



Temasek Primary School

Semestral Assessment 1

Primary Three

2016

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

**Paper 2
Booklet A**

Name: _____ (

Class: Primary 3 _

Date: 6 May 2016

Parent's Signature: _____

17 Questions

17 Marks

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. Answer all questions.
4. Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

This booklet consists of 7 printed pages.

Section A – Grammar

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

1. Look! The little fishes _____ hiding among the rocks.
(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

2. _____ storybooks here belong to the school library.
(1) This
(2) That
(3) These
(4) Those

3. "Where is _____?" Jenny asked herself as she looked at the empty classroom.
(1) no one
(2) anyone
(3) someone
(4) everyone

4. My dog always _____ running to me when I whistle.
(1) came
(2) come
(3) comes
(4) coming

5. Mrs Tan told John to complete the work _____.
(1) myself
(2) himself
(3) yourself
(4) ourselves

6. The servants put the kitten _____ a box.

- (1) into
- (2) over
- (3) along
- (4) between

7. I did not do well in the test, _____ I have to work harder.

- (1) so
- (2) while
- (3) because
- (4) although

8. "How _____ time do you need to finish your project?" Mr Lim asked the pupils.

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

Section B – Vocabulary

For each question from 9 to 14, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (6 marks)

9. The _____ who were seated in the stadium cheered loudly for their favourite soccer team.

- (1) audience
- (2) onlookers
- (3) spectators
- (4) participants

10. I returned to school after I had _____ from my illness.

- (1) cured
- (2) regained
- (3) recovered
- (4) discharged

11. The red roses gave off a lovely _____.

- (1) scent
- (2) odour
- (3) aroma
- (4) stench

12. "Please listen _____ to my instructions," said Mrs Tan.

- (1) exactly
- (2) correctly
- (3) attentively
- (4) completely

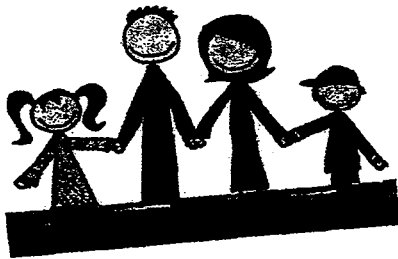
13. Liming always takes a _____ nap before he does his homework.

- (1) fast
- (2) short
- (3) small
- (4) sharp

14. Having won the Spelling competition, Alex was as _____.

- (1) fierce as a lion
- (2) fast as lightning
- (3) hungry as a bear
- (4) proud as a peacock

Section C – Visual Text Comprehension
Study the advertisement carefully.



Starry Family Day

Come on down and join the fun!

Date: 12 June 2016 (Sunday)

Time: 9 am – 5 pm

Venue: Starry Community Centre

Storytelling Contest

Open to children between the ages of 4 and 10. Each participant is given 5 minutes to tell a story. Participants stand to win vouchers from Readers Bookstore.

Skipping Contest

Come as a family of 3 to take part in this skipping contest and stand to win the following dining vouchers from Healthy Bites Cafe:

1st Prize: \$100 dining voucher

2nd Prize: \$80 dining voucher

3rd Prize: \$50 dining voucher

Programme for the Day

9 am	Registration
10 am	Storytelling Contest
11 am	Skipping Contest
12 pm	Chess Contest
2 pm	Talentine
4 pm	Prize Giving
5 pm	Closing Ceremony

Talentine

Can you sing, dance or act? If you think you have talent, do join us for Talentine! Participants must bring their own music. Top 3 winners will walk away with entrance tickets to Universal Studios Sentosa.

Chess Contest

Open to children between the ages of 9 and 12. Top 3 winners will receive a limited edition chess set.



Sponsored by:

Readers Bookstore

Healthy Bites Cafe

Universal Studios Sentosa

For each question from 15 to 17, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

15. Starry Family Day will be held at _____.

- (1) Universal Studios
- (2) Healthy Bites Cafe
- (3) Readers Bookstore
- (4) Starry Community Centre

16. Farah and her parents will be at Starry Family Day at 11 am. They will be just in time to take part in the _____.

- (1) Chess Contest
- (2) Skipping Contest
- (3) Talentime Contest
- (4) Storytelling Contest

17. Which of the following is not a sponsor for the prizes at Starry Family Day?

- (1) Healthy Bites Cafe
- (2) Readers Bookstore
- (3) Starry Community Centre
- (4) Universal Studios Sentosa



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**Paper 2
Booklet B**

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary 3 _____

Date: 6 May 2016

Parent's Signature: _____

31 Questions
33 Marks

Booklet A:	/ 17
Booklet B:	/ 33
Total :	/ 50

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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3. Answer all questions.
4. Write all your answers in this booklet.

