



**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
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PRIMARY THREE  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**PAPER 2**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (       )

Class: Primary Three \_\_\_\_\_

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46 QUESTIONS

1 hour 15 minutes

| Component        | Marks |
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| Sections<br>A-B  | / 14  |
| Sections<br>C-G  | / 20  |
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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.  
Follow all instructions carefully.  
Answer all the questions.**

This paper consists of 13 printed pages excluding the cover page.

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**Section A – Grammar MCQ (8 x 1 mark)**

Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

1. Joe and Ned \_\_\_\_\_ the World Cup finals later:
  - (1) watch
  - (2) watches
  - (3) watched
  - (4) are watching
  
2. Ramesh helped to look \_\_\_\_\_ his grandfather who was sick.
  - (1) to
  - (2) up
  - (3) after
  - (4) down
  
3. This set of storybooks belongs to Sam and me. It is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (1) his
  - (2) ours
  - (3) hers
  - (4) theirs
  
4. "There isn't \_\_\_\_\_ orange juice left! Who has finished it?" Mr. Tan asked angrily.
  - (1) any
  - (2) a lot
  - (3) much
  - (4) many
  
5. "Matthew did the housework all by himself, \_\_\_\_\_ he?" asked Mrs. Mah in surprise.
  - (1) didn't
  - (2) hadn't
  - (3) wasn't
  - (4) wouldn't

6. Jane missed her bus \_\_\_\_\_ she woke up late.
- (1) so
  - (2) but
  - (3) while
  - (4) because
7. "\_\_\_\_\_ pencil case is this? I found it on the floor," asked Kelly.
- (1) Which
  - (2) Who's
  - (3) What's
  - (4) Whose
8. Every pupil \_\_\_\_\_ required to wear his school tie on Mondays.
- (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were

**Section B – Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)**

Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

9. The alarm clock rang and Guo Wei looked at it \_\_\_\_\_ from his bed.
- (1) sleepily
  - (2) cheekily
  - (3) hopefully
  - (4) gratefully
10. While camping in the forest, the scouts were terrified when they heard a \_\_\_\_\_ of wolves howling from afar.
- (1) stud
  - (2) pack
  - (3) team
  - (4) brood

11. The butterflies \_\_\_\_\_ from flower to flower in the garden.

- (1) flit
- (2) jump
- (3) crawl
- (4) swing

12. "I cannot hear what Farah is saying because she is \_\_\_\_\_ to herself," explained Hock Xiong.

- (1) rattling
- (2) muttering
- (3) chattering
- (4) stammering

13. Grandfather Lin carried that heavy box of storybooks up the long flight of stairs. He is \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) as fit as a fiddle
- (2) as busy as a bee
- (3) as happy as a lark
- (4) as swift as an arrow

14. Zane is a famous \_\_\_\_\_ who has drawn pictures for many well-known children's storybooks.

- (1) author
- (2) journalist
- (3) illustrator
- (4) playwright

**Section C – Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in each blank. Write its letter (A to F) in the blank. Use each word **ONCE** only.

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|--------|----------|-----------|
| (A) he | (B) her  | (C) his   |
| (D) it | (E) them | (F) their |

Charles Lutwidge Didgson was a shy man. When (15) \_\_\_\_\_ wrote the book 'Alice In Wonderland', he did not use (16) \_\_\_\_\_ real name. Instead, he used the pen name, Lewis Carroll.

His friend had three daughters. One of (17) \_\_\_\_\_ was called Alice. One day, Alice begged Charles for a story with a lot of nonsense in (18) \_\_\_\_\_. He started making up a story which was later written and made into a book.

*Adapted from: <http://www.alice-in-wonderland.net/alice1a.html>*

**Section D – Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Have you ever seen a jellyfish? Its body (19) [ look / looks ] like a big mushroom. It (20) [ move / moves ] in the water by drifting with the current and tide of the sea. The jellyfish sometimes (21) [ sting / stings ] with its tentacles and causes injuries to swimmers who (22) [ is / are ] not alert. The next time you swim in the sea, remember to look out for this dangerous sea creature.

*Adapted from: <http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/animals/jellyfish.html>*

**Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (3 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in each blank. Use each word ONCE only.

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|-----------|-----------|---------|
| alight    | board     | dropped |
| excitedly | nervously | sent    |

Jun De and his classmates were returning to school after their learning journey at the zoo. They were chatting (23) \_\_\_\_\_ about what they had learnt when the bus suddenly stopped.

The driver got up from his seat and told them that the bus had broken down. They had to (24) \_\_\_\_\_ and wait for another bus at a bus stop, fifty metres ahead. Twenty minutes later, the replacement bus came and (25) \_\_\_\_\_ them to school.

Fortunately, the children arrived in school before their dismissal time.

**Section F – Editing (5 x 1 mark)**

Correct the words in **bold** for spelling. Write the correct answer in the boxes provided.

Good morning folks! This is your radio chef, James Lin. Today, I

(26)

am going to share with you a simple **resipe** for preparing steamed

chicken wings.

