

**SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT TWO 2016
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
PRIMARY 5**

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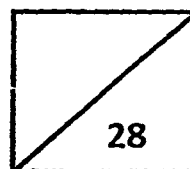
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TOTAL DURATION FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min



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 the cover page)

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

1. Nico, together with his family, _____ currently attending a safety awareness programme.

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

2. The soccer team _____ unbeaten before it finally lost a match last week.

(1) is remaining
(2) has remained
(3) had remained
(4) was remaining

3. Marco visited his good friend Pablo _____ he had known since he was a young boy.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose

4. The judge's warning made the criminal _____ the errors of his ways.

(1) see
(2) saw
(3) seen
(4) seeing

5. Suresh did not give up _____ enduring much hardship during the expedition.

(1) despite
(2) however
(3) therefore
(4) nonetheless

6. Barney came _____ an old photograph when he was clearing his cupboard.
- (1) past
 - (2) over
 - (3) along
 - (4) across
7. A gang of criminals has been charged _____ the police for committing several thefts in the neighbourhood.
- (1) at
 - (2) by
 - (3) into
 - (4) with
8. The audience would have arrived earlier _____ they known that there were road blocks near the theatre.
- (1) had
 - (2) might
 - (3) would
 - (4) should
9. "Ginny seldom exercises, _____ she?" the doctor asked her mother.
- (1) has
 - (2) does
 - (3) hasn't
 - (4) doesn't
10. The instructors told the trainees, "Complete the task _____. There will be no help given by any of us."
- (1) myself
 - (2) ourselves
 - (3) yourselves
 - (4) themselves

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

11. Fish is found in _____ off the coast of that island.
- (1) luxury
 - (2) affluence
 - (3) greatness
 - (4) abundance
12. The massive _____ that swept across the town was caused by the recent floods.
- (1) defection
 - (2) depression
 - (3) devastation
 - (4) desperation
13. The commander made a few _____ with his hands to signal his troops to proceed with caution.
- (1) hints
 - (2) prompts
 - (3) symbols
 - (4) gestures
14. The officials _____ up a new plan after the previous one was rejected.
- (1) drew
 - (2) threw
 - (3) raised
 - (4) worked
15. The players from both teams engaged in friendly _____ minutes before the match began.
- (1) banter
 - (2) speech
 - (3) squabble
 - (4) monologue

For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.
(5 marks)

Indonesia is one of the biggest paper producing countries. Its large companies, however, are being accused of destroying large parts of Sumatra and other Indonesian islands by cutting down rainforests and replacing them with plantations. Environmental organisations such as Greenpeace are worried that the habitats of endangered species will be destroyed.

About 85% of Indonesia is covered with forests. Since the beginning of the 20th century, forests have been constantly reduced and more than half are caused by humans. Local inhabitants claim they cannot go hunting in the forests anymore as they have no shade to stand under when it gets too hot.

Greenpeace says that it will carry on its fight against deforestation, not only in Indonesia but in other countries that do not stop the destruction of forests. The government in Indonesia has also taken steps in the fight against deforestation. It has extended the ban on the felling of rainforests for another two years.

Adapted from <http://www.english-online.at/news-articles/environment/battle-against-deforestation-in-indonesia.htm>

16. (1) tearing up
(2) wiping out
(3) throwing up
(4) breaking out

17. (1) upset
(2) annoyed
(3) concerned
(4) disappointed

18. (1) regularly
(2) normally
(3) generally
(4) commonly






19. (1) launch
(2) undergo
(3) continue
(4) commence

20. (1) strides
(2) chances
(3) attempts
(4) measures

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




Visual Text Comprehension (8 marks)

