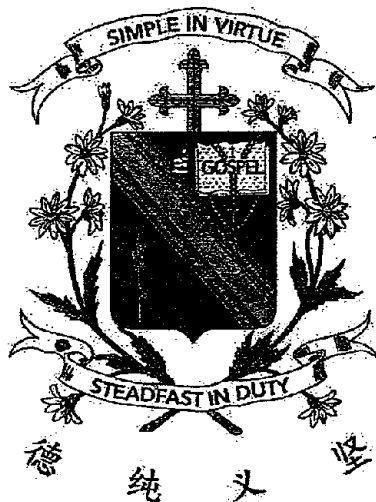


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## CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



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**Semestral Assessment**

**22 October 2018**

**English Language**

**Listening Comprehension and Paper 2**

Duration of Paper: 1 hour 15 minutes

44 questions

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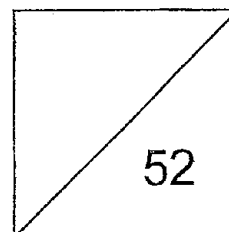
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Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

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**Section A: Phonics (6 x 1 mark)**

Listen carefully to the teacher and **circle** the correct letter.

1.        A            B            C

2.        A            B            C

3.        A            B            C

4.        A            B            C

5.        A            B            C

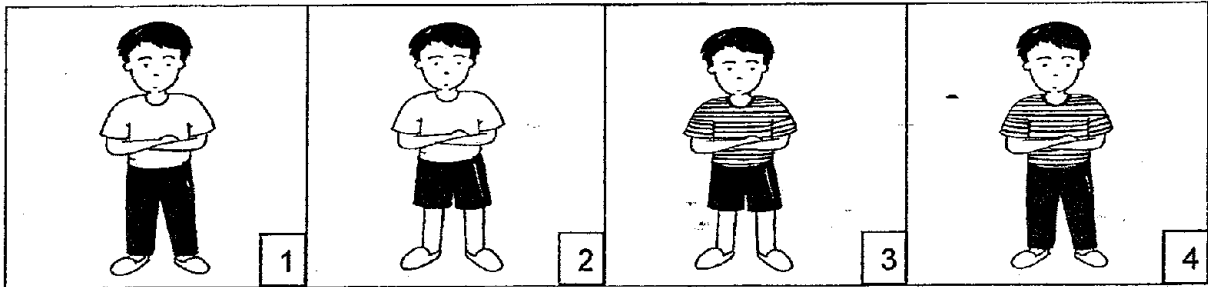
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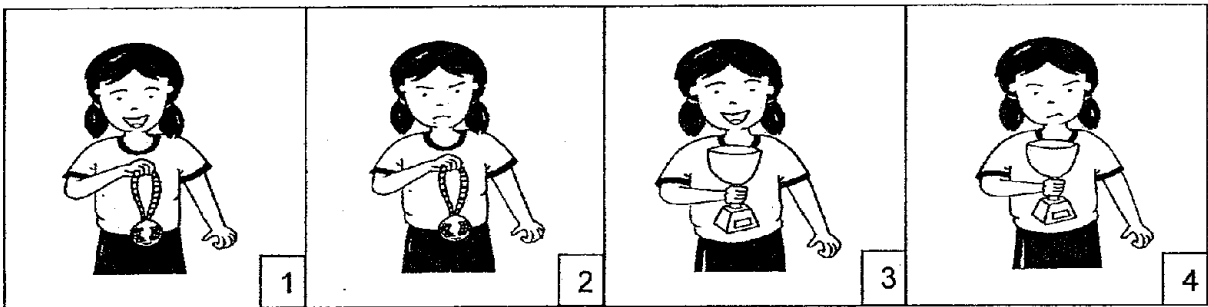
Listen carefully to the teacher and write the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

