



MARIS STELLA HIGH SCHOOL (PRIMARY)  
2021 END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)  
BOOKLET A**

25 October 2021 (Monday)

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28 questions  
28 marks

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 h 50 min

NAME	:	_____ (    )
CLASS	:	PRIMARY 5 _____

**INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS**

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
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3. Answer all questions.
4. Shade your answers on the optical answer sheet (OAS) provided.

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) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.  
(10 marks)

1. "You ~~won't~~ know whether you will ~~succeed or not~~ \_\_\_\_\_ you try," Mother told me.
- (1) after
  - (2) unless
  - (3) because
  - (4) although
2. "When I was your age, I \_\_\_\_\_ run 400 meters in under one minute," our PE teacher said.
- (1) can
  - (2) may
  - (3) could
  - (4) might
3. She found out from the news that \_\_\_\_\_ wild animals is an offence in Singapore.
- (1) fed
  - (2) feed
  - (3) feeds
  - (4) feeding
4. All the missing files belonging to the boy \_\_\_\_\_ found on the shelf this morning.
- (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were
5. As John was not feeling well, he had \_\_\_\_\_ appetite for lunch.
- (1) few
  - (2) little
  - (3) many
  - (4) much

6. "They'll be here on time for the meeting, \_\_\_\_\_?" asked the manager.
- (1) don't they
  - (2) don't they
  - (3) didn't they
  - (4) wouldn't they
7. "That man standing there is an old schoolmate of \_\_\_\_\_," Mrs Lee told her friend.
- (1) us
  - (2) our
  - (3) ours
  - (4) ourselves
8. Greg \_\_\_\_\_ more cheerful since he started playing with his classmates during recess.
- (1) becomes
  - (2) becoming
  - (3) will become
  - (4) has become
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ saved the animals from extinction if I had had the ability.
- (1) will have
  - (2) must have
  - (3) would have
  - (4) should have
10. The teacher was appalled \_\_\_\_\_ the sight of rubbish strewn all over the floor.
- (1) in
  - (2) at
  - (3) with
  - (4) from

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) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.  
(5 marks)

11. Jeremy did not \_\_\_\_\_ his new job and he even resigned after two weeks.
- (1) take to
  - (2) take up
  - (3) take over
  - (4) take after
12. The fire caused \_\_\_\_\_ damage to the house, so repair works took a long time.
- (1) uncontrolled
  - (2) extensive
  - (3) unlimited
  - (4) endless
13. The police only managed to \_\_\_\_\_ a small percentage of the stolen goods as the thief had sold most of them.
- (1) revive
  - (2) reveal
  - (3) restore
  - (4) recover
14. The naughty boy crept with \_\_\_\_\_ towards the unsuspecting victim.
- (1) stealth
  - (2) certainty
  - (3) precision
  - (4) accuracy
15. Tom, an \_\_\_\_\_ pianist, was invited numerous times to perform in front of an international audience.
- (1) accomplished
  - (2) effective
  - (3) efficient
  - (4) active

For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s).  
Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

The refrigerator emitted a loud buzzing sound, then went completely silent.

(16)In an instant, Mr Thiru realised it was damaged. He called for the serviceman, who took a (17)quick look, told him it could not be fixed and promptly charged \$30 just for the service. Mr Thiru, having studied electronics in his youth, decided to repair the refrigerator himself. He managed to bring it back to life despite his (18)fear and anxiety.

Since then, he has been repairing electrical appliances – a hobby he now enjoys full-time after his retirement. To (19)hone his skills, he goes online to learn from videos. His wife really (20)appreciates what he does because he repairs everything in the house. He has salvaged many items, from faulty kettles to computers.

16. (1) Initially  
(2) Punctually  
(3) Immediately  
(4) Momentarily
17. (1) glimpse  
(2) glance  
(3) glare  
(4) gaze
18. (1) terror  
(2) dread  
(3) awkwardness  
(4) apprehension
19. (1) sharpen  
(2) balance  
(3) exceed  
(4) raise
20. (1) values  
(2) praises  
(3) accepts  
(4) admires

Study this flyer carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

# Sunrise Primary School

# CARNIVAL

## LET'S CELEBRATE!

We are inviting all past and present students to  
our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration!

