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Class : Primary 4 \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary 4**  
**Semestral Assessment 2**  
**24 October 2016**

**English Language**  
**Listening Comprehension**

Duration of Paper: 25 minutes

12 questions

14 marks

**Instructions to Candidates**

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Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

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Section A	6
Section B	5
Section C	3
Total	14

***This paper consists of 5 printed pages.***

### Section A: Picture Matching (6 marks)

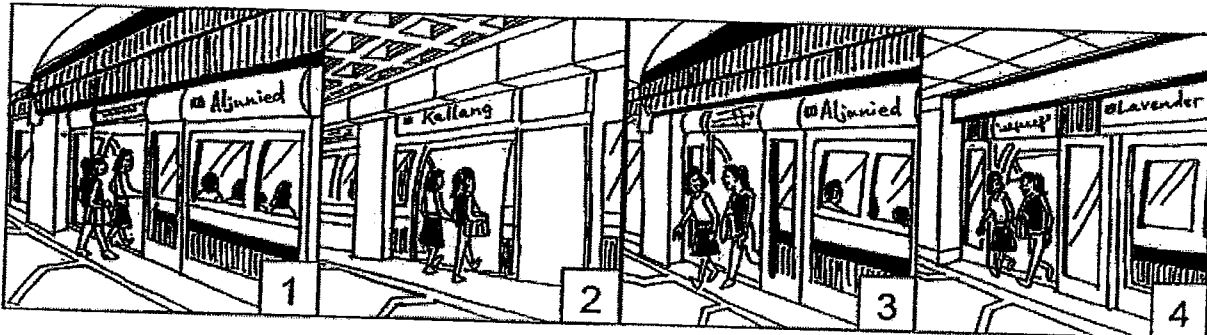
For question 1 and question 2, look at the set of pictures. I am going to read to you a sentence or a paragraph. Listen carefully. Then choose the picture that describes what I have read. Write the number 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets provided.

1.



