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SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2, 2014
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2
PRIMARY 5

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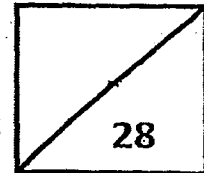
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TOTAL DURATION FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min

Marks:



BOOKLET A

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 28 questions (Questions 1 to 28).
4. **Answer ALL the questions and shade them in the correct ovals on the OAS provided.**

* This paper consists of 11 pages altogether (including this page)

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For each question, from 1 to 10, shade your answer (1,2,3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (10 marks)

1. The bouquet of flowers _____ presented to the Guest-of-Honour before the ceremony ended.

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

2. The young man saw the dog _____ across the road when the traffic lights turned green.

- (1) dash
- (2) dashes
- (3) dashed
- (4) was dashing

3. Look over there! An elephant _____ water at the man with an umbrella.

- (1) sprays
- (2) will spray
- (3) is spraying
- (4) was spraying

4. _____ of them has agreed to accompany me to the museum. I shall go on my own.

- (1) Both
- (2) Each
- (3) Either
- (4) Neither

5. This book _____ author has won many awards is a bestseller.
- (1) which
 - (2) whom
 - (3) where
 - (4) whose
6. Due to a technical glitch in an east-bound train during the morning peak hour, thousands of commuters were late _____ work or school.
- (1) to
 - (2) at
 - (3) for
 - (4) from
7. Yeke pushed on with his last ounce of strength _____ knowing that his chance of winning was slim.
- (1) when
 - (2) since
 - (3) despite
 - (4) because
8. We always visited the museums whenever we were on holiday, _____ we?
- (1) do
 - (2) did
 - (3) don't
 - (4) didn't

9. _____ I ~~know~~ she was afraid of the dark, I would not have left her alone in the room.

- (1) Had
- (2) Might
- (3) Would
- (4) Should

10. I was taken by surprise when my mother brought back plates of food for my cousin and _____. We did not even have to join the queue!

- (1) I
- (2) us
- (3) me
- (4) her

For each question from 11 to 15, shade your answer (1,2,3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

11. My brother has developed an _____ habit of talking to his cat every night before going to bed.

- (1) erratic
- (2) artificial
- (3) acquired
- (4) eccentric

12. Drugs are highly _____. Once you become too dependent on them, you may not be able to control your drug use.

- (1) addictive
- (2) obsessive
- (3) compulsive
- (4) uncontrollable

13. There is a _____ possibility that Father might change his mind about going to Japan. Let's keep trying and not give up.

- (1) certain
- (2) remote
- (3) distinct
- (4) serious

14. The officials told the protestors to _____ or the police would not hesitate to use the teargas on them.

- (1) back up
- (2) back off
- (3) back out
- (4) back down

15. Although she did not manage to help Grace _____ her problems, Grace was touched by her comforting words.

- (1) relieve
- (2) reduce
- (3) resolve
- (4) reconcile

For each question from 16 to 20, 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. (5 marks)

Sam was a 27-year-old river guide. He had led tours down the Zambezi River many times and had to weather many attacks by a certain territorial male hippo. Those attacks gave Sam no clue as to the potential viciousness of the bull, which attacked one day, apparently out of the blue. The violent assault killed a young guide before turning on Sam who had approached to help his co-worker.

"I was aware that my legs were surrounded by water, but my top half was almost dry. I seemed to be trapped in something slimy. There was a very bad smell, like that of rotten eggs, and a tremendous pressure against my chest. My arms were trapped but I managed to free one hand and feel around – my palm passed through the wiry bristles of the hippo's snout. It was only then that I realised I was underwater, trapped up to my waist in his mouth," recounted Sam.

Source: newsfeed.time.com

16. (1) last
(2) suffer
(3) endure
(4) undergo

17. (1) cruelty
(2) violence
(3) wickedness
(4) ferociousness

18. (1) strike
(2) attack
(3) tackle
(4) beating

19. (1) bitter
(2) musty
(3) strong
(4) pungent

20. (1) touch
(2) grope
(3) search
(4) explore

Visual Text Comprehension

Study this brochure carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28. (8 marks)

WET WET WILD

5th Birthday Bash

EXCLUSIVELY ON 2 OCTOBER 2014

GET FREE CUPCAKES FROM
Delicakes

LET'S PARTY WITH A SPLASH!

