



Maha Bodhi School
2017 End-of-Year Examination
English Language

Name : _____ ()

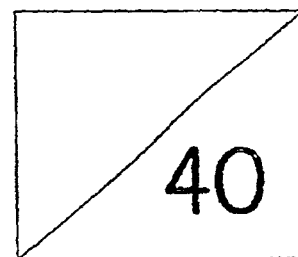
Class : Primary 2 _____

Date : 26 October 2017

Duration: 1 h

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. Answer all questions.
4. Write your answers in this booklet.



Parent's signature: _____

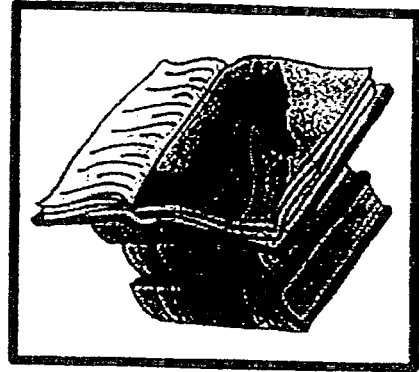
This booklet consists of 14 printed pages.

Section A: Vocabulary (8 x 1 mark)

Read each question and look at the picture. Then choose the correct answer and put a tick (✓) in the box beside it.

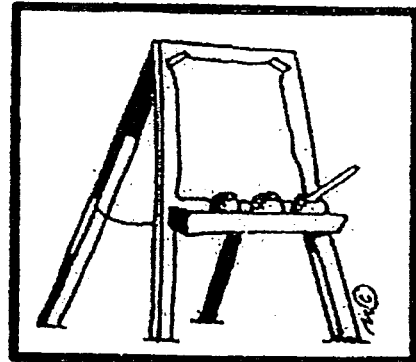
- 1) The _____ drawn in these storybooks are beautiful.

doodles	
sketches	
illustrations	
photographs	

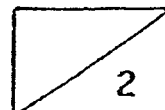


- 2) With her palette and paintbrush, Kat stood in front of the _____. She wondered what she should paint.

table	
easel	
screen	
whiteboard	

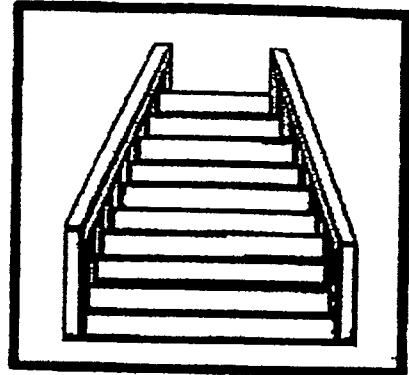


Mark:



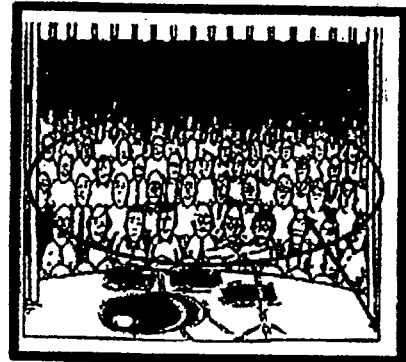
- 3) The children have to climb a _____ of stairs to get to their classroom.

pile	
flock	
flight	
school	

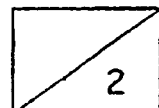


- 4) The _____ waited eagerly for the popular band to come on stage to perform.

audience	
musicians	
commuters	
spectators	



Mark:



Choose the correct word from the box to fill in each blank. Use each word once only.

orchestra

sense of hearing

vibrations

conductor

Two years ago, Mark was involved in an accident. During the accident, he injured his head and lost his



(5) _____. He became deaf after the

accident. Although he had a disability, Mark did not give up on his love for

music. He practised hard to become an excellent percussionist by feeling

the (6) _____ through the soles of his

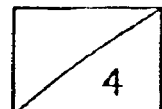
feet. Last week, Mark performed together with a group of musicians. When

the (7) _____ raised his baton, the

concert began and the (8) _____ started

playing a beautiful piece of music.

