



Rulang Primary School

**SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2 BOOKLET A
LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION
2018**

Name : _____

Marks : _____ / 21

Class : Primary 3 ()

Date : 25 October 2018

Setter : Mdm Chia Lee Cheng

21 Questions

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 Hour 30 Minutes

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
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3. Answer all the questions.
4. This question paper consists of 7 printed pages, including the cover page.

Section A: Vocabulary (6 marks)

For each question from 1 to 6, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade its number on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. Uncle Ben _____ his muscles and admired himself in front of the mirror.
(1) flexed
(2) tensed
(3) stretched
(4) tightened
2. The crowd gave a thunderous applause when the magician made the coin _____ like ice in the sun.
(1) burn
(2) flash
(3) vanish
(4) appear
3. A young mother was desperately trying to _____ her crying baby.
(1) goad
(2) pacify
(3) irritate
(4) provoke
4. "You should not pinch your younger brother!" Mother _____ Megan.
(1) alerted
(2) praised
(3) criticised
(4) reprimanded
5. The _____ cheered for their favourite competitors at the National Stadium.
(1) viewers
(2) audience
(3) spectators
(4) passers-by
6. Detective Lim found evidence in the murder case after thorough _____.
(1) research
(2) assessment
(3) examination
(4) investigation

Section B: Grammar (6 marks)

For each question from 7 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade its number on the Optical Answer Sheet.

7. No one _____ staying behind after school tomorrow.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were
8. Ms Lim instructed _____ to clear our tables for the experiment. John and I did so immediately.
- (1) us
 - (2) me
 - (3) you
 - (4) them
9. Lily was against all the ideas suggested _____ her group members.
- (1) in
 - (2) to
 - (3) by
 - (4) from
10. June was angry with her brother _____ he had eaten all the sweets.
- (1) as
 - (2) until
 - (3) so that
 - (4) although
11. "Keep all _____ toys and put them back onto the shelf," Aunt Maria said, pointing to the toys in front of her.
- (1) this
 - (2) that
 - (3) these
 - (4) those
12. Please _____ off all the lights before leaving the room.
- (1) switch
 - (2) switches
 - (3) switched
 - (4) switching

Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (4 marks)

Study the advertisement carefully and answer questions 13 to 16. For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade its number on the Optical Answer Sheet.

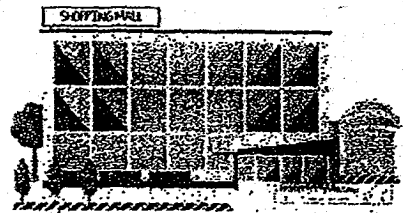
Book Fair cum

Book Talk

this December holiday!



West Mall



Support our local authors! Spend this holiday meaningfully by immersing yourself in books as a child who reads will be an adult who thinks. Hundreds of your favourite books by local authors going at discounted prices!

Book Talk

Singapore's popular local writer, Catherine Lee, will be giving a talk on her latest suspense thriller book 'I'm Watching You'. The author will share writing tips too. This talk is suitable for people of all ages.

Sign up for this 30-minute Book Talk at West Mall Information Counter on Level 2 by 1 December 2018. Places available for first 50 participants only.

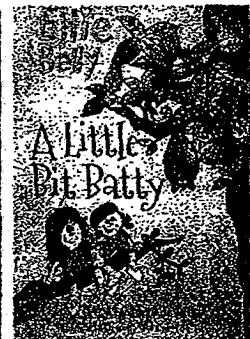
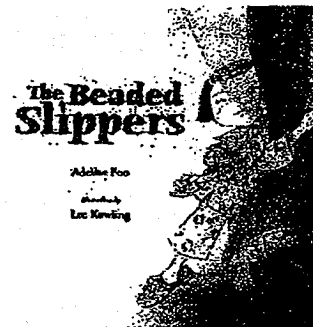
The Book Talks will be on 2 & 8 December 2018, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., at West Mall Atrium, Level 1.

A 'I'm Watching You' poster and bookmark will be given to all book talk participants.

Jointly organised by
Epilogue Publishing House and
West Mall
in conjunction with
National Reading Movement

**Hurry down to West
Mall Atrium, Level 1,
from 1 December to
15 December 2018!**

Enjoy books by
Adeline Foo, James Lee,
Eliza Teoh, Adam
Jimenez and many more
at our book fair!



Visit www.eph.sg for more
information.

