



PRIMARY 4 END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2017

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2

(LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Write your name, class and register number.
2. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.
5. For questions 1 to 14, shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.
6. For questions 15 to 39, write your answers in this booklet.

Section A (6 x 1m)

Vocabulary

For each question from 1 to 6, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

1. One of the _____ of exercising regularly is a healthy body.
 - (1) uses
 - (2) ways
 - (3) forms
 - (4) benefits

2. It was a _____ day for us. The trip that we had been looking forward to was cancelled due to the rain.
 - (1) lining
 - (2) satisfactory
 - (3) complicated
 - (4) disappointing

3. If you _____ an **accident** on the road, you should make a police report immediately.
 - (1) view
 - (2) detect
 - (3) witness
 - (4) observe

4. The Science teacher _____ how to use the weighing scale before letting her pupils try it.

(1) revealed

(2) exhibited

(3) displayed

(4) demonstrated

5. John had to get _____ from his teacher to leave school early yesterday.

(1) support

(2) attention

(3) permission

(4) acceptance

6. Playing football in the heavy rain is _____ as you might slip and fall.

(1) serious

(2) ambitious

(3) dangerous

(4) adventurous

Section B (8 x 1m)

Grammar

For each question from 7 to 14, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

7. The prefects stationed _____ along the corridor to guide the visitors to the school hall.

- (1) herself
- (2) himself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) themselves

8. You _____ so brave when you jumped into the drain to rescue the drowning kitten.

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

9. "Keep still. I _____ your shoelaces how" I told my little brother.

(1) tie

(2) tied

(3) am tying

(4) have tied

10. Yesterday, we _____ our costumes after wearing them for the full dress rehearsal.

(1) wash

(2) washed

(3) have washed

(4) were washing

11. While everybody _____ to the classroom, Sam heard the bell ring.

(1) walks

(2) will walking

(3) has walked

(4) was walking

12. _____ houses *along that road* have the best view of the sea.

(1) This

(2) That

(3) These

(4) Those

13. I decided not to buy the cupcakes as there were _____ *customers in the long queue.*

(1) few

(2) little

(3) many

(4) much

14. Mother had _____ time to do the shopping as the store was closing soon.

(1) few

(2) little

(3) much

(4) a lot of

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Section C (10 m)

Comprehension

Read the passage below and answer questions 15 to 22 based on the passage.

Hill Street Police Station was built in 1934. It was home to one thousand policemen. As a child, Kim Seng would visit his uncle, Mr Lim, who lived at the police station. He looked forward to those Saturday evening visits, when movies would be screened at the courtyard. Policemen and their families would gather there to watch movies. **Action 5 movies attracted the largest crowd.**

Four years after Mr Lim had retired from the police force, Kim Seng became a policeman. He lived at the same police station and paid a monthly rent of less than twenty dollars. It took up most of his salary then. However, there was free tea at the canteen and bread cost only ten **10 cents.**

In the evenings, Kim Seng and the other policemen would relax in a small room beside the canteen. There, they would play table tennis or listen to music from the radio.

The police station was the most modern building in the Hill Street **15** area. There were toilets with a flush system and even a lift that went to the higher floors. In 1981, the police moved out of the building.

Today, the courtyard is used to hold many art exhibitions. The windows have been colourfully painted to make the place lively.

Adapted from The Straits Times, 'Opening the windows to a colourful history'

15. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes below to indicate the order in which the events took place in the story. (1m)

	Kim Seng became a policeman.
	Kim Seng's uncle retired from the police force.
	Kim Seng often visited his uncle at Hill Street Police Station.

16. What three things could the policemen do to relax ?

i. _____ (1m)

ii. _____ (1m)

iii. _____ (1m)

17. Tick ✓ the most suitable answer.

The police station was a modern building because it had a
_____. (1m)

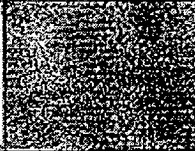
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lift

canteen

courtyard

For Q18 - 20, read each sentence and tick ✓ "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. (3m)

Sentence		True	False
Example	Hill Street Police Station built in 1934.	✓	
18.	Most people liked to watch action movies.		
19.	Kim Seng had little money left after he paid for his rent.		
20.	Kim Seng had to pay for bread and tea.		