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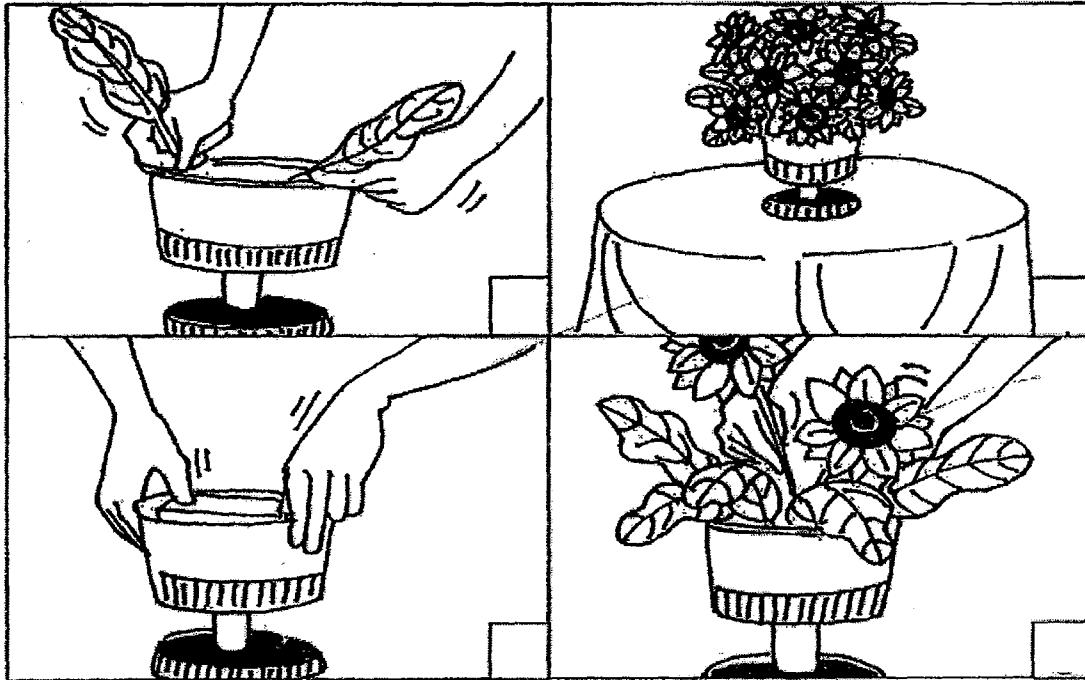
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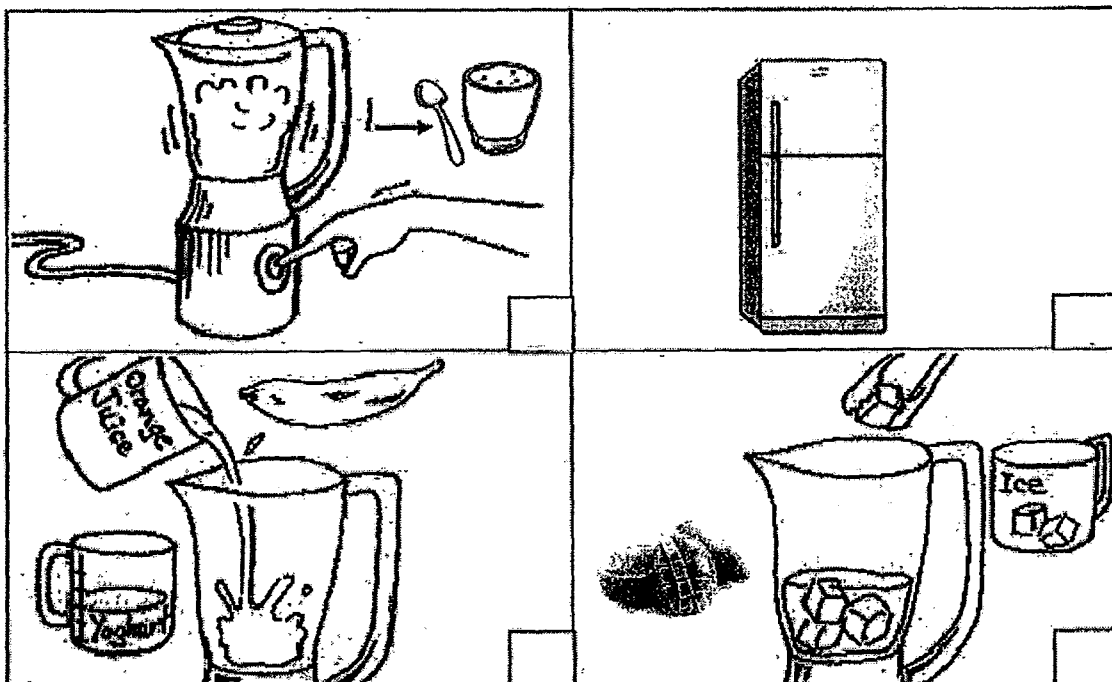
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For question 3 and question 4, look at the set of pictures. I am going to read to you a set of instructions. Then choose the pictures that show the correct sequence of what I have read. Write the number 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the box provided.

3.



4.



**Section B – Note-taking (5 marks)**

Question 5 to question 9 is a note-taking test.

This is an email from one good friend to another.

Listen to the following carefully.

As you listen, take down the missing information by filling in each blank numbered 5 to 9 with one word or a short phrase.

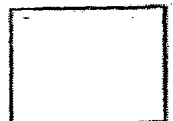
5. Name of Workshop: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Special Art and Craft Workshop

6. Place of Workshop: Jacob Ballas \_\_\_\_\_ Garden

7. Type of materials to be used: \_\_\_\_\_ materials

8. Cost per child: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Last day for registration: \_\_\_\_\_



**Section C – Comprehension (3 marks)**

Question 10 to question 12 is a comprehension test.

Listen carefully to the passage and answer the following questions. For each question, choose the correct answer and write the correct number in the brackets provided.

10. What are baby marsupials called?

(       )

(1) wallabies

(2) koalas

(3) joeys

11. Kangaroos are not found in \_\_\_\_\_.

(       )

(1) America

(2) Australia

(3) New Guinea

12. Animals are classified by the food they eat.  
In which group do kangaroos belong?

(       )

(1) Herbivores

(2) Carnivores

(3) Omnivores





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**Primary 4**  
**Semestral Assessment 2**  
**4 October 2016**

**English Language**  
**Paper 1**

Duration of Paper: 50 min

1 question  
20 marks

**Instructions to Candidates:**

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Write a story of at least 120 words about making new friends.

