

NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL 2007 CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PRIMARY 6

PAPER 2: BOOKLET A

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

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Section A: Graphic Stimulus (5x1 m = 5m)Study the advertisement below and answer the questions that follow.



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Choose the correct answer and shade the appropriate ovals $\mathbf{1}_r \mathbf{2}_r \mathbf{3}$ or 4 on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

- 1. Singapore is the _____ country in Miss Famous' World Tour.
 - (1) only
 - (2) last .
 - (3) first
 - (4) second

2. _____ is the sponsor for the concert.

- (1) ACBC Bank
- (2) Annie's Cakes and Tan & Tan Pte Ltd
- (3) ACBC Bank and Singapore Indoor Stadium
- (4) ACBC Bank, Annie's Cakes and Tan & Tan Pte Ltd

3. What will John miss out on if he booked the tickets after 30th January?

- (1) 15% discount
- (2) 20% discount
- (3) Payment of \$1 booking fee only
- (4) Payment of \$3 booking fee only

The concert will end at ______.

- (1) 7 p.m.
- (2) 9 p.m.
- (3) 7.30 p.m.
- (4) 9.30 p.m.
- 5. Which of the following is **TRUE**?
 - (1) Miss Famous is a Singaporean.
 - (2) Miss Famous is now in Singapore.
 - (3) Miss Famous is a very famous movie star.
 - (4) Miss Famous will perform only on a late summer night.

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

Choose the correct answer and shade the appropriate ovals 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

All the girls, except for Janice, ______ to go for the training.

- (1) need
- (2) needs
- (3) needed
- (4) is needing

7. The stack of books ______ to Daniel. Please return them to him.

- (1) belong
- (2) belongs
- (3) belonged
- (4) is belonging

8. Peter was at the park when he heard someone ______ for help.

- (1) scream
- (2) screamed
- (3) has screamed
- . (4) had screamed

9. The girls ______ cleaning the house since morning.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) has been
- (4) have been

10. ______ the storm, the cross-country race had to be cancelled.

- (1) In
- (2) Due to
- (3) Despite
- (4) Although

11. If I had known about her problem, I ______ her.

- (1) will help
- (2) would help
- (3) would be helping
- (4) would have helped

12. The frantic robber held a boy hostage and ordered the police to _____

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

Section C: Punctuation $(3 \times 1m = 3m)$ Choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the appropriate ovals 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

The smugglers were surprised and unable to act normally when two blinding

searchlights were turned on. A voice rapped out (13) The game's up! Keep quiet

and come out with your hands up!"

It was all over in a moment (14) The smugglers, temporarily blinded by the

searchlights (15) were handcuffed and taken away.

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- (1) [:] colon
- (2) ["] inverted commas
- (3) [,"] comma and inverted commas
- (4) [."] full stop and inverted commas

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

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

Section D: Vocabulary (8 \times 1m = 8m)

For each question from 16 to 23, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the appropriate ovals (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

- - (1) superior
 - (2) dazzling
 - (3) outstanding
 - (4) breathtaking
- 17. It is very ______ that he is lying. He is breaking out into a cold sweat.
 - (1) visible
 - (2) obvious
 - (3) noticeable
 - (4) comprehensible

18. Traffic was ______ to another road because of a fallen tree ahead.

- (1) moved
- (2) altered
- (3) changed
- (4) diverted

19. Peter ______ into the room rudely when we were having the interview.

- (1) hiked
- (2) barged
- (3) sprinted
- (4) sauntered

20. The school textbooks are ______ every year to keep them up to date.

- (1) rejected
- (2) renewed
- (3) retyped
- (4) revised
- 21. Janice ______ over her shoulder in order to see if her young brother was following her.
 - (1) gazed
 - (2) stared
 - (3) peered
 - (4) glanced

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22. Deena could barely ______ her excitement at being given a role in a film.