Study this poster carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

7TH ANNUAL SINGAPORE HEALTH FAIR REPUBLIC CONVENTION CENTRE HALLS 3 & 4 1 – 4 DECEMBER 2016, 11.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m.	
ATTRACTIVE DISCOUNTS & OFFERS <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ More than 80 booths spread over both Halls selling health products and offering services.◆ 20% discount for selected models of blood pressure monitors.◆ Six months free membership for those who sign up for a two-year membership with Universal Gym.◆ \$1 discount for selected Health Digest magazines purchased.◆ Free health checks for all senior citizens.	<div><p>Spend \$100 or above and receive a limited edition T-shirt for free *</p></div> <p>*Not for sale</p>
HIGHLIGHTS & SPECIAL EVENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Meet-up session with the stars from the popular action movie 'Doctor Avengers' on 3 December 2016.❖ Performance by cast of the popular television comedy series 'Health is Wealth' on 1 and 2 December 2016.❖ Musical performance by Spring Gardens Polyclinic Choir on 4 December 2016.❖ Daily lucky draws for visitors who spend a minimum of \$25 at the Fair (refer to terms and conditions below) 	
Terms and conditions for Daily Lucky Draws <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The draw will take place at 9.00 p.m. each day. Winners will be notified by post.2. Draw for each day is only valid for purchases made on the same day of the lucky draw.3. Every \$25 spent is entitled to one lucky draw coupon. A maximum of 3 receipts may be combined to claim lucky draw coupons.4. All winners must produce the receipts as proof of purchase upon collection of prizes.5. Any prizes not collected by 31 January 2017 will be forfeited.	
For more information on the Health Fair: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Call the Singapore Health Association (SHA) at 66552222 or 665522332. Visit the SHA website at http://www.shahealthfair.org.sg	
Organised by: Singapore Health Association 	Sponsored by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Beacon Myers Pharmacies ◆ Windfall Medical Supplies 

DAILY HEALTH TALKS

Hear from world-renowned health experts. Registration is required for all talks and is only available through our website. Register by 20 November 2016. Venue for all talks is at the Main Stage in Hall 4 except 'Windows to the World' which is at the Central Stage in Hall 3. All talks are free.

Time	Details
1 December 2016	
12.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. 	Listen to Your Heart Lecture on latest advances in the prevention and treatment of heart diseases. Speaker: Professor Chan Li Yip, Head of Heart Surgery, National General Hospital, Singapore.
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. 	Health Balance Learn how to plan a healthy diet for your family from a famous nutritionist. Speaker: Mr Wilson Brown, Nutrition Science Department, Winchester University, Australia.
2 December 2016	
12.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. 	Windows to the World Sharing on proper eye care and prevention of common eye diseases. Speaker: Dr Reyna Ratnam, Chief Optometrist, Newton Eye Centre, Singapore.
4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. 	Anxious No More Learn tips on managing your stress level and leading a healthy lifestyle. Speaker: Dr Hassan Zainudin, Head Occupational Health Division, Tan Teck Hock Hospital, Singapore.
3 December 2016	
12.00 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. 	Soar Not Sore Find out how to reduce and relief pain and aches in your joints. Speaker: Professor Sergio Guzman, Orthopaedic Surgeon, Santiago University Hospital, Chile.
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. 	Listen To Your Heart (Repeat presentation) Lecture on latest advances in the prevention and treatment of heart diseases. Speaker: Professor Chan Li Yip, Head of Heart Surgery, National General Hospital, Singapore.
4 December 2016	
12.00 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. 	Infection Rejection Sharing on the speaker's research and breakthroughs in the cures for viruses. Speaker: Professor Zakir Khan, Head Research Scientist, Silicon Institute of Bioscience, USA.
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. 	Glow with the Flow Learn about common skin problems and how to avoid harming your skin as you perform daily chores. Speaker: Dr Kim Sato, Senior Specialist, Hosokawa Regional Medical Institute, Japan.

For each question from 21 to 28, choose the most appropriate option (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

21. According to the poster, the offers at the Health Fair include _____.

- (1) health checks at no cost for all senior citizens
- (2) a discount of \$1 for all Health Digest magazines
- (3) a 10% discount for selected blood pressure monitor models
- (4) free annual membership for all new members of Universal Gym

22. Other than visiting booths that sell health products and offer services, what will the visitors to the Health Fair be able to do?

- (1) Buy a limited edition T-shirt.
- (2) Watch a choir perform daily.
- (3) Participate in a musical performance.
- (4) Meet up with the cast of a popular movie.

