

2010 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT (2) PRIMARY FIVE ENGLISH

DURATION : 1 HR 40 MINDATE: 27TH OCTOBER 2010INSTRUCTIONS

Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so. Follow all instructions. Answer all questions.

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Section A: Comprehension-Graphic Stimulus

Study the following text and then answer questions 1 to 5.



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

- 1: The purpose of the notice is to ______
 - (1) inform customers of a sale
 - (2) invite customers to their cafe's opening
 - (3) ask customers to continue to support them
 - (4) inform customers of their move to a new premise
- 2. Why do think you think the shop decided to move to a new premise?
 - (1) It is to reward their valued customers.
 - (2) It is bigger and has ample parking lots.
 - (3) It has won the 'Healthier Choice Award 2009'.
 - (4) It has catering services and made-to-order cakes.
- 3. Diners at Kiwi Cafe in the month of November would be entitled to _
 - (1) a 10% discount on cakes only
 - (2) a 10% discount on all food items
 - (3) a 10% discount on meat pies only
 - (4) a 10% discount on all food and beverages
- 4. One would most likely be able to make a reservation at Kiwi Cafe if he/she calls
 - (1) after 6.30pm on any weekday
 - (2) between 12 noon and 2 p.m. on a Saturday
 - (3) between 9.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. on a Monday
 - 4) between 12 noon and 2 p.m. on a Public Holiday
- 5. Which of the following statements is true?

All food and beverages will be subjected to GST and Service Tax.
Kiwi Cafe will be opening a new branch at Dempsey Road in November.
Kiwi Cafe serves Fish and Chips all day except for Mondays and Public Holiday:
One can contact Kiwi Cafe to enquire on the spread of food available for catering

Section B: Grammar MCQ

For each question from 6 to 12, 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. (7 marks

6. Please accept my apologies for not arriving ______ time for the meeting.

- (1) at
- (2) in
- (3) into
- (4) upon

7. Mrs Li, our Science teacher, reiterated that the existence of water ______ essential for life on Earth-

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

8. Samad and Chee Seng ______ from school since last Saturday because the had contracted Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease.

- (1) were absent
- (2) had been absent
- (3) has been absent
- (4) have been absent

9. Sally and Ally are the friends ______ I went shopping at ION with last week.

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

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Shan Shan completed the Sheares Bridge marathon, ______ she?

- (1) can
- (2) did
- (3) can't
- (4) didn't

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She should be here by now _____ she is stuck in traffic. 11.

- (1) (2) (3) (4) if
- unless
- though
- despite

Do you know that the Dodo bird is known for ______ inability to fly?

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Section C: Punctuation MCQ

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

Three pairs of eyes all focused on the tickets for the Youth Olympics Games' official opening in Dad's outstretched hand. Benny (13) the oldest, expressed the questions running through everyone's mind, "Only two tickets (14) But, which of us will get to go with you?"

"Yes, Dad, who gets to go?" repeated Colin, the youngest (15) Dad, can't you buy any more tickets?"

13.	(1) (2) (3) (4)	[;] [,] [;]	colon comma hyphen semi-colon
14.	(1)	[.]	full stop
	(2)	[?]	question mark
	(3)	[?"]	question mark and inverted comma
	(4)	[!"]	exclamation mark and inverted commas
⁻ 15.	(1)	[.]	full stop
	(2)	[:"]	colon and inverted commas
	(3)	[".]	inverted commas and full stop
	(4)	[."]	full stop and inverted commas

Section D: Vocabulary MCQ

For each question from 16 to 20, 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 (5 marks) Sheet.

- I caught a ______ of Mr Goh, our PE teacher, when he walked past our 16. classroom a few minutes ago.
 - peep (1)
 - (2) glare
 - stare (3)
 - . (4) glimpse
- Gary ______ his hands over his ears when the thunder struck suddenly. 17.
 - (1) clasped
 - covered (2)
 - clinched (3)
 - clenched (4)

On the first day of school, Benjamin tried to ______ a conversation with the new pupil during recess. 18.

- strike on (1)
- strike up (2)
- strike out (3)
- strike upon (4)
- The two masked men sped off from the scene on a motorcycle with the _____ 19. rider holding onto the briefcase which contained the loot.
 - (1) pilot
 - pillion (2)
 - steward (3)
 - (4) passenger

The teenager who was brutally attacked by an assailant ______ across the 20. basketball court for help. . .

