

Anglo-Chinese School (Junior)



SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2 (2015)

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PRIMARY 4

Name : _____ ()

Class : P 4 . ()

Date : 30 October 2015

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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This paper consists of 4 printed pages (inclusive of cover page)

Part 1: 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). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The _____ of wolves prowled the forest, looking for prey.
 - (1) pack
 - (2) pride
 - (3) troop
 - (4) gaggle

2. My metal water bottle _____ loudly when I dropped it.
 - (1) banged
 - (2) clattered
 - (3) squished
 - (4) squeaked

3. John was _____ as he ate too much at his birthday party and threw up.
 - (1) as sick as a dog
 - (2) as loud as thunder
 - (3) as hungry as a wolf
 - (4) as quiet as a mouse

4. Farah _____ on Tariq. She felt he was ill-mannered and could not stand him.
 - (1) looked up
 - (2) looked out
 - (3) looked away
 - (4) looked down

5. Since Swee Leng decided to _____ and patch up with Lina, things are now back to normal.
 - (1) sling mud
 - (2) draw the line
 - (3) sit on the fence
 - (4) bury the hatchet

6. Jess found Bob's lies just too _____ to take seriously.
 - (1) gullible
 - (2) audible
 - (3) incredible
 - (4) collectible

Part 2: Grammar (8 marks)

For each question from 7 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.

7. Do you know _____ book to borrow from the library?
- (1) who
 - (2) which
 - (3) whom
 - (4) where
8. The burglars _____ Mrs Singh's precious valuables when the police arrived and arrested them.
- (1) steal
 - (2) steals
 - (3) are stealing
 - (4) were stealing
9. Howard is an intelligent boy and solves puzzles _____.
- (1) easy
 - (2) easily
 - (3) eased
 - (4) easing
10. Desmond enjoys _____ to people. He is very friendly and approachable.
- (1) talk
 - (2) talks
 - (3) talked
 - (4) talking
11. Harun is the best runner _____ far. No one can beat him.
- (1) at
 - (2) on
 - (3) by
 - (4) into

12. We were told that we would receive no help from anyone. It was something we had to settle _____.
- (1) himself
 - (2) yourself
 - (3) ourselves
 - (4) themselves
13. Belinda's mother warned her not to be late, _____ she would be punished.
- (1) after
 - (2) though
 - (3) because
 - (4) otherwise
14. "I need to speak with you. Is there _____ we can talk privately?" Joan said to Mavis.
- (1) nobody
 - (2) anybody
 - (3) somewhere
 - (4) everywhere

Part 3: Punctuation (1 mark)

For question 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

15. "I will pick you up at six o'clock []" Mrs Lim said to her son.
- (1) [,] comma
 - (2) [.] full-stop
 - (3) [?] question mark
 - (4) [!] exclamation mark

END OF BOOKLET A

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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 1	10	
	Comprehension 2	10	
	Total	35	

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Grammar Cloze 1 (4 marks)

There are 4 blanks, numbered 16 to 19, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to F) in the blank.

A	it	C	him	E	we
B	he	D	our	F	its

An ant went to a riverbank to quench (16) _____ thirst, however it fell into the stream and was drowning. A dove flew past and plucked a leaf, letting (17) _____ float towards the ant.

The ant climbed on and floated safely to the riverbank. Shortly afterwards, a male birdcatcher appeared. (18) _____ laid the twigs and set up a trap for the dove

The ant realised it and stung (19) _____ in the foot. The birdcatcher screamed and alerted the dove.

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Grammar Cloze 2 (4 marks)

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

Although wildfires (20) [is / are] often harmful and destructive to humans, naturally occurring wildfires (21) [play / plays] an important role in nature. They return nutrients to the soil by (22) [burn / burning] dead or decaying matter. They also remove disease-ridden plants and harmful insects from a forest ecosystem.

By burning through thick canopies, wildfires allow sunlight to reach the forest floor, enabling a new generation of seedlings to (23) [grow / grew].

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Editing for Spelling and Grammar (3 marks)

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

(24)

Scientists have discovered that it is **posseble** to run vehicles on recycled cooking oil.

(25)

When a restaurant have finished cooking and it needs to dispose of the dirty, used oil. It can

be collected from the restaurant and recycled to power trucks, buses and taxis.

(26)

What's more, a vehicle running on used cooking oil will have **exaust** fumes that smell of french fries!

Synthesis & Transformation (4 marks)

For each of the questions below, 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 sentence(s).

27. The teacher walked into the room. The pupils stopped talking immediately.

_____ as soon as _____

28. Jack has cooked lunch. He has not eaten yet.

Although _____

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Comprehension 1 (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

His name was Fleming, and he was a poor Scottish farmer. One day, while trying to make a living, he heard a cry for help coming from a nearby swamp. He dropped his tools and ran to the swamp. There, with mud to his waist, was a terrified boy, screaming and struggling to free himself. Farmer Fleming saved the boy from what could have been a slow and terrifying death.

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The next day, a fancy carriage pulled up to the Scotsman's sparse surroundings. An elegantly dressed nobleman stepped out and introduced himself as the father of the boy that Farmer Fleming had saved.