(27)

You will need five chicken wings. Cut each wing into two **peices**

and place them on a plate. Grate a big knob of ginger over it, add a

(28)

tablespoon of soya **sause** and a teaspoon of sesame oil. Steam the

(29)

marinated chicken wings on high heat for about fifteen **minites**. Serve it

(30)

hot with a **vegitable** dish and white rice. Well, I hope you'll enjoy this

marvellous dish. Stay tuned for a new dish tomorrow!

Till then, this is Chef Lin!

**Section G – Comprehension Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word of your own.

Dear Diary,

I have been busy looking for my pet dog, Jacky. Two days ago, I had left the front gate open by mistake and he ran out! I went around the neighbourhood looking for him (31) \_\_\_\_\_ the search was unsuccessful. Later that evening, my neighbour saw him at the Express petrol station which was not far (32) \_\_\_\_\_ my house. That was Friday evening at seven. No one has seen him since then.

I am very annoyed with myself for making that mistake. I think I will put up a few (33) \_\_\_\_\_ around the neighbourhood. Hopefully, someone will read them and look out for Jacky. Fifty dollars will be given as a (34) \_\_\_\_\_ for finding Jacky. I hope he will be found soon.

Ben

**Section H – Comprehension – Selected Response and Open-ended (8 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

The Emperor Penguin is the largest among the 17 penguin species. It is also the only animal to live in the Antarctica during winter. It spends its entire life there and in its surrounding waters. The bird which has wings is unable to fly.

Every winter, Emperor Penguins travel across the ice to find a good breeding ground. The males arrive first to attract the females. In May or June, the females lay an egg each and pass the egg to the males to keep it warm. Then, the females leave to search for food.

Each male penguin balances its egg on its feet and covers it with a warm layer of feathered skin which is called a brood pouch. The males must protect the eggs from the strong winds and snowstorms. They huddle together in groups and keep warm that way.

Finally, after about two months, the females return from the sea. They bring up the food stored in their stomachs to feed the hatched chicks. After that, the males leave to fish. This time, the females take over to care for the chicks.

By December, the ice begins to break up. Now, the chicks are old enough to go out to sea and hunt for their own food.

*Adapted from <http://www.animalfactguide.com/animal-facts/emperor-penguin/>*

35. Where can you find Emperor Penguins?

\_\_\_\_\_ [1 mark]

For Questions 36 to 38, read each statement and tick "True" or "False". Refer to paragraphs 1 to 2 to help you. An example has been done for you. [3 marks]

|                | Statement   | True | False |
|----------------|---|------|-------|
| <b>Example</b> | The Emperor Penguin cannot fly.                                     | ✓    |       |
| 36.            | The female Emperor Penguin lays more than one egg each winter.      |      |       |
| 37.            | The female Emperor Penguin takes care of the egg before it hatches. |      |       |
| 38.            | The male Emperor Penguin reaches the breeding ground first.         |      |       |

39. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

The Emperor Penguins protect their eggs with their \_\_\_\_\_. [1 mark]

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feet

wings

pouches

40. Which word has the same meaning as 'gather'? Circle either (A) or (B).  
[1 mark]

They huddle together in groups and keep warm that way.

(A)

(B)

41. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to show the order of events that happened in paragraphs 3 to 4. [1 mark]

\_\_\_\_\_ The male Emperor Penguins go to sea to hunt.

\_\_\_\_\_ The male Emperor Penguins keep the eggs warm.

\_\_\_\_\_ The female Emperor Penguins feed the chicks with stored food.

42. In which month are the chicks ready to find their own food?

\_\_\_\_\_ [1 mark]

**Section I – Comprehension – Open-ended (4 x 2 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

One day, a wise old king ordered for his servant to bring him his wine in his favourite cup. It was gold in colour and a treasured gift from the king's father after the king had fought bravely in an important battle.

Shortly after, the servant reported nervously that the king's cup was missing. He explained to the king that all the servants had searched high and low for it but it was nowhere to be found. Upon hearing that, the king was very upset. He felt that one of his servants must have taken it.

The king came up with a clever idea. He called for all his servants to meet in his hall. He gave each of them a wooden stick which was ten centimetres long.

He told them calmly, "Everyone, take one of **these**. You're holding a magical stick. The stick which is taken by the thief will grow one centimetre longer in the night."

Later that night, the guilty thief shortened the stick by one centimetre.

The next morning, the king gathered all his servants and examined their sticks. He pointed at the thief and shouted at him, "You have stolen my golden cup!"

**Write your answers in complete sentences.**

43. Who gave the king the golden cup?

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44. Which 4-word phrase from the passage has the same meaning as 'looked hard'?

45. What does the word "these" in line 11 refer to?

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46. Why do you think the thief shortened his stick?

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| Q11 | Q12 | Q13 | Q14 |
| 1   | 2   | 1   | 3   |

15. A
16. C
17. E
18. D
19. looks
20. moves
21. stings
22. are
23. excitedly
24. alight
25. sent
26. recipe
27. pieces
28. sauce
29. minutes
30. vegetable
31. but
32. from
33. posters
34. reward
35. In the Antarctica
36. False
37. False
38. True
39. Pouches
40. A
41. 3
- 1
- 2

42. December

43. The king's father gave the king the golden cup.

44. searched high and low

45. It refers to the wooden sticks.

46. He did not want to be found out.