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Section D – Grammar Cloze (Personal Pronouns)

Read the passage carefully. There are 4 blanks, numbered 18 to 21, in the passage below. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. (4 marks)

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) he	(B) I	(C) they
(D) us	(E) we	(F) you

Ali, Raju, Liming and Ben were cycling at East Coast Park. Soon, they felt tired and hungry, so (18) _____ decided to rest under a big shady tree.

Raju said, "(19) _____ have brought along some sandwiches to share.

There are enough for all of us."

"Did (20) _____ prepare them yourself?" asked Liming.

Raju replied that he had woken up early that morning to prepare the sandwiches. The boys thanked Raju and ate their fill.

"Let's continue cycling! Otherwise, (21) _____ may lose our way if it gets too dark!" exclaimed Ali. The others agreed and packed up.

Section E – Grammar Cloze (Subject-Verb Agreement)

Read the passage carefully. For questions 22 to 25, circle the correct word from the words given in the brackets. (4 marks)

King Ethelred has a cute little kitten named Ginger. Ginger

(22) [is / was] very playful and friendly. It often (23) [make / makes] the

King very happy. All the pageboys in the palace (24) [love / loves] Ginger.

They often tie a red bow around its neck. Sometimes they even

(25) [take / takes] it outside the palace. Ginger looks forward to such trips

as it can meet other cats which live outside the palace.

Section F – Editing

Read the sentences carefully and correct the spelling, punctuation and grammar mistakes that are in bold/circled/underlined. Write the correct answers in the boxes provided. (4 marks)

It was a cool and breezy day. Mrs Green was looking out of the window.

(26)

She was **admirring** the butterflies, plants and pretty flowers in her garden.

(27)

(28)

The butterflies was flying among the flowers. Mrs Green **decided** to sit on the

(29)

garden swing while reading a book. "What a beautiful day (.)" she exclaimed.

It was so breezy that she soon fell asleep.

Section G – Comprehension Cloze

Fill in each blank with a suitable word of your own.

(3 marks)

For my ninth birthday, my parents took me to a circus. It was the best

(30) _____ I had ever received from them. I thanked them and gave them a big hug.

The circus clowns (31) _____ us laugh when they performed funny tricks. The audience clapped and cheered when the show ended. My parents and I (32) _____ ourselves very much. We were glad we went to the circus.

Section H – Synthesis

For each of the items 33 and 34, 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 given one(s). (2 marks)

33. Ken likes soccer. Ken likes basketball.

_____ and

34. Lily did not win the competition. Lily tried her best.

_____ although

Section I – Comprehension 1

Read the passage below and answer questions 35 to 42.

(8 marks)

It was a sunny morning. Alice and her brother, Tom, decided to visit Singa Forest Reserve. Tom had brought along a camera. They saw monkeys up in the trees and squirrels scurrying around looking for food. However, what fascinated them more was the large amount of wild mushrooms! They were growing under a shady tree.

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"Look, Tom! Mushrooms! Let's pick some for dinner!" Alice shouted to Tom.

"Wait! Let me take some pictures of them," said Tom.

A group of school children were equally excited to see the mushrooms and began taking photographs of them.

"What a rare and beautiful sight!" exclaimed their teacher as she walked over to have a closer look at the mushrooms too. Shortly after, she led the children to another part of the forest reserve.

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All of a sudden, Tom and Alice heard a loud frightening sound. They hid behind a tree quickly. It turned out to be a wild pig's grunt. Without warning, the wild pig rushed past them.

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"Oh dear! Let's get out of this place!" screamed Alice as she turned and ran towards the exit of the reserve. Tom followed closely behind. He looked worriedly behind him all the time. Fortunately, the children managed to leave the forest reserve safely. Once home, they told their parents what they had experienced at the forest reserve. Their father told them that wild pigs had been spotted in the forest recently. He told them to be careful if they decided to go to the forest reserve again.

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For questions 35 and 36, decide who did the following activities. Tick (✓) your chosen answer. The first example has been done for you. (2m)

Activities described in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3		Tom	Alice
Example	Brought along a camera	✓	
35.	Wanted to pick the mushrooms		
36.	Wanted to take pictures of the mushrooms		

37. Which word has the same meaning as 'unusual'? Circle either (A) or (B). (1m)

"What a rare and beautiful sight!" exclaimed their teacher as she walked over to have
(A) (B)

a closer look at the mushrooms too.

