

Pei Chun Public School  
Semestral Assessment 1, 2015  
English Language  
Paper 3: Listening Comprehension  
Primary 4

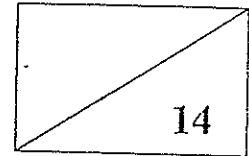
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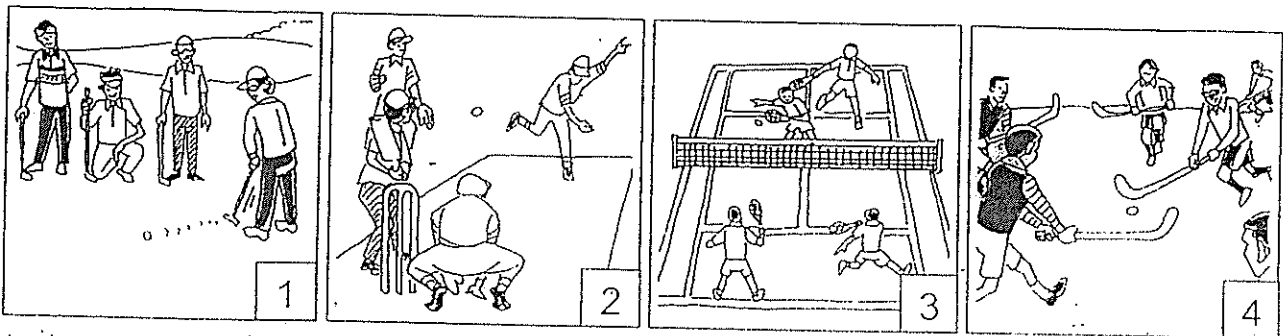
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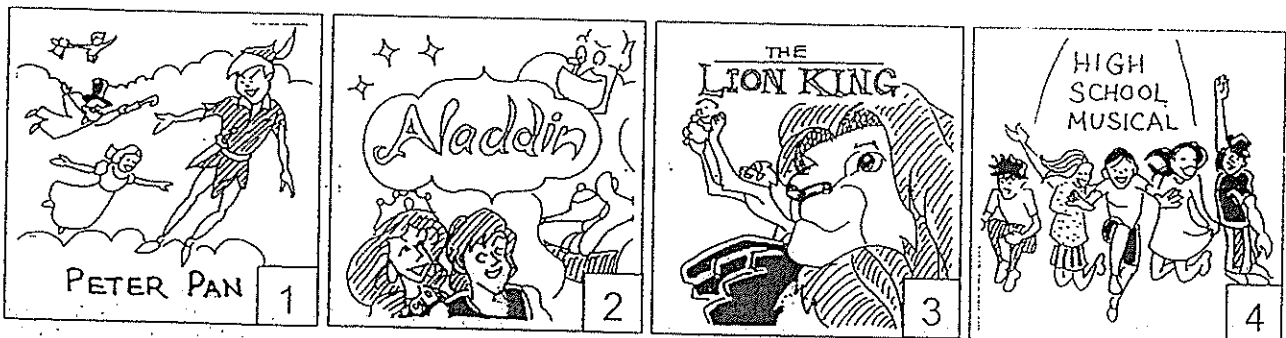


**Section A : Picture Matching (4 × 1 mark)**

Look at the set of pictures. I am going to read to you some statements. Then choose the picture that shows what I have read. Write the number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.