FUN ACTIVITIES
Get your cameras ready. Join our life-sized mascots in the festive splash...amidst unusual water-based percussion sounds. PLUS...dive in for aqua-aerobics & dancercise in water with them!

Complimentary Entry To Party for Explorerkid members only!
Non-members:
• 50% off entry fee
• Chance to participate in interactive games
• Take part in Explorerkid contest from 14 October
Visit Downtown West on Facebook for more details

GET-WET PARTY GAMES
Join us for Pin-the-Tail on the Torpedo, Musical Floats, Lemon-Spoon race, Twister, Water Balloon Catch and more!
Be prepared to get wet.
* All games but 2 are held on weekends. Please check with our Customer Service counter for more details.

It's FUN-tabulous! Stay • Play • Eat at DOWNTOWN WEST

CRUISING TO A ROYAL WIN

Every \$20 spent at any participating Downtown West outlet entitles you to up to 4 chances of winning the top prize – A one-week Royal Caribbean Cruise Vacation. There are other attractive prizes to be won too!

Visit Downtown West on Facebook or www.downtownwest.com for more details

FREE WET WET WILD RETURN VISIT VOUCHER

- Applicable only to existing NTUC Plus members.
- Purchase your entry ticket on our birthday to qualify for free return visit voucher!
- The voucher is valid only on weekdays, excluding school holidays and public holidays from 4 October to 29 November

Admit One

WILD PASS PACKAGE DEAL

- Sign up now for a 3-year NTUC Plus membership at an exclusive rate of \$22 and be rewarded with unlimited access to Wet Wet Wild for 1 year (U.P \$118)

Special treat for existing NTUC Plus members! Grab a 1-year Wild Pass at only \$17 for unlimited access to Wet Wet Wild!

Admit One

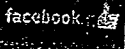


TIME 2 EAT

Treat yourselves to lunch and dinner from as low as \$4.50 and \$6.50 respectively! Visit www.downtownwest.com for more details



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21. Wet Wet Wild has been opened for _____ years.
- (1) 1
 - (2) 2
 - (3) 3
 - (4) 5
22. The heading 'Complimentary Entry to Party for Explorerkid members only' tells us that _____.
- (1) entry to Wet Wet Wild is free
 - (2) the party is free to members of the public
 - (3) only Explorerkid members can join the party
 - (4) Explorerkid members need not pay to join the party
23. The freebie that everyone at the party on 2 October would receive is a/an _____.
- (1) entry pass
 - (2) movie ticket
 - (3) piece of cake
 - (4) lunch or dinner
24. Life-size mascots will be joining party-goers in the _____.
- (1) Musical Floats
 - (2) Aqua-aerobics
 - (3) Interactive Games
 - (4) Water Balloon Catch
25. To qualify for the lucky draw at Downtown West, a minimum of _____ must be spent at the selected outlets.
- (1) \$17
 - (2) \$20
 - (3) \$22
 - (4) \$118

26. NTUC Plus members who visit Wet Wet Wild on 2 October are entitled to

_____.

- (1) a free return visit voucher
- (2) unlimited access for one year
- (3) an exclusive membership rate
- (4) 4 chances of winning a free cruise

27. The objective of offering the Wild Pass Package Deal is to

_____.

- (1) offer minimal access to Wet Wet Wild
- (2) promote the facilities at Downtown West
- (3) celebrate the anniversary of Wet Wet Wild
- (4) encourage people to sign up for the NTUC membership

28. In the caption 'Cruising To A Royal Win', 'Royal Win' refers to the

_____.

- (1) first prize
- (2) royal cruise
- (3) name of a ship
- (4) week-long celebration



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BOOKLET B

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 52 questions (Questions 29 to 80).
4. **Answer ALL the questions and write all the answers in this booklet.**

	Maximum	Marks Obtained
Booklet A	28	
Booklet B	67	
Total	95	

Component	Question Numbers	Marks Obtained
Comprehension Cloze	51 – 65	
Comprehension Open-ended	71 – 80	

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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) on | (D) and | (G) which | (K) up | (N) off |
| (B) they | (E) if | (H) with | (L) of | (P) where |
| (C) them | (F) at | (J) under | (M) by | (Q) beyond |
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On 23 June 2014, our Junior Red Lions, comprising 18 primary school students, gathered at Hendon Camp. The students had the opportunity to train together (29)_____ the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) Red Lions parachute team. It was an opportunity for the Junior Red Lions to experience the thrill of pushing themselves (30)_____ their comfort zones and overcoming challenges together. They also participated in exercises that were physically (31)_____ mentally challenging. These included leaping (32)_____ a 10-metre airborne tower to conquer their fear of heights.