The pictures, not arranged in sequence, are provided to help you think about this topic. Your story should be based on one, two or all of these pictures.

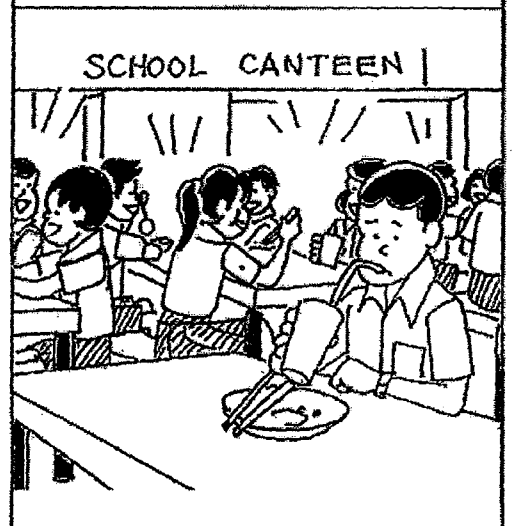
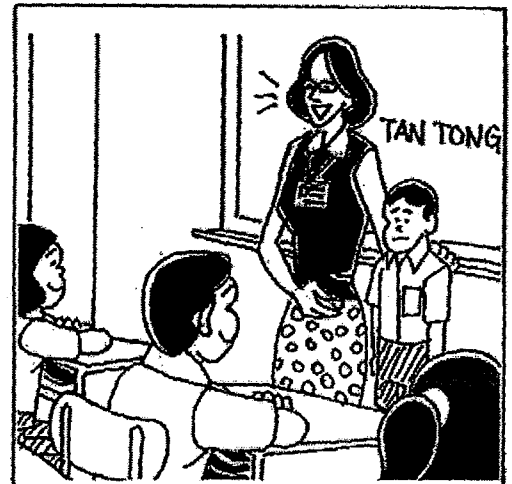
Consider the following points when you plan your story:

- Who was the pupil?
- What problems did he face?
- How did he feel?
- How did he make friends?
- What happened in the end?

You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.

Helping Words:

- butterflies in the stomach
- introduced a new classmate
- did not know anyone
- felt lonely
- approached
- befriended
- joined in happily
- filled with happiness



END OF PAPER



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**Primary 4**  
**Semestral Assessment 2**  
**24 October 2016**  
**English Language**  
**Paper 2 Booklet A**

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 30 min

16 questions  
16 marks

**Instructions to Candidates:**

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

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The little girl walked into the living room and helped \_\_\_\_\_ to the cookies.

- (1) myself
- (2) herself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) yourselves

2. While exercising in the park yesterday, Timothy \_\_\_\_\_ surprised to see his neighbour who had moved away.

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

3. Andrew and his friends \_\_\_\_\_ so relieved when they found their way out of the forest.

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

4. "Please call back later. My boss \_\_\_\_\_ to a customer at the moment," the assistant said politely.

- (1) talks
- (2) talked
- (3) is talking
- (4) has talked

5. An hour ago, Kimberly \_\_\_\_\_ her parents after reaching the airport in China.

- (1) calls
- (2) called
- (3) has called
- (4) was calling

6. There was a loud bang while everyone \_\_\_\_\_ off the bus at the interchange.

- (1) gets
- (2) will get
- (3) has gotten
- (4) was getting

7. \_\_\_\_\_ blankets in the box over there will be given to the victims of the flood.

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

8. There is not \_\_\_\_\_ homework to be completed today, so Andrew can spend some time playing his favourite computer games.

