

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT ONE (2018) PRIMARY FIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

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Name: _____(

Class: Primary Five

8 May 2018

20 Marks

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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

Answer all questions.

For each question, choose the correct answer (1, 2 or 3).

Then shade the correct oval (1, 2 or 3) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

This booklet consists of 9 printed pages excluding the cover page.

SHADE YOUR ANSWERS (1, 2 or 3) ON THE OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET.

TEXT 1

1 Which picture correctly shows what the pupils will do after weeding?



2 Which picture shows a pupil disobeying the teacher?



TEXT 2



3 Which of the three lines shows the route for the buggy ride?





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Which activity will take place outdoors?



6 Where will the children gather leaves?





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What will the children's home have to prepare?

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Why did the hawker centre mentioned in the news adopt a new tray return system?

- (1) to give cleaners more trays to clear
- (2) to let cleaners have more time for other responsibilities
- (3) to help cleaners make sure that cutlery is washed quickly
- 9 Which of the following is true of the new hawker centre?
 - (1) It has a special design.
 - (2) None of the stalls there serve drinks.
 - (3) Customers will not have tables to sit at.
- 10 The Hawkers' Association hopes to
 - (1) serve the younger generation better hawker food
 - (2) attract the younger generation to become hawkers
 - (3) give the younger generation a better impression of hawker centres

11 What led Carol to take over her family business?

- (1) She did not want her family to work too hard.
- (2) She did not want to let what her parents had built go to waste.
- (3) She did not want the coffeeshop's employees to lose their jobs.

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- 12 Why did Carol spend her free time creating new drinks?
 - (1) to try out a variety of ingredients
 - (2) to serve different kinds of coffee at the cafe
 - (3) to discover new, unique flavours for the coffeeshop
- 13 To Carol, young people should be _
 - (1) brave and diligent
 - (2) emotional and selfless
 - (3) courageous and critical

- 14 Why did Gaston and Pablo take the first selection test?
 - (1) They wanted to serve their country.
 - (2) They hoped to go on their first long journey.
 - (3) They knew that they were capable young men.
- 15 How did Gaston and Pablo prepare for the second selection test?
 - (1) They read.
 - (2) They made notes.
 - (3) They tested each other.
- 16 According to Pablo, why were the other candidates not preparing for the selection test?
 - (1) They were searching for the strange note.
 - (2) They had decided to enjoy their time in the palace.
 - (3) They thought that they knew what the test would be about.
- 17 What can we learn from what Gaston and Pablo did after receiving the strange note?
 - (1) We should do our best to help others succeed.
 - (2) We should work hard and not try to take shortcuts.
 - (3) We should be brave and always choose to tell the truth.

- 18 Based on the talk, why do people feel stressed?
 - (1) (2) Friends and family members are too demanding.
 - There are too many activities and people to deal with.
 - (3) They find it hard to understand or control their own feelings,
- What is the purpose of telling people whom we trust about our problems? 19
 - (1) They will solve our problems for us.
 - It will help them understand us better. (2)
 - (3) We will not have to face our problems ourselves.

The talk encourages people who are feeling stressed to 20

- consider seeing a counsellor (1)
- (2)confide in complete strangers
- provide emotional support for others (3)

End of Paper



CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT ONE (2018) PRIMARY FIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION) BOOKLET A

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Name: _____(

Class: Primary Five _____

8 May 2018

28 Questions (28 Marks)

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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This booklet consists of 10 printed pages excluding the cover page.

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

- 1. "Tell me about a favourite novel of ______," Miss Wee encouraged her pupils.
 - (1) you
 - (2) yours
 - (3) yourself
 - (4) yourselves

2. The manager is being held accountable ______ the missing funds.

- (1) on
- (2) for
- (3) from
- (4) against
- 3. The parcels ______ loaded onto the van and will be delivered to the respective recipients shortly.
 - (1) are
 - (2) were
 - (3) had been
 - (4) have been

4. The florist from ______ you purchased a bouquet of lilies is my sister.

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

5. "Be careful! Someone spotted a snake ______ across the forest trail just now," cautioned the ranger.