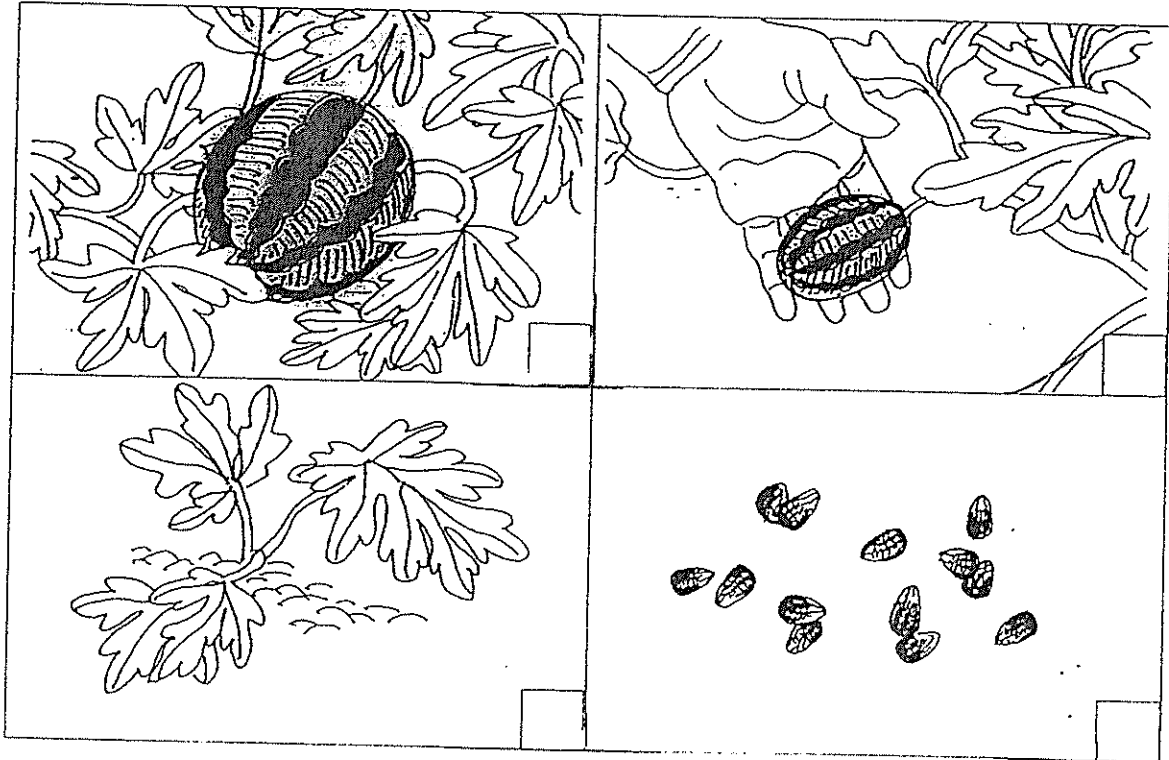
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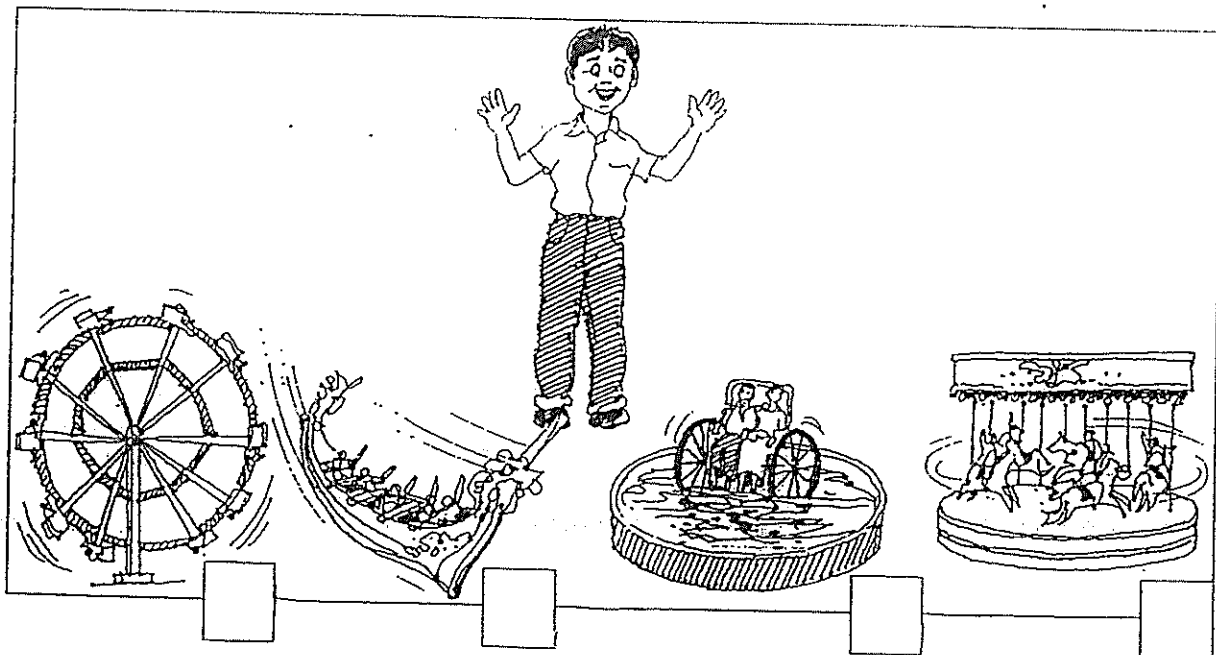
2. .... ( )

