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2011 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT
ENGLISH LANGUAGE – PAPER 2
LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION
PRIMARY 1

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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 part of the booklet.
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.
5. In this booklet, you should have the following:

- a. Page 1 to Page 17
- b. Question 1 to 57

57 Questions

60 Marks

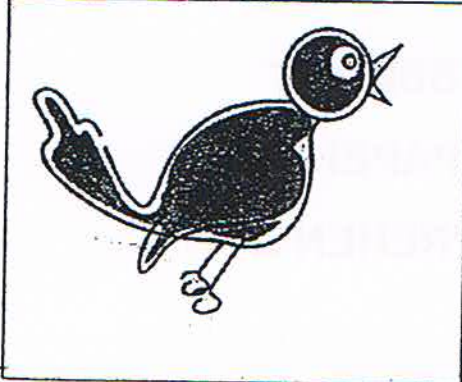
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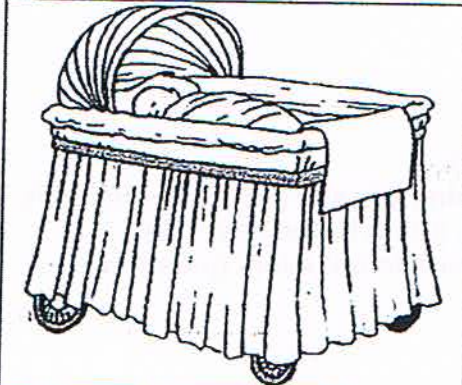
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Section A: Vocabulary (10 marks)

Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets provided.

1.  The _____ chirped loudly and flew away when a cat prowled towards it.
- (1) hen
(2) bird
(3) duck
(4) stork
- ()

2.  The _____ slept soundly after drinking some milk.
- (1) baby
(2) sister
(3) brother
(4) grandson
- ()

3.  A/An _____ looks like a pig but it has two large tusks.
- (1) elk
(2) warthog
(3) anteater
(4) hippopotamus
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Sheila loves to _____. She hopes to perform in a concert one day.

- (1) swim
- (2) climb
- (3) dance
- (4) skate

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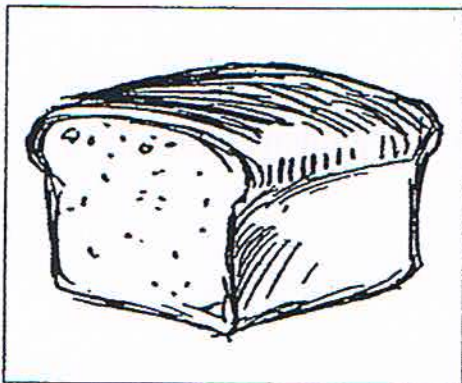


Our _____ takes good care of our plants by watering them daily.

- (1) king
- (2) cook
- (3) queen
- (4) gardener

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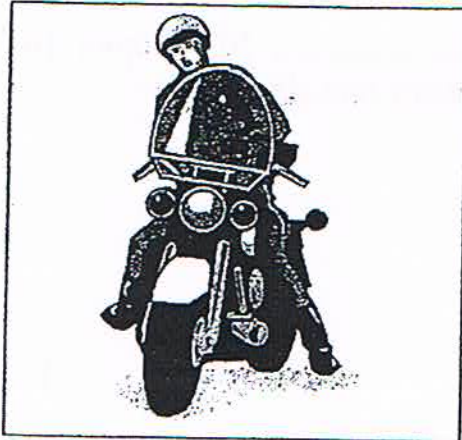


I need two slices of _____ to make a tuna sandwich.

- (1) pie
- (2) honey
- (3) bread
- (4) butter

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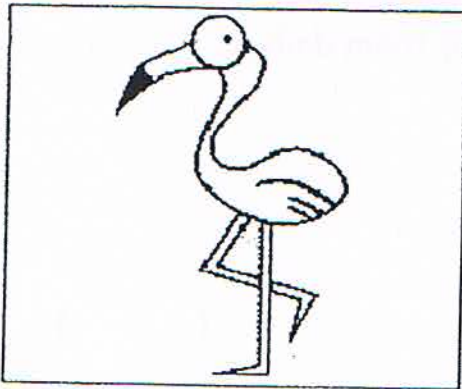


The policeman rides on his _____ and catches any motorist who drives recklessly.

- (1) bicycle
- (2) helicopter
- (3) racing car
- (4) motorbike

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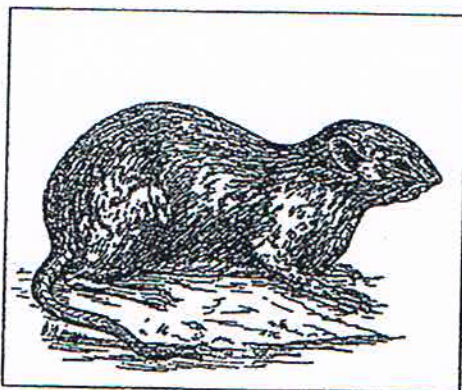


A flamingo is a bird that has a pair of long thin _____.