13. The Book Fair cum Book Talk event aims to _____.

- (1) increase sales of local and international books
- (2) share tips on how to write suspense thriller stories
- (3) encourage people to read books written by local authors
- (4) provide students with activities to do during their holidays

14. Jenny is interested to register for the book talk. She must _____ to register.

- (1) visit the website www.eph.sg
- (2) go to West Mall Atrium on the day of the Book Talk
- (3) head down to West Mall Atrium by 1 December 2018
- (4) go to West Mall Information Counter by 1 December 2018

15. The event is organised by _____.

- (1) West Mall
- (2) Epilogue Publishing House
- (3) National Reading Movement
- (4) West Mall and Epilogue Publishing House

16. Which of the following is true?

- (1) Books by Eliza Teoh cannot be found at the book fair.
- (2) The Book Talk is held on one day at two different timings.
- (3) Participants of the Book Talk will receive only a bookmark.
- (4) Reading the book 'I'm Watching You' will evoke feelings of excitement and anxiety.

Section D: Comprehension (5 marks)

Read the passage below carefully and answer questions 17 to 21.

On a cool morning, a few frogs decided to have a race to get to the top of a steep hill. Many animals heard about it and came to watch. The frogs assembled at the starting line. They were excited and determined to win the race. The race soon began. Unfortunately, the crowd was already saying that the frogs would not succeed.

"It doesn't make any sense for you to go on! You'll never reach the top of the hill!" shouted a doubtful toad. Another spectator said, "Yes, you will never make it to the top. It's way too difficult!" Soon, the frogs felt disheartened except for one small frog. She hopped very hard while some had stopped or slowed down.

"Give up! Give up! You'll never get to the top!" the animals continued to shout. Listening repeatedly to the negative remarks led the rest of the frogs to abandon the race. Despite what the others were saying, though alone and in great pain, the small frog continued to hop until she finally reached the peak of the hill.

Deeply astonished, the other frogs wondered how she managed to do it. They believed that she must have some special powers.

It was then that they found out why She was deaf!

Adapted from: <http://www.shortkidstories.com/story/frogs-race/>

17.	Which word has the same meaning as "thrilled" ? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]
	They were excited and determined to win the race.
	(A) (B)

18.	Which word in paragraph 2 tells you that the frogs were discouraged? [1m]

19	Tick ✓ your chosen answer. [1m]
	The small frog was unable to _____.
	☐ ☐ ☐ hop talk hear

For questions 20 and 21, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to the passage to help you. An example has been done for you. [2m]			
	Statement	True	False
Example	The other frogs abandoned the race as they were affected by the negative remarks.	✓	
20.	The small frog has special powers.		
21.	The animals that came to watch were not good supporters.		



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Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (6 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to M) in each blank. The letter "I" has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) budget	(B) burden	(C) cost
(D) face	(E) increase	(F) biggest
(G) look	(H) monetary	(J) least
(K) fees	(L) sure	(M) way

More than 20 animal shelters are moving from Pasir Ris Farmway to a newly-built home called The Animal Lodge in Sungei Tengah. This is to make (22)_____ for industrial development.

In addition to the physical challenge of moving thousands of dogs, cats and other unwanted pets, shelter owners said that their financial (23)_____ was also increasing. This was due to the higher bills at their new home and the (24)_____ of renovation.

Previously, some shelters had operated without the need to pay rent but now they (25)_____ the possibility of having to fork out thousands of dollars each month at the new home. Others have seen their rent (26)_____ five times and are wondering how long they would be able to keep operating. Moreover, the smaller shelters are facing the (27)_____ struggle as they have the least support and lower savings. Nevertheless, these problems are just temporary.

Adapted from The Little Red Dot, July 10, 2018

Section F: Grammar Cloze (6 marks)

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

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) an	(B) when	(C) who	(D) into
(E) from	(F) at	(G) was	(H) during

A Primary 3 girl was hospitalised after a mischievous act in school where her water bottle was tampered with. The girl developed a fever and started vomiting after consuming the water (28)_____ her water bottle.

The girl had (29)_____ argument with a male classmate earlier that day. The argument turned nasty when the girl threw the boy's stationery (30)_____ the bin.

The boy returned to their classroom (31)_____ recess later that day to carry out the act of mischief. Shortly after drinking the water, the girl turned pale. The school immediately contacted her mother (32)_____ took her to see a doctor.