The next morning, they trained (33)_____ the iFly Singapore wind tunnel. (34)_____ the professional guidance of the Red Lions, the students were able to perform basic flight moves in airspeeds of (35)_____ to 300 kilometres per hour.

On 9 August, the Junior Red Lions welcomed the Red Lions as they landed on the floating platform, (36)_____ the National Day celebrations were held. Red Lions team leader Second Warrant Officer (2WO) Dave Chong took the responsibility (37)_____ mentoring the Junior Red Lions seriously.

"I want to motivate these students and help them realise that anything is possible (38)_____ they set their minds to it," said Dave Chong. He was pleased with the enthusiasm shown by the students.

Adapted from http://www.ndp.org.sg/images/ndp2014/junior_red_lions.pdf

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

Last Saturday, many Singaporeans came together to explore the newly-opened

(39)

Sports Hub. Mr Kumar, who was there with his son Ravi, were impressed.

(40)

(41)

"The new Sports Hub will be the proud of our nation. It is more than just an icon

addition to the country's skyline," said Mr Kumar proudly

(42)

(43)

"I prefer the new stadium than the old one. There are many facility here.

(44)

(45)

It's more konveenient," said Ravi. "It's awesome, aspesiali the stadium's cooling

(46)

(47)

technology. As an athlit, I can train comfortably. I appreciate the anvairement here." he

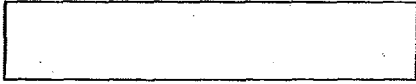
added.

As they toured the Sports Hub, they learnt many facts about the new stadium. It



(48)

has a retractable seating capabili, making it the only stadium in the world to host a multitude of events such as football, rugby as well as concerts. Besides the stadium,



(49)



(50)

the Sports Hub is even home to a sports museum and sports laiberi. Mr Kumar also found out that the Sports Hub is just a stone's throw away from two MRT stations – Kallang and Stadium.

Adapted from 'Under One Roof', www.straitstimes.com, 27 February 2014

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

I learnt to be independent since I was in a primary school in England. From a very young 51) _____, I have always been good with money, learning how to save much of my weekly allowance. 52) _____ my family was rich, my parents did not give me a lot of pocket money

I never gave 53) _____ to buying luxury items for myself, other than a few magazines and comics. This habit of saving had been 54) _____ in me by my grandparents. They never bought expensive toys for me. Having lived 55) _____ the Second World War, they were naturally thrifty. I was therefore in no 56) _____ of becoming a spendthrift.

I also learnt to save from my mother. During my childhood days, she taught 57) _____ how to cook. I learnt to buy ingredients from the nearby market. I cooked basic meals for myself so that I would not be hungry. Besides learning to save, I also learnt to take buses and trains 58) _____ my own. Taking the public transport was a breeze once I was 59) _____ with the routes and the times. Before my mother let me take the public bus on my own, she warned me to be on the 60) _____ for thieves and tricksters. She also taught me to always be 61) _____ of strangers and to be discerning in the friends I make. She said that I was easily taken in and could be cheated by people 62) _____ hidden intentions.

In school, several of my friends mixed with 63) _____ company. Some of these friends eventually smoked but I 64) _____ to be one of them. As far as studies were 65) _____ I was not a high achiever. However, I knew when it was time that I had to get down to do some serious work.

Adapted from My Word, 8 Days Magazine, 26 June 2014

For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentences, 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)

66. The weather was sunny. We decided to go to the beach.

_____ as

67. If you do not smile, they may think that you are arrogant.

Unless _____

68. The teachers have nominated Peter for the Star Student Award.

Peter _____

69. We were amazed that the elderly man completed the marathon.

To our _____

70. Ann asked her son, "What did you do at school today?"

Ann asked her son _____

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

Earlier in June this year, Jason Chee returned to work at the Singapore Navy to take on a new role - as an Operations Supervisor at the Changi Naval Base. Indeed, his return capped a remarkable comeback. In December 2012, he met with a horrific accident on board a warship. Fortunately, he survived but needed a lot of help. Following an appeal by the Navy, Jason received overwhelming support, with many people donating blood and money.