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- (1) retain
- (2) release
- (3) express
- (4) contain
- 23. I was ______ from my afternoon nap by the postman's knock on the door.
 - (1) shaken
 - (2) alerted
 - (3) aroused.
 - (4) disturbed

Section E: Vocabulary Cloze $(5 \times 1m = 5m)$

For each question from 24 to 28, 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 (OAS).

Luther Tare is an unlikely forest saviour. Slightly built, with a slender face and wispy beard, black hair neatly <u>cropped</u>, he wears a brightly patterned, short-(24) sleeved shirt. Yet, in a land where loggers have done almost as they pleased, Tare has shown a steely <u>resolve</u> in safeguarding a patch of rainforest.

Tare studied agriculture in a forestry school but when he graduated, there were no suitable jobs. So, like many men from North Kalimantan, he headed to the (26) Borneo island and became a tractor driver, working on construction projects that damaged forests. Tare tried to <u>minimise</u> the harm he caused by raising his (27) bulldozer blade above low vegetation. During the ten years he spent working there,

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he <u>devised</u> a plan to protect a forest near his home. He thus became known as the (28)

"Forest Saviour".

(Adapted from Kalimantan: The Man Who Halted The Chain Saws Martin Williams, Reader's Digest)

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- (1) cut(2) clipped
- (3) combed
- (4) sheared
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- (1) firmness
- (2) obstinacy
- (3) perseverance
- (4) determination

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- (1) moved.
- (2) advanced (3)
- proceeded (4)
- journeyed

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(1) · cut (2) (3) (4) lessen . diminish moderate

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- (1) (2) (3) (4) created
- invented
- conceived
- formulated

Section F: Comprehension MCQ ($5 \times 1m = 5m$) Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

In a village in Selangor, Malaysia, where I grew up, coconut trees shaded the wooden houses, where most fathers bowed to the earth working in the paddy fields, mothers stayed at home and their children ran around barefoot.

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When I was ten and my sister Ayu was seven, my family was having a hard time. We did not own a field like our neighbours. Father was not earning enough from his jobs at the cocoa estate and the paddy factory. Finally, he decided he could make a better living collecting rattan from deep in the forest and selling it to a nearby furniture manufacturer.

Thus, early one morning, he set out on his motorcycle looking for rattan. Suddenly, Ayu and I had no way of getting to school, which was far from our home. I could think of nothing better than to miss school and play with my little sister. As we stood at the front door waving goodbye to Father, I whispered to Ayu that we were going to scoop up tadpoles from the backyard pond and put them in a glass jar as pets. We both grinned in anticipation.

Our happiness didn't last long. Mother suddenly appeared behind us with her hands on her hips and said, "What are you both doing here? It's getting late, get dressed."

"Get dressed for what?" I asked.

Mother's eyes bulged. "My! Surely not for your wedding! For school of 20 course!"

My jaw dropped. "But Father is gone,..."

Mother sighed and shook her head. She led us outside and pointed to her old rusty bicycle. Ayu and I immediately protested in frustration.

"Unless you want to walk for two hours to school like our neighbour Ahmed," 25 Mother said matter-of-factly.

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(Adapted from The Old Bicycle, Norliza Baharom, Reader's Digest)

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For each question from 31 to 35, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the appropriate ovals, 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

29. The most common way the villagers earn a living was to work

- (1) as a farmer
- (2) as a housewife
- (3) at the cocoa estate and paddy factory
- (4) as a rattan collector for furniture manufacturers

30. From the passage, we know that the writer used to go to school by _____

- (1) taking the school bus
- (2) riding on her father's motorcycle
- (3) riding on her mother's old and rusty bicycle
- (4) walking for two hours like their neighbour, Ahmed

31. The writer and her sister were ______ when they thought that they were going to miss school.

(1) delighted

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- (2) contented
- (3) frustrated
- (4) disappointed

32. The writer's father had to go to the ______ to look for rattan.

- (1) forest
- (2) paddy field
- (3) cocoa estate
- (4) furniture factory

33. Which one of the following statements is true?

- (1) The writer's father had to work two jobs to support his family.
- (2) The writer's father had to leave their village to look for other job opportunities. χ
- (3) The writer's father had to harvest rattan to sell to the furniture manufacturers.
- (4) The writer's father could not harvest enough from his paddy field to support his family.

