

SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 - 2017
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 3

Name : _____ ()

Class : P 3 . ()

Date : 12 May 2017

BOOKLET A

15 Questions

15 Marks

Total Time For Booklet A and B : 1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1 Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.**
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- 3 Answer all questions.**

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Part 1: Vocabulary (6 marks)

Choose the most suitable option and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The _____ bride was all smiles as she strolled down the aisle, accompanied by her proud father.
 - (1) sad
 - (2) radiant
 - (3) grouchy
 - (4) disappointed

2. After Tom had made the report, the police promised to _____ the case of animal abuse in our neighbourhood.
 - (1) look in
 - (2) look up
 - (3) look on
 - (4) look into

3. Joe is as strong as a _____. He can carry the dining table himself.
 - (1) bat
 - (2) bee
 - (3) bull
 - (4) beaver

4. I screamed in pain when the _____ of drawers fell on my leg.
 - (1) pile
 - (2) pack
 - (3) suite
 - (4) chest

5. The _____ has to practise very hard if he wants to be selected for the orchestra.
 - (1) porter
 - (2) musician
 - (3) physician
 - (4) apprentice

6. The _____ in the singing competition will have to sing three songs each.
 - (1) audience
 - (2) recipients
 - (3) spectators
 - (4) participants

Part 2: Grammar (8 marks)

Choose the most suitable option and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet.

7. Helena said that we must _____ quickly as we were late for our class.
- (1) walk
 - (2) walks
 - (3) walked
 - (4) walking
8. The soccer match between the two teams _____ abruptly called off by the referee yesterday.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were
9. "Do not make a fool of _____ in public," said Dad.
- (1) myself
 - (2) himself
 - (3) yourself
 - (4) themselves
10. Caleb is terrible _____ memorising facts.
- (1) at
 - (2) by
 - (3) for
 - (4) between
11. The furniture _____ moved to the new house last week.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were

12. Malik scrimped and saved to _____ his children through university.
- (1) sent
 - (2) send
 - (3) sends
 - (4) sending
13. _____ customary to exchange mandarin oranges with the host during Chinese New Year.
- (1) It
 - (2) Its
 - (3) It's
 - (4) It'll
14. _____ helicopters are hovering above the building.
- (1) This
 - (2) That
 - (3) These
 - (4) Those

Part 3: Punctuation (1 mark)

Choose the most suitable option and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet.

15. "This is really wonderful []" shouted Sabrina.
- (1) [.] full-stop
 - (2) ['] apostrophe
 - (3) [;] semi-colon
 - (4) [!] exclamation mark

END OF BOOKLET A

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Parent's Signature

BOOKLET B

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Booklet	Component	Possible Marks	Marks Obtained
A	-	15	
B	Grammar Cloze 1	4	
	Grammar Cloze 2	4	
	Editing for Spelling & Grammar	3	
	Synthesis and Transformation	4	
	Comprehension Passage 1	10	
	Comprehension Passage 2	10	
	Total	35	

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Part 4: Grammar Cloze 1 (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the boxes and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) you	(B) he	(C) its
(D) her	(E) she	(F) him

The hunter approached cautiously. Hiding among the tall grass,

(16) _____ moved unseen. She had been stalking the beast. Suddenly, a twig snapped beneath (17) _____. The beast jumped up and raised (18) _____ long trunk, but the hunter had already leapt on it.

A few hours later, the hunter was told that a man was found dead in the forest. (19) _____ had been killed by a tiger. The hunter got the wrong beast.

Adapted from Hunter, or Hunted?

Part 5: Grammar Cloze 2 (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the boxes and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) are	(B) shine	(C) was
(D) is	(E) shines	(F) have

It is the school holidays. Sunlight (20) _____ in through a window. Birds (21) _____ chirping, welcoming a brand new day. It (22) _____ just simply peaceful. I am lying here on a warm mattress.

Waking up in this comfortable room, I am engulfed by the smell of books. This is the life that I (23) _____ sought for. Then comes the smell of pancakes from downstairs.

Adapted from State of Bliss

Part 6 : Editing for Spelling and Grammar (3 marks)

Read the passage carefully. The words with spelling errors are in bold and the words with grammatical errors are underlined. Write the correct spelling or form of word in each box.

As I looked at Earth, I also noticed that I could see the moon and the stars. I

(24)

could see our universe. I could turn back and see our **beeutifull** planet.

(25)

That moment changed my relationship on Earth. For me, Earth had always

(26)

been a kind of safe haven. Now, I **realiced** it is its own spaceship. I had always been a

space traveller.

Adapted from Eight Hours At The Edge Of Darkness

Part 7 : Synthesis and Transformation (4 marks)

For each question, 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).