- **Date : 28 November 2021 (Sunday)**
- **Time : 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**
- **Venue: Sunrise Primary School**

A tote bag will be  
given as a door gift  
to all who purchase  
the coupons!

- Coupons will be available at a discounted price of \$45 per booklet if you place your orders online at [www.sunrise.edu.sg](http://www.sunrise.edu.sg) by 27 November 2021.
- The coupons can also be purchased at \$50 per booklet from the General Office on the day of the event.
- Unused coupons will not be refunded.

### Our Story

Sunrise Primary School was founded 50 years ago by Mrs Elisabeth Wong. The wife of a wealthy businessman, she often helped out at a local charity. There, she noticed that many students were poor and could not afford to pay the school fees. Filled with compassion, she decided to set up a school which ~~these children could attend for free~~. She raised funds and gathered donations to set up the school, which has evolved to what we are today. Without her efforts, the school would not have existed nor produced talents such as Walter Lim, the celebrated pianist, and Choo Ah Lin, the renowned scientist.

# What you can look forward to

## Stall A: Songs of Yesteryear

Do you wish to thank your favourite teacher? Do you wish to listen to a favourite song of the past? Come on over to the booth to do both! Submit your song request to our DJ.



## Stall B: Spin the Disc

Have you ever wanted to try being a disc jockey? This is your chance to mix the music and come up with your own beats.



## Stall C: Hear the Band

The Sunrise Primary School Band will be performing classical pieces at the Main Hall. You will be amazed by the talent of these young students.



## Stall D: Groovy Dance



The dance floor at the Dance Studio is open for all to show off their moves. Free for all!

## Stall E: Carnival Games

Exciting games for children!



- Participants will stand a chance to win prizes at the lucky draw! Prizes worth more than \$200 to be won!
- Each participant will receive a souvenir pen.

*Brought to you by the  
Parents Support Group*

## Stall F: Food and Drinks Galore!

Savour local delights such as

- ice cream
- satay
- fishball
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- Customers will receive a mug that they can bring home.
- If you show the school badge, you will get chocolate sprinkles for your ice cream.
- Only payment via coupons will be accepted.



## Principal's Message

Many people have played a part in order for the school to reach this important milestone. While we celebrate our school's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we should always remember the school motto, "To lead and to serve". I recall years ago, when the roof in some of the classrooms leaked, the students did not let that stop them from their learning. In the spirit of our founders, let us do our part for the less privileged. Half of all funds raised in the carnival will go to our chosen charity of the year, Hope Charity. ~~Hope~~ all Sunrisers, past and present, will join in the celebrations and contribute to those in need.

Mr Albert Tan, Principal

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

(8 marks)

21. Why is an exclamation mark used in the heading, "We are inviting all past and present students to our 50th anniversary celebration!"?

- (1) to draw attention to the flyer
- (2) to show the school is 50 years old
- (3) to convey excitement about the event
- (4) to emphasise that this event is for students only

22. Marcus wishes to buy the coupons two days before the event. He can buy them \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) from Hope Charity
- (2) on the school website
- (3) at the school's General Office
- (4) from the Parents Support Group

23. According to the flyer under the heading "Our Story", the school was set up \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) to help needy children
- (2) to support a local charity
- (3) to train pianists and scientists
- (4) to teach children about care and kindness

24. Billy wants to ~~dedicate~~ a song to his teacher. Which stall must he go to?

- (1) Stall A
- (2) Stall B
- (3) Stall C
- (4) Stall D

25. Stall E and Stall F are similar in that both stalls \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) accept cash
- (2) give gifts to the visitors
- (3) allow visitors to participate in the lucky draw
- (4) will give a free item if visitors show their school badges



26. In the "Principal's Message", the principal said that \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) students should not stop learning
- (2) the event is linked to a charitable cause
- (3) all students should contribute back to the school
- (4) the school currently needs help to repair the classrooms

27. Based on the flyer, which of the following is not true?

- (1) All unused coupons can be exchanged for a refund.
- (2) Visitors can display their talents in Stall B and Stall D.
- (3) Anyone who buys a coupon booklet will receive a free tote bag.
- (4) Visitors can win prizes that are worth more than \$200 at the games stall.