For Question 3 and Question 4, look at the set of pictures. I am going to read to you a set of instructions. Then choose the pictures that show the correct sequence of what I have read. Write the number 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the box provided.

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**Section B : Note-taking (6 × 1 mark)**

Q5 to Q10 is a note-taking test.

At a storytelling workshop you attended, the trainer began with this folktale.

As you listen, take down the missing information by filling in each blank numbered Q5 to 10 with a word or a short phrase.

5. The total number of people living in the small house was \_\_\_\_\_.

6. The man wished his house was \_\_\_\_\_ and quieter.

7. The man seeked the advice of a wise \_\_\_\_\_.

8. The smallest animal he brought into the house was the \_\_\_\_\_.

9. He got the animals from his \_\_\_\_\_.

10. The number of nights the animals stayed in the house was \_\_\_\_\_.

**Section C: Listening Comprehension (4 × 1 mark)**

Listen carefully to the passage and answer Questions 11 to 14. For each question, choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2 or 3) in the brackets provided.

11. Before hibernating, animals need to store enough energy to last the entire \_\_\_\_\_.  
(1) spring  
(2) winter  
(3) autumn ( )
12. Which of these bears do not hibernate?  
(1) Sun bears  
(2) Black bears  
(3) Grizzly bears ( )
13. Where do bats hibernate?  
(1) Dens  
(2) Ponds  
(3) Caves ( )
14. Which animal buries itself in the mud to keep itself from freezing?  
(1) Garter snake  
(2) Snapping turtle  
(3) Hibernating bat ( )

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Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension  
Primary 4

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Class : Primary 4 \_\_\_\_

Date : 5 May 2015

Time : 1 h 15 min

English Teacher:

Parent's Signature:

| Component                                   | Marks Obtained | Maximum marks for each component |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Paper 1 –<br>Composition                    |                | 20                               |
| Paper 2 –<br>Language Use and Comprehension |                | 50                               |
| Paper 3 –<br>Listening Comprehension        |                | 14                               |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                |                | <b>84</b>                        |

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| Holistic Assessment 1 –<br>Written                     |  | 20 |
| Holistic Assessment 1 –<br>Stimulus-based Conversation |  | 10 |

**Section A: Vocabulary (6 × 1 mark)**

For Q1 to Q6, four options are given. Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

1. Mr Leong demolished his old house and built a new one on the \_\_\_\_\_ site.  
(1) unobtainable (2) occupied  
(3) unavailable (4) vacant ( )
  
2. Nicole \_\_\_\_\_ a mouthful of ice cream and enjoyed it immensely.  
(1) crushed (2) flattened  
(3) swallowed (4) mashed ( )
  
3. Shivani \_\_\_\_\_ the kitten in a blanket to keep it warm.  
(1) exposed (2) disguised  
(3) uncovered (4) wrapped ( )
  
4. The drunken driver drove his car \_\_\_\_\_ into a tree.  
(1) recklessly (2) meaningfully  
(3) carefully (4) responsibly ( )
  
5. I was \_\_\_\_\_ with my examination results as I did better than I had expected.  
(1) dejected (2) disappointed  
(3) satisfied (4) frustrated ( )
  
6. Eddie beamed with \_\_\_\_\_ when he won the race.  
(1) disgrace (2) pride  
(3) shyness (4) sorrow ( )

**Section B: Grammar (8 × 1 mark)**

For Q7 to Q14, four options are given. Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

