

**END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2016
PRIMARY 4
ENGLISH**

**PAPER 2
(BOOKLET A)**

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

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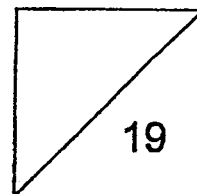
Answer all questions.

**Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS)
provided.**

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Section A: Grammar (8 marks)

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.

1 Jenny and Tim packed up the art materials by _____.

- (1) herself
- (2) himself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) themselves

2 While jogging around the park last evening, Nina _____ surprised to meet her brother who had decided to join her.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

3 Sam and his sister _____ very disappointed when the trip to the Science Centre was cancelled.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

- 4 "Keep your voices down. The girls _____ for an examination at the moment," Mrs Chan reminded the other students walking towards the canteen.

- (1) sat
- (2) sits
- (3) have sat
- (4) are sitting

- 5 Last Sunday, Nadia _____ a football match at the Singapore Sports Hub with a few of her friends from school.

- (1) attend
- (2) attended
- (3) have attended
- (4) were attending

- 6 As she _____ home, it began to rain.

- (1) leave
- (2) has left
- (3) is leaving
- (4) was leaving

7 _____ cat lying on my lap belongs to Margie.

- (1) This
- (2) That
- (3) These
- (4) Those

8 Kate was so busy with her homework that she had _____ time to rest.

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

Section B: Vocabulary (6 marks)

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.

9 Sanjay is a _____ leader as he will ensure he carries out his duties well.

- (1) deceitful
- (2) charitable
- (3) scheming
- (4) responsible

10 The boastful traveller told such a/an _____ tale of his adventure that no one believed him.

- (1) brief
- (2) boring
- (3) impactful
- (4) incredulous

11 The residents were _____ to a safe place before the hurricane struck.

- (1) expelled
- (2) evacuated
- (3) eliminated
- (4) eradicated

12 The _____ in the stadium cheered loudly to support their favourite football team.

- (1) witnesses
- (2) spectators
- (3) sightseers
- (4) competitors

13 "Go straight to the point! Don't beat around the bush, I don't know what you are _____," Mr Hussein told his son.

- (1) driving at
- (2) driving into
- (3) driving away
- (4) driving about

14 After the game, the thirsty players _____ the cold drinks placed on the bench.

- (1) wolfed down
- (2) blew the lid off
- (3) cast an eye over
- (4) made a beeline for

Section C: Comprehension (Visual Text) (5 marks)

Read the brochure carefully and answer the questions that follow.



Sungei Buloh

Wildlife Experience in Singapore

The Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve is a 200-acre reserve that is situated north of Singapore. Wander through our wildlife sanctuary where you will encounter many different species of Singapore's wildlife. Throughout the year, you can view at least 150 species of rare and exotic birds. Catch a sight of migratory birds, in particular shorebirds, from September to March. It is recognised as a site of international importance for migratory birds.

Getting Around



Boardwalk @ Visitor Centre

Walk on wooden stilt structures weaving through the mangroves.

Route 1

Leads to two main ponds where herons and waders feed.



Route 2

Leads to the tower hide and traditional prawn pond.

Route 3

Leads to the freshwater ponds at the western end of the reserve.

Educational Activities



Free cap if you complete any one of the activities stated below

For everyone:

- Self-guided walks
- Specialised activities
E.g. Prawning and Fishing



For organised groups:

- Nature Hunt
- Guided tours (weekends only)

For children aged 12 and below (June holidays only) Young Naturalist Programme:

- ✓ Students learn about the wetlands through fun and adventurous activities
- ✓ Earn 'passport' stamps, badges and certificates of achievement

For more information, please contact us at 6794 1111 or email us at sbw@org.sg

For each question from 15 to 19, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

15 Sungei Buloh is **most** well-known for _____.

- (1) viewing shorebirds throughout the year
- (2) being the only wildlife sanctuary in Singapore
- (3) being the largest reserve in the north of Singapore
- (4) being an important area to view a wide species of migratory birds

16 Mr Chong wants to view shorebirds. He should visit Sungei Buloh _____.

- (1) in August
- (2) in September
- (3) throughout the year
- (4) during the June holidays

17 To go prawning at Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve, one should follow _____.

- (1) Route 1
- (2) Route 2
- (3) Route 3
- (4) Boardwalk

- 18** Mr Tan and his two primary school children can participate together in _____ on Friday.