23. According to the poster, a visitor who spends at least \$25 each day at the Health Fair will _____.

- (1) have the opportunity to participate in the Lucky Draw for that day
- (2) need to be present at 9.00 p.m. when the Lucky Draw is taking place
- (3) receive a Lucky Draw coupon only when three receipts are combined
- (4) win a prize when they are able to produce receipts as proof of purchase

24. According to the poster, what is the role of the Singapore Health Association?
It is to _____.

- (1) attend the talks at the Health Fair
- (2) organise the activities at the Health Fair
- (3) provide money to organise the Health Fair
- (4) supply Lucky Draw prizes for the Health Fair.

25. Gerald sprained his knee playing soccer. To find out information related to his injury, he should attend the ' _____ ' talk.

- (1) Soar Not Sore
- (2) Health Balance
- (3) Anxious No More
- (4) Glow with the Flow

26. Mr Ahmad wants to attend the 'Listen to Your Heart' talk. To register, he needs to _____.

- (1) pay a fee to National General Hospital
- (2) visit the fair either on 1 or 3 December 2016
- (3) call the organisers latest by 20 November 2016
- (4) access the Singapore Health Association website

27. According to the poster, the 'Windows to the World' talk is _____.

- (1) focused solely on eye diseases
- (2) done once daily in the afternoon
- (3) held on a stage located in Hall 3
- (4) conducted by Dr Hassan Zainudin

28. Which one of the following statements is false?

- (1) Dr Kim Sato will talk about curing skin problems.
- (2) Professor Zakir Khan has conducted research on viruses.
- (3) Mr Wilson Brown is a nutritionist who is known around the world.
- (4) Professor Chan Li Yip will conduct two talks during the health fair.

End of Booklet A

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

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	

* This booklet consists of 8 pages altogether (including this page).

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) any	(D) had	(G) than	(K) then	(N) which
(B) at	(E) has	(H) the	(L) to	(P) who
(C) for	(F) since	(J) them	(M) under	(Q) with

On 17 July 2016, Johor made an urgent request to Singapore. According to the Public Utilities Board (PUB), Johor asked (29) _____ an additional supply of 6 million gallons of treated water per day for the next three days. Johor required the water due to pollution in (30) _____ Johor River.

Johor officials suspected that a palm oil mill was responsible for the pollution (31) _____ happened the previous week. They detected a level of ammonia higher (32) _____ the permissible level at three water treatment plants. As a result, Johor had to shut (33) _____ down temporarily, resulting in a disruption of water supply to 120,000 people in the state.

Singapore readily agreed (34) _____ Johor's request as the country has the ability to increase its water supply at short notice. (35) _____ 17 July 2016, Singapore had supplied the extra water to Johor and continued to do so for the next three days. People living in Singapore were not affected in (36) _____ way.

(37) _____ the 1962 Water Agreement with Malaysia, Singapore is obliged to sell 5 million gallons of treated water to Johor, in exchange for drawing 250 million gallons of raw water from the Johor River.

In June this year, Johor (38) _____ also requested that Singapore provide an additional 6 million gallons per day for a month. This was because dry weather severely affected the water levels in Johor's Sungai Layang dam.

Adapted from <http://www.straitstimes.com>, Singapore supplying additional potable water to Johor after urgent request: PUB, 17 July 2016

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

Pokemon GO, the augmented reality game, has been downloaded by millions

(39)

of players worldwide. Players are enkaraged to venture into real-life places to hunt

(40)

(41)

over virtual monsters. However, this game has prove to be debatable as some

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users have disregarded safety warnings. On July 18 2016, a man crashed into the parked police car in the United States (US). The US Police said the driver

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addmited that he was playing Pokemon GO at that moment. On the same day, a

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(45)

snatch-theft ocured in Japan. A lady's handbag are stolen by a man on a scooter

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while she was playing the game. The police have cortioned that Pokemon GO

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players should take care and not put themselves on risk.

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Following this incident, a mischevious girl from England was rescued by

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firemen after getting stuck on a tree while played the Pokemon Go game. The

Chief of Police issued an advice to the public, but saved the girl from further

(50)

embarasment by not releasing her name. He reminded Pokemon Go players to take good care of themselves while playing the game in public.

