

SECOND SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2016

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PRIMARY THREE

BOOKLET B

TOTAL TIME: 1 hour 35 minutes

Name: _____ () Class: Pr 3 ()

Parent's Signature: _____

Booklet A: Listening Comprehension	10 /14
Booklet B: Part 1 & Part 2 – Language Use & Comprehension	/50
Writing	/20
Oral	/16
Total	/100

Any query on marks awarded should be raised by 4 November 2016. We seek your understanding in this matter as any delay in the confirmation of marks will lead to delays in the generation of results.

PART 1

SECTION A: GRAMMAR (8 X 1 mark)

For each question from 1 to 8, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

1. The school will be _____ away coupons for the funfair this December.
 - (1) give
 - (2) gave
 - (3) given
 - (4) giving

2. When the fishermen returned from the sea, they _____ happy because they caught many fish:
 - (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were

3. I have not heard _____ your Uncle Andy since he telephoned last month.
 - (1) of
 - (2) with
 - (3) from
 - (4) about

4. There is _____ sand on the floor.
 - (1) many
 - (2) a few
 - (3) a lot of
 - (4) several

5. Please give me back my pen since I have returned _____.
 - (1) you
 - (2) your
 - (3) yours
 - (4) yourself

6. Earthquakes are dangerous, _____ they?
- (1) are
 - (2) were
 - (3) aren't
 - (4) weren't
7. The prefect will wait _____ all of the boys are ready to go.
- (1) so
 - (2) but
 - (3) until
 - (4) because
8. "Could you pass me _____ cup over there?" Mr Sim asked his son.
- (1) this
 - (2) that
 - (3) these
 - (4) those

SECTION B: VOCABULARY (6 X 1 mark)

For each question from 9 to 14, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

9. The artist drew a _____ of his wife as a wedding gift.
- (1) portrait
 - (2) narration
 - (3) sculpture
 - (4) needlework
10. Sam stood up and _____ his legs as he had been sitting for too long.
- (1) crossed
 - (2) enlarged
 - (3) stretched
 - (4) lengthened

11. After _____ his lorry with goods, the delivery man is ready for his trip.

- (1) loading
- (2) reserving
- (3) occupying
- (4) expanding

12. To show his _____, Ahmad made a card for Mdm Tang on Teachers' Day.

- (1) kindness
- (2) gratitude
- (3) sympathy
- (4) cooperation

13. The artist is keeping his _____ of watercolours in his bag.

- (1) set
- (2) pad
- (3) chest
- (4) collection

14. The servant _____ bowed before the King when he presented the meal.

- (1) humbly
- (2) truthfully
- (3) arrogantly
- (4) stubbornly

PART 2

SECTION C: GRAMMAR CLOZE (8 X 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank. **USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.**

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| (A) go | (B) goes | (C) going |
| (D) gone | (E) went | (F) will go |

Passage 1

Last Sunday was a memorable day. My father and I (15) _____ on a fishing trip. I was excited as I had never (16) _____ fishing before. I received a new fishing rod which was a present from my parents.

"I'm (17) _____ for another fishing trip during the holidays! This time, I'll make sure Uncle John has time to (18) _____ with us!" I said cheerfully. My parents agreed with a smile.

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| (A) it | (B) its | (C) itself |
| (D) she | (E) her | (F) their |

Passage 2

The Emerald Tree Boa lives in the trees of the South American jungles. (19) _____ beautiful green skin helps (20) _____ to hide among the leaves. This snake likes to coil (21) _____ around a tree branch, ready to strike at any small mammal or bird.

The female Emerald Tree Boa keeps fertilised eggs inside her body while the young snakes develop within (22) _____ shells. When they are fully developed, they hatch inside the female and she gives birth to about ten young alive.

SECTION D: EDITING FOR SPELLING (4 X 1 mark)

Correct each underlined word for Spelling. Write the correct word in the box provided.

One Sunday, Mei found a kitten in the garden. It had blue eyes and a brown

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coat of fur. "Look at this cute kitten!" Mei sqwilled in delight. Mei read a note on its

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collar and realised it was a bethday gift from her favourite aunt. Mei could not

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beleve her eyes. Her aunt walked in with a broad smile. "Surprise!" she said.

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"Is this kitten really for me?" Mei axclamed in wonder. Holding her pet in her

arms, she started to dance with joy.

SECTION E: SENTENCE COMBINING (4 X 2 marks)

For each of the following sentences, rewrite the given sentences using the words provided. Your answer must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentences.