28. What is the main aim of the flyer?

- (1) to get people to visit the stalls
- (2) to promote the venue for the event
- (3) to encourage the school's students and ex-students to attend the event
- (4) to inform people that Sunrise Primary School is the organiser of the event

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Read this passage and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

Ming's mother continued to scan her son's report slip. Then she placed it on the table and stared at him angrily. Ming stood still and dared not utter a single word. He knew he was in hot soup. In a firm voice, she said, "Ming, this is unacceptable. You have done poorly for all the subjects. I am going to take away your handphone for a month." Upon hearing that, Ming's jaw dropped and his eyes widened in disbelief. No handphone for a month? He took deep breaths. However, this did not help to calm him down. 5

"Not fair! You are unreasonable, Mom!" Ming protested.  
 "Don't you dare talk back to me like that!" his mother snapped.

"Mom! I don't like you and I never want to be like you when I grow up!" Ming shouted back defiantly. Before things got more heated up, Father intervened and advised Ming to return to his room. Still seething with anger, Ming stormed to his room, shouting, "I do not want to talk to you ever again!" That night, Ming had a fitful sleep. He woke up several times throughout the night, still thinking about the heated exchange between him and his mother. 10

For the next few days, there was unbearable tension in the air. Ming ignored her presence. During meal times, Ming kept silent, refusing to join in the conversation. Likewise, he became withdrawn in school, refusing to talk to anyone or take part in any activities. He could hardly concentrate during lessons and looked as though life had gone out of him. 15

One afternoon, Ming was waiting at the bus stop to catch a bus home. When the bus arrived, he put his hand inside his pocket to take out his wallet. Instead, his fingers felt only an empty pocket. "My wallet...my money..." he muttered to himself frantically as he dug deeper into his pocket. He immediately started to retrace his steps back to the school. When he reached the General Office, he asked the staff whether anyone had turned in a wallet. "No, I'm afraid not," the office staff replied. As he continued to search for his wallet in the school, a downpour added to his predicament. 20

Angry and frustrated, Ming walked to the school canteen and waited for the rain to stop. "My school bag! My wallet must be inside there," he thought. Confidently, he emptied his school bag. His wallet was not there either. Feeling disappointed, he started to put the books back. Suddenly, he saw a small zipped compartment inside the bag which he had not noticed before. As he started to unzip it, he saw something. He pulled it out and it turned out to be a crumpled white envelope. He looked at the envelope and opened it curiously. 25 30

Inside the envelope, there was a piece of paper with a ten-dollar note. He held to the ten-dollar note tightly and started to read the message on the paper. "For use in times of need... Love, Mom." Tears started to well up in Ming's eyes. Her thoughtfulness was beyond his expectation.

On his way home, he pondered over his mother's words that were written on the piece of paper. It dawned on him that the hurtful things that he had said and done the past few days must have caused her heartache. He realised she had only his best interests at heart. Then all his pent-up anger went out of him. 35

At dinner time, Ming tried to get his mother's attention. "Mom...Mom," he called.

"Yes...what is it that you want?" his mother asked. 40

"When I grow up," he looked at her, and said, "I want to be like you." Ming's mother had a puzzled look on her face. "It's a long story," Ming said as he pointed to his school bag on the floor.

With a wide grin, she said, "I would like to hear that long story."

Ming nodded and said lovingly, "Perhaps one day, Mom." 45

That day, Ming learnt the most important lesson in life. There is nothing like a mother's love for her child.