- (1) prawning and a guided tour
- (2) prawning and a nature hunt
- (3) a guided tour and the Young Naturalist Programme
- (4) a self-guided walk and the Young Naturalist Programme

- 19** On completion of the Young Naturalist Programme, one gets to receive _____.

- (A) a cap
- (B) 'passport' stamps
- (C) a Young Naturalist badge
- (D) a certificate of achievement

- (1) A and B only
- (2) C and D only
- (3) B, C and D only
- (4) All of the above

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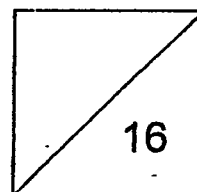
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Section D: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. **USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) she	(B) they	(C) he
(D) us	(E) them	(F) their

Class 4A is going on an excursion to the Esplanade today. The students are all very excited about it as _____ have
(20)
heard so much about "The Durian". _____ teacher has
(21)
also made a special arrangement for _____ to perform
(22)
on stage.

Ann is ecstatic about the performance as _____
(23)
has always dreamed of being a famous singer. She and her classmates
are thankful for the opportunity to perform in the grand concert hall.

Section E: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

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

Peter is usually careless. He always [break / breaks] things. He

(24)

has already broken three of his mother's favourite crockery. Thus, his

mother [do / does] not allow him to hold any glass object because he is

(25)

bound to break it.

Last night, while Peter was playing indoors with his brothers, he

kicked the ball too hard. One of the vases on the table [was / were]

(26)

knocked down. Mother was furious and reprimanded the boys. Since then,

Peter and his brothers [remember / remembers] to be more careful. They

(27)

do not play in the house anymore.

Section F: Synthesis (2 marks)

For each of the questions 28 and 29, rewrite the given sentences using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentences.

- 28 The man is a famous actor. His arm was fractured during a stunt.

_____ whose _____

- 29 "Remember to be in school uniform for the photo-taking session," Mrs Lim told Ali.

Mrs Lim reminded Ali _____

Section G: Vocabulary Cloze (6 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

A robot is a machine but it is not just any machine. It is a special kind of machine that follows a _____ of instructions from a computer. Since it is a
(30)
machine, it is always accurate and does not make _____, unlike
(31)
humans. Moreover, it does not need to _____ because it never gets
(32)
tired!

Robots around us are mostly used to make things. For _____,
(33)
robots can help to assemble cars. Robots are now being used to explore
_____ environments such as volcanoes or war zones, where human
(34)
life may be at stake.

While some robots _____ humans, most robots just look like
(35)
machines. Robots are part of our future. They make life better for all of us!

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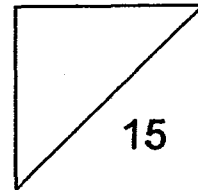
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Section H: Comprehension (Selected Response) (5 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

A turtle called Gambi lived in a lake with two swans who were her good friends.

One year, there was a drought and the lake started to dry. The swans were worried about the declining water level of the lake, and quickly they began discussing with Gambi for a solution. 5

Gambi thought of an idea and told the swans, "Firstly, look for another lake which is full of water. Then, find a strong stick so both of you can hold the stick on each end. I will hold on to the stick with my mouth when you both take flight."

The swans followed Gambi's instructions and returned to carry the turtle. They reminded the turtle, "Gambi, hold on to the stick with your mouth and keep 10 your mouth tightly shut all the time. You must not speak, or you will fall off."

After flying for some time, they saw a town below. The people of the town were astounded at the sight of two swans carrying a turtle in the sky.

"Look at that! This is a rare sight that two birds are carrying a turtle with the help of a stick!" they shouted in admiration, while waving at the trio. 15

Curious about the commotion, Gambi opened her mouth to ask, "What is all the commotion about?"

Instantly, she plummeted to the ground the moment her mouth was agape. The people of the town captured Gambi and made a feast of her.

Adapted from "The Turtle That Fell Off the Stick"

For Q36 – 37, read each statement and tick (✓) either “True” or “False”.
An example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	The lake dried up because there was no rain.	✓	
Q36	Gambi found a lake full of water.		
Q37	The town people were amazed by the sight in the sky.		

For Q38, write 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets.

