PAYA LEBAR METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY) 2022 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRIMARY SIX PAPER 1

NAME	:)
CLASS	: Primary 6	
DATE	: 18 August 2022	

Total Time: 1 hour 10 minutes

Total Marks: 55 marks

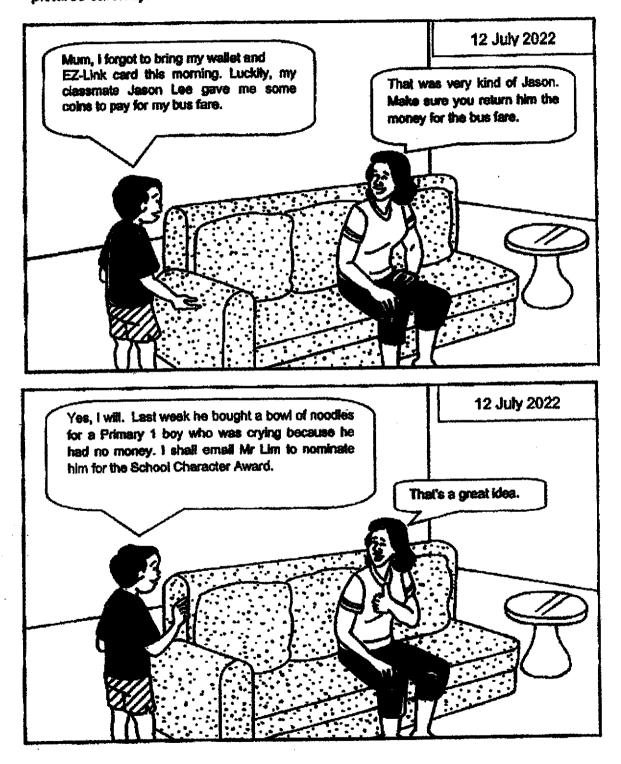
INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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Answer all questions.

Part 1: Situational Writing (15 marks)

The pictures below show Tom and his mother talking about an incident. Study the pictures carefully.



Your Task

imagine you are Tom from Primary 6H.

Write an email to your principal, Mr Lim, to nominate Jeson Lee for the School Character Award.

You are to refer to the pictures and information on page 1 for your email.

In your email, include the following key information:

- when and where the incident took place
- · how Jason Lee helped you
- another good deed by Jason Lee
- one good value Jason Lee has displayed
- · the award you want to nominate him for and why

Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

Write a composition of <u>at least 150 words</u> about an unexpected discovery.

The pictures are provided to help you think about the topic.

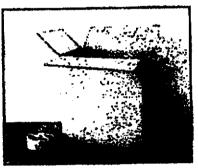
Your composition should be based on one or more of these pictures.

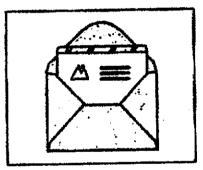
Consider the following points when you plan your composition.

- What was the unexpected discovery?
- Why was it an unexpected discovery?

You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.







- End of Paper -

PAYA LEBAR METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY) 2022 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRIMARY SIX PAPER 2 (BOOKLET A)

NAME	:()
CLASS	: Primary 6	
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Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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Follow all the instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) for Questions 1-28 only.

For	yer. Make	etion from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the er Sheet. (10 marks)
1.	When t	ne spider landed on Clara's nose, it made her her heart out.
	(1)	screaming
	(2)	screamed
	(3)	screams
	(4)	scream
2.	"Look fo	r me at the staff room you need help," Mr Li told his students.
	(1)	should
	(2)	shali
	(3)	may
	(4)	will
3. "They'd ren		remember to switch off the lights before leaving for their lunch ment,?" Mother asked.
	(1)	didn't they
	(2)	haven't they
	(3)	couldn't they
	(4)	wouldn't they
4.	The po	lice will take decisive actions to subdue people who are a danger the public.
	(1)	In
	(2)	to
	(3)	on
	(4)	by
5.		rniture in all the rooms to be moved to the corridor by noon, ed the supervisor.
	(1)	is .
	(2)	are
	(3)	was
	(4)	Ware