- glided (1)
- lurched (2)
- trudged (3)
- stomped (4)

Section E: Vocabulary Cloze

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word: Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

At least eleven people have died and thirty-two others were missing after an Indonesian passenger boat sank yesterday. Rescuers <u>braved</u> storms and rough seas to search for survivors, (21) drafting in local fishermen to <u>scour</u> the waters near Flores Island in the east of the country. (22) Local police said that the vessel, which was struck by high waves and had caused <u>panic</u> (23) among passengers, capsized about five kilometres from shore. Four vessels from the local sea police unit and seventy volunteer rescuers have been <u>deployed</u> to assist in the search. The (24) Indonesian archipelago of more than 17000 islands is <u>heavily</u> dependent on maritime services (25) but its safety record remains relatively poor.

Source: Today 10th Aug 2010

21. (1)dodged endured (2)(3) escaped (4)challenged 22. (1)skim (2) comb cleanse. (3). (4) overlook 23. (1) agony (2) frenzy (3) euphoria (4) resentment 24. (1) ordered employed (2) mobilised (3) dispensed (4) 25. (1) solely greatly (2) thoroughly (3) marginally (4) (Go on to the next page) 7

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Section F: Comprehension MCQ

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Wherever she goes, Molly leaves quite an impression-literally. Molly's mark is a smile, stamped into the ground by the horseshoe at the bottom of her false leg.

A few years ago, Molly was badly attacked by a pit bull terrier. The vicious dog bit all four of Molly's legs and left large gashes in her face. Molly's owner, Kaye Harris, took her to an animal hospital. The veterinarians were able to save Molly's 5 life, but soon one of her legs became badly infected. At first, veterinarians thought Molly would have to be euthanised. However, the veterinarians subsequently changed their minds about putting her to sleep and they decided that the only way to save her life was to amputate **it** instead.

This pony, doctors noticed, allowed people to handle her and was careful to 10 lie on different positions to prevent sores. She also constantly shifted her weight, and rested on her good leg from time to time. Doctors knew that Molly had amazing intelligence and that she possessed the will to live.

Several veterinarians operated on Molly and removed her infected leg. An artificial leg was made for her. Molly's prosthesis-was a hollow cast with a sturdy 15 pole for balance. Doctors gave Molly a special gift at bottom of her prosthesis. It was a horseshoe which had a stamp-of a smiley face in it!

After the operation, Molly walked around on all four legs, as if nothing had ever happened to her! With every step she took, she left a smiley face in the sand. Since the operation, Molly has been leaving her mark in more ways than one.

Kaye Harris took Molly to the prosthetic center. There were children there who, like Molly, had artificial limbs. They were amazed to see a pony with a prosthetic leg. Molly made them smile and gave them hope. Soon, Molly began to visit schools, nursing homes, rehabilitation centres and hospitals. A book was even written about Molly's remarkable inspiration to others!

Molly has become a symbol of hope to people of all ages. Her story leaves a smile on people's faces, just as clearly as her horseshoe leaves a mark in the sand.

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Adapted by Mrs J. Tsui -

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answ Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answ Sheet. (5 mark

26. Molly was

- (1) Kaye's dog
- (2) Kaye's pony
- (3) Kaye's owner
- (4) Kaye's veterinarian

27. In line 9, 'it' refers to ______.

- (1) Molly's life
- (2) Molly's infected leg
- (3) Molly's prosthetic leg
- (4) the large gash on Molly's face

28. Why did the veterinarians decide not to put Molly to sleep?

- (1) Molly was extremely intelligent.
- (2) Molly made children smile and gave them hope.
- (3) Molly convinced the doctors that she wanted to live.
- (4) Molly demonstrated to the doctors that she could use her other good legs to move about.

29. Which of the following statements is true?

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- (1) She wrote a book with the help of Molly's owner.
- (2) Molly visited people in schools and hospitals to give them hope.
- (3) Molly was well-loved because she stamped smiles on people's faces.
- (4) Molly was able to walk around on four artificial limbs after the operation.
- 30. How was Molly able to give hope to the children at the prosthesis centre?
 - (1) Molly taught them how to use their prosthetic limbs.
 - (2) Molly impressed them by balancing on her artificial leg.
 - (3) Molly stamped smiley faces on the ground for all the children at the centre.
 - (4) Molly showed them that they could lead a normal life even with an artificial leg.

