



AI TONG SCHOOL

2013

CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 2

PRIMARY 4

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

Total Time For Part 1 and Part 2: 1 hour 45 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open the booklets until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

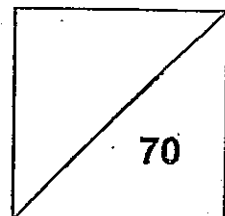
Answer all questions.

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Total Marks:



Section A: Grammar MCQ (6 X 1 mark)

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 your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

1. Juliana made the teacher angry when she did not _____ her homework for the second time.
- (1) brings (2) bring
(3) brought (4) bringing
2. Have you _____ your wallet? You said it was missing yesterday.
- (1) find (2) finds
(3) found (4) finding
3. _____ rushed to buy masks when the haze situation worsened. All masks were sold out within hours.
- (1) No one (2) Someone
(3) Anyone (4) Everyone
4. After John and Ben _____ cleaning the car, they took it out for a ride.
- (1) will finish (2) has finished
(3) had finished (4) were finishing
5. The mischievous children threw a big stone at the beehive and a swarm of bees _____ seen flying out to attack them.
- (1) is (2) was
(3) are (4) were
6. We _____ not get tickets for the concert, so we went home.
- (1) might (2) would
(3) should (4) could

Section B: Punctuation (3 X 1 mark)

For each question from 7 to 9, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

I remember the day we adopted Ellie. I was sitting with a dozen mewing kittens at the local Animal Rescue Centre. There was a sudden movement from the far side of the cage. That was where I found Ellie, a plain gray feline. She was lying on her back.

"She's the one (7) I cried out to my husband, Bob and gripped his arm in excitement.

At that moment, Ellie got up and swaggered to the food bowl (8) pushing four kittens in her path out of the way. I bent over to pick her up and she tenderly pressed her face against mine. "Why did I fall so quickly for this kitten (9) I thought to myself. I would soon find out that there were other reasons Ellie was perfect for me.

Adapted from "I can't believe my cat did that" (pg 99)

7. (1) [,] comma and inverted commas
 (2) [.] full stop and inverted commas
 (3) [?] question mark and inverted commas
 (4) [!] exclamation mark and inverted commas

8. (1) [,] comma
 (2) [.] full stop
 (3) [?] question mark
 (4) [!] exclamation mark

9. (1) [,] comma and inverted commas
 (2) [.] full stop and inverted commas
 (3) ["] inverted commas and comma
 (4) [?] question mark and inverted commas

Section C: Vocabulary MCQ (6 X 1 mark)

For each question from 10 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

10. "Please write neatly. Your handwriting is _____," instructed the English teacher.
- (1) illiterate (2) irregular
(3) illegible (4) irresponsible
11. The robot spoke in a/an _____ tone as it could not express any sort of emotions with its electronic voice.
- (1) slow (2) fast
(3) monotonous (4) impolite
12. The quality of service at the restaurant was _____ as many customers had to wait for a long time before being greeted by a waiter.
- (1) unhygienic (2) unfair
(3) uninterested (4) undesirable
13. John is a _____ child. He prefers to keep to himself than to play with his friends.
- (1) dull (2) calm
(3) humble (4) reserved
14. The police urged the public to _____ with information on the accident so that they could apprehend the culprits.
- (1) come in (2) come apart
(3) come forward (4) come across
15. Nobody likes John because he is a/an _____. He creates trouble whenever he is around people.
- (1) eager beaver (2) good Samaritan
(3) man of straw (4) thorn in the flesh

Section D: Comprehension MCQ (5 X 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

There was once a kind wizard who used his magic generously and wisely for the benefit of his neighbours. The old wizard never revealed the source of his power. He pretended that his lucky cooking pot could help others. People came to him with their troubles and the wizard was pleased to put things right for them.

This well-known wizard lived till a ripe old age before he died, leaving all his belongings to his only son. His son had a personality that differed from his gentle father. Those who could not practise magic were worthless in his eyes. He did not see a point in helping those in need and often scorned at his father's habit of giving magical aid. 5

Once, an old man came knocking on the door and explained that he had lost his donkey. The young wizard slammed the door in his face, shouting, "What do I care for your donkey? Go and find him yourself!" Within minutes, the cooking pot started clanging and bubbling. Soon, a herd of donkeys flooded his tiny cottage. He tried every spell he could think of to get rid of the donkeys but nothing worked. Shortly after, the son heard another knock on the door. It was a young woman in tears. She begged the wizard's son to heal her daughter who was grievously ill but he waved angrily and bade her farewell. The pot started shaking violently and flooded his house with salt water. Soon, the villagers got to know of the young wizard's plight. However, none of them went to help him. 10 15

At last, the young wizard could bear it no more. He realized the cooking pot was punishing him for his selfish acts. From then on, he cast spells around the village to help the villagers like his father did, and the cooking pot no longer spill out anything. 20