"I want to repay you," said the nobleman. "You saved my son's life."

"No, I can't accept payment for what I did," the Scottish farmer replied, waving off the offer.

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At that moment, the farmer's own son came to the door of the house. "Is that your son?" the nobleman asked. "Yes," the farmer replied. "I'll make you a deal. Let me take him and give him a good education. If the boy is anything like his father, he'll grow up to be a man you can be proud of."

Farmer Fleming looked at his son fondly and he agreed. In time, Farmer Fleming's son graduated from St. Mary's Hospital Medical School in London. He later went on to become known throughout the world as the noted Sir Alexander Fleming, the discoverer of Penicillin.

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Years afterward, the nobleman's son was stricken with an infection of the lungs. A disease known as pneumonia. What saved him? Penicillin.

Someone once said what goes around comes around. You just never know when a single act of kindness will change your life or someone else's life forever.

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WRITE YOUR ANSWERS IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

29 In paragraph 1, why did Farmer Fleming drop his tools [2m]

30 Why did the nobleman want to repay Farmer Fleming? [2m]

31 Which **word** (in paragraph 6) has the same meaning as 'famous'. [2m]

32 Which **sentence** in paragraph 6 tells us that Farmer Fleming loves his son? [2m]

33 What is the one life lesson the writer wants us to learn from this story? [2m]

Comprehension 2 (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Will Keith Kellogg, founder of the cereal company, found his first job as a stock-boy, and became a travelling broom salesman in his late teens. He then worked as a clerk at a hospital, assisting his brother in the research for a vegetarian diet for patients.

Will Kellogg stumbled on a major break-through when he accidentally left a pot of 5
boiled wheat to stand and become tempered. When it was put through the usual rolling process, each grain of wheat emerged as a large, thin flake. Kellogg persuaded his brother to serve the food in flake form, and it was an immediate favourite among the patients.

Soon it was being packaged to meet hundreds of mail order requests after they 10
left the hospital. With an understanding of marketing techniques and hard work, Kellogg successfully expanded his business.

Even as a millionaire, Kellogg lived a comparatively modest life. He once wrote, "I want my sons to develop into conscientious and truthful men."

As his wealth grew, Kellogg gave generously to charity, many involving children. 15
Through his philanthropic work, Kellogg demonstrated great compassion and acted on his belief that the most good came from helping people to help themselves - giving them the opportunity to do what is important to them. Even though Kellogg is no longer alive, his legacy lives on.

For Q34, decide on **two characteristics**, based on the passage, that best describe Will Kellogg below. Tick ✓ your chosen answer. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

Characteristics described in passage		Will Kellogg
Example	Creative	✓
34	Lazy	
	Hardworking	✓
	Generous	✓
	Quarrelsome	

- 35 Which word has the same meaning as 'emerged' in **paragraph two**? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

The actor appeared as the music faded into the background.
 (A) (B)

For Q36 to 38, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to the passage to help you. The first example has been done for you. [3m]

	Statement	True	False	Reason
Example	Will Keith Kellogg had never worked in his life.		✓	Will Keith Kellogg was a stock-boy, followed by a traveling broom salesman in his late teens.
36	Kellogg expanded his business by sheer luck.			
37	Kellogg led a lavish lifestyle.			
38	Kellogg aimed to create a profitable business while he was helping out at the hospital.			

- 39 Based on the passage, arrange the following sentences in the correct sequence. Write 1, 2 and 3 to indicate the sequence in the blanks below. [3m]

_____ Will Kellogg persuaded his brother to serve the food in flake form.

_____ Will Kellogg accidentally left a pot of boiled wheat to stand.

_____ Through the rolling process, each grain of wheat emerged as a large, thin flake.

- 40 Tick $\checkmark$ your chosen answer.

From the last paragraph, we know that Will Kellogg believed in _____. [1m]

	helping people.
	making profits.
	creating new companies.

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Answer Ke

EXAM PAPER 2015

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1	2	1	4	4	3	2	4	2	4
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	
3	3	4	3	1	F	A	B	C	

20) are 21) play 22) burning 23) grow 24) possible

25) has 26) exhaust

27) The pupils stopped talking as soon as the teacher walked into the room.

28) Although Jack has cooked lunch, he has not eaten yet.

29) One day, while trying to make a living, he heard a cry for help coming from a nearby swamp. He dropped his tools and ran to the swamp.

30) The nobleman wanted to repay Farmer Fleming as Farmer Fleming had saved the nobleman's son from what could have been a slow and terrifying death.

31) noted

32) The sentence is "Farmer Fleming looked at his son fondly and he agreed."

33) The one life lesson is that we just never know when a single act of kindness will change our life or someone's life forever. We should always help one another and those in need.

34) Hardworking

Generous

35) A

36) False. With an understanding of marketing techniques and hard work, Kellogg successfully expanded his business.

37) False. Even as a millionaire, Kellogg lived a comparatively modest life.

38) False. He then worked as a clerk at a hospital, assisting his brother in the research for a vegetarian diet for patients.

39) 3

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40) helping people