38 The swans told Gambi to _____
before they took flight. [1m]

- (1) hold on to the stick with its mouth
- (2) give directions to the new lake
- (3) find a lake with plenty of water
- (4) wave at the people of the town

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39 Which word in the last paragraph tells you that **Gambi fell**? [1m]

- 40 Put the following statements in the right sequence, according to the flow in the story. Write 1, 2 and 3 on the lines provided. [1m]

Do not write
in this
space

_____ The swans had to find a strong stick.

_____ The swans flew back to where Gambi was to get ^{her} him.

_____ The swans had to look for a lake that was not dry.



Section I: Comprehension (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 41 to 47.

With the clear blue sky in the morning, it looked like it would be a perfect day for a long bike ride. Marie and Ariel set out at 7am and did not stop for lunch until noon. That was when the sky began to change and they started to worry. Over the horizon, a towering column of dark clouds appeared. They looked at each other. There was no way they could pedal fast enough to avoid 5 the coming storm.

Hurriedly, the girls jumped on their bicycles and tried to head home. The weather quickly got worse. The sky was very dark and the trees were bending in the wind. They could barely pedal against the wind. Suddenly, a yellow car pulled up alongside their bicycles. Mrs Alvarez, Marie's mother, was 10 at the wheel. She opened a door and shouted, "Get in!" She looked frightened too. Surely they would not want to be in the path of Nature's wrath!

The girls dropped their bicycles and jumped into the vehicle. As the car sped down the road, Marie looked back at the dark sky and screamed, "It's a tornado!" The black funnel was chasing them! How could they outrun that 15 'monster'? Ariel was terrified. It did not look like they could escape. Mrs Alvarez had to shout above the roar of the storm. "Grandma's house is not far, we can make it there," she said, "I know she has a storm shelter that we can use."

She stepped on the accelerator and sped down the road. In a short 19 distance, she turned sharply into a narrow driveway and screeched to a halt. 20 Mrs Alvarez pointed at the storm shelter doors and yelled at the girls to get inside. All three of them dashed through the doors – not a minute too soon. A

roaring sound like a train passed right overhead. Then, suddenly, it was over.

They had made it unscathed. The girls and Mrs Alvarez exchanged a glance.

Would the car still be there?

25

Adapted from 'Racing a Tornado'

For Q41-44, write your answers in complete sentences.

41 What caused Marie and Ariel to worry?

[1m]

Do not write
in this
space

☐

42 Referring to paragraph 2, give two pieces of evidence to show that the wind was strong. [2m]

(i) _____

(ii) _____

☐

43 What does the word 'monster' in line 16 refer to?

[1m]

☐

- 44** Why was Grandma's house a better choice to escape from the tornado? [2m]

Do not write
in this space

For Q45 & 46, state whether each sentence below is **True** or **False**. Give a reason for your answer. [2m]

	Sentence	True / False	Reason
45	When the sky began to darken, the girls tried to head for Grandma's house immediately.		
46	The tornado was very loud.		

- 47** Choose words from lines 19-25 which have the same meanings to the words below. [2m]

standstill	
unharmd	

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ANSWER KEY

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Booklet A & B

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9
4	3	4	4	2	4	1	2	4
Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18
4	2	2	1	4	4	2	2	2
Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27
4	B	F	E	A	breaks	does	was	remember

Q28 The man whose arm was fractured during a stunt, is a famous actor.

Q29 Mrs Lim reminded Ali to be in school uniform for the photo-taking session.

Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35
set	mistakes	rest	instance	dangerous	resemble

Booklet C

	Statement	True	False
Example	The lake dried up because there was no rain.	✓	
Q36	Gambi found a lake full of water.		✓
Q37	The town people were amazed by the sight in the sky.	✓	

Q38 (1) hold on to the stick with its mouth

Q39 plummeted

Q40 2 The swans had to find a strong stick.
3 The swans flew back to where Gambi was to get her.
1 The swans had to look for a lake that was not dry.

Q41 The started to worry when they saw the sky begin to darken.

- Q42** (i) The trees were bending in the wind.
(ii) Marie and Ariel could barely pedal against the wind.

Q43 It refers to the tornado.

Q44 Grandma's house was ideal as it was not far away and it had a storm shelter they could hide in.

	Sentence	True / False	Reason
Q45	When the sky began to darken, the girls tried to head for Grandma's house immediately.	False	The girls jumped on their bicycles and tried to head home.
Q46	The tornado was very loud.	True	When the tornado was passing by Grandma's house, a roaring sound like a train passed right overhead.

Q47

standstill	halt
unharmed	unscathed