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ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
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BOOKLET B

25 October 2021 (Monday)

52 questions  
67 marks

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 h 50 min

NAME	: _____ (    )
CLASS	: PRIMARY 5 _____

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**MARKS OBTAINED**

BOOKLET A :	_____ / 28
BOOKLET B :	_____ / 67
TOTAL :	_____ / 95

**BLANK 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 to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

**EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE**

- |            |          |          |         |           |
|------------|----------|----------|---------|-----------|
| (A) a      | (D) but  | (G) have | (K) may | (N) where |
| (B) after  | (E) from | (H) in   | (L) on  | (P) which |
| (C) before | (F) has  | (J) is   | (M) the | (Q) while |

No one knows when ice-cream was first created. (29)\_\_\_\_\_ first published ice cream recipe appeared (30)\_\_\_\_\_ a cookbook called "Mrs. Mary Eales's Receipts" printed in 1718. Sometime around 1932, Augustus Jackson created multiple ice cream recipes and invented (31)\_\_\_\_\_ superior technique to manufacture ice cream. Ice cream soda was invented around 1874, but the real breakthrough was probably at the 1904 World's Fair (32)\_\_\_\_\_ the American ice cream cone was unveiled. However, the quest for making the perfect ice cream will never stop.

Making ice cream is not easy. Cream and sugar (33)\_\_\_\_\_ to be mixed first in a frozen container. Ingredients such as fruit juice (34)\_\_\_\_\_ be added at this point, if desired. The mixture must be stirred and whipped until the cream and sugar mixture (35)\_\_\_\_\_ frozen. Depending (36)\_\_\_\_\_ the equipment, this may take as long as an hour. (37)\_\_\_\_\_ the ice cream is prepared, it must be kept frozen until it is ready to be enjoyed. (38)\_\_\_\_\_ it takes a lot of hard work to make ice cream, most people would agree that it is worth the trouble. Nowadays, ice cream is sold in shops and supermarkets.

Score: / 10
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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

(39)

It was a sleepy Sunday afternoon. Mr Rodzi had just wake up from a nap in

(40)

his house when he realised his phone had dissapeared. He searched everywhere

(41)

(42)

and all he could find are the phone case under the bed. He was bewillderd as to

why the thief would leave the phone case behind.

(43)

(44)

The next day, instintivly, he called his phone again, and that was what he

(45)

heard it ringing from the forest reserve just a short distant from his back

(46)

garden. He retreefed the phone and discovered a video left on the phone by an

(47)

unusual thief - a monkey. The video has been wide shared on social media since

(48)

he posted it online. It showed the monkey aparantly trying to eat the phone,

(49)

much to the amewsment of online viewers. There were also a few photos of the

(50)

monkey stare into the screen. Mr Rodzi did not know whether to laugh or cry

when he saw the video and photos.

Score:	/ 12
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Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

How did children spend their time in the past before there were online games? Well, catching spiders (51)\_\_\_\_\_ a common pastime among children back then.

Mr Chan, aged 43, hopes to revive this passion, so he and a few friends started the group, "Fighting Spiders Singapore". In just three months, the group has attracted (52)\_\_\_\_\_ than twenty people to join it! Most of the members are around 30 years old and just (53)\_\_\_\_\_ Mr Chan, they grew up with this hobby. When they meet up twice a week, they will discuss their spiders and (54)\_\_\_\_\_ in friendly matches. Although there are no prizes, the competitions are not taken (55)\_\_\_\_\_ because the competitors' pride is at stake. The spiders fight (56)\_\_\_\_\_ one of them backs away or falls out of the fighting ring. The remaining spider is then declared the (57)\_\_\_\_\_.

"Many people think our spiders fight to the death, but that never (58)\_\_\_\_\_. We will stop the spiders from fighting (59)\_\_\_\_\_ the fight goes on for too long," said Mr Chan.

The members also organise hunting sessions to catch spiders. The (60)\_\_\_\_\_ time to catch these spiders is at (61)\_\_\_\_\_ when it is still cool and spiders can be spotted easily as the sun starts to rise and cast its rays on earth. Be sure to check under the leaves, as they love to seek (62)\_\_\_\_\_ from the heat of the sun. During their hunts, there are two rules the members do not (63)\_\_\_\_\_: No plucking leaves or disturbing the spiders' natural habitat, and no trespassing. The members (64)\_\_\_\_\_ male spiders to females, as males have longer arms and are more suited for fights. How does one differentiate a male (65)\_\_\_\_\_ a female? That is easy – males have white markings on the faces while females have black ones.

Score:	/ 15
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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 the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. Nelly enjoys swimming more than cycling.