7. Among the weapons we found in his possession last night \_\_\_\_\_ a sword.  
 (1) is (2) are  
 (3) was (4) were ( )
8. Nora has decided to take \_\_\_\_\_ a cooking course to improve her culinary skills.  
 (1) up (2) off  
 (3) over (4) away ( )
9. Children like chocolate, \_\_\_\_\_ they?  
 (1) do (2) don't  
 (3) does (4) doesn't ( )
10. Ben and his friends \_\_\_\_\_ their bicycles to school every day.  
 (1) ride (2) has ridden  
 (3) rides (4) was riding ( )
11. There is \_\_\_\_\_ milk in the cup. Please drink it up.  
 (1) a few (2) any  
 (3) many (4) some ( )
12. A bunch of keys \_\_\_\_\_ hanging on the door yesterday.  
 (1) was found (2) is found  
 (3) were found (4) are found ( )
13. "We must learn to do it by \_\_\_\_\_," the pupils told one another.  
 (1) myself (2) himself  
 (3) ourselves (4) themselves ( )
14. The children \_\_\_\_\_ to have a great time tonight.  
 (1) plans (2) are planning  
 (3) has planned (4) was planning ( )

**Section C: Grammar Cloze (8 × 1 mark)****Passage 1:**

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) her

(B) him

(C) his

(D) our

(E) she

(F) they

The pupils kept quiet and returned to their seats when Mrs Thomas stepped into the classroom. She had a pile of English test papers with (15) \_\_\_\_\_. She told her pupils that (16) \_\_\_\_\_ had done well in the test. Adam was overjoyed when he received (17) \_\_\_\_\_ paper. He knew that his mother would be very proud of (18) \_\_\_\_\_. Mrs Thomas proceeded to go through the answers with her pupils.

**Passage 2:**

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

Staying fit can make you a happier and healthier person. Walking, jogging and cycling (19) [ is / are ] activities that may be part of a healthy lifestyle. They (20) [ keep / keeps ] your muscles active and your blood flowing. Not everyone (21) [ has / have ] the time or money to go to the gym. However, (22) [ join / joining ] a team sport may be a great solution. Popular sports such as basketball and football allow you to move around a lot and have some fun too.

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**Section D: Visual Text Comprehension (4 × 1 mark)**

Study the poster carefully and answer the questions that follow.

## Family Cooking Competition at Victoria Mall 12 June to 14 June 2015



Join us at the Family Cooking Competition, to be held at the atrium of Victoria Mall, where families come together to prepare their family secret dish that has been passed down from generation to generation. At the same time, you will get to witness the exceptional culinary skills of Mrs Yvonne Poon, Singapore's Food Ambassador, during the finals of the competition.

### PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

| Date               | Time  | Events                                                                                 |
|--------------------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 12 June (Friday)   | 7 pm  | Family Cooking Competition Preliminary Round                                           |
| 13 June (Saturday) | 11 am | Family Cooking Competition Semi-finals                                                 |
| 14 June (Sunday)   | 3 pm  | Family Cooking Competition Finals                                                      |
|                    | 7 pm  | Prize presentation and special appearances by celebrities Eddie Bono and Freddy Klaus. |

### GIVEAWAYS

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| <b>Kokkimen's Premium Cooking Sauce</b><br>Spend a minimum of \$80 at any restaurants to redeem a bottle of Kokkimen cooking sauce while stocks last! | <b>\$5 Victoria Mall Voucher</b><br>Spend a minimum of \$50 at any fashion outlets to redeem a \$5 shopping voucher. Limited to one voucher per shopper per day! |
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**Organised by:** Landtrust Corporation

**Sponsored by:** Kokkimen

For Q23 to Q26, four options are given. Choose the most appropriate option and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

23. The organiser of 'Family Cooking Competition' is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) Kokkimen
  - (2) Yvonne Poon
  - (3) Victoria Mall
  - (4) Landtrust Corporation
- ( )
24. Which of the following teams can take part in the cooking competition?
- (1) Eddie Bono and Freddy Klaus
  - (2) John and two of his classmates
  - (3) Aminah and her neighbour, Cik Siti
  - (4) Mrs Kumar and her two children
- ( )
25. Which of the following could be a possible time slot for Mrs Yvonne Poon's demonstration of her culinary skills?
- (1) 12 June 2015 at 7 pm
  - (2) 13 June 2015 at 11 am
  - (3) 14 June 2015 at 3 pm
  - (4) 14 June 2015 at 7 pm
- ( )
26. In order to get a \$5 shopping voucher, a shopper needs to spend at least \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) fifty dollars at any restaurants
  - (2) eighty dollars at any restaurants
  - (3) fifty dollars at any fashion outlets
  - (4) eighty dollars at any fashion outlets
- ( )