- (1) legs
- (2) beak
- (3) hooves
- (4) flippers

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A _____ is a furry animal that lives near river banks.

- (1) turtle
- (2) muskrat
- (3) crayfish
- (4) salamander

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"I am going to catch that cheeky _____ before it eats up my banana!"
said Sunil.

- (1) cat
- (2) dog
- (3) tiger
- (4) monkey

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Section B: Vocabulary (5 marks)

Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets provided.

11. "Vegetables that are _____ and leafy are good for you," the doctor told me.

- (1) red
- (2) blue
- (3) green
- (4) silver

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12. Tarzan would jump and grab a _____ to swing from tree to tree.

- (1) weed
- (2) flower
- (3) thistle
- (4) jungle vine

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13. The mouse slowly _____ on the strawberry, bit by bit, because it did not want to finish it all at once.

- (1) ate
- (2) sipped
- (3) nibbled
- (4) swallowed

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14. The angry dog _____ at the strangers standing outside Mr Lee's house.

(1) hissed

(2) roared

(3) barked

(4) croaked

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15. Chloe was very happy when she _____ Mrs Tan announcing her name as the winner of the Spelling Bee competition.

(1) saw

(2) heard

(3) felt

(4) knew

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Section C: Grammar (15 marks)

Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets provided.

16. "If you complete your homework now, I will _____ you a sticker," Aunt Bella told me.

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| (1) give | (2) gives | |
| (3) gave | (4) giving | () |

17. Grandmother poured green tea _____ Cindy's waterbottle so that she could drink it later in school.

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| (1) over | (2) on | |
| (3) above | (4) into | () |

18. "_____ this your purse?" Miss Ayu asked Lindy.

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| (1) Is | (2) Are | |
| (3) Was | (4) Were | () |

19. Our teacher told _____ not to run along the corridors.

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| (1) me | (2) us | |
| (3) you | (4) them | () |

20. "Did you _____ a butterfly just now?" asked Blossom.

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| (1) see | (2) sees | |
| (3) saw | (4) seeing | () |

21. The roads were closed because there was so _____ snow that fell last night.
(1) much (2) many
(3) some (4) few ()
22. "I bought _____ a new pair of skates," Mary said.
(1) myself (2) himself
(3) herself (4) yourself ()
23. My grandfather _____ early every night.
(1) sleep (2) sleeps
(3) slept (4) sleeping ()
24. Romeo held the roses in his hands and said, "_____ are for you."
(1) This (2) That
(3) These (4) Those ()
25. Timothy performed very well _____ he did not win the competition.
(1) or (2) so
(3) and (4) but ()

26. Yuki raised her hand and _____ the teacher a question.

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| (1) ask | (2) asks | |
| (3) asked | (4) asking | () |

27. Colin: _____ did Jessie cry?

Tina: She cried because she could not find her mother.

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| (1) How | (2) Who | |
| (3) Why | (4) Which | () |

28. Singapore Idol is a singing competition. Only the _____ singer on the island will win the competition.

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| (1) good | (2) better | |
| (3) best | (4) as good as | () |

29. Wei Ling _____ the dishes in the kitchen now.

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| (1) wash | (2) washed | |
| (3) is washing | (4) are washing | () |

30. Mrs Wishy Washy was here just now. _____ was looking for her dirty cows.

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| (1) I | (2) She | |
| (3) It | (4) They | () |

Section D: Vocabulary (3 marks)

Fill in the blanks with the helping words in the box.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

zebra

showed

squabbling

playing

springbok

disguised

31. The robber _____ himself as a cleaner in order to get into the house.

32. The _____ looked at the black and white stripes on its body and said, "I wish to be colourful instead."

33. Janet and Lydia were scolded by their parents for _____ over a doll.



Section E: Punctuation Cloze (5 marks)

Fill in each circle with the correct punctuation. The underlined word is not punctuated correctly. Write its correct form in the box given.

(34) There was once a girl who had no manners. Everyone called her

Silly lily.

She does not thank her father each time he helps her tie her

shoelaces. She screams at her mother when she is hungry. What a rude

(35)
girl

(36) One day her mother sat her down and said, "it is time for you

(37)

to stop behaving like this! We should always treat others with respect.

(38)
Have you forgotten your manners "

She cried and apologised to her parents immediately. "I promise to

be polite from now on," she said as she gave her parents a hug.

Adapted from "Remember your Manners" by Nancy Battista Morgan

Section F: Picture Vocabulary Cloze (3 marks)

Look at the picture and fill in each blank with a suitable word.

There was once a boy who had to take care of his



(39) _____ every day. One day, he

felt bored as he watched them eating grass. He decided to do something mischievous.

"Help! Help!" he cried. All the villagers came out of their



(40) _____ to help the boy. When they

realised he was fine, they were angry.