- (1) slithers
- (2) slithered
- (3) slithering
- (4) had slithered

6. Do approach the supervisor ______ you have any queries and she will assist you.

- (1) could
- (2) might
- (3) would
- (4) should

7. Elaine seldom communicates with her grandparents in Cantonese, she?

- (1) did
- (2) does
- (3) didn't
- (4) doesn't

8. If I had known how gruelling this marathon would be, I would not in it.

- (1) participate
- (2) participated
- (3) had participated
- (4) have participated

9. The weather was erratic and the food was not tasty ______ we enjoyed our vacation.

- (1) so
- (2) yet
- (3) since
- (4) therefore

10. Maya, as well as her parents, _____ currently holidaying in France.

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

For each question from 11 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

- 11. Archaeologists have recently ______ historical artefacts that were buried underground for thousands of years.
 - (1) unveiled
 - (2) unearthed
 - (3) unleashed
 - (4) unmasked
- 12. A _____ of police officers will be deployed to maintain security at the National Day Parade.
 - (1) crew
 - (2) panel
 - (3) posse
 - (4) troupe
- 13. Joseph won the tennis match effortlessly as he found his opponent's strategy _____. He could easily anticipate the opponent's next move.
 - (1) efficient
 - (2) analytical
 - (3) accessible
 - (4) predictable

14. The accident left the car wrecked beyond _____. No mechanic was able to fix it.

- (1) repair
- (2) remedy
- (3) damage
- (4) salvation

15. Ruijie is very quarrelsome. He does not _____ very well with his teammates.

- (1) get in
- (2) get by
- (3) get on
- (4) get off

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)

Margaret Thatcher served as the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom from 1979 to 1990. A mother of twins, she made history for being the (16) <u>earliest</u> woman to head the British government and was nicknamed *The Iron Lady* for her uncompromising leadership style.

Interestingly, she began her career as a scientist after studying chemistry. Knowing her (17) <u>passion</u> lay in politics, she pursued a law degree and tried to get elected into the British Parliament. Even though she had the necessary qualifications, the men in her party assumed that a young mother would not be (18) <u>cut out</u> for a life in parliament.

Still, Margaret Thatcher stayed true to herself and (19) <u>refused to give up</u>. She was unfazed by what others thought of her, especially those who (20) <u>misinterpreted</u> her honesty for rudeness. Finally, a few years later, her dream came true and Margaret was elected into Parliament. She was so successful that she became leader of the Conservative Party and subsequently, the Prime Minister.

- 16. (1) first (2) lone
 - (3) chief
 - (4) primary
- 17. (1) hobby
 - (2) appeal
 - (3) longing
 - (4) interest
- 18. (1) suited
 - (2) proper
 - (3) adapted
 - (4) applicable
- 19. (1) pressed on
 - (2) worked hard
 - (3) backed down
 - (4) remained idle

20. (1) misled (2) mismatched (3) miscalculated (4) misunderstood

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and a second A second A second Study the following flyer and then answer questions 21 to 28.





For each question from 21 to 28, four options are given. One of them is the answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

- According to the flyer, Mr and Mrs Roland Tan 21.
 - (1) are first-time business owners
 - wanted to set up a place for their friends to gather (2)
 - have grandchildren who dislike Singaporean street fare (3)
 - reminisced eating at old food streets near their childhood homes (4)
- 22. According to Mr and Mrs Roland Tan, what was their main reason for setting up the Old Town Kopitiam?
 - to promote eating by the roadside (1)
 - (2) (3) to let the older generation relive the good old days
 - to introduce the younger generation to shophouses
 - to earn more profits as part of their restaurant business (4)
- Look at the section "Bringing Street Food Back". What is expressed by the 23. phrase "Not surprisingly" in the first line of the last paragraph?
 - (1) There were no surprises at the Old Town Kopitiam.
 - (2) The Old Town Kopitiam turned out to be an instant success.
 - (3) Locals and tourists did not think they would like the Old Town Kopitiam.
 - It was expected that people would enjoy going to the Old Town Kopitiam. (4)
- 24. Which of the following statements about the location of the Old Town Kopitiam is true?
 - It is located in a housing estate. (1)
 - (2) It runs parallel to a row of shophouses.
 - It is accessible via the Lilac Lane Car Park. (3)
 - (4) It is sandwiched between Teal Lane and Rose Lane.