**Section E: Sentence Combining (4 × 1 mark)**

Combine each pair of sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

27. Last Monday was a public holiday. We drove to Malacca.

\_\_\_\_\_ as

\_\_\_\_\_

28. I saw a bull charging at me. I nearly jumped out of my skin.

When \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

29. Kevin has a test which begins in an hour's time. Kevin is still in bed.

\_\_\_\_\_ but

\_\_\_\_\_

30. Sarah had a terrible toothache. She could not speak clearly.

\_\_\_\_\_ because

\_\_\_\_\_

**Section F: Comprehension 1 (10 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

One of the most widely known Chinese men ever to make his mark in America was Bruce Lee, a martial arts artiste. Bruce Lee was born in California in 1940 but raised in Hong Kong. He left for America in 1958. Ever since he was a child, Bruce Lee had been trained in the martial arts, and by the time he reached America, he was an expert.

At first, he had a difficult time settling into the American way of life. He worked in a restaurant for a short time, but soon left to attend a local university. There, he made friends with a group of local Americans. They had never seen Chinese martial arts before and were amazed by Bruce Lee's skill in fighting. They encouraged him to open up a school, teaching others how to fight like him. He did so and the school was very successful.

Soon, Bruce Lee started to run into problems with some Chinese in America. They did not like him teaching their ancient Chinese fighting skills to foreigners and tried to stop Bruce Lee from doing this. In order to settle the dispute, Bruce Lee fought with a Chinese martial arts champion. Whoever won the fight would decide whether Bruce Lee could continue teaching Chinese martial arts to foreigners. Bruce Lee won the fight.

Soon, his martial arts school was so well-known that he was offered acting roles on television and in the movies. After a while, he left America and returned to Hong Kong to make a few movies. Bruce Lee would probably have become a very illustrious movie star if not for one thing – he died suddenly in 1973 at the age of thirty-two. Many people still remember him today as one of the greatest martial arts artistes who ever lived.

*Adapted from [www.biography.com/people/bruce-lee](http://www.biography.com/people/bruce-lee)*

31. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

Bruce Lee was born in \_\_\_\_\_.

[1m]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1940 in California |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1958 in America    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1973 in Hong Kong  |

For Q32 to 34, read each statement and tick ✓ 'True' or 'False'. Refer to paragraph 1 and 2 to help you. The first example has been done for you. [3m]

|         | Statement                                                                               | True                                | False                    |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Example | Initially, Bruce Lee settled down easily into the American lifestyle.                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 32.     | Bruce Lee had been trained in Chinese martial arts before he arrived in America.        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 33.     | Bruce Lee worked in a restaurant where he made friends with a group of local Americans. | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 34.     | Bruce Lee's American friends were surprised at his fighting skills.                     | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |

35. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to show what happened after he opened his Chinese martial arts school. Refer to paragraph 3 to help you. [1m]

\_\_\_\_\_ Bruce Lee had to fight a Chinese martial arts champion to settle the disagreement.

\_\_\_\_\_ Bruce Lee's victory allowed him to teach Chinese martial arts.

\_\_\_\_\_ Some members of the Chinese community did not want Bruce Lee to teach Chinese martial arts to foreigners.

36. Which word in paragraph 3 tells us that martial arts have been in existence for a very long time? [1m]

**Section G: Comprehension 2 (10 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

A humanoid is a robot that closely looks like a human and has an upper body, two arms, two legs and a head. It does not necessarily resemble a human in all aspects as some humanoids have a helmet instead of a face. They can respond to humans but they cannot show any emotions in what they do. They are created for the purpose of doing tedious and repetitive work.