The next day, the boy saw a (41) _____

coming. He shouted at the top of his voice. No one came to his rescue and

he lost all his sheep. He regretted his mischievous act. "I promise I won't

lie ever again," he said as he cried.

Adapted from www.goodreads.com

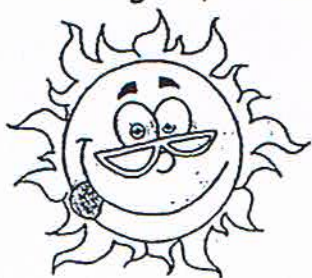
Section 6: Grammar Cloze (5 marks)

Circle the correct answer in the brackets.

Once, Wind and Sun had an argument about who was stronger. At last, they decided to 42. (show , showed showing) each other their powers. "Here comes a man. Let's see 43. (who , why , which) can make him take off his coat," said Sun

Wind agreed. He blew hard 44. (in , on , at) the man. The man held on to his coat even 45. (tight , tighter , tightest) than before.

Then, it was Sun's turn. At first, he shone gently at the man. Then, Sun went on shining brighter and brighter. The man felt hot. At last, he 46. (take , took) taking) off his coat. Wind accepted defeat but being arrogant, he said, "One day, I will prove you wrong!"



Adapted from "The Sun and the Wind" - Retold by Rick Walton

Section H: Word Order (3 marks)

Rearrange the words to form a sentence or a question.

Begin each sentence with a capital letter and end it with a full stop or a question mark.

47. river is the eel swimming in an There

48. all of us party to Michael birthday invited his

49. Jack sleepy Why in always class is



Section I: Synthesis (2 marks)

Join the sentence using 'where'.

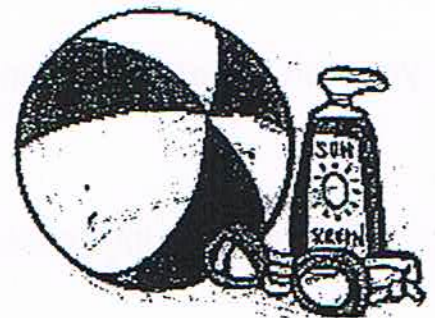
50. The swimming pool is always crowded.

My cousins like to swim there.

Join the sentence using 'because'.

51. Mimi sang to her children.

Her children were crying.



Section J: Comprehension Cloze (3 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

One fine day, Lionel the lion was walking through the forest looking for food. He had not eaten for more than ten days so he was very

(52) _____. Soon, Lionel met a mouse. He went close to the mouse and (53) _____ him. "Smells good!" Lionel exclaimed.

"If you let me go, I will reward you," the mouse pleaded. Lionel thought for a while and asked to see the reward.

The mouse took out a (54) _____ and said, "You can use this to spot a star in the sky. Then, call out the name of the animal you wish to eat. The animal will appear in front of you.

Lionel was impressed. He accepted the reward and let the mouse go.

The mouse crept away quickly and had a good laugh later that night.

Adapted from Aesop's Fables 'The Lion and the Mouse'



Section K: Comprehension (6 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions which follow.
Write your answers in complete sentences.

Once upon a time, there was a whale called Lola who always kept to herself. Whenever anyone tried to cheer her up, Lola would move away. After some time, the animals decided to ignore her forever as they thought that Lola was unfriendly.

However, Dido, a young dolphin, refused to follow the others. 5
She secretly followed Lola to find out why Lola behaved in that way. To Dido's surprise, she saw Lola eating sand while crying near the ocean bed. As Lola opened her mouth to eat, Dido realised that Lola had bad breath. She asked Lola, "Is this why you do not want to make friends with all of us?" 10

Lola nodded sadly and said, "I am ashamed of my bad breath."

"Do you know that the rest of the animals think that you are unfriendly? Isn't that worse?" Dido asked. Lola realised that by not getting help, she had created a bigger problem. Lola then accepted Dido's offer to clean her teeth. When this was done, Lola began 15
speaking to everyone again. She learnt to trust her friends with her problems.

Adapted from 'Lola the Whale' by Pedro Pablo Sacristán

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- 31)disguised 32)zebra 33)squabbling 34)Lily 35)!
- 36), 37)It 38)? 39)sheep 40)houses 41)wolf
- 42)show 43)who 44)at 45)tigher 46)took
- 47)There is an eel swimming in the river.
- 48)Michael invited all of us to his birthday party.
- 49)Why is Jack always sleep in class?
- 50)The swimming pool, where my cousins like to swim is always crowded.
- 51)Mimi sang to her children because they were crying.
- 52)hungry 53)smelled 54)telescope
- 55)The animals thought that Lola was unfriendly.
- 56)Dido saw Lola saw eating sand while crying near the ocean bed.
- 57)She tried to hide her bad breath.

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55. Why did the animals decide to ignore Lola forever?

56. What was Lola doing near the ocean bed?

57. What did Lola try to hide?



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