27. Jane likes the bag. She has no money to buy the bag.

_____ but

28. The predators will not want to eat anteaters. Anteaters are covered with spines.

As _____

29. John likes to eat hamburgers. Liting likes to eat hamburgers.

Both _____

30. It started to rain. I kept the clothes immediately.

_____ when

SECTION F: COMPREHENSION (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

It was snowing. Basil was shut in. He sat slumped at his bedroom window, watching the snow pile up. "Most children would give anything to live in a lighthouse, but they have no idea how boring it really is living here," Basil muttered.

5 Basil stared out of the window. A voice unexpectedly drifted through the window. Basil was used to the occasional fisherman passing by and stopping for some conversation. He looked down to see which fisherman it was, but no one was there.

10 The voice signalled him to look up. He stood motionless at the window, which was three storeys above the rocks and sea below. His jaw dropped and his eyes bulged. "This is amazing! A boat is suspended in the air by an enormous balloon!" cried Basil.

A jovial man in the boat was asking for the direction to the city. Basil's astonishment was replaced by excitement. This could be a great opportunity and he would have to act fast! Basil offered to join the man to show him the way. The pilot let out a bellowing laugh, "A boy seeking for an adventure? Hop on board!"

15 Stepping up to the ledge of his window, Basil prepared to leap. With that, Basil made the mightiest leap of his life!

The Extraordinary Adventures of Ordinary Basil by Wiley Miller

For Q31- 32, read each statement and tick (✓) "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. [2m]

Statement		True	False
Example	Most children would love to live in a lighthouse.	✓	
Q31.	Basil lived in a lighthouse.		
Q32.	Basil saw a fisherman when he stared out of the window.		

33. Which word has the same meaning as 'gazed intently'? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

Basil <u>stared</u> out of the window. A voice unexpectedly <u>drifted</u> through the window. (A) (B)
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34. In paragraph 3, why was Basil shocked? [2m]

35. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. [2m]

_____ A boat appeared in front of Basil.

_____ Basil leapt out of his window.

_____ A man asked Basil for directions.

36. Why did Basil want to get onto the boat? Put a tick in the correct answer.

[1m]

		Tick (✓)
(a)	He wanted to sail out to sea.	
(b)	He wanted to go on an adventure.	
(c)	He wanted to find out where the boat was going.	

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SECTION G: COMPREHENSION (4 X 2m = 8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Long ago in India, judges travelled from village to village. One day, a judge stopped at an inn to rest. He noticed the innkeeper look very disturbed. He was wailing, "Oh no, someone has just stolen my daughter's gold ring!"

The judge told him not to worry and had all the guests at the inn gather so that he could question them. When he could not figure out from their answers who the thief was, the judge decided to use some old magic. He told them he was going to have to use the sticks of truth.

"These are magic sticks," he explained, "that will catch the thief."

He gave each guest a stick to keep under their bed during the night.

"The stick belonging to the thief will grow two inches during the night. At breakfast we will compare the sticks and the longest stick will be the thief's," the judge warned.

The next morning, the judge had all the guests come by his table and compare their sticks. One after another, the sticks were the same. None of them had grown any longer. Suddenly, the judge pointed to a woman and called out, "This is the thief! Her stick is two inches shorter than the rest."

The judge had said the longest stick would be the thief's. Instead, it had been the shortest stick. All the guests saw through this woman's trick and pointed fingers at her. Once caught, the woman confessed and the ring was returned to the rightful owner.

Stories to Solve by George Shannon

Write your answers in complete sentences. (4 x 2 marks)

37. Who were the people that the judge wanted to gather?

38. Why was the innkeeper upset?

39. What was the old magic and what could it do?

40. What did the woman do to her stick?

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EXAM PAPER 2016

LEVEL : PRIMARY 3

SCHOOL : NANANG PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA2

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	4	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	3
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14						
1	2	1	1						

Q15. E Q16. D Q17. C Q18. A Q19. B Q20. A

Q21. C Q22. E Q23. squealed Q24. birthday

Q25. believe Q26. exclaimed

Q27. Jane likes the bag but she has no money to buy it.

Q28. As anteaters are covered with spines, the predators will not want to eat them.

Q29. Both John and Liting like to eat hamburgers.

Q30. I kept the clothes immediately when it started to rain.

Q31. True Q32. False

Q33. Stared

Q34. He was cocked to see a boat suspended in the air by and enormous balloon.

**Q35. 1 – A boat appeared in front of Bali
3 – Basil leapt out of his window
2 – A man asked Basil for directions.**

Q36. (b)

Q37. the judge wanted all the guest at the inn to gather.

Q38. Someone had stolen his daughter's gold ring.

Q39. The old magic was to use the sticks to catch the thief.

Q40. She shortened her stick by two inches.