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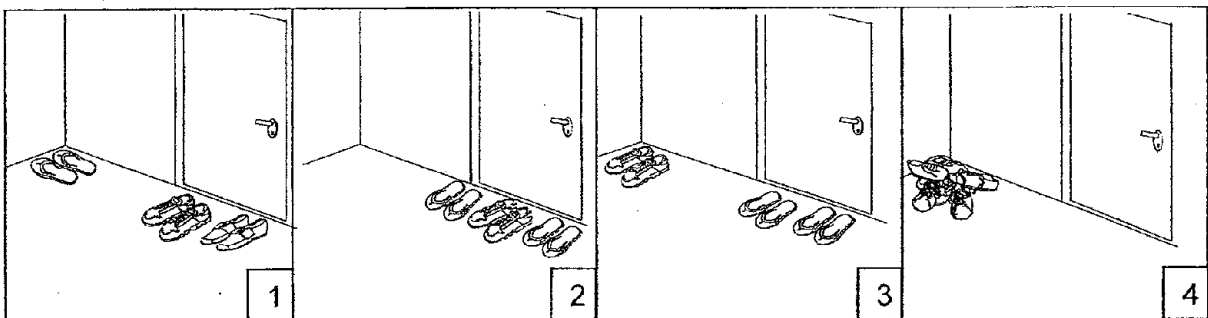
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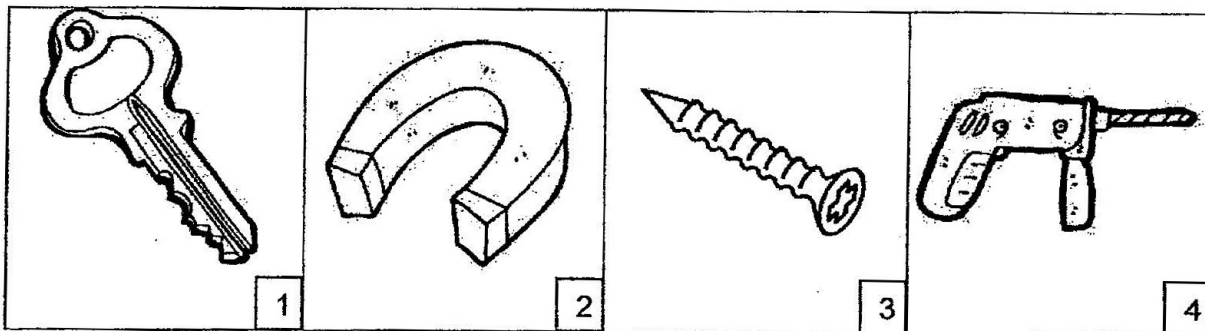
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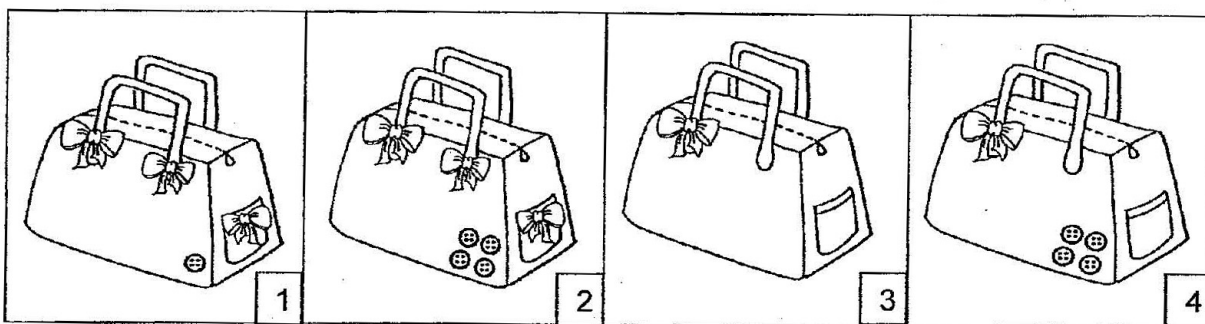
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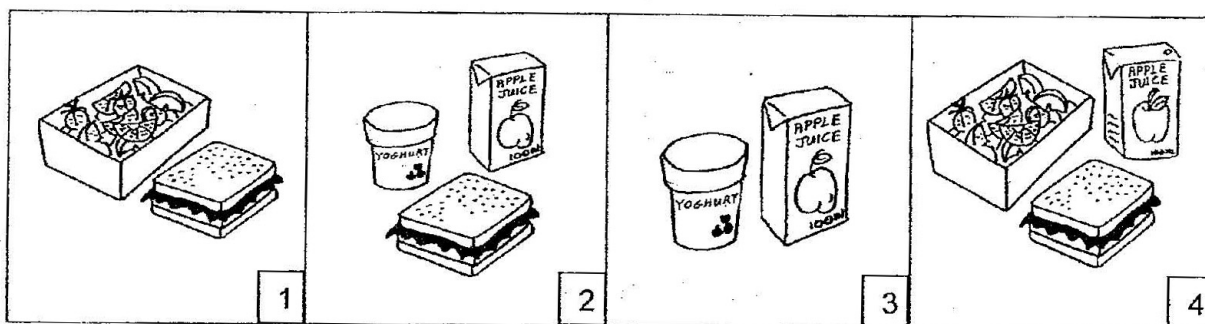
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**Section C: Vocabulary Multiple-Choice Questions (5 x 1 mark)**

Read each question carefully. Choose the most suitable answer and write its number in the brackets provided.