6.		bre midnight, to their relief.				
	(1)	much				
	(2)	most				
	(3)	little				
	(4)	less				
7.		noplifter was caught red-handed by the security guards and or further questioning.				
	(1)	hàve been taken				
	(2)	was taking				
	(3)	taken				
	(4)	took				
8.		the shortage of funds, the villagers' plan to build a school for the				
	childre	n fell through.				
	(1)	Since				
	(2)	Despite				
	(3)	Owing to				
	(4)	Even though				
9.		in my life such an angelic voice! You definitely deserve a place linal round of this competition,* complimented one of the judges.				
	(1)	have I heard				
	(2)	I have heard				
	(3)	I had heard				
	(4)	had I heard				
10.	a	Father is allergic to nuts, Daniel should not have offered him the				
	peanu	peanut butter sandwich," remarked Denise.				
	(1)	Have known				
	(2)	Knowing				
	(3)	Knew				
	(4)	Know				
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For e	rer. Mak	estion from 11 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the er Sheet. (5 marks)
11.	Jessle i that he	started jotting down notes since she could not all the information tutor was presenting to the class.
	(1)	retain
	(2)	revive
	(3)	reconcile
	(4)	refinquish
12.		ider's top was to find a safe place for the hikers to spend in the when they were lost in the forest.
	(1)	priority
	(2)	urgency
	(3)	preference
	(4)	consequence
13.	To attra	act more customers to the restaurant, the manager told his staff to display the y poster at a place near the entrance.
	(1)	quaint
	(2)	secluded
	(3)	recognisable
	(4)	conspicuous
14.	That s	poilt boy is so insistent that his mother and buys him the toy on
	(1)	gives in
	(2)	gives back
	(3)	gives away
	(4)	gives up on
15.	Retired has no	i sniffer dogs used to be adopted by K9 officers only but the adoption scheme we been to the public.
	(1)	enlisted .
	(2)	enlarged
	(3)	extended
	(4)	exempted

Section C

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

My grandpa was lost and confused. His face locked in a (16) <u>puzzled</u> expression. He surveyed the surroundings like an explorer stepping on a new-found land but this was not a new-found land. He had lived in this home for years.

Sensing his (17) need for assistance, I went forward and guided him to his bed. As he settled beneath the blanket, he asked the same old question, "Who are you?"

At first, the loss of my grandpa's memory was easy to miss. He would (18) mix up our names. Then he began to forget what he had eaten (19) barely a minute after his meals. His forgetfulness gradually become hard to Ignore. One day, he could not even recognise the door to our flat. By the time the doctors diagnosed dementia, my grandpa had difficulty identifying his grandchildren. Within a year, he had forgotten even his own children, including my father - his eldest son.

To jog his memory, we filled his room with (20) keepsakes from the past. My favourite was a photograph of him and me taken about ten years ago. That photograph brought back fond memories and it reminded me of my grandpa's unconditional love.

Adapted from 'Going Home' by Keith Tan

- 16. (1) dejected
 - (2) unsettled
 - (3) animated
 - (4) bewildered
- 17. (1) helplessness
 - (2) aimlessness
 - (3) listiessness
 - (4) loneliness
- 18. (1) merge
 - (2) jumble
 - (3) detach
 - (4) associate
- 19. (1) finally
 - (2) promptly
 - (3) ultimately
 - (4) eventually
- 20. (1) artefacts
 - (2) ornaments
 - (3) mementos
 - (4) knick-knacks

Section D
Study this flyer and then answer questions 21 to 28. (8 marks)

A Day Out at the City Farm

Come join us for a day of fun and learn about the importance of growing our own food. Buy some organic produce or bring back your own mini garden to start your urban farming journey!

Date: 23 October 2022 (Sunday)

Time: 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Venue: City Farm

Fruit and Vegetable Sale

Get your organic produce from our garden!

WORKSHOPS

My Miniature Garden

10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Tickets: \$15 per person (payment at booth)

Learn to make an easy herb or vegetable garden in a recycled box. Bring it home and be excited as you watch your plants sprout. Cook a meal after harvesting them.



How To Make A Seed Ball

11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Free entry (first come, first served)



Each seed ball is made by wrapping seeds with compost and clay. They provide nutrients for seeds to germinate and act as a carrier to disperse the seeds. They also prevent the seeds from being eaten by birds and animals. Our seed balls are wrapped in craft paper and make great gifts for your family and friends.

Guided Tour 9 a.m. or 3 p.m.

Free registration (registration ends 5 minutes before tour starts)

Our friendly guide will share interesting facts about some common local plants and their uses. You will have an opportunity to touch, smell and taste some of the vegetables and fruits. Our guide will also highlight some farming methods that are environmentally friendly.

Excerpt from Nature Magazine, published on 5 May.

