



**RED SWASTIKA SCHOOL**  
**2017 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE – PAPER 2**  
**LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION**  
**PRIMARY 3**

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Class : Primary 3 / \_\_\_\_\_

Date : 25 October 2017

**Note:**

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read carefully the instructions given at the beginning of each section.
3. Do not waste time. If a question is difficult for you, go on to the next one.
4. Check your answers thoroughly and make sure you attempt every question.

43 Questions

50 Marks

Duration of Paper: 1 hour 15 minutes

ITEMS	OBTAINED	POSSIBLE
MCQ		22
Qn 19 - 43		28
TOTAL		50

Parent's Signature : \_\_\_\_\_

**Section A: Vocabulary (6 marks)**

**Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.**

- 1 This tent folds up into a small \_\_\_\_\_ backpack which we can carry around easily.
- |              |                |
|--------------|----------------|
| (1) flexible | (2) portable   |
| (3) movable  | (4) adjustable |
- 2 Angela Lee defeated all her \_\_\_\_\_ and retained the championship title.
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| (1) supporters  | (2) spectators   |
| (3) challengers | (4) participants |
- 3 After using the powerful detergent, all the stains on Alice's blouse \_\_\_\_\_ overnight.
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|------------|--------------|
| (1) dried  | (2) softened |
| (3) melted | (4) vanished |
- 4 Lisa \_\_\_\_\_ completed her university education although she was hospitalised early this year.
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| (1) timidly     | (2) hopefully    |
| (3) confidently | (4) successfully |
- 5 My sister and I got into a heated \_\_\_\_\_ when we could not agree on what gift to get for our mother.
- |                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| (1) opinion     | (2) argument    |
| (3) explanation | (4) instruction |
- 6 The \_\_\_\_\_ gangsters demanded money from the poor villagers or they would burn the village to the ground.
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|--------------|--------------|
| (1) sneaky   | (2) grumpy   |
| (3) ruthless | (4) stubborn |

**Section B: Grammar (8 marks)**

**Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.**

7 "You have to look after \_\_\_\_\_ while you are at the camp," Mrs Ang told the twins.

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| (1) myself   | (2) ourselves  |
| (3) yourself | (4) yourselves |

8 As we \_\_\_\_\_ ready to sleep, we heard a loud bang on the door.

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|--------------|------------------|
| (1) get      | (2) will get     |
| (3) have got | (4) were getting |

9 Betty is going to sleep late again tonight as she has \_\_\_\_\_ work to do.

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|----------|--------------|
| (1) no   | (2) little   |
| (3) many | (4) a lot of |

10 It is dangerous to \_\_\_\_\_ along the dark street late at night.

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| (1) walk   | (2) walks   |
| (3) walked | (4) walking |

11 My teacher always \_\_\_\_\_ early. She is never late.

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| (1) arrive      | (2) arrives     |
| (3) is arriving | (4) has arrived |

12 Suzie \_\_\_\_\_ many dresses from the new shopping centre recently.

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|----------------|----------------|
| (1) buys       | (2) bought     |
| (3) has bought | (4) was buying |

13 "Would you like a sundae \_\_\_\_\_ a yoghurt as a dessert?" asked the waitress politely.

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| (1) or  | (2) as  |
| (3) and | (4) but |

14 They arrived just \_\_\_\_\_ time to catch the last bus.

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| (1) in  | (2) by   |
| (3) for | (4) with |

Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (8 marks)

Read the poster carefully and answer the questions that follow. Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

## Do You Want To Learn How To Bake?

Join us this December holidays for a baking workshop for students aged 6 to 12.

Learn how to bake your favourite cakes, muffins and cookies in a fun way.

**When?**  
10.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.  
16 December 2017  
(Saturday)

**Where?**  
Unity Community  
Centre  
Level 2 - Hall

**Who will be conducting the camp?**  
Mrs Tan and Mrs Lim from Amazing  
Baking Club (Head Bakers)

**What will you learn?**  
You will be taught how to  
bake pandan cakes,  
strawberry muffins and  
chocolate cookies.

**What should you bring?**  
Bring your own containers to take home your cakes,  
muffins and cookies. Ingredients to be used during baking  
will be provided during the workshop.

**How do you sign up?**

- Call Unity Community Centre at 62460123
- Email [Unity@communitycentre.com.sg](mailto:Unity@communitycentre.com.sg)

Workshop  
organised by:  
Unity Community  
Centre

Invite your friends and family to join you. See you at the workshop!

- 15 The main purpose of the poster is to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) promote Amazing Baking Club
  - (2) highlight details of the baking workshop
  - (3) attract students to join Unity Community Centre as a member
  - (4) encourage students to be environmentally-friendly by bringing their own containers
- 16 The baking workshop is organised by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) Mrs Tan and Mrs Lim
  - (2) Amazing Baking Club
  - (3) students aged 6 to 12
  - (4) Unity Community Centre
- 17 Betty would like to attend the baking workshop. She should \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) call Mrs Tan and Mrs Lim
  - (2) call Amazing Baking Club
  - (3) email Amazing Baking Club
  - (4) email Unity Community Centre
- 18 Which of the statements below is not true?
- (1) The workshop will be held indoors.
  - (2) The camp will be held in the morning.
  - (3) Ingredients used will be provided by the participants.
  - (4) Participants will need to bring along their own containers.