13. Mrs Tay hung a \_\_\_\_\_ on the gate to warn pupils not to enter the dangerous area.

(1) bolt  
(2) sign  
(3) letter  
(4) handle

(      )

14. Weili played the role of a warlord, so he put on a \_\_\_\_\_ over his uniform before he stepped onto the stage.

(1) hat  
(2) sock  
(3) gong  
(4) cloak

(      )

15. Rashid dreamt of a \_\_\_\_\_ otter which was thrice his size.

(1) tiny  
(2) mini  
(3) huge  
(4) minute

(      )

16. Meimei \_\_\_\_\_ to her teacher, "I'm sorry, Mrs Lim. I have forgotten to bring my homework again."

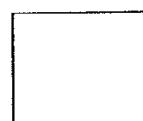
(1) muttered  
(2) screamed  
(3) screeched  
(4) complained

(      )

17. The ground \_\_\_\_\_ and the things on the table began to fall.

- (1) jiggled
- (2) quaked
- (3) wriggled
- (4) shivered

(      )



**Section D: Grammar Multiple-Choice Questions (5 x 1 mark)**

Read each question carefully. Choose the most suitable answer and write its number in the brackets provided.

18. I was wiping the dining table \_\_\_\_\_ my father returned from work.

- (1) or
- (2) so
- (3) but
- (4) when

(       )

19. The train sped \_\_\_\_\_ the underground tunnel in a few seconds.

- (1) up
- (2) under
- (3) behind
- (4) through

(       )

20. This box is for you but \_\_\_\_\_ boxes at the other end of the room are for my relatives.

- (1) this
- (2) that
- (3) these
- (4) those

(       )

21. Tina felt very nervous \_\_\_\_\_ the morning of the art competition.

- (1) at
- (2) on
- (3) for
- (4) onto

(       )

22. She did not have a lot of money left because she had used too  
\_\_\_\_\_ money to buy a present.

- (1) few
- (2) little
- (3) much
- (4) many

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**Section E: Grammar Cloze 1 (5 x 1 mark)**

Fill in the blanks with the helping words below. Use each word **ONCE** only.

|    |       |      |      |
|----|-------|------|------|
| me | his   | it   | its  |
| my | their | them | they |

There were three goats. The first was the youngest. It had brown hair.  
The second one was grey and the last one was proud of (23) \_\_\_\_\_  
white hair.

One day, after they had grass for (24) \_\_\_\_\_ breakfast, they  
walked to a bridge. Under the bridge lived a horrible troll. His favourite food was  
goats!

The troll licked (25) \_\_\_\_\_ lips and he grunted, "You're not  
getting past (26) \_\_\_\_\_ ! I like goat pie for (27) \_\_\_\_\_ tea."

Trembling, the goats pleaded, "Please don't eat us."

*Adapted from 'The Three Little Pigs and Other Stories' by Nick Sharratt and Stephen Tucker*



**Section F: Grammar Cloze 2 (5 x 1 mark)**

Fill in the blanks with the helping words below. Use each word **ONCE** only.

|     |        |      |        |
|-----|--------|------|--------|
| is  | throw  | hop  | start  |
| are | throws | hops | starts |

Hopscotch is a popular game. Usually, each square (28) \_\_\_\_\_ drawn with chalk. Players (29) \_\_\_\_\_ pieces of rock onto the squares.

A player stands outside Square 1 and (30) \_\_\_\_\_ a rock into it. The player hops back to Square 1 to pick up the rock and hops out again. On the second turn, the player throws the rock into Square 2. Then the player (31) \_\_\_\_\_ into each square and back to the start.

If the players miss a square when tossing, they (32) \_\_\_\_\_ again. The first player to complete hopping in and out of all the squares wins.