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

Last Friday morning, 78 year-old Mdm Lim Ah Huay was alone at home. She received a call (51) _____ a stranger, who claimed to be a Chinese policeman in Beijing. He said in Mandarin that Mdm Lim (52) _____ being investigated as a parcel containing illegal items had been shipped in her name. The man asked her to transfer \$100,000 to his bank account, promising to save her from further problems.

The stranger then threatened Mdm Lim that the investigation would cause trouble for her and her family members if she was found to be (53) _____. He asked for her personal information (54) _____ warned her against informing anyone about the matter. (55) _____ for her family's safety, she visited the ABC Bank branch that afternoon.

At the bank, she (56) _____ \$100,000 in cash and tried to transfer the money to (57) _____ anonymous account with the Bank of China. (58) _____, the staff declined to do the transfer, saying the amount was too large to be transferred over a short period of time. The bank staff then called her (59) _____, Miss Tan, for verification.

That was when Miss Tan found out that her mother had almost become a (60) _____ of the scam. Subsequently, Miss Tan made a police (61) _____

Inspector James Lee, a spokesman from the Singapore Police Force, said that scammers may (62) _____ the actual phone number and display a different phone number. Calls (63) _____ appear to be from a local number may not be made from Singapore. He also reminded Singaporeans to refrain (64) _____ giving out personal information and bank details to strangers over the phone.

"Some scammers take (65) _____ of elderly people by getting them to reveal their personal information unknowingly. If you have information related to such crime, please dial 999 for urgent Police assistance," requested Inspector James Lee.

Adapted from <http://www.scamalert.sg/scam-stories>

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. Lily does not want to swim. Her brothers do not want to swim too.

Neither _____

67. The old villager will help only if you ask him politely.

Unless _____

68. Alice has taken my books.

My books _____

69. "Do not speak loudly in the theatre," Mr Muthu reminded his students.

Mr Muthu reminded his students _____

70. Mrs Lee heard that she was the winner. She hugged her son.

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

The cold winter of 1948 was challenging for my family of four living in Tennessee, United States. We moved from the mountains to the city so that Dad could work in a power plant. Soon, my brother and I attended a new school. Unfortunately, Dad became ill and was out of a job. Mum took in the laundry of our neighbours to pay for the daily expenses. She had a heavy burden. 5

We had little to eat. I was only 11 years old and my younger brother Edwin was 7. After school, it was our responsibility to gather coal that fell from the coal cars along the railway tracks near our home. We could burn the coal to warm everyone at home during the chilly winter. 10

I remember that winter as if it was yesterday. There was a track disruption at the crossing and the train screeched to a halt. It stopped for about an hour. Oblivious to the surroundings, my brother and I persevered in the cold, digging around in the snow. Suddenly, the train driver came to the window of the engine cabin and shouted to us, "Why are you boys digging in the snow? Are you looking for gold?" He laughed. His assistant joined in the laughter too. 15

I told them that we were looking for coal, while blowing on my hands to warm them up. The train driver asked, "Why doesn't your dad buy coal so you can stay away from the trains that pass through here? It's dangerous for two little children to be running along these train tracks." 20

"Our dad is sick and we do not have any money to buy food. What more coal!" I answered. The train driver became solemn. He turned and stepped into the cabin and my brother and I continued searching for coal again. Suddenly, a voice sounded behind us. The train driver took the bucket from us and filled it with clean coal. We were delighted with his gift, and we knew we would be able to go home early that day. I asked what his name was so I could remember him. He smiled the kindest and warmest smile I had ever seen. 25

"Just call me Buck. Now, you two boys stay away from the train and when it comes through next time, I'll throw you a scoop of coal," the train driver said. Happily, my brother and I carried the bucket of clean coal back home. 30

Two days later, Edwin and I stood away from the tracks as the train slowed down at the crossing. The train driver waved to us. Suddenly, out from the train driver's cabin came a large scoop of coal and a piece of red cloth. As I picked the red cloth up, tears welled up in my eyes. Tied to the red scarf were two pieces of chocolate and a new one-dollar bill. 35

Throughout that winter, three days a week, we received a bucket of coal, a treat and, sometimes, money. I was glad my family and I survived that winter.