End of Booklet A

BOOKLET B

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Section G : Grammar Cloze

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, 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)

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The recent oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico has resulted in more housing woes for its people living in that region. Pete Yarborough, a trucker who had been hauling seafood for a about 800 other residents in the area the BP oil spill hit, ___ living (32) (31) are under pressure to buy or get out of the state-owned houses they have been living in since Hurricane Katrina left them homeless five years ago.

Pete can easily purchase the house from the state for a mere \$351_ (33) as the house is situated in a low-lying area, it would cost him about \$23,000 to raise it to a safe level in the flood- prone area. It is a sum that Pete cannot currently afford. Unfortunately,

he does not buy the house, the state will begin the process (35) (34)

evicting him.

State officials had originally hoped to end the housing programme (36) the process of evicting the August 2005, but they have now conceded (37) residents will take a few more years.

cruel hurdle to the effort The oil spill's economic fallout has added_____ (38) to relocate these state-owned home dwellers who have been living in the structures

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free.

"I'm jobless and I might be homeless too," said Yarborough who (40) not found work since the spill affected most of the major fishing grounds in the Gulf of Mexico. He is hoping that the situation will soon improve.

Adapted from "Oil spill adds to housing woes for Katrina victim", The Associated Press, 2010

Section H : Editing for Spelling and Grammar Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each <u>underlined</u> word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

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"Hurray! A camping trip!" Joyous reaffirmation reveberated in the air when our
(42) (42) teacher informed us about the Primary Five Adventure Camp. "Finally, there was a place
where we kids can just be kids!" I whispered to my partner. Pillow fights, camp fire, ghost
(43)
stories into the middle of the night and more images started form in my head.
My smile wilted when the big day finally arrived. The camp commander announced
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a never-ending list of rule that we should observe. We were to wake up early, make our
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beds, and assembled for morning exercise. We were also to wash our own plates and
cutlery. I was beginning to wonder if I should ask my mother to take me home.
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(46)
Despite the layer of insect repellent I had applied, I was herrassed by mosquitoes
and bugs. I watched in horror as the pupil before me struggled across the mud pool on
a big rubber tyre. (47)
"Paul, it is now your turn!" Mr. Lim, the station leader barked. I sumoned all my
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courage to move my unwilling legs to the merkie pond. Gingerly, I climbed into the
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threatened black-rubber ring. I knew then that the ekšpiriance was going to be worse
than I had thought. Maybe, I should have made that call to my mother after all.

Section I: Comprehension Cloze

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For once, Jason hated the cheerful greetings he heard along the corridor. With , he dragged his feet to class. "Hey Jason, hurry! his bag slung over his (51) Aren't you anxious?" His friend, Tom, thumped him on his back as he ran him. "It's only the end-of-year Mathematics results," he muttered to (52) as he walked into class. (53)was unreadable. Everyone When Miss Tan walked in, her _ (54) worriedly as they did not know how they had fared. One glanced at one (55) upon to receive their results. At long last, Miss Tan by one, they were **156)** , she announced, "Jason called for Jason. Before he could take a step ----(57) has the highest score! Congratulations!" A stunned moment passed (58)of that a mediocre pupil like everyone burst into loud applause. It was (59) Jason had topped the class. Miss Tan told everyone how hardworking Jason was. his example. The pride on Miss Tan's face She encouraged them to **760**) the stab of guilt he felt. only (61)

Jason thought of the day he had gone to see Miss Tan. After in his work so he months of coaching, there was not much (62) mind, the dreaded the additional practices he still had to do. his In put in by Miss Tan were futile. Since she was not at her (63) table, he decided to look for the worksheets himself. his haste, he (64) knocked a pile of papers to the floor. As he was putting them onto the table, he noticed the words "Mathematics End-of-Year Exam ... " It was too tempting to ignore. In a

_ of folly, he copied some of the questions.

(65) Ridden with guilt, Jason made up his mind. Despite the consequences, he was

ready to face the music.

