

**SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT TWO 2016
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2
PRIMARY 4**

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Class: Pr 4-_____

Total duration for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 15 minutes

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BOOKLET A

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 19 questions (Questions 1 to 19).
4. Answer ALL the questions and shade them in the correct ovals on the OAS provided.

* This paper consists of 6 pages altogether (including the cover page).

Section A: Grammar (8 marks)

For questions 1 to 8, choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS given. (8 x 1 mark)

- 1) He did not go to school yesterday because he _____ sick.
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|---------|----------|
| (1) is | (2) are |
| (3) was | (4) were |
- 2) Susie and John bought the ingredients and baked the cake _____.
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|---------------|----------------|
| (1) herself | (2) himself |
| (3) ourselves | (4) themselves |
- 3) "Listen carefully. The team leaders _____ important instructions right now," said the Head Prefect.
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| (1) gave | (2) gives |
| (3) are giving | (4) have given |
- 4) _____ boys playing over there were making a lot of noise.
- | | |
|----------|-----------|
| (1) This | (2) These |
| (3) That | (4) Those |
- 5) The children _____ so excited when their father brought them to KidZania.
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|---------|----------|
| (1) is | (2) are |
| (3) was | (4) were |

6) I _____ three books from the bookshop last week as they were on sale.

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| (1) buy | (2) bought |
| (3) have bought | (4) was buying |

7) While we _____ mother in the kitchen, our tired sister stayed in her bedroom to sleep.

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|---------------|------------------|
| (1) help | (2) have helped |
| (3) will help | (4) were helping |

8) My grandmother decided not to buy the bread as there were _____ people in the long queue.

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

Section B: Vocabulary (6 marks)

For questions 9 to 14, choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS given. (6 x 1 mark)

9) The _____ turned up early to watch the soccer match between Singapore and Korea in the World Cup Championship.

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| (1) followers | (2) onlookers |
| (3) spectators | (4) competitors |

10) When there was a blackout in the lift, Andeline was _____ and screamed in fear.

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|----------------|------------------|
| (1) guilty | (2) annoyed |
| (3) frightened | (4) disappointed |

11) Mrs Tan heard the sound of tyres _____ before the car crashed into a tree.

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|----------------|----------------|
| (1) clinking | (2) clattering |
| (3) screeching | (4) thundering |

12) Tiffany displayed _____ during the Sea Games. Even though she lost the match, she smiled graciously and exchanged handshakes with her competitor.

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|--------------|-------------------|
| (1) hardwork | (2) teamwork |
| (3) harmony | (4) sportsmanship |

13) The student was late again today even though he had been warned _____.

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|----------------|-----------------|
| (1) rarely | (2) eventually |
| (3) repeatedly | (4) immediately |

14) Jacky has promised to _____ after being caught by the police for shoplifting.

- | | |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| (1) turn in | (2) turn a blind eye |
| (3) turn back | (4) turn over a new leaf |

Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (5 marks)

Read the following advertisement carefully. Then answer questions 15 to 19. Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS given. (5 x 1 mark)



Fitness Today presents

Big Bear Run 2016

*Back by popular demand after the successful event at Marina Bay Park last year.
Stay healthy and join this fun experience with your family and friends.
There are fantastic prizes to be won and runners will receive a bear keychain.
Registration ends on 12 June 2016.*

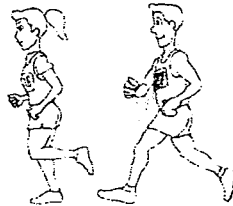
Details of the Run

Date: 9 July 2016

Time: 6.30am

Distance: 5km

Venue: East Coast Park



This event is open to ALL!

Cost: \$45 for adults

\$25 for children below the age of 12

Every participant will receive a lucky draw ticket for the Big Bear Draw which will be held after the run at East Coast Car Park F. Winners will be announced on the spot and notified by post.

Register online now at
www.bigbearrun2016.com
Early bird discount till
1 June 2016.

**HURRY! Sign
up now.
Limited slots
available.**

This event is proudly brought to you by:

- Fitness Today
- Runners & Company

Prizes for Top 3 Runners



- 1st prize: 3D2N stay at a 5-star hotel
- 2nd prize: \$300 cash
- 3rd prize: 60-day Fitness Today gym membership

Race Pack Collection

You can collect your race pack from 24th to 26th June from 9.30am to 5.30pm at the Singapore Sports Arena.