27. Jen washed her hands. Jen turned off the tap.

After _____

28. My family planned to go to Malaysia this holiday. My family did not have the time.

_____ but

Part 8 : Comprehension Passage 1 (10 marks)

Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

It was a dark evening in my Uncle Karim's yard and I was 15. My family and my neighbours used to gather there to watch plays and films on the television set. But the crowd was different that day; it was larger and noisier and everyone was upset.

Then I turned to the television and saw that two hijacked planes had been deliberately flown into New York's tallest towers. I could see people screaming in fear as ambulance sirens wailed in the distance and smoke rose all around. It was September 11, 2001. Most of the crowd gathered that night in my uncle's yard cursed the terrorists.

It was the first time in my life that I had seen New York City. I saw its people and its shining buildings. Reporters were stopping people on the streets and asking them to share their stories of the attacks. Their expressions, body language and the sound of the American accent impressed me so much that I made up my mind to practise hard and learn English. I knew it would be a great challenge since I lived in a small rural village in Northern Bangladesh. Most of the villagers there were illiterate and did not understand the importance of sending their kids to school, let alone the value of learning English.

Over time, with a lot of hard work, I began to read, write and understand English well. Eventually, I was appointed to the post of Junior English teacher at a private English school in Dhaka.

Adapted from Opening The World Of Learning

WRITE YOUR ANSWERS IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

29. From paragraph 1, how was the crowd different that day? (2 marks)

30. Whom did the crowd blame for what happened on September 11, 2001? (2 marks)

31. Which word in paragraph 3 has the same meaning as "unable to read and write"? (2 marks)

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32. Why were reporters stopping people on the streets? (2 marks)

33. What post was the author appointed to? (2 marks)

Part 9 : Comprehension Passage 2 (10 marks)

Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

To find some of the largest flowers in the world, one must find themselves hiking through the humid jungles of Southeast Asia. From there, you must be lucky enough to stumble across the plants known as Rafflesia. It produces flowers that are over 1 meter in diameter and weighing as much as 11 kilograms. It is the largest individual flower on the planet.

Even more bizarre, these plants produce no stems, no leaves, nor any true roots. They exist entirely as a network of cells on a group of grape vines until they flower.

So, why produce such large flowers? Well, existing solely within a vine makes it hard to reproduce. By growing very large and producing a foul smell, the Rafflesia attracts insects from far and wide.

Sadly, many species within this family may be lost before we ever get a chance to get to know them. Forests throughout this region are disappearing rapidly to make room for expanding populations and agriculture. As more and more forests are cleared, we could be losing countless populations of these wonderful and intriguing plants. As with large mammals, it would seem that the world's largest flower may become extinct because of human development.

Adapted from The Largest Single Flower In The World

34. Circle 'True' or 'False' for each sentence. (2 marks)

(a)	The Rafflesia can be found in jungles around the world.	True	False
(b)	The Rafflesia produce no stems, no leaves nor any true roots.	True	False

35. Tick the correct answers. (2 marks)

	Statement	Rafflesia	Other Plants
(a)	The largest flower in the world.		
(b)	Having stems and leaves.		

36. Name two ways that the Rafflesia attracts insects. (2 marks)

- (1) _____
- (2) _____

37. Choose the word with the opposite meaning from the last paragraph and write them in each box. (2 marks)

	word	opposite
(a)	shrinking	
(b)	slowly	

38. Tick (✓) your chosen answers.

Forests are disappearing to make room for _____ and _____. (2 marks)

	mammals
	population
	the Rafflesia
	agriculture

End of Booklet B

SCHOOL : ANGLO-CHINESE SCHOOL
 LEVEL : PRIMARY 3
 SUBJECT : ENGLISH
 TERM : 2017 SA1

Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
2	4	3	4	2	4	1	3	3	1

Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
3	2	3	4	4	E	D	C	B	E

Q 21	Q22	Q 23							
A	D	F							

Q24)	beautiful
Q25)	with
Q26)	realised
Q27)	After Jen washed her hands, she turned off the tap.
Q28)	My family planned to go to Malaysia this holiday but we did not have the time.
Q29)	The crowd that day was larger, noisier and everyone was feeling upset.
Q30)	The crowd blamed the terrorists who had hijacked 2 planes and crashed them into New York's tallest towers.
Q31)	illiterate
Q32)	The reporters wanted to interview the people who have witnessed the attacks.
Q33)	The author was a Junior English teacher at a private English school in Dhaka.
Q34)	(a) False (b) True
Q35)	(a) Rafflesia (b) Other Plants

Q36)	(1) growing very large (2) producing a foul smell
Q37)	(a) expanding (b) rapidly
Q38)	✓ population ✓ agriculture