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

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

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

9. All of the team members train very hard because they really want to win the \_\_\_\_\_ and do their school proud.
- (1) companionship
  - (2) sportsmanship
  - (3) championship
  - (4) friendship
10. Lea was \_\_\_\_\_ by the sudden appearance of her brother because she thought she was alone in the house.
- (1) disappointed
  - (2) disgusted
  - (3) annoyed
  - (4) startled
11. There is an \_\_\_\_\_ case of a missing child and the detective is still looking for clues and witnesses.
- (1) unsolved
  - (2) unlocked
  - (3) unopened
  - (4) unfinished

12. The \_\_\_\_\_ that caused many people to fall ill was spread by rats.

- (1) injury
- (2) bruise
- (3) wound
- (4) disease

13. Mr See had a \_\_\_\_\_ fall and his leg was in a cast for a month.

- (1) harmful
- (2) deadly
- (3) nasty
- (4) fatal

14. Panting, Johnson \_\_\_\_\_ his heavy canoe from the riverbank to the campsite all by himself.

- (1) drifted
- (2) hauled
- (3) paddled
- (4) pounded

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**Section C: Visual Text Comprehension MCQ (2 x 1 mark)**

Study the advertisement carefully and answer questions 15 and 16.

# ***The Fit-for-Life Cycling Series***

## **Singapore's First Ever Cycling Series**



The Fit-for-Life Series 2016 is a series of races that takes cyclists through the various iconic landscapes of Singapore.

In support of the Singapore Ministry of Active Lifestyle, Passion Health Club aims to promote a healthy lifestyle through a series of cycling activities. Come and be a part of it!

**Open to:**

✓ All

**Event Dates:**

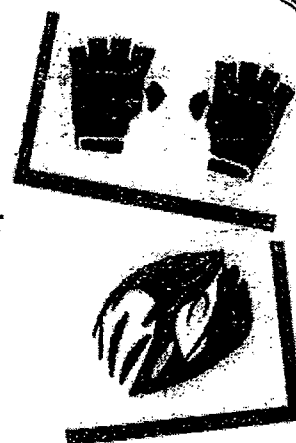
✓ 9 October

✓ 20 November

✓ 18 December

**Time:**

8 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.



**Highlight of the Event**  
Be the first 50 cyclists to reach the finishing line and take a photo with Jason Aw Yong Hong, the Ambassador of the Fit-for-Life Cycling Series.

Enjoy exclusive discount for all Passion Health Club members! For more information and registration, simply visit our website at [www.fit\\_for\\_life.com](http://www.fit_for_life.com)

**Organiser: Passion Health Club**

**Sponsor: Bloomsdale Bicycle Company**

**Poster Design: Active Production**



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

15. Who is the organiser of the Fit-for-Life Series?

- (1) Singapore Ministry of Active Lifestyle
- (2) Bloomsdale Bicycle Company
- (3) Passion Health Club
- (4) Active Production

16. Which one of the following statements is true?

- (1) The Fit-for-Life Series was held last year.
- (2) One can visit [www.fit\\_for\\_life.com](http://www.fit_for_life.com) to find out more about the race.
- (3) One will get to cycle with the ambassador of the Fit-for-Life Cycling Series.
- (4) Only Passion Health Club members can participate in the Fit-for-Life Cycling Series.

**END OF BOOKLET A**



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**Primary 4**  
**Semestral Assessment 2**  
**24 October 2016**

**English Language**  
**Paper 2 Booklet B**

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 30 min

31 questions  
34 marks

**Instructions to Candidates:**

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Answer all questions.

Booklet A	16
Booklet B	34
Total	50

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*This booklet consists of 11 printed pages and 1 blank page.*

**Section D: Grammar Cloze [1] (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the following passage carefully. Choose the most suitable answer from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. **USE EACH ANSWER ONLY ONCE.**

(A) he

(C) him

(E) them

(B) her

(D) it

(F) they

Donald and Sandy would never forget this incident at a shopping mall.

(17) \_\_\_\_\_ had pestered Mum for ice cream. Not wanting the children to pester

(18) \_\_\_\_\_, Mum agreed.

While Mum was shopping, the children played hide-and-seek among the clothes. Suddenly, Donald ran straight into some nearby dresses, smearing his ice cream all over

(19) \_\_\_\_\_. "The dresses are ruined!" Donald cried. Sandy immediately ran to

help (20) \_\_\_\_\_. Donald was grateful to his sister.

Adapted from 'Shopping Disaster' by Christabel Hong Seok Ai & Lisabel Ting Hwih Juen



**Section E: Grammar Cloze [2] (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the following passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the brackets and circle it.

