

**RIVER VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 2 / 2017
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 4**

Name : _____ ()

Class : P4 _____

Total Mark : _____ /24

Date : Friday, August 11, 2017

Parent's signature : _____

Booklet A

Duration of paper (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. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.**
- 3. This booklet consists of 19 questions.**
- 4. Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.**
- 5. ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.**

Section A: Grammar MCQ (8 x 1 mark)

For each question from 1 to 8, four options are given. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the OAS.

1. Poh Huat prefers ramen noodles _____ rice as he enjoys slurping them noisily when he eats them.
 - (1) to
 - (2) for
 - (3) and
 - (4) than

2. Yesterday, the students _____ to bring along their jackets for the learning journey as the weather might turn cold.
 - (1) told
 - (2) are told
 - (3) had told
 - (4) were told

3. When the curious children got too close to it, the grass snake _____ away and disappeared into the undergrowth.
 - (1) slithers
 - (2) slithered
 - (3) slithering
 - (4) was slithering

4. "Time is running out. We have to make a _____ about booking our tickets for the concert," said Kate.
 - (1) decide
 - (2) decided
 - (3) decision
 - (4) deciding

5. By the time Pei Lin reached the office, the meeting _____.
 - (1) starts
 - (2) would start
 - (3) had started
 - (4) were starting

6. "Please put in more effort in your studies _____ you will not achieve your goals, Peter," Mother said.

- (1) if
- (2) or
- (3) so
- (4) and

7. First, pour the mixture into the bowl. _____, gently stir the mixture until it thickens. It is now ready for the oven.

- (1) Also
- (2) Then
- (3) Third
- (4) Meanwhile

8. _____ hearing that his application to his secondary school of choice was successful, Wilfred punched the air and gave a whoop of joy.

- (1) In
- (2) At
- (3) Upon
- (4) While

Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

For each question from 9 to 14, four options are given. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the OAS.

9. Having skipped breakfast, Frieda felt faint during the race and passed _____. Later, the paramedics managed to revive her.
- (1) up
 - (2) out
 - (3) over
 - (4) under
10. The tourists were _____ when they witnessed the beautiful sunset over Sentosa Island. Many of them took selfies.
- (1) puzzled
 - (2) amazed
 - (3) shocked
 - (4) bewildered
11. The firefighters fought courageously to _____ the raging fire at the residential block in Tampines. There were no casualties.
- (1) put in
 - (2) put on
 - (3) put off
 - (4) put out
12. Selma's friends admire her for her _____ as she does not give up easily when she is faced with challenges and tries hard to overcome them.
- (1) patience
 - (2) insistence
 - (3) excellence
 - (4) perseverance

13. Stevie went to the police station to give a _____ about the car accident that he had witnessed last week.

- (1) story
- (2) situation
- (3) sentence
- (4) statement

14. Mr and Mrs Goh enjoy a leisurely _____ along the beach before dinner. They do this at least thrice a week.

- (1) skip
- (2) stroll
- (3) swim
- (4) sprint

Section C: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions.

Vinnie had his hands full. He always had mixed feelings about the school holidays as he knew Mother would not let him mope about the house, idling his time away. As was the usual case, she had left a list of household chores as long as his arm for him to complete. He was to do them all by the time she got home from work!

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"Poor me," he thought, as self-pity engulfed him. Buckets, mops, rags and bottles of detergent floated in front of his eyes.

"Stop moping and get on with it!" he told himself. Being no stranger to household chores, he knew exactly what to do. First, he put the soiled clothes into the washing machine and turned it on. Next, he scrubbed the bathroom floors, toilet and sink until they shone. Vacuuming the carpets was a breeze. When the clothes were done, he hung them out to dry. He checked the list and yes, all the boxes were ticked. At last!

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"Now for some serious reading," he thought to himself.

While he was engrossed in his favourite book written by Roald Dahl, his parents came home.

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"Vinnie, you've done a marvellous job. I knew I could count on you to be responsible as always," said Mother, beaming as Father ruffled his hair.

"It wasn't exactly a pleasure, Mother," said Vinnie, smiling cheekily.

"Since you've done so much today, why don't we go out to a nice restaurant for dinner?" suggested Father.

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"Hooray!" exclaimed Vinnie.

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15. Why did Vinnie have his hands full?

- (1) He was reading a book.
- (2) He was carrying buckets and mops.
- (3) His mother had given him a list of chores.
- (4) He was moping about the house, idling his time away.

16. Which one of the following words has the same meaning as "engulfed" in paragraph 2?

- (1) chased
- (2) flooded
- (3) attacked
- (4) disturbed

17. What was Vinnie's favourite pastime?

- (1) Reading
- (2) Idling his time away
- (3) Doing household chores
- (4) Going to restaurants for dinner

18. What does the phrase "get on with it!" mean as used in line 8?

It means to _____.

- (1) stop moping
- (2) think positively
- (3) get the job done
- (4) have mixed feeling about the holidays

19. Why do you think Vinnie's mother would give him a list of chores to complete during the school holidays?

- (1) She wanted to keep the house clean.
- (2) She wanted to stop him from reading.
- (3) She wanted to teach him responsibility.
- (4) She wanted to punish him for idling his time away.

