



HOUGANG PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SECOND SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2009  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PRIMARY 3

BOOKLET A

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (     )

Class: P3. \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2009

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 15 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

This booklet consists of 7 printed pages

Section A ( Vocabulary )

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

(6 marks)

1. My sister went to the \_\_\_\_\_ to get a new pair of spectacles.

- 1) doctor
- 2) surgeon
- 3) optician
- 4) veterinarian

2. We laughed while we watched the \_\_\_\_\_ just now.

- 1) thriller
- 2) comedy
- 3) horror movie
- 4) documentary

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ hid the scarf which she had stolen from the shopping mall in a bag.

- 1) robber
- 2) smuggler
- 3) kidnapper
- 4) shoplifter

4. I replied Tom's letter which I had \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday.

- 1) written
- 2) received
- 3) answered
- 4) approached

5. Although someone had seen him taking the money, he did not \_\_\_\_\_ his mistake as he did not want to be punished.

- 1) deny
- 2) admit
- 3) refuse
- 4) decline

6. The hunter trembled as he described his \_\_\_\_\_ meeting with the pack of wolves.

- 1) pleasant
- 2) dreadful
- 3) delightful
- 4) sorrowful

**Section B (Grammar)**

For each question from 7 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.  
(6marks)

7. My classmates and I repaired the computer \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) itself
  - 2) yourselves
  - 3) ourselves
  - 4) themselves
8. One of the winners who \_\_\_\_\_ receiving a prize after the speech yesterday is my cousin.
- 1) is
  - 2) was
  - 3) are
  - 4) were
9. Every afternoon, the children in the childcare centre always \_\_\_\_\_ a nap.
- 1) take
  - 2) took
  - 3) takes
  - 4) taking
10. The mischievous boy always \_\_\_\_\_ tricks on his friends.
- 1) play
  - 2) plays
  - 3) will play
  - 4) is playing

11. \_\_\_\_\_ people seating at the table over there are making a lot of noise.

- 1) This
- 2) That
- 3) Those
- 4) These

12. During the dry season, there isn't \_\_\_\_\_ grass in the field.

- 1) few
- 2) little
- 3) many
- 4) much

Section C (Comprehension MCQ)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 13 to 17.

One evening, Tommy and his father went to the East Coast Park to fly kites. The wind was strong and the kites soared high up in the sky. There were all kinds of kites in the sky. Tommy brought a butterfly-shaped kite. His father brought a dragon-shaped kite. Soon, their kites were swaying in the sky with many others. Tommy clapped his hands with joy. He was happy that his kite flew very high.

Some people were not flying kites. They had come to the park to enjoy the sea breeze and to watch the others fly their kites.

Suddenly, the sky became dark and the wind started to blow very strongly. It was going to rain. Many people packed their things hurriedly and began to move off. Tommy's father shouted to him, "Quick! Bring your kite down before it is too late." Tommy did not answer his father and began to cry instead. "My kite! My kite!" The string had broken.

For each question from 13 to 17, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (10marks)

13. Who was Tommy going to the East Coast Park with?

- 1) He was going with his friends.
- 2) He was going with his family.
- 3) He was going with his father.
- 4) He was going with some people.

14. What was Tommy doing at the park?

- 1) He was flying a kite.
- 2) He was having a picnic.
- 3) He was enjoying the sea breeze.
- 4) He was watching other people fly kites.

15. Why did Tommy clap his hands with joy?

- 1) His kite flew high in the sky.
- 2) He saw all kinds of kites.
- 3) He saw many colourful kites.
- 4) He liked his father's dragon-shaped kite.

16. Many people packed their things quickly because \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) it was too windy.
- 2) it was going to rain.
- 3) the sky became dark.
- 4) there was no more wind.

17. Which one of the following statements is true?

- 1) Tommy had lost his kite.
- 2) Tommy's father had scolded him.
- 3) Tommy was crying because it had started to rain.
- 4) Tommy's father wanted to stay at the park and wait for the rain to stop.

**END OF BOOKLET A**



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BOOKLET B

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Answer all questions.

Write all your answers in this booklet.

	Max. Marks	Marks Obtained
Booklet B	26	
Booklet A	22	
Overall Total	48	
Parent's Signature		

This booklet consists of 5 printed pages

Section A (Vocabulary Cloze)

Read the following passage carefully. There are 8 blanks, numbered 18 to 25, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to M) in the blank. The letter (I) has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (8 marks)

**USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY**

(A) forgiveness	(B) pale	(C) turned	(D) granted
(E) plan	(F) strength	(G) claimed	(H) surprised
(J) delighted	(K) locate	(L) searched	(M) promised

Once, the King of Persia lost his valuable diamond ring. He (18) \_\_\_\_\_ to reward anyone who could find it.

