, "Why are you so afraid? What do you see?"

(49)
Although we saw nothing, her questions made us even more frighten. To me, there was
(50)
nothing more terrified than the prospect of meeting a monster. It was not until I had grown
older that I dared to sleep alone.

Marks:

Section I: Synthesis/Transformation (5 x 2m = 10m)

For each of the questions from 51 to 55, 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).

51. The sums were very difficult. The pupils could do them.

Although _____

52. Angela will be taking part in the competition. Her sister is my best friend.

_____ whose _____

53. Lena insisted on going to school although she felt unwell.

Despite _____

54. If you do not clean the windows, Mother will scold you.

_____ unless _____

55. "Did you wind up the toy car?" Father asked Ron.

Father asked _____

Marks:

Section J: Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1m =15m)

In the following passage, there are 15 blanks numbered 56 to 70. Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

When you think of famous comedians, who is the first that comes to mind? ~~For~~
_____, ~~of you,~~ that person will be Rowan Atkinson, best _____ as Mr
(56) _____ (57) Bean. He has also portrayed Johnny English in the comedy movie, Johnny English.

Rowan Atkinson is one of Britain's most successful _____. He has won
(58) the affection of millions of fans around the _____ as the clumsy Mr Bean who
(59) causes _____ wherever he goes and leaves a trail of mess.
(60)

Unlike Mr Bean who drives a small car, Atkinson is well-known for his love for fast
cars; _____ sports cars. Unfortunately, he got into a car _____ in
(61) _____ (62) August 2011. Atkinson reportedly lost _____ of the car which crashed into a tree
(63) and then a lamppost before _____ fire. Fortunately, Atkinson suffered only a
(64) _____ injury.
(65)

In reality, Atkinson is a _____ person although he is an international
(66) superstar. He does not like too much attention on him. It is said that the immensely private
Atkinson refused to let his movie be _____ in Italy so that his holiday there would
(67) not be disturbed by his _____.
(68)

He commented that many people assumed that just because he _____
(69) make people laugh on screen, he would be able to make them laugh in _____.
(70)

That isn't the case at all. "I am essentially a rather quiet, dull person who just happens to
be a performer," said Atkinson.

Marks:

Section K: Comprehension Open-ended (10 x 2m = 20m)

Read the passage below carefully and answer questions 71 to 80.

5 “Left!” “Right!” Our guide, Maldo, shouted as we paddled furiously. We had been navigating the torrential rapids of the river for four hours, zipping between rocks and bursting through white-crested waves. It was my first time white-water rafting and I was thrilled! My father and I had long dreamed of doing this. Finally, we set off with the rest of our family and some friends. Filled with excitement, I walked onto the riverbank towards the bright yellow rafts that would be our front-row seats to the river’s fury.

10 We were a large group. Leading our troop were two professional guides. After completing the tedious Beginners and Advanced Course, most of my family members and friends had had enough. Only a few of us – my father, myself and Maldo included were keen to go on. All that remained was the Extreme Course, a hazardous stretch of the river that only the most experienced had been allowed to enter. Maldo warned that it had not been fully tested out by rafting guides but his words only made us more eager for adventure.

15 As our jeep made its way upstream, I noticed that the rocks seemed to grow at an incredible rate; some towering well over fifteen metres out of the water. We finally arrived at the launch point and boarded our raft with excited screams. My heart began pounding as our raft hit the churning white froth of the first set of rapids. Following Maldo’s commands, we manoeuvred our way out. My heart lightened. This isn’t too bad, I thought. After slicing through the turbulent water unscathed, we looked at each other in disappointment, as if to say, “That’s it?”

20 Our answer came at the final, most torrential section of the river. We greeted the rapid with roars. Maldo was yelling to paddle around a fallen tree trunk, but between our howls and our reluctance to be cautious, not a word got through to us. Suddenly, the raft hit the trunk, and the onrushing water started to tip us over.

25 Before setting off, we had been lectured about the possible dangers and what to do if we got into trouble. Should the raft begin to tip over, we needed to balance it out by shifting all our weight onto the rising side. It all seemed simple enough. But in the panic of the moment, we tried paddling around the tree. We were going against the current and the raft did not budge. We were thrown into the current. It had all taken just ten seconds.

30 I thrashed around underwater for a brief moment before kicking up to the surface. With my life vest keeping me afloat, I was dragged through a maze of half-submerged rocks. Suddenly, I felt my back hit a huge rock. I wrapped my arms around it gratefully but the impact had shaken me badly and I could feel my grip slipping. My fingers finally slipped free and I was swept down the river by the raging current. I was sure I was going to die.

(Adapted from Reader’s Digest)

ANSWER IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. In the first paragraph, why was the author excited?

72. Explain clearly what the author meant when he said "most of my family members and friends had had enough" (lines 8 – 9).

73. What does the word "it" in line 11 refer to?

74. In paragraph three, which action of the author and his father showed their enthusiasm as they set off on the Extreme Course?

75. How were the author and his father able to make their way out of the first set of rapids?

76. Explain fully why the author and his father "looked at each other in disappointment" (lines 19 - 20).

Marks:

77. Which phrase in paragraph four tells you that the writer and his father did not hear Maldo's shouting?

78. Why were the author and his father unable to balance out the raft?

79. Which sentence in paragraph five tells us that the mishap happened very quickly?

80. Why did the author wrap his arms around the huge rock?

Marks:

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
D	C	L	K	M	E

41)sloping 42)unbearable 43)shook 44)collapse 45)live

46)terrorise 47)which 48)apprehension 49)frightened 50)terrifying

51)Although the sums were very difficult, the pupils could do them.

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55)Father asked Ron if he had wound up the toy car.

56)most 57)known 58)performers 59)world 60)trouble

61)particularly 62)accident 63)control 64)catching 65)minor

66)reserved 67)screened 68)fans 69)could 70)person

71)It was the author's first time water rafting and he was thrilled.

72)After the tiring Beginner's Course and Advanced Course, the author's family and friends were tired and did not want to continue.

73)It refers to the Extreme Course.

74)When the author and his father boarded the raft at the launch point, they boarded it with excited screams.

75)They followed Maldo's commands and manoeuvred out.

76)They thought the course would be more exciting, but after escaping the turbulent waters unscathed, they were disappointed.

77)The phrase is "not a word got through to us".

78)They panicked to much and did not shift their weight on the rising side as taught and tried padding around the tree instead.

79)The sentence is "It had all taken just ten seconds".

80)He did not want to be swept down the river by the raging current.