

Semestral Assessment 1, 2017
English Language
Paper 1: Composition
Primary 3

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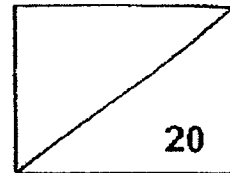
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Class : Primary 3 _____

Marks :

English Teacher : _____

Duration : 50 minutes



Write a story of at least 100 words about an act of mischief that you had witnessed.

The pictures, not arranged in sequence, are provided to help you think about this topic. Your composition should be based on one, two or all of the pictures.

Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

- Who was being mischievous?
- What was the act of mischief?
- What were the reactions of the people involved?
- How did you react upon witnessing it?

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

Helping words:

- splashing water
- inappropriate behaviour
- nervous
- face the music
- regretted



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Paper 3: Listening Comprehension
Primary 3

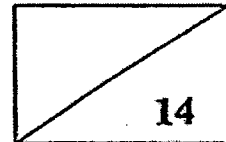
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Class : Primary 3 _____

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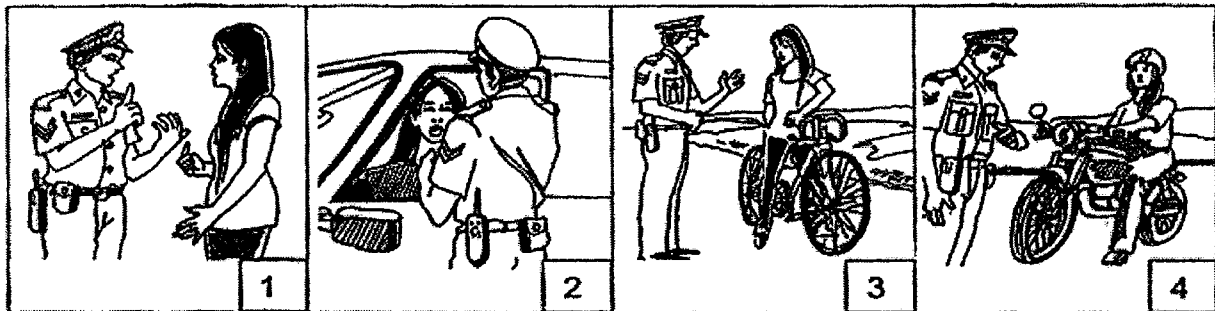
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Section A : Picture Matching (4 × 1 mark)

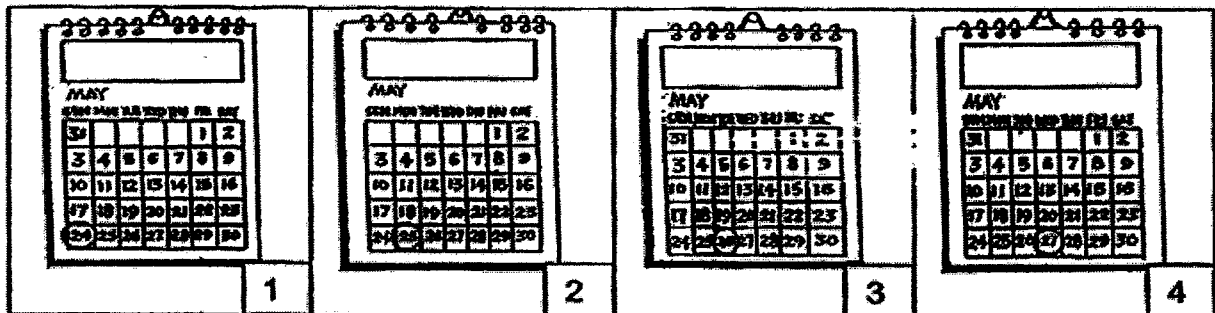
For Questions 1 and 2, look at the set of pictures. I am going to read to you a few sentences. Listen carefully. Then choose the picture that describes what I have read: Write the number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