Adapted from "The Wizard and the Hopping Pot" from Tales of Beedle the Bard by J.K. Rowling

Choose the correct answer and shade its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

16. The old wizard was well-liked by his neighbours because he _____.

- (1) had magical powers
- (2) had a cooking pot that could help them
- (3) did not boast about his magical powers
- (4) was kind and used his powers to help them

17. The old wizard's son did not _____.

- (1) have the power to help others
- (2) believe in using his powers to help others
- (3) talk to people who had no magical abilities
- (4) differ from his father in his treatment towards their neighbours

18. The phrase 'grievously ill' in line ¹⁶/₁₀ tells us that the young woman's daughter was _____.

- (1) seriously sick
- (2) feeling unwell
- (3) grieving in pain
- (4) crying from the sickness

19. What was the 'plight' (line 18) faced by the young wizard?

- (1) He could not get rid of the donkeys and salty tears.
- (2) He was being disturbed by the villagers and he did not like it.
- (3) He was being attacked by the pot after he rejected the villagers.
- (4) He was not offered help by the villagers even though he tried to help them.

20. Why did the young wizard decide to cast spells around the village?

- (1) He did not want to make the pot angry again.
- (2) He wanted to follow in his father's footsteps and help others.
- (3) He wanted to get rid of the donkeys and salty water in his house.
- (4) He cursed every house in the village with donkeys and salty tears.

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Part 2

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Section E: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

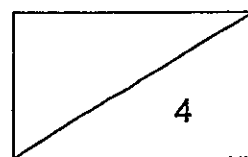
Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

Passage 1

(A) a	(B) an	(C) but	(D) has
(E) have	(F) into	(G) is	(H) must

In the late 1990s, there was a popular electronic toy pet, the Tamagotchi, which won the hearts of many children and adults. Upon activating the toy, an egg appears on the screen and hatches (21)_____ a small pet in a few minutes. Players (22)_____ to care for their electronic pet just like a real animal. It requires regular feeding, showers and walks. To maintain its survival, players (23)_____ fulfill the pet's requests by pressing some buttons on the egg-shaped toy. While this toy promotes responsibility among young children, many adults disagreed as the experience of looking after an electronic toy (24)_____ definitely not the same as that of a real pet. Nonetheless, the Tamagotchi is still a good source of fun for those who cannot own a pet in real life.



Passage 2

(A) at	(B) for	(C) in	(D) had
(E) has	(F) should	(G) was	(H) would

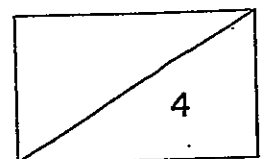
Mary and her siblings were having an argument in the kitchen. They could not decide who (25)_____ have the last piece of donut.

"It's mine because I am the oldest!" shouted Mary.

"It should be mine because I am the youngest!" Ben shouted (26)_____ anger.

Mrs Tan walked into the kitchen upon hearing the commotion and noticed Sally crying at the corner of the kitchen.

"I bought the donuts (27)_____ everyone and I have not had a piece yet. The last piece of donut was actually meant for you, Mum. Everyone already (28) _____ their share," Sally whispered to Mrs Tan.



Section F: Vocabulary Cloze (8 X 1 mark)

There are eight blanks numbered 29 to 36, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the correct answer for each blank. Write the letter (A to M) in the blank. The letter "I" has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

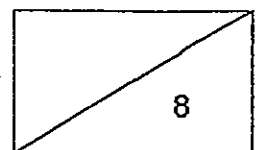
Use each word ONCE ONLY.

(A) appeared	(B) advice	(C) caught	(D) came
(E) held	(F) loot	(G) managed	(H) present
(J) reminded	(K) several	(L) stubborn	(M) successfully

Dear Diary,

There was a mango tree in our garden. My father had repeatedly (29)_____ me not to climb it but yesterday, I decided not to listen to his (30)_____. The ripe mangoes looked juicy and delicious so I wanted to eat one. I (31)_____ got to the top of the tree and picked three big mangoes. Just as I was about to climb down, my father (32)_____ out of nowhere. He (33)_____ me red-handed and ordered me to scurry down the tree with my (34)_____ in hand.

"Haven't I told you (35)_____ times not to climb this tree?" my father asked sternly. He scolded me for being (36)_____. I had to face the consequences of my actions. I returned all the mangoes I had picked to my father reluctantly.



Section G: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (3 X 1 mark)

For each question from 37 to 39, correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

The smell of smoke filled the air as the passengers stepped u out of the aeroplane

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when it landed at the airport. For those who were not kept updated with the **kurant**

news, they were shocked to discover that the haze had clouded their ability to see

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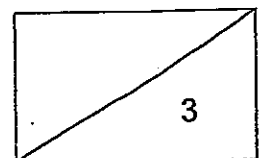
clearly. Visibility along the roads has been reduced to a mere 100m and all the buildings

faded in the background. Many people covered their nose and mouth with their hands

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while others hurry along to get home as soon as they could. Those who had nothing to

cover their noses with choked on the dry and smoky air.