Why do you think the flyer included awards won by the Old Town Kopitiam?

(1) to mark up its prices

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- (2) to show that it is a reputable business
- (3) to emphasise the array of food available
- (4) to entice customers to try out its international cuisine

26. Which of the following statements regarding the Old Town Card is true?

- (1) You must have the Old Town Card to dine at Old Town Kopitiam.
- (2) You can get a \$10 discount when you pay using the Old Town Card.
- (3) You are guaranteed a 10% discount when you use the Old Town Card.
- (4) You need to approach the customer officer at the kiosks to help to top up the Old Town Card.

27. Paul wants to visit the restaurant at 1 p.m. on a Friday. Which of the following stalls can he dine at?

- (1) Satay
- (2) Roti Prata
- (3) Nasi Lemak
- (4) Chicken Rice
- 28. What is the main purpose of the flyer? It is to
 - (1) encourage the public to dine at the Old Town Kopitiam
 - (2) direct the public to the exact location of the Old Town Kopitiam
 - (3) impress the public with the Old Town Kopitiam's string of awards
 - (4) notify the public of the opening hours of the stalls at the Old Town Kopitiam

END OF BOOKLET A



CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT ONE (2018) PRIMARY FIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET B

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Name: _____ (

Class: Primary Five _____

8 May 2018

52 Questions (67 Marks)

Components	Marks
Booklet A	28
Booklet B	67
TOTAL	95

Parent's Signature:_____

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

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Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

Write your answers in this booklet.

This booklet consists of 8 printed pages excluding the cover 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 in order to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

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Who is Stephen William Hawking? He is regarded (29)______one of the most brilliant scientists in history. His work on the origins and structure of the universe (30)______ gained him much recognition.

Stephen Hawking was born (31)_____ England on 8 January 1942. He attended University College in Oxford, (32)_____ he studied physics, even though his father wanted him to study medicine. Hawking went (33)_____ to Cambridge University to research cosmology, the study of the universe.

In early 1963, days before his 21st birthday, Hawking was diagnosed (34)______ motor neuron disease, more commonly known as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS). He was not expected to live more than two years. Completing his studies did not appear likely. Yet, Hawking defied the odds, not only doing well academically (35)______ also forging new roads into the understanding of the universe.

As the disease spread, Hawking became less mobile (36) began using a wheelchair. Talking grew more challenging and, in 1985, he suffered a total loss (37) speech. A speech-generating device, (38) was constructed at Cambridge, served as his electronic voice. It allowed Hawking to select his words by moving the muscles in his cheek.

https://www.space.com/15923-stephen-hawking.html

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks) Jotling down a shopping list, writing a birthday card, taking down a phone 39 message, completing a form at the bank ... Writing is part of our daily life. Writing has a very long history. It began as simple pictographs drew on a rock. 41 which is then combined to represent ideas and developed into more abstract symbols. Just like our writing today, early symbols were used to store information and 42 communicates with others. 43. In recent years, modern technology has drematikally changed the way we communicate with writing. However, despite the increased use of computers for writing, 44 the skill of handwriting remains important in education, employed and in everyday life. 45. Time divoted to the teaching and learning in the early years of one's education 46 will pay of. When a child is able to write legibly at a comfortable pace, the child can 47 attend to other thinking processes. This is important when assessments are based on 49 written work, particuelely in timed written ekzaminashen. Without fast and readable 50. handwriting, students may miss out on learning oppurtunitiees and under-achieve academically. Thus, writing with pen and paper still has an important role in our lives.

http://www.nha-handwriting.org.uk/handwriting/why-is-handwriting-important

Fill in each blank with <u>a</u> suitable word.

(15 marks)

Guide dogs are assistance dogs which have been trained to lead the blind and visually impaired people around obstacles. The first service animal training school was established in Germany during World War I to enhance the mobility of returning soldiers who were (51) ______ in combat. Today, any legally blind person, sixteen or older, may apply for a (52) ______ dog.