*Adapted from 'Hopscotch around the World' by Mary D. Lankford*



**Section G: Vocabulary Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Fill in the blanks with the helping words below. Use each word **ONCE** only.

|          |          |          |        |
|----------|----------|----------|--------|
| quivered | terrible | tigerish | stew   |
| yelled   | mumbled  | nectar   | powder |

It was a special day in Davy's neighbourhood - 'No Rules Day'. Davy looked into the pot of chicken (33) \_\_\_\_\_ that Mother was cooking. He uttered, "I don't want to eat this. I want custard with lots of sugar." Mother told him what she cooked was good for him, but he (34) \_\_\_\_\_ to himself, "It's No Rules Day," and ate bowls of custard greedily.

Soon, his stomach hurt so his parents had to rush him to a doctor. However, they could barely get beyond the door. No one was following the rules. Cars were driven at high speed. People were not paying for the food they ate at restaurants. Shoppers were not paying for the things they bought. Crowds of people were angry and (35) \_\_\_\_\_ at one another.

It was (36) \_\_\_\_\_ everywhere in the neighbourhood. "Father, you're right. A life without rules will never be happy," Davy sighed.

*Adapted from 'Mayor for a Day' by Carl Sommer*



**Section H: Word Order (3 x 2 marks)**

Rearrange the words to form a complete sentence or question. Begin each sentence with a capital letter. Use the correct punctuation mark where necessary and at the end of each sentence.

37. the                      grew and                      caterpillar                      turned into a butterfly

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38. was                      my neighbour                      an interesting book                      the library                      in                      reading

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39. the street                      put a helmet                      John                      and                      on his head                      cycled down

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**Section I: Comprehension**

**Multiple-Choice and Open-Ended Questions (5 x 2 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 40 to 44.

An unkind potter wanted to get his neighbour, the washerwoman, into trouble.

One day, the potter went to tell the king that the washerwoman could wash his grey elephants as white as snow. That afternoon, the washerwoman was called to the palace by the king. Surprisingly, she 5 accepted the job. The next day, she took a long piece of string to find out how long the elephant was. With the help of the soldiers, she went to the first elephant and placed the string from its trunk to its back. She repeated the steps with the second elephant.

"I need two things before I can get to work," the washerwoman said. 10

"What do you need?" the king asked.

"I must have two pots to soak each of your elephants. I do not have pots that are gigantic and strong enough to hold the elephants overnight," the washerwoman answered.

The king ordered the potter to make two pots that were the largest 15 and strongest. The potter gasped and his mouth fell open in shock. Quickly, the potter hurried home. Then he packed his bags and left the village before the king could send soldiers asking for the pots.

*Adapted from 'A Jar of Pickles and a Pinch of Justice' by Chitra Soundar*

For questions 40 to 41, choose the most suitable answer and write its number in the brackets provided. Answer question 42 using a word. Answer question 43 in a complete sentence. For question 44, tick the two correct answers.

40. The elephants belonged to the \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) king
- (2) potter
- (3) soldiers
- (4) washerwoman

(      )

41. The washerwoman used the string to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) guess the price of the elephant
- (2) check the colour of the elephant
- (3) record the mass of the elephant
- (4) measure the length of the elephant

(      )

42. Which **word** in paragraph 2 tells you that the washerwoman performed the same actions twice?

43. What kind of pots did the washerwoman ask for to soak the elephants?

44. Why the potter <sup>leave</sup>~~left~~ the village? Tick (✓) **two** correct reasons.

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | He did not want to be punished by the king.                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | He felt guilty for getting the washerwoman into trouble.      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | He was angry as the washerwoman was smarter than him.         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | He was unable to make the pots that the king wanted from him. |

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# ANSWER KEY

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## SECTION C

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## SECTION E

Q23) its

Q24) their

Q25) his

Q26) me

Q27) my

## SECTION F

Q28) is

Q29) throw

Q30) throws

Q31) hops

Q32) start

### **SECTION G**

**Q33) stew**

**Q34) mumbled**

**Q35) yelled**

**Q36) terrible**

### **SECTION H**

**Q37) The caterpillar grew and turned into a butterfly.**

**Q38) My neighbour was reading an interesting book in the library.**

**Q39) John put a helmet on his head and cycled down the street.**

### **SECTION I**

**Q40) 1**

**Q41) 4**

**Q42) repeated**

**Q43) The washerwoman asked for two pots to soak each of the King's elephants.**

**Q44) He was unable to make the pots that the king wanted from him.**