It was the family's helper who realised that there (33)_____ a strong smell of Dettol when she wanted to wash the water bottle. The girl was hospitalised for a week. The boy had visited her and vowed never to cause harm to others again.

Adapted from The Straits Times, 4 April, 2017

Section G: Comprehension Cloze (5 marks)

Read the following passage carefully. Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

The aroma from the spices used in the dish that Grandma was cooking filled the entire house. It was stinging my nose and that (34)_____ me sneeze. However, upon completion, the fragrance lingered (35)_____ the air and my stomach rumbled hungrily.

I was not (36)_____ of cooking but eating the dishes that Grandma had prepared was definitely one of my cherished memories! I would always (37)_____ patiently for her to finish preparing dinner and offer to help her (38)_____ the dinner table. Now that I am older and have my own family, I miss Grandma's cooking terribly.

Section H: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (4 marks)

Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

Nobody likes getting a ~~cold~~. The common cold is a viral infection of your nose
(39)

and **throt**. It is usually harmless although it might not feel that way. The common cold

(40)

is the main reason why **chewdren** miss school. Colds are spread by viruses which

(41)

can be in the air or on the surfaces of the things around us. Most people recovered

(42)

within four to ten days. It is important that we be socially responsible by stay at home

when we are sick and to also always wash our hands before eating.

Section I: Synthesis and Transformation of Sentences (3 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(s) of the given sentence(s).

43. Ali fell asleep at the bus stop. He waited half an hour for the bus to arrive.

_____ until

44. The cat could not catch the mouse. The mouse was running around the house.

Although _____

45. We can have the dessert after lunch. We can have the drink too.

_____ both

Section J: Open-ended Comprehension (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Write your answers in complete sentences.

Long ago, people lived happily under the rule of a king as they led a very prosperous life with an abundance of wealth and no misfortunes. One day, the king decided to visit distant places. He travelled on foot to interact with his people and see the kind of life they were leading. The people were very happy to have conversations with him and proud that their king was kind.

After several weeks of travelling, the king returned to the palace. He was quite happy that he had visited many places and witnessed his people leading a peaceful life. However, he had one regret. He had an intolerable pain in his feet as it was the first time he had walked long distances. He complained to his ministers that the roads were uncomfortable to walk on and that they were very stony. The people of his kingdom walked along those uneven roads every day. The king was worried as he knew it would be painful for **them** too!

After much thought, the king ordered his servants to cover all the roads in the country with leather so that his people could walk comfortably. His ministers were stunned to hear his order as that would mean thousands of cows would have to be slaughtered in order to get sufficient quantity of leather. It would also cost them a huge amount of money.

Finally, a wise minister came to the king and said that he had another idea. The king asked what the alternative was. The minister said, "Instead of covering the roads with leather, why don't we just have a piece of leather cut in an appropriate shape to cover our feet?"

The king was very much surprised by his suggestion and applauded the wisdom of the minister. He ordered a pair of leather shoes for himself and requested all his countrymen be given a pair of leather shoes too.

Adapted from https://www.kidsworldfun.com/shortstories_dontchangetheworld.php

46. Why did the king travel to distant places?

47. What was the king unhappy about after his travel?

48. What does the word "**them**" in the second paragraph refer to?

49. Which word in the third paragraph has the same meaning as "shocked"?

50. What did the wise minister suggest?

EXAM PAPER 2018 (P3)

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
1	3	2	4	3	4	1	1	3	1
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16				
3	1	3	4	4	4				

Q17) A

Q18) disheartened

Q19) hear

Q20) False]

Q21) True

Q22) M

Q23) B

Q24) C

Q25) D

Q26) E

Q27) F

Q28) E

Q29) A

Q30) D

Q31) H

Q32) C

Q33) G

Q34) made

Q35) in

Q36) fond

Q37) wait

Q38) set

Q39) throat

Q40) children

Q41) recover

Q42) staying

Q43) Ali waited half an hour for the bus to arrive until he fell asleep at the bus stop.

Q44) Although the mouse was running around the house, the cat could not catch it.

Q45) We can have both the dessert and drink after lunch.

Q46) The king wanted to interact with his people and see the kind of life they were leading.

Q47) The king was unhappy with the intolerable pain in his feet and that the roads were uncomfortable to walk on and were stony.

Q48) It refers to the people of the kingdom.

Q49) stunned

Q50) The wise minister suggested to have a piece of leather cut in an appropriate shape to cover everyone's feet.