Section H: Comprehension Cloze (10 X 1 mark)

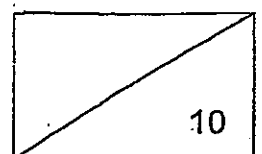
There are ten blanks numbered 40 to 49, fill in each blank with a suitable word.

It was an exceptionally dark and wet evening. I had just finished CCA and stood outside the school gate for the school bus. I had (40) _____ patiently for an hour but the school bus did not (41) _____. I was alone at school as everyone had already headed (42) _____. Then, I (43) _____ a newspaper article I had read two days ago about the kidnapping of a little boy in the neighbourhood.

Suddenly, a (44) _____ came to my mind, "What if I was kidnapped by a nasty stranger?" The cold howling (45) _____ that came with the rain did not help the situation. What would happen to me if no one came to pick me up? I started to feel (46) _____ and began shaking like a leaf.

Out of the corner of my (47) _____, I saw the beams of a vehicle's headlights. Looking closer, it was my mother's car! I heaved a sigh of relief. I quickened my footsteps and waved wildly to get her (48) _____. Fortunately, she saw me and pulled over for me.

"How did you know that I was left in school?" I asked tearfully. My mother explained that the school bus driver (49) _____ I was not on board the bus halfway through the journey home and rang my mother to pick me up from school. I was so thankful that my mother came before anything could happen to me.



Section J: Synthesis (3 X 2 marks)

For each question from 50 to 52, rewrite the given sentences 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).

50. Sandra can use a raincoat to shelter from the rain. She can carry an umbrella.

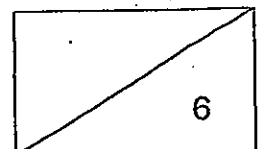
_____ either _____
or _____

51. The children stayed in their tent. They came out of their tent when the wolves were gone.

_____ until _____

52. The restaurant is not opened. The shops in the mall are not opened too.

Neither _____
nor _____



Section K: Comprehension OE (5 X 2 marks)

Read the passage below and answer Questions 53 to 57.

The wind blew fiercely, picking up leaves and dust as it swept down the street. Out of a corner came a little dog, staggering as he went, and blinking dust out of his eyes. Weak from hunger, he had starved for days as he could not find a scrap to eat.

He collapsed under a doorstep, struggling to get up. His legs ached and he had to strain his eyes to see clearly against the wind. It was pitch black for a moment. Suddenly, a very bright light shone right into the dog's face. Dazzled, he could not see who was speaking. "Lisa," a voice came from nowhere, "Lisa, come quickly."

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The dog was now completely unconscious and did not know what was happening around him. He was lifted by a gentle old man and his granddaughter, Lisa.

"Is it alive?" she asked, almost choking on her words. She looked at him pitifully.

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"I think so," replied the old man. "Let's take it inside and put it on a warm rug by the fireplace."

The dog awoke next morning, looking around wide-eyed. The aroma of food wafted in the air, making his stomach rumble. Just then, Lisa came into the room, carrying a bowl of warm milk. She placed the bowl in front of him gently. He had not smelled anything like that before. Unsure whether to try it or not, the dog licked the milk cautiously. Having starved for days, it was the best thing he had ever tasted! He drank quickly and the milk gave him a warm feeling. He had never experienced such kind gesture from a stranger.

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The dog slowly staggered to his feet and looked at the girl. She seemed friendly but he had encountered others like her who were very cruel to him. He walked towards her and licked her hand. Lisa patted his shiny back and stroked head. "I shall name him Pepiel" Lisa announced.

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Adapted from Feather or Fur, Young Australia Basic Reader 9, Nelson 1982, "The Lone Dog" by Athina Barkirtzidou

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

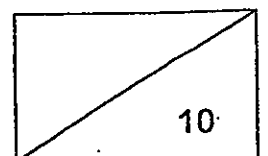
53. Why was the little dog staggering as it walked?

54. Which word in the **second paragraph** has the same meaning as "to blind someone temporarily"?

55. What did the old man do when he saw the unconscious dog?

56. What does the 'kind gesture' in line 19 refer to?

57. Which sentence in the **last paragraph** tells you that the dog had been abused before?



ANSWER SHEET

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TERM : CA2

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
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Q18	Q19	Q20
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Q50
Sandra can either use a raincoat or carry an umbrella to shelter from the rain.

Q51
The children stayed in their tent until the wolves were gone.

Q52
Neither the restaurant nor the shops in the mall are opened.

Q53
The little dog (was weak from hunger) as (it had starved for days)

Q54
The word is "dazzled".

Q55

The old man (took it home) and (placed it on a warm rug by the fire place).

Q56

It refers to Lisa giving the dog a bowl of warm milk to drink.

Q57

The sentence "She seemed friendly but he had encountered others like her, who were very cruel to him."