21. Which word has the same meaning as 'cheerful'?

Circle either (A) or (B). (1m)

The windows have been colourfully painted to make the place lively.

(A)

(B)

22. What is the **courtyard** used for now? (1m)

Section D (4 x 1m)

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 blanks, numbered 23 to 26, in the passage below. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) he	(B) her	(C) it
(D) their	(E) them	(F) they

Olivia has the habit of recycling. She always washes and flattens milk cartons before she puts (23) _____ into the recycling bin. After washing the vegetables, she will collect the water and use (24) _____ to water the plants. However, her brother, Tom, finds it troublesome to recycle so (25) _____ will just throw used paper away. Olivia wants Tom to support (26) _____ recycling efforts. So, she will make him put the paper into the recycling bin.

Adapted from The Straits Times, 'Going Green a way of life'

Section E (4 x 1m)

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 blanks, numbered 27 to 30, in the passage below. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

The pandan cake is a local favourite. However, no one really (27) [know / knows] how the recipe came about. Pandan leaves (28) [is / are] used to bake this cake. Its rich flavour (29) [make / makes] it suitable for any occasion. Both the young and old (30) [enjoy / enjoys] eating this cake. It is sold at bakeries in our neighbourhood. Could the pandan cake soon become our national cake?

Adapted from Mothership.sg, 'Singapore Pandan Cake'

Section F (4 x 2m)

Synthesis and Transformation

For each of the questions 31 to 34, rewrite the given sentence(s) 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).

31. I am going swimming. John is going swimming.

Both _____

32. "Do you ^{needed} need ~~my~~ _{his} help now?" Andy asked his mother.

Andy asked his mother _____

33. I baked a cake with my sister. The cake was for our mother's birthday.

_____ which

34. You may choose this pencil case as your present. You may choose that storybook as your present.

_____ either _____

_____ or _____

Section G (5 x 2m)

Comprehension Open

Read the passage below and answer questions 35 to 39.

Ben's adventure in the wilderness had begun. It was going to be his home for the next two weeks. In his canoe, he had some dried food, rice and sugar. At sunset, he lit a small fire in a can which he placed in the middle of the canoe. Then, he put dry leaves over the fire to make smoke. This would drive the flies and mosquitoes away.

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The canoe was drifting among the lily pads when something moved suddenly near the bank, rustling through the tall grass. It sounded big and made a lot of noise. Ben saw a moose putting its head underwater to pull up the juicy roots of the lily pads. Beside the moose was its young. Ben quickly paddled away from them, knowing that a mother moose was very protective of her baby.

10

Before it was dark, Ben found a clearing on the bank and set up his tent for the night. He caught some fish and cooked them for dinner. "How delicious!" Ben thought, smacking his lips. Having satisfied his hunger, he soon dozed off.

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A strange sound awakened him in the middle of the night. He heard a soft whine, the way a dog might sound if it was injured. A dark shape moved towards him, limping slowly. He sat up, completely awake.

"She must belong to somebody," Ben thought. Putting more wood on the fire, he studied the dog in the light. Its wound had probably come from a fight with an animal.

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"Only one animal could do this. A bear!" Ben shivered at that thought. Sensing danger, Ben decided to spend the rest of the night in his canoe.