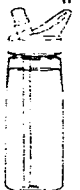
You MUST bring along:

- Your printed email confirmation with registration number
- Your identity card

Note:

If you are collecting for friends, you must also bring along their email confirmation, a copy of their identity card and an authorisation letter.

Race Pack includes a towel and water bottle from Runners & Company.



15) The purpose of the advertisement is to _____.

- (1) publicise East Coast Park
- (2) promote the Big Bear Run
- (3) advertise the contents of the race pack
- (4) inform participants about the Big Bear Draw

16) The Big Bear Run 2016 will take place at _____.

- (1) East Coast Park
- (2) Marina Bay Park
- (3) East Coast Car Park F
- (4) Singapore Sports Arena

17) The early bird promotion will end on _____.

- (1) 1 June 2016
- (2) 12 June 2016
- (3) 24 June 2016
- (4) 9 July 2016

18) When collecting the race pack, you must bring along _____.

- (1) your identity card only
- (2) an authorisation letter only
- (3) your identity card and an authorisation letter
- (4) your email confirmation and your identity card

19) According to the advertisement, which one of the following statements is true?

- (1) The event has two sponsors.
- (2) The run is free for children below the age of 12.
- (3) The first prize for the run is a hotel stay plus \$300 cash.
- (4) The race pack can be collected from 6.30am to 5.30pm.

**** End of Booklet A ****

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BOOKLET B

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
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3. This booklet consists of 31 questions (Questions 20 to 50).
4. **Answer ALL the questions and write all the answers in this booklet.**

	Maximum	Marks Obtained
Booklet A	19	
Booklet B	31	
Total	50	

Component	Question Numbers	Marks Obtained
Grammar & Vocabulary	1-14	
	20-33	
	39-40	
Comprehension Cloze	34-38	
Comprehension	15-19	
	41-50	

Section A: Grammar Cloze (8 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 A WORD ONCE ONLY. (4 x 1 mark)

(A) them	(B) you	(C) I
(D) me	(E) us	(F) our

Dear Aunt Mary,

I am very happy today. Lily and (20) _____ won the best team award for the 'Sandwich Making Competition'. In the first round, we had to prepare a healthy snack and the other competing teams scored better than (21) _____. However, in the final round, we did better than (22) _____ by preparing the most delicious, yet healthy sandwich. I cannot wait to see (23) _____ next week to show you my award!

Love,
Jane

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets. (4 x 1 mark)

John and Paul are identical twins. They (24) [look / looks] exactly alike and even their parents (25) [find / finds] it hard to tell them apart. However, they have very different personalities. John (26) [love / loves] sports and he spends most of his time trying out different activities but Paul prefers to stay at home and read his favourite book. They also (27) [like / likes] different types of food. However, both John and Paul do not like durians. This is the only thing they have in common!

Section B: Vocabulary Cloze (3 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 A WORD ONCE ONLY. (3 x 1 mark)

(A) spread

(B) prevent

(C) materials

(D) protect

(E) ingredients

(F) sprinkled

Kean wanted to bake a birthday cake for his brother. Carefully, he measured out the (28) _____ and poured them into a big bowl. When the mixture was ready, he poured it into a cake pan. He then put the pan into the oven. To (29) _____ the cake from burning, Kean set the timer and watched the cake carefully. Once the cake was ready, he (30) _____ some chocolate frosting on it with a knife. Finally, he decorated it with a few strawberries.

Section C: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (3 marks)

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (3 x 1 mark)

Looking after a puppy may not be an easy task. A puppy can be mischievous and

(31) _____

needed to be trained well. Being firm with your puppy ensures that it will behave itself. This

(32) _____

will save you the embarrassment of not being able to manages your puppy in public. A

(33) _____

puppy also needs lots of care and atenshen, so be sure to shower it with love.

Remember, it is important to be a responsible pet owner.

Section D: Comprehension Cloze (5 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (5 x 1 mark)

Tyler Lee is a student in Westland Primary School. He has won prizes in many music competitions. His interest (34) _____ music started when he was five years old. Before that, he did not know how to (35) _____ any musical instruments.

He joined the school band in Primary One. Although he has mastered the skill of playing several instruments, (36) _____ favourite is the trumpet. He is certainly very talented. The competitions he has taken (37) _____ in have helped to build his confidence in performing in front of an audience.