Guide dog breeds are (53) ______ for their temperament, special qualities and trainability. Golden Retrievers, Labradors, and German Shepherds are most (54) ______ to be chosen by service animal facilities as they can be cared for easily (55) ______ to their short coats. They are generally healthy and have gentle but willing temperaments.

Guide dog puppies are born at the training centre and stay (56)_______ their mothers for three months. Then, they go to live with a loving volunteer family who teaches them good manners and obedience. After they are a year old, the young dogs (57)______ to the training centre to begin training.

For about five months, the dogs learn how to sit and stay, cross streets by actively (58) ______ out for traffic sounds, pick up objects their instructors drop, and even ride in taxis and buses. They also help their blindfolded instructors to walk along pavements while (59) ______ obstacles. They do that by learning to estimate the height of the (60) ______ so that their instructors will not bump into them and injure themselves.

After passing all its tests, each dog is (61)______ with a blind owner. Trainings will be provided to (62)_______ that both the dog and its owner are a good fit for each other. The dog and its owner then train together at the school for four weeks. The owner will be taught to (63) _______ clear verbal commands. The dog learns to respond only to its owner's (64)______, to refuse food from anyone else, and not to play or allow others to pet it while it is wearing its special work harness. Once training is (65)______, the dog and its blind owner are ready to navigate the world. However, it is important to remember that guide dogs are working animals and should not be distracted or treated as a normal animal while they are working. For each of the questions from 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in <u>one</u> sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. "You must practise hard to be ready for the audition tomorrow," Mother reminded me.

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Mother reminded me that _____

67. Mrs Lee told her husband. "Please fix the leaking tap before you sleep."

Mrs Lee told her husband

68. The flights were delayed. The weather was bad.

Because of _____

69. Aunt Ruby baked a scrumptious chocolate cake yesterday.

Α_____

70. Gina stared at the noisy children. She was frustrated.

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

It has been 34 years since my husband, Ben, left his Ah Ma's (grandmother's) house in a kampong (village) in Malaysia. His father had to start a new job in the city and they eventually settled down there.

Ah Ma lived in the middle of a huge palm oil estate all her life. In 1972 when her husband passed away, she continued to live there, managing it on her own and getting a comfortable income from it every year. In recent years, when harvesting became too strenuous, she hired workers to reap the palm oil fruits.

As a city child, Ah Ma's hut was the first wooden hut I saw. It had been Ben's home for the first four years of his life. Not having to worry about his personal safety, he had played freely in the cool misty mornings and in the nights which were illuminated by the moon. Even after his family moved out, he would regularly return for sleepovers. To him, Ah Ma's humble hut was a haven.

But to me, the first annual visit we took to Ah Ma's hut was a shock, chiefly because of the dilapidated state of the hut. After the long drive from Kuala Lumpur, I prodded Ben, "Where's the toilet?"

He pointed outside the kitchen. I saw a makeshift cubicle with tin sheets and a rickety door. My face fell, as did my heart. "Th-that's the toilet?" I could see he was trying not to laugh. "This is it," he grinned in reply. However, I did not nitpick as after the long drive, my only thought was: "Nature is calling and I need to answer!"

Ah Ma's living room was simple. The coldness of the bare grey concrete floor would penetrate your bones on a chilly day. To the side of the living room was the bedroom where Ben had slept as a young boy. He and his two brothers would fight over the one single mattress that was a luxury back then. The victor slept cosily while the others would curl up on wooden planks. Despite this, Ah Ma's house was the only place where my husband has ever slept deeply for 12 hours straight – **an indulgence** that he misses to this day.

The well was another fascination. It was right next to the kitchen and was Ah Ma's only source of drinking water. Every day she would draw water from the well, collecting it in buckets to filter before boiling it for consumption. Ah Ma devised her own water filtration system using large rocks on top, sitting on layers of pebbles and sand of different densities.