END OF BOOKLET A



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Booklet B:	/ 67
Total Marks:	/100
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Section G: Grammar Cloze (10 X 1m = 10m)

There are 10 blanks, numbered 34 to 43, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q). The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

A)after	- D) even -	- G)Of	-K) then N) something-
B)anything_	E) IN	H)out	-1)- should P) such
<)_also-	- F) - ît .	than	

If you are one of those lucky people who does not get seasick, have a little sympathy for those who do. The symptoms include nausea, dizziness and headache.

What causes seasickness? Most people believe is caused (34)by their stomach, so they try not to eat or think about food. (35)You have probably heard of of the cures involving food - drink (36) lots of water, eat dry bread, do not eat fatty, and so on. truth, none of these help! The reason is that an (38)(39) upset stomach is only a symptom seasickness because seasickness is actually caused by your ears.

The constant movement of a boat upsets the part of your ears that looks ______ your balance. What happens ______ is the sort (41) of sick feeling you get if you spin on the spot for too long.

What can you do? Well, looking at a stationary object ______(43) as the coastline, may help. There are also medicines you can take before you go on the water. One of these is a small patch that you stick behind your ears. It slowly releases seasickness medicine into your bloodstream and it works for a few days.

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Section H: Spelling and Grammar (10x1m=10m)

Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

(44)
One day, Gulbo went hunting by himself. As he lie in a bush waiting
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for a herd of deer to come his way, a tiger, which he did not noticed, was
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also watching the deer. Gulbo lets off two arrows one after another and
the deer fell to the ground. The tiger spring forward. Gulbo imedeatly
dropped his bow and tried to run away. Just then, a flight of arrows came
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swiftly to bury itself in the tiger's chest. The beast fell dead.
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Section I: Synthesis/Transformation ($6 \times 2m = 12m$) For each of the questions 54 to 59, 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).

54. It was so dark that nothing could be seen.

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It was too____

55. If you do not leave early, you will not be able to catch the bus.

Unless_____

56. Xavier did not complete his project. He played computer games instead.

Instead of

57. At the sight of the celebrity, the fans cheered.

On _____

58. They volunteered to help. They were tired.

______ yet

59. Fei Fei asked, "Why are there so many people here today?"

Fei Fei asked _____

Section J: Comprehension Cloze $(15 \times 1m = 15m)$ Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

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The first European to visit New Zealand was a Dutch sea captain. He found a group of people called Maoris ____ there. The Maoris are a Polynesian people. (60) They are like the who live in Hawaii and other (61) · · Pacific islands. The Maoris came to New Zealand in the 9th century. It is ____ that they came in canoes. They (62) must have been very good _____ Travelling (63) thousands of miles _____ _____ the Pacific Ocean in such (64) crude boats is very hard. The Maoris were very skilled workers in using wood. They built their houses and canoes as well as ____ weapons 4650 and tools out of it. The thick forests provided the they needed. (67) were very (66) important to these people.

A special rite was held ______time a tree was cut (68) down.

The totara tree was especially valued for its wood. Sometimes, a man would mark a young tree for his family. It was very important to be near the tree, so the family might even ____ their home. They wanted to live as (69) as they could the tree. to That (70) they could watch and protect it. The man, his (71) sons and his grandsons _____ for it. They did this (72) until it was large _____(73) ____ to be used for a canoe. This took many ____ _____. During all of this time, the tree (74) was well-tended.

Section K: Comprehension ($10 \times 2m = 20$) Read the passage carefully and answer questions 75 to 84.

Mrs Packletide was a middle-aged woman who lived with her maid, Miss Mebbin, in Curzon Street, London. She was rich and she travelled a lot. She enjoyed visiting new places and meeting different people. She liked excitement and adventure. Most importantly, she liked to tell her friends in London about her experiences in other countries.