Mark:



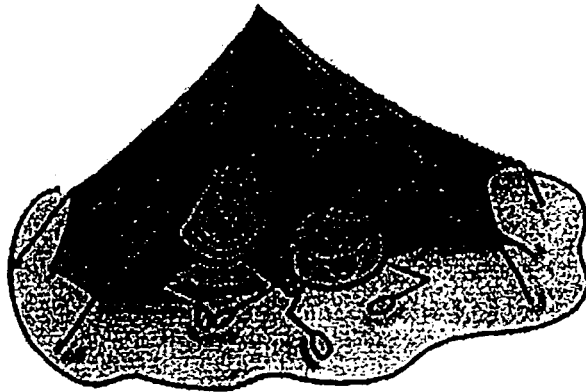
Section B: Grammar (12 x 1 mark)

Fill in the blanks with the correct past tense form of the verb in the brackets.

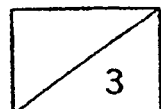
9) Pam and her family _____ (go) on a camping trip last weekend.

10) When they reached the campsite, they _____ (hike) up the hill.

11) During their hike, Pam and her brother _____ (are) excited when they saw a waterfall.



Mark:



Circle the correct comparative or superlative adjective in the brackets.

Mei Lee received a baby pig as a gift from her parents on her birthday.

- 12) She really loved her new pet because she found it
(cuter , cutest) than any other pets she ever had.



- 13) Ever since Mei Lee had the baby pig, she learnt to be
(most , more) responsible and spent a lot of time taking care
of it.

- 14) Even though her pet made a huge mess at times, it would always
be the (better , best) pet she had ever received.



Circle the correct quantifier in the brackets.

- 15) After work, Mrs Toh drove to the supermarket to shop for groceries
because there was not (many , much) food left in her
refrigerator.

- 16) The supermarket was very crowded as there were
(many , a few) shoppers.

- 17) With (a few , a little) time left before dinner, Mrs Toh
quickly chose the items she needed.

Fill in the blanks with the correct demonstrative pronoun in the brackets.

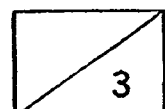
18) Uncle Tan went to the park for a walk. He saw a woman standing opposite the pond. _____ (This , That)
woman was a park ranger.

19) Uncle Tan knew that the park ranger took care of the plants in the park. While walking, Uncle Tan saw some beautiful plants next to him.
"Look! Aren't _____ (these , those)
plants beautiful?" Uncle Tan said.

20) Uncle Tan then saw a group of children waiting there. The park ranger was taking _____ (these , those) children on a tour around the park.



Mark:



Section C: Punctuation (5 x 1 mark)

There is one punctuation mistake or missing punctuation in each sentence. Circle the punctuation mistake or missing punctuation and rewrite the correct punctuation or the word on the lines provided.

An example is shown below:

A fire broke out in a shop○



21) Immediately mr tan called for the firefighters.

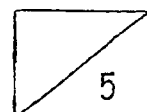
22) Will the fire be put out soon

23) the firefighters arrived at the scene within minutes.

24) They quickly got ready their hose masks and ladder.

25) My friends and i were relieved that the fire was put out shortly.

Mark:



Section D: Comprehension

Passage 1 (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage.

Art class was over but Vashti sat glued to her chair. Her paper was empty. Vashti's teacher leaned over the blank paper and said, "You've a polar bear in a snowstorm." Vashti thought her teacher was being funny. "I can't draw," said Vashti sadly. Her teacher smiled. "Just make a mark. That's a good start for you!"



Vashti grabbed a marker and drew a dot on her paper. "There!" Her teacher picked up the paper and looked at it carefully. She pushed it towards Vashti and quietly said, "Now sign it." Vashti thought for a moment, "Well, maybe I can't draw, but I can sign my name."