For a long time, no one could find the ring. Then, one day, a man who (19) \_\_\_\_\_ to be a fortune-teller came to the palace. He said that he could (20) \_\_\_\_\_ the ring. All he asked was to stay in the palace for three days. The king (21) \_\_\_\_\_ him the request.

The fortune-teller was not a clever man, but he had a (22) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ to get the ring back for the king. He asked the king for his servants.

Whenever a servant came into the fortune-teller's room, a deep voice seemed to come from a ceiling, saying, "He is the one!" Each servant looked (23) \_\_\_\_\_, did his errand and walked away.

On the third day, one servant turned (24) \_\_\_\_\_ when he heard the strange voice. He knelt down and asked for (25) \_\_\_\_\_

Now we know who the thief was!

Section B (Grammar Cloze)

Read the following passages carefully. There are 8 blanks, numbered 26 to 33, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to P) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (8 marks)

**USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY**

Passage A

- (A) he            (B) it            (C) they  
(D) them        (E) her        (F) she

Mrs Lane was a teacher teaching a Primary 2 class. She loved her children and the children also loved (26) \_\_\_\_\_ very much. The children wanted a pet which (27) \_\_\_\_\_ could care for and love. They asked Mrs Lane to get (28) \_\_\_\_\_ such a pet.

On Monday, Tom asked for a ratosaur. (29) \_\_\_\_\_ is half rat and half dinosaur. He said that a ratosaur would make the best pet! Would Mrs Lane get Tom such a pet?

Passage B

(H) read

(J) reads

(K) reading

(L) has read

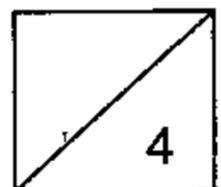
(M) have read

(N) will read

Dear Diary,

Today, my brother has failed his composition test. The reason is that he does not (30) \_\_\_\_\_. He really dislikes (31) \_\_\_\_\_. The only time he (32) \_\_\_\_\_ is when he has to do a book review for his teacher. I guess I have to help him. I (33) \_\_\_\_\_ to him daily until he becomes an independent reader. I hope he will cooperate with me.

James



Section F (Comprehension - Open Ended)

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions 34 to 38. (10 marks)

Once, in India, a monkey lived beside a river. He ate from the mango trees beside the water. He swung easily from tree to tree. A crocodile watched him everyday. He thought that if he could catch the monkey, he too would be able to get the monkey to teach him how to swing from tree to tree.

The crocodile saw that the monkey went past a big piece of grey wood on his way to drink water. This log was about the same colour as the crocodile. The crocodile crept out of the river and lay down beside the log. He looked just like another piece of wood. Before the monkey could jump onto the tree, the crocodile quickly grabbed it. The monkey begged the crocodile to let it go unharmed. The crocodile promised to do so if the monkey taught him how to swing. The monkey readily agreed.

The monkey gave the crocodile a set of instructions to follow before running away. But the crocodile was still unable to swing from tree to tree. After many years of trying, the crocodile finally gave up.

**ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.**

34. Where did the monkey live?

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35. Who wanted to catch the monkey?

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36. Why was the monkey not able to see the crocodile in the water?

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37. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as 'pleaded'?

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38. Do you think the crocodile was clever? Why do you think so?

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### Booklet A :

(01) 3	(02) 2	(03) 4	(04) 2	(05) 2
(06) 2	(07) 3	(08) 2	(09) 1	(10) 2
(11) 3	(12) 4	(13) 3	(14) 1	(15) 1
(16) 2	(17) 1			

### Booklet B :

(18) M - promised	(19) G - claimed	(20) K - locate	(21) D - granted
(22) E - plan	(23) H - surprised	(24) B - pale	(25) A - forgiveness
(26) E - her	(27) C - they	(28) D - them	(29) B - It
(30) H - read	(31) K - reading	(32) J - reads	(33) N - will read

- (34) The monkey lived beside a river in India.
- (35) The crocodile wanted to catch the monkey.
- (36) The crocodile laid beside a log which was the same color as the crocodile so the monkey could not be able to see the crocodile.
- (37) The word is 'begged'.
- (38) No, the crocodile was not clever because the crocodile could not swing like a monkey.

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