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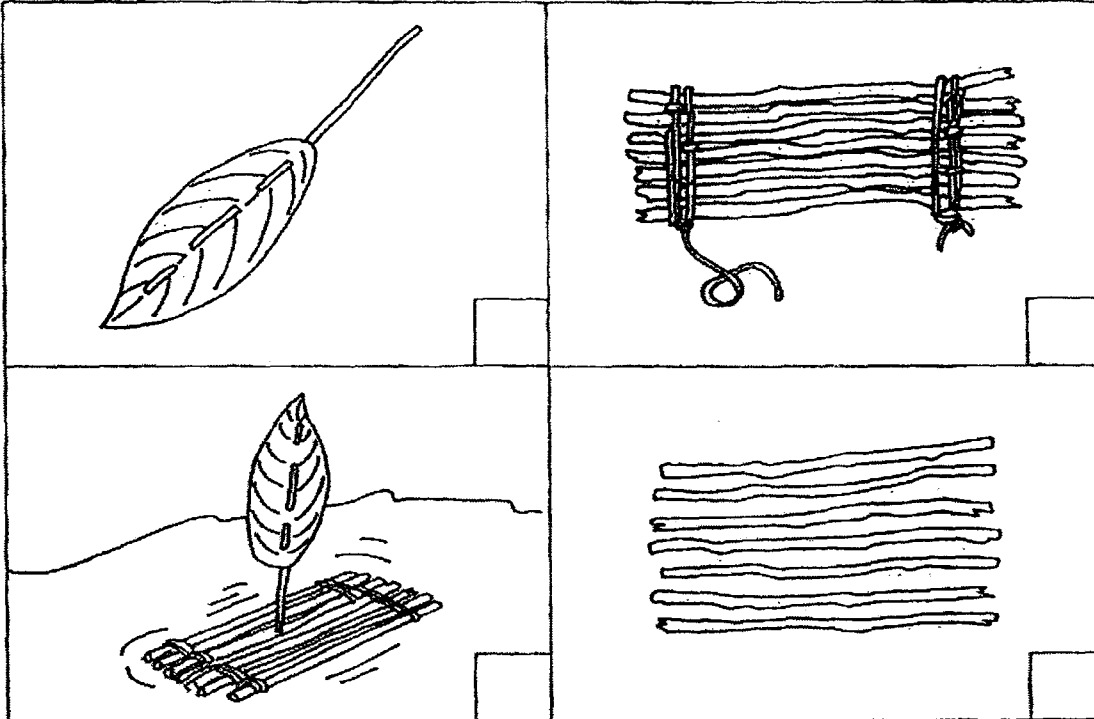
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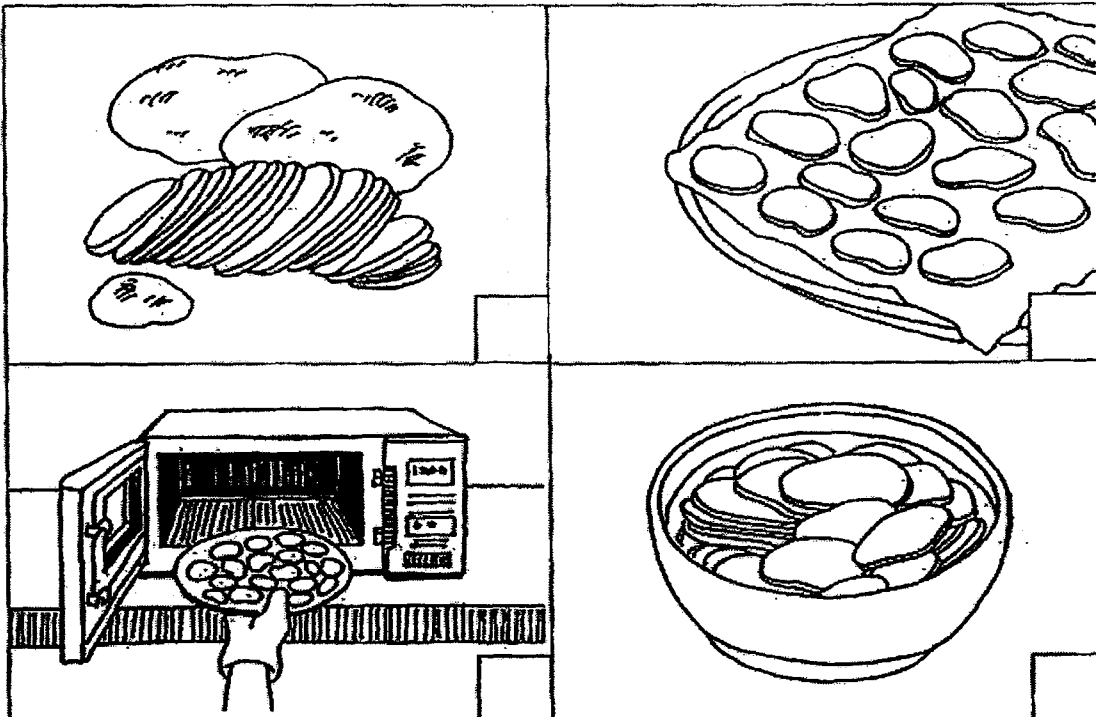
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For Questions 3 and 4, look at the set of pictures. I am going to read to you a set of instructions. Listen carefully. Then choose the pictures that show the correct sequence of what I have read. Write the number (1, 2, 3 and 4) in the boxes provided.