The following week, Vashti was surprised to see what was hanging above her teacher's desk. It was the little dot she had drawn. Vashti wanted to be better. She opened her brand new set of watercolours and set to work. She tried painting dots of different colours and sizes. When Vashti completed her art work, she beamed with pride as she looked at her masterpiece.

Adapted from *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds

Put a tick (✓) in the box beside the best answer.

26) Why was Vashti's paper empty?

Vashti's paper was empty because she did not _____.

want to draw	
know how to draw	
know what to draw	

27) Why did Vashti's teacher tell her that she had a polar bear in a snowstorm on her paper?

Vashti's teacher was _____.

scolding her for not drawing anything	
encouraging her so that she would try	
admiring the polar bear she had drawn	

28) What made Vashti feel surprised the following week?

Vashti felt surprised when _____.

she saw her art work being displayed	
her teacher asked her to sign her name	
she drew dots of different colours and sizes	

- 29) What was the first thing that Vashti did after she saw her art work being hung?

Vashti _____.

tried out different colours	
opened her set of watercolours	
beamed with pride at her art work	

- 30) How did Vashti feel when her art work was completed?

Vashti felt _____.

proud	
excited	
surprised	

Blank

Page

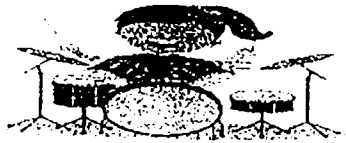
Passage 2 (10 marks)

Read the passage.

Brenda was a little girl with one big ambition - to play the drums in a band. However, she had one problem. As she lived right next to an elderly home, the sound of beating drums and crashing cymbals would really disturb her neighbours. Therefore, she could not practise regularly.

Brenda always tried to find different ways of practising her drums without bothering other people. She tried playing in the basement, kitchen and even in the bathroom. However, it would always annoy someone.

Determined to practise more, Brenda spent a lot of time drumming on books and boxes using her drumsticks. She also looked for new places for her to practise.



One day, while watching a science documentary on the television, learnt that sound cannot travel in space because there is no air. Brenda decided to become a musical astronaut and started to build a space bubble in her backyard. She connected a big glass ball to a machine which sucked out all the air inside. Brenda entered the space bubble and started playing on the drums without disturbing anyone.

Adapted from *Drums in Space* by Pedro Pablo Sacristan

Answer the questions in complete sentences. Your answer must be based on the passage.

31) What was Brenda's ambition?

[2 m]

32) Why was living near the elderly home a problem for Brenda? [2 m]

33) How do you know that Brenda was determined to practise drumming more? [2 m]

34) What did Brenda do after watching the science documentary? [2 m]

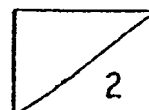
- 35) Complete the table below. Write True or False in the blank.
Write down one story clue.

[2 m]

<u>Sentence</u>	<u>True / False</u>	<u>Story Clue</u>
Brenda was a caring girl.		

~ End of Paper ~

Mark:



EXAM PAPER 2017(P2)

SCHOOL : MAHA BODHI

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA2

- 1)illustrations 2)easel 33)flight 4)audience
5)sense of hearing 6)vibrations 7)conductor 8)orchestra
9)went 10)hiked 11)were 12)cuter 13)more
14)best 15)much 16)many 17)a little 18)That
19)these 20)those 21)Mr Tan 22) ? 23)The 24) ,
25) I 26)know how to draw
27)encouraging her so that she would try
28)she saw her art work being displayed
29)opened her set of watercolours
30)proud
31)Brenda's ambition was to play the drums in a band.
32)The problem was the sound of beating drums and crashing cymbals would disturb Brenda's neighbours.

33) Brenda spent a lot of time drumming on books and boxes using her drumsticks.

34) Brenda started to build a space bubble in her backyard.

35) True / She tried playing in the basement, kitchen and even in the bathroom because she did not want to disturb others.