\_\_\_\_\_ would rather  
\_\_\_\_\_

67. The children could not play in the field because of the bad weather.

\_\_\_\_\_ prevented  
\_\_\_\_\_

68. There were many reminders by his mother. He still forgot to pay the fees.

Despite being \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

69. The shop is in a very inconvenient location. Few shoppers go there.

The shop is in such \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

70. "Avoid eating too much at the party this evening," Mother told me.

Mother told me \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Score: / 10
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write in  
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space.

- 71 Pick out the three-word phrase in the first paragraph which tells us that Ming was going to be scolded by his mother? [1m]

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- 72 How can you tell from the first paragraph that Ming's was shocked by his mother's words? [2m]

☐

- 73 Why did Meng's father intervene (line 10)? [1m]

☐

- 74 Explain clearly what made Ming say "I do not want to talk to you ever again!" (lines 11-12). [2m]

☐

- 75 Which two of the following words best describe how Ming felt in lines 14-17? Put a (✓) in the box beside each of your answer. DO NOT TICK MORE THAN TWO BOXES. [2m]

relieved

☐

unaffected

☐

disappointed

☐

hopeless

☐

troubled

☐

calm

☐
☐

- 76 Based on lines 18 to 30, fill in the blanks below to show Ming's attempts to search for his missing wallet. [3m]

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1<sup>st</sup> attempt: at the bus stop

He \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> attempt: at the General  
Office

He \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> attempt: at the canteen

He \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 77 Look at the table below. What do the word(s) in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [3m]

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
a) this (line 6)	
b) it (line 29)	
c) Her thoughtfulness (line 33)	

- 78 Based on lines 9-30, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

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	True/False	Reason
a) During the few days after the heated exchange, Ming tried to patch things up with his mother.		
b) Ming went to the canteen to search for his wallet.		
c) Ming was touched when he read his mother's message.		

- 79 Why did Ming open the envelope curiously (line 30)? [1m]

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- 80 Based on the story, in what way had Ming's perception of his mother changed by the end of the story? [2m]

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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	2	3	4	3	2
Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
1	2	4	1	1	3	2	4	1	1
Q 21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28		
3	2	1	1	2	2	1	3		

### SECTION B

Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
M	H	A	N	G	K	J	L	B	Q

Q39)	woken
Q40)	disappeared
Q41)	was
Q42)	bewildered

Q43)	instinctively
Q44)	when
Q45)	distance
Q46)	retrieved
Q47)	widely
Q48)	apparently
Q39)	amusement
Q40)	staring
Q51)	was
Q52)	more
Q53)	like
Q54)	compete
Q55)	lightly
Q56)	until
Q57)	winner
Q58)	happens
Q59)	if
Q60)	best
Q61)	sunrise
Q62)	shelter
Q63)	disobey
Q64)	prefer
Q65)	From



Q66)	Nellie could rather swim than cycle.
Q67)	The bad weather prevented the children from playing in the field.
Q68)	Despite being reminded many times by his mother, he still forgot to pay the fees.
Q69)	The shop is in such an inconvenient location that few shoppers go there.
Q70)	Mother told me to avoid eating too much at the party that evening.
Q71)	in hot soup
Q72)	Upon hearing his mother's words, his jaw dropped and his eyes widened in disbelief.
Q73)	He did not want things to get more heated up.
Q74)	Ming was angry and did not want to talk to his mother again when his mother said that she was going to take away Ming's handphone for a month.
Q75)	Tick: troubled, hopeless
Q76)	He dug deep into his pockets. He asked the staff whether anyone had turned in a wallet. He emptied his school bag.
Q77)	It refers to Ming taking deep breaths. It refers to the small zipped compartment inside Ming's bag. It refers to his mother leaving Ming money in case he needed it.
Q78)	False, Ming ignored his mother's presence and kept silent, refusing to join in the conversation. False, Ming went to the canteen to wait for the rain to stop. True, tears welled up in Ming's eyes when he read his mother's message.
Q79)	He was curious of what was inside the envelopes.

Q80)	At first, he thought she was unreasonable. In the end, he thought she was loving.
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