3.



4.



Section B : Note-taking (6 × 1 mark)

Listen to the text. Take notes for a friend who is interested in this event.

Fill in each blank numbered Q5 to 10 with a **word** or a **short phrase**.

Q5. Event name: POSB Passion _____

Q6. Objective: To raise funds for less fortunate _____

Q7. Day of the week that this event will be held on: _____

Q8. Flag off time for the Klds Event: _____ a.m.

Q9. Running distance for 7 to 8 year olds: _____ metres

Q10. Race pack includes: a T-shirt, a shoe bag and a _____

Section C: Listening Comprehension (4 × 1 mark)

Listen carefully to the passage and answer Questions 11 to 14. For each question, choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2 or 3) in the brackets provided.

11. Which animals are characters in Beatrix Potter's first book?

- (1) Frogs
- (2) Snails
- (3) Rabbits

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12. 'The Tale of Squirrel Nutkin' was written in _____.

- (1) 1902
- (2) 1903
- (3) 1908

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13. What is the title of Beatrix Potter's most famous book?

- (1) The Tale of Peter Rabbit
- (2) The Tale of Squirrel Nutkin
- (3) The Tale of Jemima Puddle-Duck

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14. Why did Beatrix and Bertram Potter get along well?

- (1) They loved museums.
- (2) They enjoyed drawing.
- (3) They kept a pet named Flopsy.

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Semestral Assessment 1, 2017
English Language
Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension
Primary 3

Name : _____ ()

Class : Primary 3 ____

Date : 4 May 2017

Time : 1 h 15 min

English Teacher: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Component	Marks Obtained	Maximum marks for each component
Paper 1 – Composition		20
Paper 2 – Language Use and Comprehension		50
Paper 3 – Listening Comprehension		14
TOTAL		84

Section A: Vocabulary (6 × 1 mark)

For Q1-6, four options are given. Choose the correct answer and shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. "Susan, remember to tidy up your room!" Mother _____ unhappily.

- (1) cheered
- (2) grumbled
- (3) whispered
- (4) stammered ()

2. As _____ as _____, the pupils dashed out of the classroom for the canteen when the recess bell rang.

- (1) light ... air
- (2) fast ... light
- (3) slow ... snails
- (4) weak ... kittens ()

3. Everyone in the court remained silent as the witness stood up to _____ against the criminal.

- (1) tum
- (2) fight
- (3) testify
- (4) complain ()

4. The ocean was so _____ by the oil spill that all the fishes died.

- (1) littered
- (2) cleared
- (3) purified
- (4) polluted ()

5. All said he was exhausted and was going to _____ for the night.

- (1) dig in
- (2) fall in
- (3) turn in
- (4) break in

6. Mandy studied very hard and was happy to achieve _____ results for her examination.

(1) immediate
(2) unpleasant
(3) astounding
(4) disappointing

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Section B: Grammar (8 × 1 mark)

For Q7-14, four options are given. Choose the correct answer and shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

7. The baby crawled _____ the bed to retrieve the ball and got himself stuck.

(1) in
(2) over
(3) under
(4) through

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8. My brother could not hear what I said when the plane _____ over.

(1) fly
(2) flies
(3) flew
(4) flying

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9. It was raining heavily last night but luckily, _____ of the flights was cancelled so it did not affect our vacation.

(1) all
(2) none
(3) most
(4) some

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10. "Stop talking and get _____ with your work," said Miss Tan, our Math teacher.

(1) in
(2) on
(3) up
(4) by

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11. It was the _____ day of the week when John met his favourite celebrity during Assembly.

(1) best
(2) good
(3) worst
(4) worse

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12. The group of boys _____ hurt by Mike's remarks during the project discussion last week.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

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13. Everybody _____ looking forward to the Christmas party next Friday.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

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14. "You _____ not talk and make so much noise in the library," instructed the librarian.