For questions 38 and 39, tick (✓) whether the statements describe the teacher or the school children. Refer to paragraphs 4 and 5 to help you. The first example has been done for you. (2m)

Statement		Teacher	School children
Example	Said the wild mushrooms were beautiful	✓	
38.	Took photographs of the wild mushrooms		
39.	Walked towards the wild mushrooms to have a closer look		

40. State the reason why Alice and Tom hid behind the tree.

_____ (1m)

41. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

Tom and Alice were most excited to see the _____ when they first entered the forest reserve. (1m)

☐
☐
☐

monkeys

squirrels

wild mushrooms

42. Why did Tom keep looking behind him as he was running out of the forest?

_____ (1m)

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Section J – Comprehension 2

Read the passage below and answer questions 43 to 48.

(8 marks)

"It's Granny's birthday today. Let's give her a special birthday card," said Sara to her brothers, Tim and Dan. They went to a few bookshops but did not find a suitable card. Tim suggested going to a department store in the shopping mall near their house. There, they found the perfect card for Granny. It was a musical greeting card which played a birthday song when opened. The children were very pleased. The minute they reached home, they took out their pens, ready to write their messages for Granny on the card.	5
"Let me write my name first!" exclaimed Dan as he pushed Sara and Tim aside.	
In his excitement, Dan accidentally knocked over his cup of water and it spilled onto Granny's card! The children were upset as the card was ruined. Just then, Sara had an idea.	10
"We'll sing the birthday song as we bring in the cake. I'm sure Granny will be thrilled!" said Sara excitedly.	
The brothers agreed so they set off to buy a birthday cake for Granny. They chose a cake which had strawberries on it as they were Granny's favourite fruit. Then they went to Granny's house.	15
Granny was delighted when Sara, Tim and Dan surprised her with the cake and sang her the birthday song as they walked into the house. She had a fun time celebrating her birthday with the children. It was a memorable day for all of them.	20

For question 43, write 1, 2, 3, or 4 in the brackets.

43. As it was Granny's birthday, Sarah and her brothers _____. (1m)

- (1) baked her a cake
- (2) made her a birthday card
- (3) bought her a birthday card
- (4) bought her some strawberries ()

44. Which word in paragraph 3 has the same meaning as 'unintentionally'? (1m)

45. State whether the sentence below is True or False. Give a reason for your answer. (1m)

Sentence	True/False	Reason
Granny did not like the birthday cake the children had bought.		

46. These are the events that took place in the story. Put them in the right sequence, according to the flow in the story. Write 1, 2 and 3 on the lines. (1m)

- _____ The cup of water spilled onto the birthday card.
- _____ The children got ready to write on the birthday card.
- _____ The children sang Granny a birthday song.

47. Why did Dan push Sara and Tim aside?

(2m)

48. How did Sara, Tim and Dan make Granny's birthday a memorable one? (2m)

ANSWER KEY

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Booklet A & B

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8
2	3	4	3	2	1	1	4
Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16
3	3	1	3	2	4	4	2
Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24
3	C	B	F	E	is	makes	love
Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32
take	admiring	were	decided	!	present	made	enjoyed

Q33 Ken likes soccer and basketball.

Q34 Lily did not win the competition although she tried her best.

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Example	Brought along a camera	✓	
Q35	Wanted to pick the mushrooms		✓
Q36	Wanted to take pictures of the mushrooms	✓	

Q37 (A)

Statement		Teacher	School children
Example	Said the wild mushrooms were beautiful	✓	
Q38	Took photographs of the wild mushrooms		✓
Q39	Walked towards the wild mushrooms to have a closer look	✓	

Q40 They heard a loud frightening sound.

Q41 ✓ wild mushrooms

Q42 He was afraid that the wild pig might be chasing him.

Q43 3

Q44 accidentally

Q45

Sentence	True / False	Reason
Granny did not like the birthday cake the children had bought.	False	Strawberries were Granny's favourite fruit.

Q46 2 The cup of water spilled onto the birthday card.

1 The children got ready to write on the birthday card.

3 The children sang Granny a birthday song.

Q47 He wanted to write his name on the birthday card before Sara and Tim.

Q48 They bought Granny a birthday cake while they sang the birthday song.