Indian immigrants brought roti prafa, a type of bread, to the shores of Singapore. It is said that this bread (21) [ is / are ] of Punjabi origin as wheat dishes (22) [ is / are ] often featured in the Punjabi diet. Another belief (23) [ was / were ] that it was introduced by Muslims who conquered India. Many Singaporeans (24) [ eat / eats ] roti prata for breakfast. It is simply well-liked by many Singaporeans!

Adapted from 'Singapore Food Stars'



**Section F: Synthesis and Transformation (2 X 1 mark)**

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).

25. The handphone has been stolen. The wallet has been stolen too.

Both \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

26. Rani can make a card for her teacher. She can also bake some cookies.

\_\_\_\_\_ either \_\_\_\_\_  
or \_\_\_\_\_



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

Read the following passage carefully. Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

Even when no one thinks you smell, you smell. According to scientists, everyone has a distinct smell, just like they have distinct fingerprints.

In general, people may not necessarily notice their own smell (27) \_\_\_\_\_ they have grown used to it. Sometimes, after exercising, our bodies may give off a stronger smell. This is caused (28) \_\_\_\_\_ sweat. However, this is only half the story. Sweat itself is an odourless fluid. What causes the smell is the reaction between sweat and bacteria on the skin. In order to avoid giving off a stronger smell, it is important to clean ourselves after we (29) \_\_\_\_\_.

Animals such as dogs can tell us apart by our smells. In fact, the police use dogs to track criminals on the run. Having distinct body smells also explains (30) \_\_\_\_\_ perfumes smell slightly different on one person than it does on another person.

It is important to understand that having body smells is natural and it makes us unique!

Adapted from 'Why Does My Body Smell?' by Ang Yiying



### **Section H: Comprehension [11 (10 marks)]**

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 31 to 40.

At the age of two, Dr William Tan had a serious disease, polio. He was paralysed from the waist down. In kindergarten, he was constantly bullied and his classmates would pull his ears daily. They looked down on him for not being able to walk. Dr Tan became so furious that he bit their hands. In the end, he was told to leave the kindergarten.

However, Dr Tan wanted to prove to others that he was good at his studies. While in 5 primary school, his ambition was to be a doctor. He studied hard and became one.

When Dr Tan was young, his family members were afraid that he would fall and hurt himself. However, he became a wheelchair athlete after meeting Mr Baba. Mr Baba used to be a police officer. While on duty, Mr Baba was shot and was left paralysed from the waist down.

Mr Baba recognised the talent in Dr Tan, who was a secondary school student at that time. 10 Mr Baba introduced Dr Tan to wheelchair sports and he became interested in sports. Dr Tan then represented Singapore at the 1988 Paralympics. Since then, Dr Tan has completed many marathons to raise funds for people in need.

Although he came from a poor home background and is disabled, Dr William Tan has turned challenges to successes.

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*Adapted from 'Singapore Heroes: Dr William Tan' at [www.singaporeheroes.weebly.com](http://www.singaporeheroes.weebly.com)*



For question 31 and question 32, refer to paragraph 1.  
Decide who did the following actions. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.  
The first example has been done for you. [2m]

Action		Dr William Tan	Classmates
Example	Was asked to leave the school	✓	
31.	left bite marks on others		
32.	pulled the ears of others		

33. Which word has the same meaning as 'every day'? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

In kindergarten, he was constantly bullied and his classmates would pull his ears daily.  
(A)

For question 34 and question 35, refer to paragraphs 1 and 3.  
Tick (✓) whether the statements describe Dr William Tan or Mr Baba.  
The first example has been done for you. [2m]

Statement		Dr William Tan	Mr Baba
Example	He is unabled to continue working in his job		
34.	He is unable to walk after being shot.		
35.	He is unable to walk after catching a disease.		

For question 36 to question 38, refer to paragraphs 2, 4 and 5.  
Read each statement about Dr William Tan and tick 'True' or 'False'.  
The first example has been done for you. [3m]

Statement		True	False
Example	He became a doctor	✓	
36.	He came from a poor family.		
37.	He wanted to be an athlete since he was in primary school.		
38.	He took part in the 1988 Paralympics.		