Adapted from *Brian's hunt* by Gary Paulsen

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

35. Where did Ben go on his adventure?

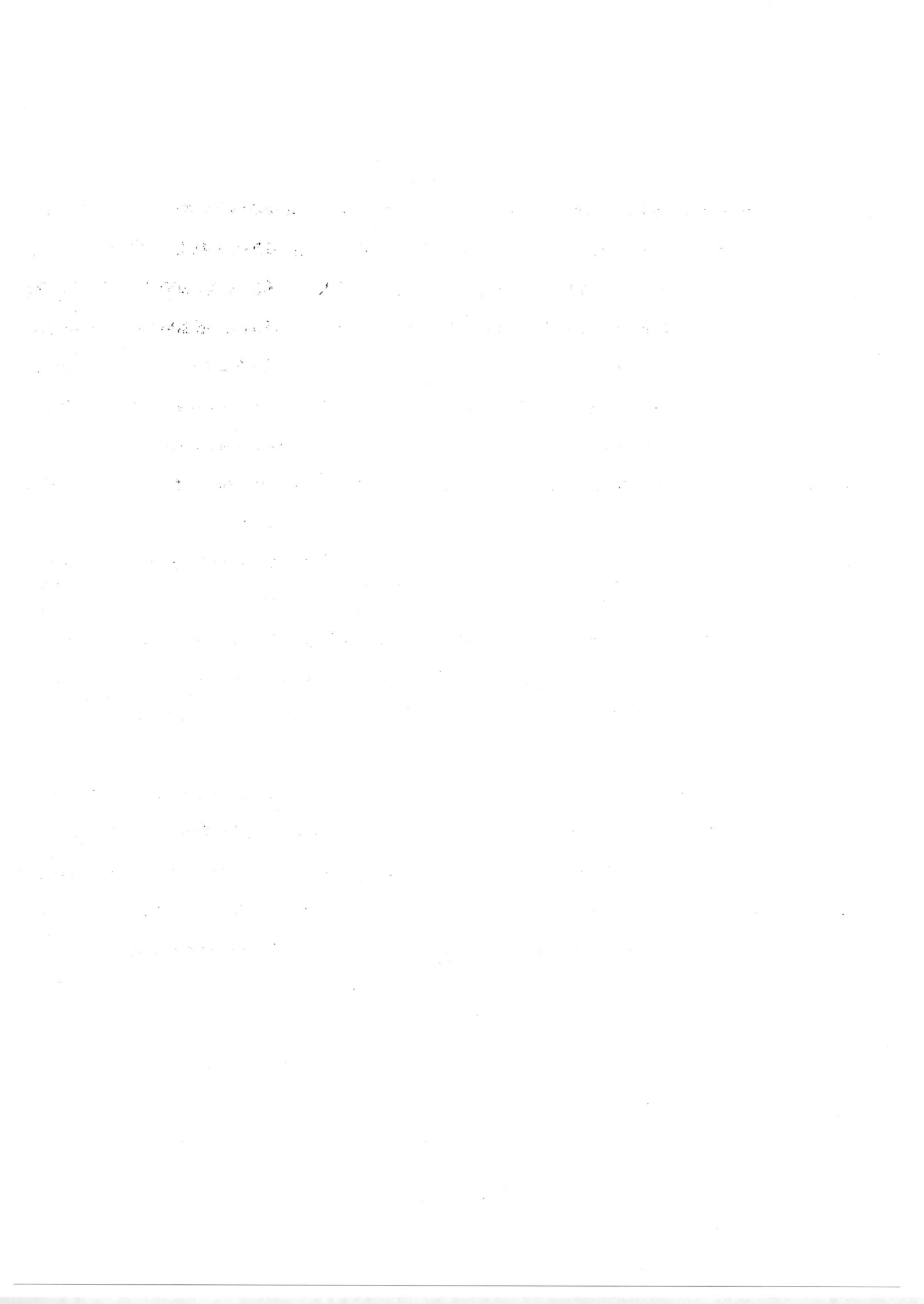
36. What did Ben do to keep himself from being bitten by mosquitoes?

37. In paragraph 2, which sentence tells you that the moose might be dangerous?

38. Which two of the dog's actions tell you that it was injured?

39. In paragraph 6, why did Ben decide to sleep in his canoe?

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EXAM PAPER 2017 (P4)

SCHOOL : TAO NAN

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA2

ORDER CALL :

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
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Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14						
4	4	3	2						

15) 3, 2, 1

16) i) watch movies on Saturday

ii) play table tennis

iii) listen to music

17) lift 18) True 19) True 20) False 21) lively

22) to hold art exhibitions 23) E 24) C 25) A 26) B

27) knows 28) are 29) makes 30) enjoy

31) Both John and I are going swimming.

32) Andy asked his mother if she needed his help then.

33) The cake which I baked with my sister was for our mother's birthday.

34) You may choose either this pencil case or that storybook as your present.

35) Ben went to the wilderness.

36) He lit a fire and covered the fire with dry leaves to make smoke.

37) Ben quickly paddled away from them, knowing that a mother moose was very protective of her baby.

38) It was whining and limping.

39) He was afraid that he would be attacked by a bear.