Adapted from <http://www.rd.com/true-stories/inspiring/fireman-guardian-angel/>

71. Which word in the **first paragraph** has the same meaning as 'difficult'? (1m)

72. In **lines 5 and 6**, why did the author's mother have a heavy burden? (2m)

73. Why did the author and his brother collect coal after school? (2m)

74. Which 4-word phrase in the **third paragraph** tells us that the boys were not aware that there was a fault in the track initially? (1m)

75. Find words from **paragraphs 3 to 5** which have similar meanings to the words below. Write only one word in each box. (3m)

Words to replace	Answer
• breakdown	
• continued on	
• serious	

76. What does the phrase "his gift" in **line 26** refer to? (2m)

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

Order	Actions
	The author moved from the mountains to the city.
	The train driver threw his red scarf.
	The author saw the kindest and warmest smile.
	The author's father was sick.

78. In line 35, tears welled up in the author's eyes. How did he feel? Why? (2m)

79. Based on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. (3m)

	True/False	Reason
(i) The author's family moved to the city so that he could attend a new school there.		
(ii) The train driver cared for the boys' safety.		
(iii) The train driver threw a red scarf with only a one-dollar bill tied to it to the boys.		

80. State an adjective to describe the author and his brother. Give a reason from the passage to support your answer. (2m)

End of Paper

ANSWER KEY

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Booklet A

Q1	1	Q5	1	Q9	2	Q13	4	Q17	3	Q21	1	Q25	1
Q2	3	Q6	4	Q10	3	Q14	1	Q18	1	Q22	4	Q26	4
Q3	3	Q7	2	Q11	4	Q15	1	Q19	3	Q23	1	Q27	3
Q4	1	Q8	1	Q12	3	Q16	2	Q20	4	Q24	2	Q28	1

Booklet B

Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
C	H	N	G	J	L	F	A	M	D

Q39	encouraged	Q48	mischievous	Q57	an
Q40	for	Q49	playing	Q58	However
Q41	proven	Q50	embarrassment	Q59	daughter
Q42	a	Q51	from	Q60	victim
Q43	admitted	Q52	was	Q61	report
Q44	occurred	Q53	liable	Q62	hide
Q45	was	Q54	and	Q63	that
Q46	cautioned	Q55	Worried	Q64	from
Q47	at	Q56	withdrew	Q65	advantage

- Q66 Neither Lily nor her brothers want to swim.
- Q67 Unless you ask the old villager politely, he will not help.
- Q68 My books have been taken by Alice.
- Q69 Mr Muthu reminded his students not to speak loudly in the theatre.
- Q70 On hearing that she was the winner, Mrs Lee hugged her son.
- Q71 Challenging
- Q72 The author's father became ill and was out of job so the author's Mother took in laundry of their neighbours to pay for the daily expenses.

Q73 They could burn the coal and warm everyone at home during the chilly winter.

Q74 Oblivious to the surroundings.

Q75

Words to replace	Answer
• breakdown	disruption
• continued on	persevered
• serious	solemn

Q76 It refers to a bucket of clean coal that the train driver gave the boys.

Q77

Order	Actions
1	The author moved from the mountains to the city.
4	The train driver threw his red scarf.
3	The author saw the kindest and warmest smile.
2	The author's father was sick.

Q78 He felt touched. The train driver gave the author a red scarf with two pieces of chocolate and a new one-dollar bill.

Q79

	True/False	Reason
(i) The author's family moved to the city so that he could attend a new school there.	False	The author's family moved to the city so that his father could work in a power plant.
(ii) The train driver cared for the boys' safety.	True	The train driver told the boys not to stand on the railway tracks.
(iii) The train driver threw a red scarf with only a one-dollar bill tied to it to the boys.	False	The train driver also tied two pieces of chocolate to the red scarf.

Q80 They were persevering. They did not give up collecting coal during the cold weather.

End