Have you ever wondered where your vegetables come from?

Singapore imports most of our produce from all over the world. This is because Singapore does not have enough land for farming. To ensure Singapore is able to produce its own food, the Government is encouraging urban farming.

In fact, in recent years, urban farming has become increasingly popular as people are more concerned about the source of their vegetables and fruits. They are worried about the amount of pesticides used. More people are growing edible plants in urban spaces, such as balconies and HDB corridors, without the use of pesticides.

Located at Kranji, City Farm is one of the more established urban farms in Singapore. On weekends, they offer farm tours and workshops for parents and children to get in touch with nature and learn about the importance of growing their own vegetables. They also help design and build edible gardens for residential and commercial uses so that more Singaporeans can enjoy their own fresh produce. In addition, they conduct school visits to educate students on urban farming.

Student Ambassadors needed!

Do you have a passion for gardening? Volunteer with us and help promote urban farming to your schoolmates!

City Farm visits schools to give educational talks, teach students how to grow vegetables and build gardens together with them.

We will train student ambassadors to guide other students in the correct techniques for growing their own vegetables.

interested students are to drop us an email at joinus@cityfarm.sg





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.

21.	Wha	t is the main purpose of the event?
	(1)	to publicise the sale of organic produce
	(2)	to encourage people to grow their own food
	(3)	to share interesting facts about edible plants in Singapore
	(4)	to recruit Student Ambassadors to promote urban farming
22.	The	miniature garden workshop teaches participants to
	(1)	grow herbs and vegetables
	(2)	harvest their organic produce
	(3)	recycle boxes to keep their harvest
	(4)	cook healthy meals using greens from their garden
23.	in th	e section 'How To Make A Seed Ball', which of the following statements is true?
	(1)	Birds and animals are needed to disperse the seed in the seed bail.
	(2)	The craft paper provides nutrients for the seeds to grow well.
	(3)	A mixture of compost and clay is used to wrap the seeds.
	(4)	A seed ball contains only one seed.
24.	. Mila	is interested in taking a guided tour around the farm. She
	(1)	
	(2)	
	(3)	
	(4)	will get to try out new farming methods

- 25. According to the excerpt from Nature Magazine, why are Singaporeans becoming more interested in urban farming?
 - (1) They are more aware that Singapore lacks land for farming.
 - (2) The government requires the citizens to farm for their own food.
 - (3) Supermarkets do not have to import produce from other countries.
 - (4) They are concerned about the use of pesticides on the produce that are sold.

28.	According to the flyer, C	ity Farm builds	'edible gardens'.	What does the term	ı 'edible
	gardens' refer to?				

- (1) Gardens that are free of pesticides.
- (2) Gardens that produce vegetables and fruits.
- (3) Gardens that owners looked after themselves.
- (4) Gardens that are built in urban spaces like balconies.
- 27. City Farm contributes to local farming efforts by _____
 - (1) growing vegetables at all HDB corridors
 - (2) conducting daily farm tours and workshops
 - (3) providing children with spaces for growing plants
 - (4) going to schools to help them set up vegetable gardens
- 28. What does City Farm look for in its selection of Student Ambassadors?
 - (1) a love for gardening
 - (2) has experience in urban farming
 - (3) able to speak well during educational talks
 - (4) has a passion for educating other students

- End of Booklet A --

PAYA LEBAR METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY) 2022 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PRIMARY SIX

PAPER 2 (BOOKLET B)

CLASS	: Primary 6					
DATE	: 18 August 2022					
Total Tin	ne for Booklets A an	d B: 1 hour 50 minutes				
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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 C	AN BE USED	ONLY ONCE			
(A) after	(D) for	(G) however	(K) than	(N) which	
(B) and	(E) from	(H) like	(L) to	(P) with	
(C) between	(F) in	(J) on	(M) when	(Q) unlike	
Malaria k	a d isease s pre	ad by mosquitoes. Pe	ople usually get	malaria being	
bitten by an infe	cted female An	oph ele s mosquito. Sy	mptoms of malari	a such as fever,	
chills and musci	e aches begin a	appearing from seven	daysfou	r weeks later. Malaria	
		countries like Myanma			
fight malaria in I	Myanmar	_ in Singapore. The I	eason is that Mya	anmar is a larger	
country(32)	far more forest	s, making it harder to	control breeding	piaces.	
Myanma	r is a less devel	oped country(33)	Singapore, mos	t of the people in	
Myanmar live in	villages surrou	nded by forests (34	are good bree	ding places for	
		cs are few and far			
		010, to save lives and	•		
government dec	cided to rely	volunteers from	the villagers. The	training and medicine	
for health volun			iors. After the tra	ining, these health	
volunteers retur	n to their village	es to test people for n	nalaria and treat t	hem. The villagers are	
more likely to come forward to be tested they become more and more aware of the (38)					
disease. The hard work of these volunteers is finally showing results. Now, Myanmar is on					
its way to being	free of the disc	ease by 2030.			
Adapted from https://digital.whatsup.sg/					
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<u>Section G</u> Fill in each blank with a suitable word. [15 marks]