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Section J: Synthesis / Transformation For each of the questions from 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be (10 marks) the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

66.	The trapped miners wept for joy when they saw rescue workers.
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67.	Mary was determined. She successfully scaled Mount Everest.
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68.	"Did you break the rules?" Mrs Lee asked Tom.
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69.	John rushed out of the house. He did not switch off the lights.
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70.	The Lees were told that the computer was the latest model. They decided to buy it
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Section K : Comprehension Open-ended

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

"Teng! Here it comes!"

Watching vigilantly over me, Yao ensured that I was always in his sight as the enormous waves engulfed me. I dived headfirst into the waters, swimming as hard as I could. My older brother and I were in the Pacific Ocean. The sea's tears bit our lips and stung our eyes.

Out of the blue, a distant rack echoed through the humid air. A gunshot! "What's going on, Yao?" I shouted to my brother, rubbing the droplets of ocean from my eyes. Yao was silent. He must have been just as lost and perplexed as I was. I knew that we were still under the Japanese Occupation. But, had the fighting between the Japanese soldiers and the villagers not ceased many months ago? I was confused. As Yao was about to pull me close to him in the shallow waters, we saw a Japanese soldier running from the shore towards us. Instinctively, we wanted to escape into the deep blue sea. However, as he came nearer, we could see from his unthreatening demeanour that he meant no harm.

The breathless Japanese soldier, with his distinct green tag tinkling round his neck, swiftly pulled us both out of the water and shoved us in the direction of our village. We could not understand his foreign mutterings but there was enough said in the urgent tone of his voice.

As we raced down the path to our house, I turned back. The Japanese soldier was watching out for us, his trained eyes darting left and right for potential danger lurking 2 in the shadows. His action made no sense to me at that time. It was certainly unexpected especially when the whole island was overrun with his comrades and tales of their nasty behaviour was rampant.

Father, pale with worry, met us at the entrance of our house. We collapsed into his safe arms for a second before he ushered us in. Before any of us could thank the 2 soldier for protecting Yao and 1 from a certain danger, he had disappeared just as mysteriously as he had appeared.

Yao and I hurried past the abandoned wooden table where two bowls of rice sat with a half-eaten herring left for the flies to feed upon. In our bedroom, Mother was crouched at a corner with her arms wrapped tightly around her knees. In a whispered, strained voice, Father explained that the Japanese soldiers were searching for the person who had shot dead one of their men. Anyone caught loitering outside would be hurt. Suddenly, more gunshots filled the air.

When all was quiet, Yao and I followed Father outside. A great surge of emotion overwhelmed me as I saw houses nearby on fire and innocent neighbours walking 3 around helplessly. Suddenly, Yao nudged me. A few metres away from us, lying on the sand with red stains trailing behind it, was the familiar green military tag. My heart sank.

Adapted from "The Jade Elephant" by Selina Libi Bjorlie (Cricket, June 2009)

	What did Yao do to ensure the author's safety in the sea?
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72.	Quote the sentence from paragraph two that indicates the sea water was salty.
73.	Why was the author confused when he heard the gunshot?
74.	- Did Yao know what caused the gunshot? How could you tell?
75.	Which word in the third paragraph shows that the soldier was not hostile?
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76.	Why did the soldier she	ove the boys in the direction	on of their vil	lage?	
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77.	What does "It" in line 2	21 refer to?			
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66)On seeing rescue workers, the trapped miners wept for joy.

67) As a result of her determination, Mary successfully scaled Mount Everest.

68)Mrs Lee asked Tom if he had broken the rules.

69)John rushed out of the house without switch off the lights.

70)The Lees decided to buy the computer as they were told that it was the latest model.

71)He watched the author vigilantly.

72)The sentence is "The sea's tear bit our lips and stung our eyes.

73)He thought that the fighting between the Japanese and the vigilantly had ceased menthes ago.

74)No, he did not answer the author's question.

75)The word is " unthreatening".

76)He wanted to save them from danger.

77) It refers to the Japanese soldier watching out for the author and Yao.

78)They had abandoned this meal because they need to hide.

79)The Japanese soldier were searching for the person who had shot died on of their men and anyone caught outside would be hurt.

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80)The Japanese soldier who had protected his brother and him been injured/killed/hurt.

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