(1) may
(2) must
(3) could
(4) would

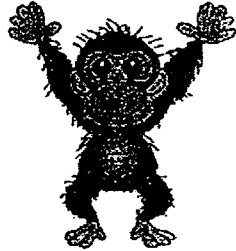
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Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (4 × 1 mark)

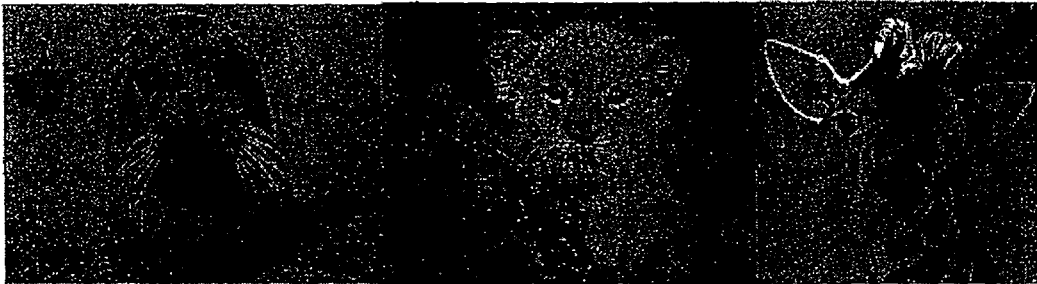
Study the poster carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Be a Friend of the Zoo!



Sign up now!

Annual membership fee: Only \$30!



Friends of the Zoo privileges:

- One free entry ticket every month
- 5% off at The Souvenir Shop
- Earlier entrance to the zoo on weekends and public holidays (1 hour before the park opens at 10 a.m.)
- \$20 worth of food-and-beverage vouchers for dining at any eateries in the zoo
- Monthly newsletters to inform you of the latest events at the zoo
- Priority registration for the Safari Run

How to sign up?

Pick up a registration form at the Friends of the Zoo Clubroom located at the Zoo entrance or visit our website at www.friendsofthezoo.com to sign up now!

For Q15-18, four options are given. Choose the most appropriate option and shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

15. Besides public holiday, when can members enter the zoo at 9 a.m.?

- (1) Sunday
- (2) Monday
- (3) Thursday
- (4) Wednesday ()

16. How much is the membership fee for one year?

- (1) \$5
- (2) \$10
- (3) \$20
- (4) \$30 ()

17. Which of the following is not a privilege for a member of the zoo?

- (1) Enjoy \$20 off at eateries in the zoo.
- (2) Enter the zoo for free once a month.
- (3) Get a 10% discount at The Souvenir Shop.
- (4) Know about upcoming events taking place at the zoo. ()

18. How can one sign up for membership?

- (1) Participate in the Safari Run.
- (2) Get a form at the souvenir shop.
- (3) Read the newsletter at the Zoo Clubroom.
- (4) Sign up online at www.friendsofthezoo.com. ()

Section D: Grammar Cloze (8 × 1 mark)

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

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) he	(B) I	(C) she
(D) them	(E) they	(F) their

Down by the river lived a mother duck and her little ducklings. One day, (19) _____ were on their way to a lake. The ducklings were very happy following behind (20) _____ mother and were quacking along the way.

All of a sudden, the mother duck saw a fox in the distance. (21) _____ was frightened and shouted, "Children, hurry to the lake! There's a fox!"

When the fox saw her, he was happy. He said to himself, "She can't fly! (22) _____ can easily catch and eat her!" Then, he ran towards her but she made it to the lake in time.

Adapted from http://www.kidsworldfun.com/shortstories_the devoted mother.php

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

The Earth is like a spinning top. It does not (23) [spin / spins] straight up but leans to one side. A cloud made up of gas and dust (24) [surround / surrounds] our spinning Earth.

The axis of rotation is an imaginary line that (25) [pass / passes] through the North and South poles of the planet. The Earth takes twenty-four hours to spin around once. We (26) [calls / call] this period of time a day. This is how we get day and night.

Adapted from *Book on Planet Earth* by Peter Riley, Miles Kelly Publishing Ltd 2002

Section E: Sentence Combining (4 × 1 mark)

Combine each pair of sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

27. Judy cried in pain. Judy fell at the canteen.

When _____

28. You should brush your teeth. Then you go to bed.

Before _____

29. Mother will be late for work. Mother does not leave now.

_____ if

30. Muthu enjoys going to parties. Bala enjoys going to parties.

Both _____

Comprehension 1 (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Long ago, some sailors set out to sea for the annual fishing festival. One of them brought his pet monkey along for the journey. When they were far out at sea, a terrible storm came and the monkey fell into the sea. He was sure that he would drown. A dolphin magically appeared and picked him up swiftly.

They soon reached an island and the monkey came down from the dolphin's back. The dolphin asked the monkey, "You should be safe here. Do you know this place?" 5

The monkey replied, "Of course I do. I know the king of this island. He is my best friend. Do you know that I am actually a prince?"