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one, hurrah, hurrahi" These(51)	form the lyrics of a popular children's
(52) Many of us may have su	ng and clapped to this
•	a ante mamhine in a single
catchy tune. Given that we are used to seein	(54)
in our living spaces, they hardly(55)	a threat. Most of the ants we know are
not dangerous. However, there is a(of ant called the yellow crazy ant 56)
	of the fiercest and strongest ant (57)
species. Firstly, it is called a yellow crazy and	(58)
when disturbed, it moves in a helter-skelter r	manner as if it is! (59)
Yellow crazy ants do not bite.	, they spray a type of liquid to (60)
their prey so that they ca	annot move. Swarming in great numbers,
they can attack and kill much(62)	animals like lizards, crabs and small
mammals. On Christmas Island,(63	ants threaten the population of the
native red crabs found on the rainforest floo	r. Since yellow crazy ants do(64)
•	(64)
have natural predators, their invasion has _	havoc on the island's (65)
ecosystem. The government is spending m	nillions of dollars to battle the ants and save
nature on Christmas Island.	

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For each of the questions 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.	Freddy's form teacher had to send Freddy for counselling. He played truant frequently.
	Due to his
87.	"Is this the problem sum you were trying to solve?" Mrs. Chan asked Katie.
	Mrs. Chan wanted to know
68.	All was full of mischief. He admitted to playing a prank on the new teacher. Being
69.	Peter introduced me to the tour guide who is taking me around Bangkokwhom
70.	The icing on the cupcake looks very delicious. It is almost impossible not to eat it. To not eat such
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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80, [20 marks]

A car stopped outside and lan, my little brother, rushed to the window for his first glimpse of a grandmother he and I had only heard about. "She's here! She's here!" he shouted excitedly. Grandmother had finally arrived, leaving Hong Kong to come live with us in San Francisco.

"I'm not helpless," she insisted when Dad hurried to help her out.

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Ian was relieved. "She speaks English," he said.

Grandmother was a small woman in a padded silk lacket and black slacks. Her hair was pulled back into a bun behind her head. On her very tiny feet she wore a pair of guilted cotton slippers shaped like boots, with furred tops that hid her ankles.

"What's wrong with her feet?" I whispered to Mom.

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"They've always been that way. And don't mention it. Stacy." she said. "She's sensitive about them."

I was instantly curious. Mom's forehead furrowed as if she was not sure how to explain this painful custom. "There was a time back in China when people thought women's feet had to be shaped a certain way to look beautiful. When a girl was about five, her mother would gradually bend her toes under the sole of her foot and bind them with silk ribbons."

"There's nothing lovely about those feet." Just thinking about it made my own feet ache.

As Grandmother reached the porch, Morn bowed formally. "I'm so glad you're 20 here," she said.

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Mother had coached us on a proper Chinese greeting for the last two months and watched anxiously as we executed our bows and greeted Grandmother. I thought Grandmother also deserved an American-style bear hug and took a step forward. However, when I tried to put my arms around her and kiss her, she stiffened in surprise. "Nice children don't droot on people," she snapped at me.

Switching her gaze to Ian, Grandmother's face brightened, "He has your eyes," she said to Mom. "and he's your pride and lov!"

In the following weeks, Mom started laying down all sorts of new rules, I was disgruntled as I had already given up my room. Whenever Grandmother needed to rest. we could not run around or make noise. Then we could not watch our favourite television. shows because Grandmother could not understand them. Worst of all, Ian got all of her attention and her candy and anything else she could bribe him with.

It was the last straw one warm Sunday afternoon a month after she had arrived. I had just returned home from a long walk and I was looking forward to something cool and sweet, when I found her giving lan an ice cream bar I had bought for myself.

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When I complained to Mom about how Grandmother was spoiling lan, she only sighed. "He's a boy, Stacy. Back in China, boys are everything." I nearly flew off the handle at those words.