**Section D: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.

(A) we	(B) he	(C) me
(D) it	(E) him	(F) they

Tom and his father had gone to Japan during the school holidays. His

father had bought a robot for him while \_\_\_\_\_ were there. The  
(19)

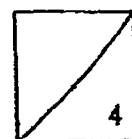
robot was very life-like. \_\_\_\_\_ could talk and walk too. They were  
(20)

very impressed.

"The robot can even perform simple calculations! Let \_\_\_\_\_  
(21)

show you!" Tom shouted excitedly. \_\_\_\_\_ keyed in some  
(22)

numbers and the robot gave all the correct answers. It was amazing!



**Section E: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.

(A) teach	(B) teaches	(C) taught
(D) teaching	(E) would teach	(F) was teaching

Miss Jones is an experienced teacher. She loves to \_\_\_\_\_  
(23)

young children as she finds them adorable. She \_\_\_\_\_ us English  
(24)

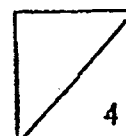
and Science, and we love her lessons.

Last week, while she \_\_\_\_\_ us about frogs, my classmate,  
(25)

Tom, suddenly croaked. Everyone laughed.

Miss Jones told us that she \_\_\_\_\_ us how to identify the  
(26)

different parts of a frog the next day. We were all excited.





Section F: Editing (4 marks)

Correct each word in bold for spelling and underlined for punctuation. Write the correct word or punctuation in the relevant box.

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Jerry was leaming how to ride a bicycle. "Don't let go?" he shouted. His father, who

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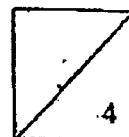
was holding on to the rear of the seat, kept quiet. Jerry struggled to balance himself on the

(29)

bicycle. He put in **tremenders** effort to paddle continuously in order to balance himself.

(30)

Before Jerry knew it he was able to cycle on his own. He was overjoyed!



**Section G: Synthesis (4 marks)**

**For each of the questions, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the words 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).**

- 31** He wants to lose weight. He exercises regularly.

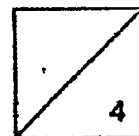
In order to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- 32** She was careless. She lost the key.

As a result of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



**Section H: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)**

Read the passage and fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Mrs Tan loves to exercise and keep herself healthy. She \_\_\_\_\_ plenty  
(33)

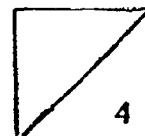
of water too. She avoids soft drinks \_\_\_\_\_ they are very sweet. Mrs Tan  
(34)

prefers to cook for the family as the food sold in hawker centres are usually very salty and  
oily.

After dinner, Mr and Mrs Tan will take their two children \_\_\_\_\_ a stroll  
(35)

in the park. They enjoy spending quality \_\_\_\_\_ together. They also exercise  
(36)

together as a family.



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**Section I: Comprehension (8 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

One day, a king decided to travel by foot to interact with his people. After several weeks of travel, the king returned to his palace. He was happy as he had visited many places and witnessed his people leading a comfortable life.

However, the king suffered an intolerable pain in his feet as it was his first trip by foot, covering a long distance. He complained to his ministers that the roads were stony. He was worried for the people who walked barefoot on the roads. They would be in pain too. 5

The king ordered his servants to cover all the roads with leather so that his people could walk comfortably. The king's ministers were stunned to hear his command as it would mean that thousands of cows would have to be slaughtered in order to get sufficient quantity of leather. They were also hesitant as it would be costly. 10

Finally, a wise man came to the king with an idea. He said, "Instead of covering the roads with leather, we can make leather shoes. We can cut pieces of leather of the right shape and size to cover the feet of the people." 15

The king was pleased with the wise man's suggestion. He ordered a pair of leather shoes for himself and requested everyone to put on shoes.

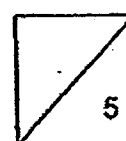
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**Q37** Which word in paragraph 1 has the same meaning as 'communicate'? [1m]

**Q38** In paragraph 2, why was the king 'worried' (line 6)? [2m]

For Q39 and Q40, read each statement and tick ✓ 'True' or 'False'. Refer to paragraph 3 to help you. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	The king demanded that all roads be covered with leather.	✓	
Q39	The king's ministers were pleased to carry out his order.		
Q40	Many cows would need to be killed to cover all the roads with leather.		



Q41 Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

The king's ministers did not slaughter thousands of cows immediately because they felt that it would be \_\_\_\_\_ to do so. [1m]

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cruel

shocking

expensive

Q42 What did the wise man suggest? [1m]

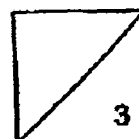
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Q43 In the end, what did the king ask his people to do?

\_\_\_\_\_ [1m]

**END OF PAPER**



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SECTION A

Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
2	3	4	4	2	3	4	4	4	1

Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
2	2	1	1	2	2	4	3	F	D

Q 21	Q22	Q 23	Q24	Q 25	Q26
C	B	A	B	F	E

Q 27	Q28	Q 29	Q30
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Q31)	In order to los weight, he exercises regularly.
Q32)	As a result of her being careless, she lost the key.
Q33)	drinks
Q34)	as
Q35)	for
Q36)	time
Q37)	interact
Q38)	He was worried that the people who walked barefoot on the stony roads would be in pain.
Q39)	False
Q40)	True
Q41)	√ expensive
Q42)	He suggested to make leather shoes.
Q43)	put on shoes