The kitchen was a place of love. Ah Ma cooked using firewood that she had collected herself – a feat for a woman in her 80s. When others tried to help her with the preparation of the meals, she teased them for not doing it properly. She relished cooking for her grandchildren and did not see collecting firewood, drawing water,

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gathering vegetables or catching chickens as a burden.

To get about, Ah Ma rode her trusty, rusty bicycle. It was probably more than 50 years old, another relic from her past. Ben remembers riding it with her when he was six years old. Wherever she went, sometimes long distances to shop or visit friends, he was her companion. There were no helmets – he simply held on tightly to Ah Mal

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I once asked Ben whether he would feel embarrassed if his business associates found out about his humble origins. "Embarrassed? Why would I be? I'm more than happy to share my kampong adventures!" he replied without hesitation.

Adapted from Reader's digest, Where the Heart Is, The humblest home can be a place of great love

71. Why did Ben move out of his Ah Ma's house? [1m]

72. Which five-word phrase from lines 4-7 tells us that Ah Ma ran the palm oil estate single-handedly? [1m]

73. Choose one word from lines 4-15 which has a similar meaning to each word below. [3m]

exhausting	
brightened	
mainly	

74. Based on lines 8-12, explain why Ah Ma's humble hut 'was a haven' (line 12) for Ben. [2m]

75. Based on lines 13-19, give two reasons to explain why the writer's visit to Ah Ma's house was a shock for her. [2m]

76. Which <u>two</u> of the following words best describe how the writer felt in lines 16-19? Put a tick ($\sqrt{}$) in the box beside each of your answer. [2m]

excited	embarrassed	
disturbed	comforted	
proud	disappointed	

77. 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]

Statement	True/False	Reason	
The writer amd her husband visited Ah Ma every month.			
The writer's husband, Ben, was an only child.			
Ah Ma enjoyed preparing meals for her grandchildren.			

78. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story. [1m]

The writer visited Ah Ma with her husband, Ben.

The writer's husband, Ben rode with Ah Ma on her rusty bicycle.

The writer is bushand. Rep and his family moved to the city

79. Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [3m]

What the word(s) refers(s) to	Word(s)from the passage		
	an Indulgence(line 25)		
 	it (line 29)		
	a feat (line 33)		
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80. Do you think that Ben was embarrassed about 'his humble origins' (line 43)? Support your answer with evidence from the passage. [2m]

END OF PAPER

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Booklet A

Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
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Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14	-Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
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Q 21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28		
4	2	4	2	2	3	4	1		

Booklet B

Q 29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
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Q51)	blinded	Q56)	with	Q61)	paired	
Q52)	guard	Q57)	return	Q62)	ensure	
Q53)	chosen	Q58)	listening	Q63)	give	
Q54)	likely	Q59)	avoiding/dodging	Q64)	voice/commands/calls	
Q55)	due	Q60)	obstacles	Q65)	completed/over	
Q66)	Mother reminded	me that	I had to practice har	d to be i	ready for the audition	
	the next day.					
Q67)	Mrs Lee told her husband to fix the leaking tap before he slept.					
Q68)	Because of the bad weather, the flights were delayed.					

Q69)	A scrumptious chocolate cake was baked by Aunt Ruby yesterday.
Q70)	Gina stared at the noisy children in frustration.
Q71)	Ben's father had to start a new job in the city.
Q72)	managing it on her own
Q73)	strenuous
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	chiefly
Q74)	He would play freely without having to worry about his personal safety.
Q75)	The hut was dilapidated and the toilet was just a make shift cubicle with tin
and a second second second second	sheets and a rickety door.
Q76)	disturbed, comforted
Q77)	False – The writers and her husband made annual visits to Ah Ma's hut.
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·····	mattress.
	True – She relished cooking for her grandchildren and did not see collecting
anta Anta Agri	firewood, drawing water, gathering vegetables and catching chickens as a
	burden.
Q78)	3, 2, 1
Q79)	an indulgence – Ben sleeping deeply for twelve hours straight
	it – the water from the well
nationalis Nationalis Nationalis	a feat - cooking using firewood that Ah Ma collected herself
Q80)	No, Ben was more than happy to share his kampong adventures.