Tyler says, "My (38) _____ is to become a musician when I grow up." His parents are very supportive. They always spend time listening to him when he practises playing the trumpet.

Section E: Sentence Manipulation (2 marks)

For questions 39 and 40, 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 meaning of the given sentence(s). (2 x 1 mark)

(39) Tom avoided the puddle of water. Tom did not want his shoes to be wet.

_____ so

(40) Lisa does not like swimming. Her friends do not like swimming too.

Neither _____

Section F: Comprehension (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

There are many endangered animals in the world and the cheetah is one of them. Cheetahs are the world's fastest land animals. They live in the grasslands of eastern and southern Africa as well as parts of Iran.

Cheetahs have several special and interesting features that allow them to reach top speeds. They have a powerful heart and large lungs. Their small body frame is lightweight and suited for running fast. With long legs and a flexible spine, cheetahs can cover 7 metres in one stride. Running this quickly takes a lot of energy. Due to this reason, they try to get as close as possible to their prey before starting the chase.

Camouflaged against the tall grasses, they quietly sneak up until they are confident to attack. They then burst out and use their tails to help them keep their balance while making sharp turns. When the cheetahs reach their target, they use their front paws to trip them. The preys are attacked with a bite and dragged to a hiding spot before other predators come by. These include lions, leopards or hyenas.

Cheetahs are sometimes confused with leopards. However, they can be differentiated by their small and flat head. Unlike leopards, cheetahs cannot roar but they can purr and chirp. They hunt during the day as they have poor night vision. They also cannot climb trees.

Adapted from:

<http://www.animalfactguide.com/animal-facts/cheetah/>

- (41) Which word has the same meaning as "uncommon"? Circle (A) or (B). [1m]

Cheetahs have several special and interesting features that allow them to -
 reach top speeds.
 (A) (B)

- (42) Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

A cheetah can run fast because _____. [1m]

	it has a large heart
	its legs are flexible
	it has a light body frame

- (43) When attacking its prey, what does the cheetah use to maintain its balance? [1m]

For Questions 44 – 45, what does each word refer to? [2m]

The first example has been done for you.

	Words	Refers to
Example	'They' (line 2)	cheetahs
(44)	'them' (line 13)	
(45)	'These' (line 14)	

For Questions 46 – 47, tick ✓ whether the statements describe cheetahs or leopards.

Refer to paragraph 4 to help you. [2m]

The first example has been done for you.

	Statement	Cheetahs	Leopards
Example	<i>They have flat heads.</i>	✓	
(46)	They can roar.		
(47)	They cannot climb trees.		

For Questions 48 – 50, read each statement and tick ✓ “True” or “False”. [3m]

The first example has been done for you.

	Statement	True	False
Example	<i>Cheetahs are the fastest animals on land.</i>	✓	
(48)	Cheetahs use a lot of energy when they run quickly.		
(49)	Cheetahs hide in tall grasses as they are afraid of their prey.		
(50)	Cheetahs do not hunt at night as they are unable to see clearly in the dark.		

End of Booklet B

ANSWER KEY

YEAR : 2016
 LEVEL : PRIMARY 4
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 SUBJECT : ENGLISH
 TERM : SA2

Booklet A & B

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
3	4	3	4	4	2	4	3	3	3
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
3	4	3	4	1	4	4	2	2	C
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
E	A	B	look	find	loves	like	E	B	A

Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
needs	manage	attention	in	play	his	part	dream

Q39 Tom did not want his shoes to be wet so he avoided the puddle of water.

Q40 Neither Lisa nor her friends like swimming.

Q41 (A)

Q42

	it has a large heart
	its legs are flexible
✓	it has a light body frame

Q43 Its tail.

	Words	Refers to
Example	'They' (line 2)	<i>cheetahs</i>
Q44	'them' (line 13)	cheetahs' preys
Q45	'These' (line 14)	cheetahs' other predators

	Statement	Cheetahs	Leopards
Example	<i>They have flat heads</i>	✓	
Q46	They can roar.		✓
Q47	They cannot climb trees.	✓	

	Statement	True	False
Example	<i>Cheetahs are the fastest animals on land.</i>	✓	
Q48	Cheetahs use a lot of energy when they run quickly.	✓	
Q49	Cheetahs hide in tall grasses as they are afraid of their prey.		✓
Q50	Cheetahs do not hunt at night as they are unable to see clearly in the dark.	✓	