39. Refer to paragraph 4.  
Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

Dr William Tan has helped the needy by \_\_\_\_\_. [1m]

<input type="checkbox"/>	raising funds
<input type="checkbox"/>	telling them to persevere
<input type="checkbox"/>	recognising the talents in them

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

Dr William Tan has turned challenges to successes.  
(A) (B)



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**Section I: Comprehension [2] (10 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 41 to 47.

Jade got off the car and followed her mother to the hospital. As she waited in the unfamiliar waiting room, she stared at the bouquet of pink roses. She had specially chosen them for her grandmother from a shop along the way. Jade remembered that they were her grandmother's favourite. She smiled as fond memories of her grandmother came to her mind. How Jade looked forward to seeing her! She had not seen her grandmother for two years 5 since her family migrated to another country.

"How will Grandma be? I can't wait to see her," Jade told her mother. Shortly after, a receptionist came and greeted them with a smile. Her mother leaned forward. "I've come to see my mother, Mary Winter."

"How old is your daughter?" the receptionist asked, glancing at Jade.

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"Eleven," her mother replied.

"It is my duty to ask for her age," she explained.

"Why?" her mother asked, puzzled.

"I'm sorry. The doctor does not allow anyone under the age of thirteen on the wards," the woman explained patiently.

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Jade's mother let out a deep sigh. "I'm sorry. I forgot to check if you would be allowed on the wards," she apologised. Upon hearing that, Jade had a faraway look in her eyes.

"So it is a wasted trip. It is such a long way from home," Jade said disappointedly.

However, Jade decided to make the most of the situation. "Don't worry, Mum. I'll make a card for Grandma while I'm waiting for you," Jade said. She hoped that her 20 grandmother would appreciate the roses and her self-made card.

*Adapted from 'Jade's Story' by Helena Pielichaty*

For question 41, write 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets.

41. Jade was going to visit \_\_\_\_\_. [1m]

- (1) a doctor
- (2) her mother
- (3) a receptionist
- (4) her grandmother

42. State whether each sentence below is True or False. Give a reason for your answer. [2m]  
[ Write your reasons using complete sentences. ]

Sentence	True / False	Reason
(a) Jade just met her grandmother recently.		<hr/> <hr/>
(b) The receptionist who came and attended to Jade and her mother was friendly.		<hr/> <hr/>

43. Base your answer on information from lines 16 to 18. Which five-word phrase suggests that Jade lived far away from the hospital? [1m]  
[ Write only the phrase required in the box. ]

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44. These are some statements describing the events experienced by Jade. Put them in the right order according to the flow in the story. Write 1, 2 and 3 on the lines. [1m]

\_\_\_\_\_ Jade's mother was puzzled.

\_\_\_\_\_ Jade made a card for her grandmother.

\_\_\_\_\_ Jade bought flowers from a shop.

45. Base your answer on information from lines 10 to 15.

Why did the receptionist ask for Jade's age? [2m]

[ Write your answer using a complete sentence / complete sentences. ]

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

46. How could Jade's mother have prevented Jade from making a wasted trip? [1m]

[ Write your answer using a complete sentence / complete sentences. ]

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

47. How did Jade make the most of the situation (line 19) while waiting for her mother? [2m]

[ Write your answer using a complete sentence / complete sentences. ]

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# ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2016 (P4)

SCHOOL : CHIJ

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA2

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
2	3	4	3	2	4	4	1	3	4
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
1	4	3	2	3	2	F	B	E	C
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24						
is	are	was	eat						

25)Both the handphone and the wallet have been stolen.

26)Rani can either make a card or bake some cookies for her teacher.

27)as      28)by      29)sweat      30)why      31)Dr William Tan

32)Classmates      33)B      34)Mr Baba      35)Dr William Tan

36)True      37)False      38)True      39)raising funds      40)A      41)4

42)a)False / Jade had not seen her grandmother for two years.

b)True / The receptionist greeted them with a smile.

43)a long way from home

44)2, 3, 1

**45)1)It was the receptionist's duty.**

**2)The doctor did not allow anyone under the age of thirteen on the wards.**

**46)She could have called to check whether Jade was allowed on the wards.**

**47)Jade wanted to make a card for her grandmother while waiting for her mother.**