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In Germany, a humanoid has been created to perform in shows. Before it can be in a show, it has to be trained to learn about what is appropriate and inappropriate human behaviour. It also has to learn more about itself. The researcher moves its arms to give it a feel of what it is like to move one's limbs. Soon, it will learn to move its arms when it hears certain kinds of music.

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The greatest scientific challenge for researchers at the moment is to get the robots to act according to their will instead of just following programmed instructions that they need to learn. They need to be able to react appropriately when interacting with humans.

Despite the excitement over the success of humanoids and the future of having them in our society, it is still uncertain about whether humans and humanoids can live peacefully with each other. Watching a humanoid perform in a play on the stage is different from one serving you food at a restaurant. Can it take on the role of a teacher? Even with extensive programming, a humanoid will not be able to take on the role of a teacher fully. Can the humanoid fully express the emotions of a human like laughing and cheering when there is success or will it be emotionless? At the same time, can it control its anger in reacting to humans and channel it in a less dangerous way? These are some questions which researchers have to answer.

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*Adapted from [www.sciencedaily.com/articles/h/humanoid\\_robot.htm](http://www.sciencedaily.com/articles/h/humanoid_robot.htm)*

37. Which word has the same meaning as “went back”? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

After a while, he left America and returned to Hong Kong to make a few movies.

(A)

(B)

38. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

Bruce Lee first set up a Chinese martial arts school to teach his fighting skills because \_\_\_\_\_.

[1m]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> |

he wanted to be famous

his friends persuaded him to do it

he was the best fighter who ever lived

For Q39 to 40, write your answers in complete sentences.

39. What does the word ‘They’ in line 11 refer to? [1m]

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40. According to the passage, give a reason why Bruce Lee did not become famous in Hong Kong. [1m]

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For Q41 to 43, read each statement and tick ✓ 'True' or 'False'.  
Refer to paragraph 1. The first example has been done for you.

[3m]

|         | Statement                                                                | True                                | False                    |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Example | A humanoid looks exactly like a human.                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 41.     | Some humanoids have a helmet instead of the face of a human.             | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 42.     | A humanoid is suitable to carry out repetitive work in an assembly line. | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 43.     | Humanoids can express emotions of joy and sadness.                       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |

44. Which word has the same meaning as 'large in amount'? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

Even with extensive programming, a humanoid will not be able to take on the role of a teacher fully.

(A)

(B)

45. List the three types of training the robot in Germany has to learn for the musical. [3m]

- i. \_\_\_\_\_ [1m]
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_ [1m]
- iii. \_\_\_\_\_ [1m]

46. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

Which sentence shows humans and robots living peacefully with each other? [1m]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> |

Humanoids and humans live and work without disagreements.

Humanoids take over the roles of humans.

Humanoids behave exactly like humans.

47. Which word in the last paragraph describes humanoids as not showing any feelings? [1m]

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48. Which is the greatest scientific challenge for researchers at the moment? [1m]

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- End of Paper -

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## Answer Key

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| Q1  | Q2  | Q3  | Q4  | Q5  | Q6  | Q7  | Q8  | Q9 | Q10 |
| 4   | 3   | 4   | 1   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 1   | 2  | 1   |
| Q11 | Q12 | Q13 | Q14 | Q15 | Q16 | Q17 | Q18 |    |     |
| 4   | 1   | 3   | 2   | A   | F   | C   | B   |    |     |

19) are    20) keep    21) has    22) joining    23) 4

24) 4    25) 3    26) 3

27) We drove to Malacca last Monday as it was a public holiday. / Last Monday, we drove to Malacca as it was a public holiday.

28) When I saw a bull charging at me, I nearly jumped out of my skin.

29) Kevin has a test which begins in an hour's time but he is still in bed.

30) Sarah could not speak clearly because she had a terrible toothache.

31) 1940 in California    32) True    33) False    34) True

35) 2

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36) ancient    37) B    38) his friends persuaded him to do it

39) It refers to some Chinese in America.

40) It was because Bruce Lee died suddenly at the age of thirty-two.

41) True    42) True    43) False    44) A

45) i) appropriate and inappropriate human behaviour

ii) more about itself

iii) learn more about itself

46) Humanoids and humans live and work without disagreements.

47) Emotionless

48) It is to get robots to act accordingly to their will.