The dolphin knew that the island was deserted. Feeling annoyed, the dolphin said, "Well, so you are a prince! Now you can keep him company here on this paradise island and be the king!" 10

The dolphin turned away from him and decided to leave.

The monkey asked, "Why are you leaving me here? How can I be the king?" 15

As the dolphin started swimming away, he answered, "That is easy. As you are the only creature on this island, you will naturally be the king!"

Adapted from http://www.kidsworldfun.com/shortstories_themonkeyandthedolphin.php

Answer in a complete sentence.

31. Why did the sailors set out to sea? [1m]

32. What does the word "him" in line 13 refer to? [1m]

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

_____ The dolphin left the monkey and swam away.

_____ The dolphin and the monkey reached an island.

_____ The monkey fell into the sea and was struggling in the water.

For Q34 to 36, read each statement and tick (✓) the animal that it applies to. The first example has been done for you. [3m]

	Statement	Monkey	Dolphin
Example	It appeared after the storm.		✓
34.	It was the pet of a sailor.		
35.	It claimed to be a prince.		
36.	It felt annoyed when it heard a lie.		

37. Which word has the same meaning as "hurriedly"?
Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

A dolphin <u>magically</u> appeared and picked him up <u>swiftly</u> .	
(A)	(B)

Answer in a complete sentence.

38. According to the passage, was there a king on the island before the dolphin and the monkey got there? Explain your answer. [2m]

39. Based on the passage, tick the most suitable moral of the story.
Put a tick (✓) in the box to indicate your answer. [1m]

☐	Slow and steady wins the race.
☐	The early bird catches the worm.
☐	Those who lie and boast may end up in trouble.

Section G: Comprehension 2 (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Head lice make themselves at home on the human scalp, eyebrows, and eyelashes. They are annoying parasites.

While nestled close to the scalp, the lice feed every few hours on a steady supply of human blood. Head lice do not spread diseases, but they can cause itching. This often must be treated with medication. 5

Head lice go through three life stages. Females may lay 50 to 150 eggs on hairs and the scalp. The eggs can resemble dandruff – small white pieces of dead skin cells on the scalp. After about a week, they hatch and release nymphs, which are roughly the size of a pinhead. After another week, the nymphs grow into adults that are about the size of sesame seeds. A louse has 10
six legs and each leg contains its own claws that attach firmly to one's scalp. This is why head lice cannot be removed easily.

Head lice often spread from person to person by direct head-to-head contact. You can also get head lice by sharing personal items with an infested person, such as combs, pillows and clothes. 15

With a constant supply of nourishing blood, an adult head louse can live on a person's head for up to a month!

Adapted from <http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/animals/head-lice/#the-head-lice-close-up.jpg>

40. According to the passage, list three places on the human body where head lice can grow.

i. _____ [1m]

ii. _____ [1m]

iii. _____ [1m]

41. Which word in paragraph 3 has the same meaning as "look like"? [1 m]

42. What does the word **“they”** in line 8 refer to?
Put a tick (✓) for your chosen answer. [1m]

☐	dandruff
☐	nymphs
☐	the eggs

43. Fill in the blanks with a suitable word from the passage. [2m]

Head lice survive by feeding on human _____. They firmly attach themselves to scalps by using the _____ on their legs.

For Q44 to 46, read each statement and tick (✓) ‘True’ or ‘False’. The first example has been done for you. [3m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	Head lice are parasites.	✓	
44.	You can get head lice by using an infested person’s comb.		
45.	Use medicine to treat the itching caused by head lice.		
46.	An adult head louse can live for up to a year on your scalp.		

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Set by: Ms Adeline Toh
Vetted by: Primary 3 EL teachers

EXAM PAPER 2017 (P3)

SCHOOL :PEI CHUN

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA1

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
2	4	3	4	3	3	3	3	2	2
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
1	3	1	2	1	4	3	4	E	F
Q21	Q22								
C	B								

23)spin 24)surrounds 25)passes 26)call

27)When Judy fell at the canteen, she cried in pain.

28)Before you go bed, you should brush your teeth.

29)Mother will be late for work if she does not leave now.

30)Both Muthu and Bala enjoy going to parties.

31)They were going for the annual fishing festival.

32)The monkey. 33)3 , 2 ,1 34)Monkey 35)Monkey

36)Dolphin 37)B

38)No, it was because the is land was deserted.

39)Those who lie and boast may end up in trouble.

40)i)scalp ii)eyebrows iii)eyelashes

41)resemble 42)the eggs

43)blood / claws 44)True 45)True 46)False