It was not until I saw Grandmother and Ian together the next day. Finally, it dawned on me why she treated him so much better. She was slitting on a kitchen chair with her head bent next to his. She had taught Ian enough Chinese so that they could hold short, simple conversations. With their faces so close, I could see how much alike they were.

ian and I both have the same brown eyes, but his hair is black, while mine is brown, like Dad's. In fact, everything about Ian looks more Chinese. Except for the shape of my eyes, I look as Caucasian as Dad. And yet people sometimes stare at me as if I were a freak. I've always told myself it is because they are ignorant and never learned manners. It was really hard to have my own grandmother make me feel that way.

Ever since Grandmother had arrived, I had been practising my ballet privately in the room I now shared with Ian. I slipped one of the shoes onto my foot, but when I tried to tie the ribbons around my ankles, the ribbons came off in my hands. Grandmother was sitting in the big recliner in the fiving room. My first instinct was to avoid Grandmother but I squared my shoulders. Uneasily, I approached her.

"Paw-paw," I said, "can you help me?"

Grandmother gave a start when she turned around and saw the ribbons dangling from my hand. Then she looked down at my bare feet, which were callused from the three years of daily ballet lessons. When she looked back at the satin ribbons, it was with a hate and disgust that I had never seen before.

"Give those to me." She held out her hand.

I clutched the ribbons tightly against my stomach.

"They'll ruin your feet." She lunged toward me and tried to snatch them away.

Adapted from 'Ribbons' by Lawrence Yep

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71.	From the first paragraph meeting their grandmo			ils us that Stacy and lan are
72.	Based on lines 5-12, fi to on meeting their gra	ll in the blanks bel ndmother? [2m]	low to show	what the children paid attention
	lan C realised	that Grandmother		
	Stacy C> noticed t	hat Grandmother		
73.	Which two of the fol Grandmother? Put a	lowing words beatick vi in the box b	st describe eside each	how Stacy's mother welcomed of your answers. [2m]
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	annoyed	forcefu	•	
	respectful	excited	d	
74.	What were two rules came to live with the		d down for S	Stacy and Ian when Grandmother
	Rule 1			
	Rule 2	namental and the second se		

7 5.	Look at the table below. What do the phrases in the left column mean in th
	passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [3m]

We	ords from the passage	What the phrase refers to
a)	this painful custom (line 14)	
b)	pride and joy (fine 28)	
c)	the last straw (line 34)	

76.	Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story. [1m]
	Grandmother arrives in San Francisco.
	Stacy moves into lan's bedroom.
	lan learns to converse in Chinese.

77. Fill in the following table. [2m]

The situation	How Stacy felt	What Stacy did next
When Ian ate Stacy's ice cream (lines 34-39)		ne en e
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	ed on the passage, sta se, then give one rea	son why you th	
a)	Grandmother was not comfortable with being hugged.	True/False	Reason
b)	Mother tried to make Grandmother's stay comfortable.		
c)	lan and Stacy look alike.		

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Booklet A

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Q68)	Being mischlevous	s, Ali adm	itted to playin	g a prank on	the new teacher.

Q69)	The tour guide whom Peter introduced me to is taking me around
	Bangkok.
Q70)	To not eat such delicious icing on the cupcake is almost impossible.
Q71)	First glimpse
Q72)	Speaks English ; had small feet
Q73)	Dutiful, respectful
Q74)	Rule 1: They could not run around or make noise when Grandmother
	needed to rest.
	Rule 2: They could not watch their favourite television shows because
	Grandmother could not understand them.
Q75)	a) Bending her toes under the sole of her foot and binding them
	with silk ribbons.
	b) lan
	c) Grandmother giving lan her ice cream bar.
Q76)	1,2,3
Q77)	Angry; She complained to her mother about how Grandmother was
	spoiling lan.
Q78)	a) Stacy had been feeling very annoyed.
	b) Stacy thought that the Grandmother treated lan better because
	he looks more Chinese.
Q79)	a) True ; When Stacy did that, she stuttered in surprise and
	snapped at her.
	b) True ; Mother started laying down all sorts of new rules.
	c) False; While Ian and Stacy both have brown eyes, Ian's hair is
	black and Stacy's is brown. Overall, lan looks more Chinese
	while Stacy looks more Caucasian.
Q80)	The ribbons reminded her of how her feet were bound and she thought
1	that Stacy wanted to bind her toes.