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After his initial operation, he broke down in shock. When he regained consciousness, he realised that he had lost both his legs. He also found out that his left arm and three fingers on his right hand were gone. Nevertheless, Jason did not despair. He showed his undying spirit when the Defence Minister visited him at the hospital. Jason saluted in uniform despite his plight. I was inspired.

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When my teacher challenged me to interview a person who had inspired me, I thought of Jason Chee immediately. I wanted to learn about his resilience. I was over the moon when he accepted my request for an interview through Uncle George, who was Jason's friend.

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When I asked Jason what kept him going despite his injuries, he replied, "The Navy has been taking good care of me throughout my recovery journey. I was very touched when I knew that they have been widening doorways and installing ramps to help me adapt to the new workplace. It is the support from the Navy family that pushes me to go on and not give up." Before his return to the Navy, I learnt that Jason kept himself busy with his rehabilitation programme, which involved training with his prosthetic legs to enable him to stand up and walk normally.

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"Although the training is tough, I will not give up because I want to achieve my goal, which is to be able to walk on my own again. I want to take care of my family and my future despite my condition," said Jason. Deeply moved, tears welled up in my eyes.

25

During the interview, I found out that Jason had also taken an active interest in sports. The former school paddler rediscovered his love for table tennis and was helped by the Singapore Disability Sports Council. In January this year, he represented Singapore and went on to win a Bronze team medal in the 7th ASEAN Para Games held in Myanmar. He aims to take part in the 2016 Paralympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

30

When I shared my interview in class, my teacher praised me for my effort. "Yes, Jason Chee has inspired many of us! Through him, we can also see how sports can help to build one's confidence and self-esteem," my teacher added.

35

Adapted from Navy serviceman Jason Chee back at work, www.channelnewsasia.com, 3 June 2014

71. What was Jason's new role when he returned to work? (2m)

72. Why did Jason break down in shock in the hospital? (2m)

73. In Line 11, why was the author inspired by Jason? (2m)

74. Which word in the Paragraph 3 tells us that Jason does not give up easily?

75. Choose words from paragraphs 1 to 4 which have similar meaning to the words below. (3m)

Words to replace	Answer
• pulled through	
• lose heart	
• artificial	

76. How did Jason's colleagues make it easier for his movement at the workplace? (2m)

77. How did the author manage to interview Jason? (2m)

78. In Line 26-27, why did tears well up in the author's eyes? (2m)

79. How did the author's teacher link sports and Jason's recovery? (2m)

80. What did Jason do after the accident on board the warship?

Write 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the blank below to indicate the order in which the actions occurred in the passage. (2m)

Order	Actions
	He returned to work at the Singapore Navy
	He represented Singapore in the 7th ASEAN Para Games.
	He accepted the author's request for an interview.
	He saluted in his uniform when the Defence Minister visited him.

End of Paper

Answer Ke

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
K	P	L	E

- 39)was 40)pride 41)iconic 42)to 43)facilities
44)convenient 45)especially 46)athlete 47)envionment
48)capability 49)also 50)library 51)age 52)Though
53)in/thought 54)instilled 55)during/through 56)danger
57)me 58)on 59)familiar 60)lookout 61)wary
62)with 63)bad/wrong 64)refused 65)concerned
66)We decided to go to the beach the weather was sunny.

- 67)Unless you smile, they may think that you are arrogant.**
- 68)Peter has been nominated by the teachers for the Star Student Award.**
- 69)To our amazement, the elderly man completed the marathon.**
- 70)Ann asked her son what he had done at school that day.**
- 71)He was an Operations Supervisor at the Changi Naval Base.**
- 72)Jason had lost both his legs his left arm and three fingers on his right hand.**
- 73)Despite his condition, Jason did not despair and showed his undying spirit when the defense Minister visited him in the hospital by saluting in uniform despite his plight.**
- 74)Resilience.**
- 75)survived
Despair/ give up
Prosthetic**
- 76)They widened doorways and installed ramps to help Jason adapt to the new workplace.**
- 77)The author had an uncle named Uncle George who was friends with Jason Chee and vid Uncle George, the author managed to interview Jason.**
- 78)The author was very touched when Jason said that although the training of his prosthetic legs were tough, he would not give up because he wanted to achieve his goal of walking on his own and taking care of his family and his future despite his condition made the author's eyes well up in tears.**
- 79)The author's teacher said that through Jason Chee, they could also see how sports could help build one's confidence and self-esteem.**
- 80)3, 2, 4, 1**