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Once, Mrs Packletide decided to go to India for a tiger hunt. She, wanted to do this because her friend, Loona Bimberton, had a tiger skin and showed it off to all her friends. So Mrs Packletide made up her mind to go to India, shoot a tiger and bring back the skin to England.

Mrs Packletide made arrangements for the travel and the tiger hunt very carefully. The hunt was going to cost her a thousand rupees. This was a lot of money in those days. She had to pay this amount because the villagers had to find a tiger in the forest first and then drive it into the open by scaring it with fire. This would help Mrs Packletide sitting up in a tree to take aim

All the arrangements had been made before Mrs Packletide came to India. A platform had been built in the tree so that Mrs Packletide and her maid could sit comfortably while waiting for the tiger. A goat had been tied to a small tree in the middle of the field for the tiger. The villagers told Mrs Packletide that she could shoot it when it was devouring the goat. They

assured her that it would be quite safe. The tiger they had chosen was a very old one.

The momentous night arrived. Mrs Packletide and Miss Mebbin were up in the tree on the platform. Mrs Packletide armed herself and Miss Mebbin sat beside her nervously.

They waited for a long time. When it was nearly midnight, they could hear shouts and see fire in the distance. The shouts grew louder but stopped abruptly. A few minutes later, a large tiger walked slowly out of the forest. It spotted the goat in the middle of the field and moved towards it. **Sensing its**

³⁰ **impending doom**, the goat began to bleat. When the tiger was very close to it, Mrs Packletide fired a shot. The crack of the gun reverberated across the field. The next minute, the tiger jumped into the air and fell to the ground dead. Both creatures lay motionless.

To be sure, they waited in the tree in the darkness until the next moming. When they got down and went near the tiger, Miss Mebbin pointed out that the goat had been shot and not the tiger. In all probability, the tiger had died of fright!

Mrs Packletide returned to England with the tiger skin. She had to buy a small house for Miss Mebbin to keep her quiet about the tiger hunt. This cost more money than the tiger hunt did. Mrs Packletide gave a big party to her friends to show off her tiger skin. When she was asked if she was going for another hunt, she said, "No, darling, it's too expensive."

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

75. What was the main reason why Mrs Packletide liked to travel?

76. Why did Mrs Packletide want to go on a tiger hunt after visiting her friend, Loona Bimberton?

77. How did the villagers intend to get the tiger to go to the field?

78. Which 4-word phrase in paragraph 3 tells us that Mrs Packletide had a good

79. Explain clearly why a goat was tied to the tree in the middle of the field.

80. 'They assured her that <u>it</u> would be quite safe' (line 21). What does the word 'it' refer to?

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81. 'Sensing its impending doom, the goat began to bleat' (lines 29-30). In your own words, explain why the goat began to bleat.

- 82. Were the two women absolutely sure that the tiger had died of fright? Which (phrase tells you so?
- 83. Explain clearly why Mrs Packletide did not allow Miss Mebbin to talk about the tiger hunt.
- 84. Was Mrs Packletide stating the truth when she said, "No, darling, it's too expensive."? Why?

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60)living/residing 61)people 62)believed/thought/said 63)sailors 64)across 65)made 66)wood/material 67)Trees/Forests 68)each/every 69)move/leave 70)close/near 71)way 72)cared 73)enough 74)years

75)She liked to tell her friends about her experiences in other countries.

76)She wanted to be able to show off a tiger skin to her friends.

77)They would drive it into field by scaring it with five.

78) The phrase is "from a vantage point."

79)The goat was used to lure the tiger.

80)It refers to shooting the tiger.

81)It knew it was about to die.

82)No, they were not. The phrase is "in all probability."

83)She did not want Miss Mebbin to tell anyone about what happened at the hunt.

84)Yes, she did. The hunt cost a lot of money and she also had to buy a house for Miss Mebbin.