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Booklet B

Duration of paper (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. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 24 questions.
4. **ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.**

	Mark obtained	Total
Booklet A		24
Booklet B		26
Total		50

Section D: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

For the passage below, there are 4 blanks. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank and write its letter in the blank. You may use each word **ONCE ONLY**.

(A)	along	(C)	as	(E)	this
(B)	these	(D)	themselves	(F)	them

There are two main otter families in Singapore, namely the Marina otters and the Bishan otters. (20)_____ two groups of otters do not get (21)_____ well. The Marina group has been known to follow the Bishan group, challenging (22)_____ to a fight for territory. However, the otter-loving community has come together to prevent them from harming (23)_____. So far, their efforts have succeeded.

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

The black mamba, one of the world's most venomous snakes, can be found in sub-Saharan Africa. This species of snake (24) [grow / grows] up to 4m in length. The black mamba is not really black. It (25) [get / gets] its name from its inky black mouth. This snake (26) [strikes / struck] fear among the villagers in Africa. They know that one bite from this snake (27) [is / was] usually fatal. To Africans, the black mamba's bite is known as the "kiss of death".

Setter's own

Section E: Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Bill was looking forward to the approaching school camp. This year, the two-day-one-night camp was to be held at a campsite in Sembawang.

As the date drew nearer, Bill began to (28)_____ about the items he would need for the camp. He was not sure if he would need to take a small (29)_____ to protect himself in case there were snakes or wild animals. If there were, then it would certainly come in handy. He (30)_____ to ask his father about it. When he asked his father about it, his father gave him a smile and gently shook his head.

"No need to, Bill. You will be (31)_____ looked after by your teachers so you don't have to bring a knife. Besides, it would be (32)_____ the rules. Just enjoy yourself," his father explained.

Bill had a great time at the camp with his friends and teachers.

Setter's own

Section F: Sentence Manipulation (3 x 1 mark)

For each of the items from 33 to 35, combine the sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as that of the sentence given.

33. Raja broke his mother's precious vase accidentally. Raja's mother forgave him.

_____ for _____

34. Stephanie witnessed the accident. She was walking home from school.

While _____

35. Ryan is a lawyer. Mark is also a lawyer.

Both _____

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Section G: Comprehension OE (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions.

In a small village in Norway lived Karl and his parents. His parents were very sad as he had a bad temper. Whenever Karl got angry, he would taunt his friends and his neighbours with cruel words. They eventually learnt not to have anything to do with him. Karl was lonely and his parents were concerned for him.

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Despite his parents gently advising him to control his temper and to treat others with kindness, he ignored them. They were at their wit's end.

Finally, Karl's father came up with an idea to teach him a lesson. He gave Karl a hammer and a huge bag of nails. He told him that whenever he felt angry, he should hammer a nail into the wooden fence in front of the house.

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Every time he felt his temper rising, he rushed to the fence and hammered a nail into it. On the first day alone, he had hammered more than thirty nails into the fence. Over the next few days, he found that he had run out of space to hammer more nails into the fence. He decided then to control his anger.

Eventually, as the days went by, there came a day when he did not hammer a nail into the fence. His father then told him to pull out a nail every time he controlled his anger. Over the next few days, almost all the nails were pulled out. However, there were now ugly scars in the fence.

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His father told him, "You can remove the nails but the scars will remain. The fence will never look the same again. Your angry words are like that. They are more painful than any physical scar. Use words for good purposes and to show the love and kindness in your heart instead, Karl."

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Karl felt ashamed.

Adapted from kidsworldfun.com/shortstories: A Hole in the Fence

36. What was the difficulty Karl faced? [1m]

37. Which **two-word phrase** between lines 1 and 10 shares the same meaning as "do not know what to do next" ? [1m]

38. Choose the word that has the same meaning as "stay" by circling (A) or (B). [1m]

You can remove the nails but the scars will remain.

(A) (B)

39. Why did Karl's friends and neighbours not want anything to do with him? [1m]

40. What does the word "**They**" in line 20 refer to? [1m]

41. State whether each sentence is **True** or **False**. Give a reason for your answer based on the passage. [2m]

Sentence	True/ False	Reason
(i) Karl's parents were worried for him because he had no friends.		
(ii) As the days went by, Karl's anger grew less frequent.		

42. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes below to show the order in which the events took place in the passage. [1m]

	Karl's father wanted to use the fence to teach him a lesson.
	Karl was given a hammer and a bag of nails.
	There were ugly scars in the fence.

43. Why did Karl feel ashamed? Describe one thing he could do to change his ways. [2m]

End of paper

EXAM PAPER 2017 (P4)

SCHOOL : RIVER VELLEY

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : CA2

ORDER CALL :

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Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
4	4	3	2	3	2	1	3	1	B
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27			
A	F	D	grows	gets	strikes	is			

28)wonder / ponder 29)knife 30)went 31)well 32)against

33)Raja's mother forgave him for breaking her precious vase accidentally.

34)While Stephanie was walking home from school, she witnessed the accident.

35)Both Ryan and Mark are lawyer.

36)Karl was bad tempered.

37)wit's end.

38)B

39)Karl would taunt his friends and neighbours with cruel words.

40)It refers to Karl's angry words.

41)i)True / They were concerned for him.

ii)True / As the days went by, there came a day when Karl did not hammer a nail into the fence.

42)1, 2 ,3

43)He realized that he had been unkind to his friends and neighbours. He could learn to control his temper.