



NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL
2018 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION
PRIMARY 6

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Name: _____ ()

Class: Pr. 6 _____

Date: 24 August 2018

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Parent's Signature & Date

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. Answer all questions.
4. For Booklet A, shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

Section A – Grammar (10 x 1 mark)

For each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical-Answer Sheet.

1. "Amelia would go shopping with us if she could make it, _____ she?" I asked.
 - (1) didn't
 - (2) hadn't
 - (3) couldn't
 - (4) wouldn't

2. All the software for the computers _____ uploaded by the technician a while ago.
 - (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were

3. The ushers have been told what to do _____ the audience make too much noise during the performance.
 - (1) will
 - (2) shall
 - (3) would
 - (4) should

4. "Won't Ben be delighted when he _____ that he has been selected to perform at the concert?" Kelly asked her uncle.
 - (1) knew
 - (2) knows
 - (3) has known
 - (4) had known

5. The policemen are asking witnesses to the accident to _____.
 - (1) come across
 - (2) come around
 - (3) come forward
 - (4) come through

6. Doreen has been passionate _____ photography since she was young.
- (1) in
 - (2) on
 - (3) with
 - (4) about
7. _____ for a short break, the students have been working on their project work for three hours.
- (1) Apart
 - (2) Except
 - (3) Instead
 - (4) Besides
8. _____ did the sales promoter expect such a huge crowd of shoppers on her first day at work. She was not prepared to handle so many customers at a time.
- (1) Any
 - (2) Little
 - (3) None
 - (4) Much
9. Helen _____ studying in London if she had received the scholarship
- (1) is
 - (2) was
 - (3) will be
 - (4) would have been
10. Alice, _____ absent from school for a month, is happy to meet her classmates again.
- (1) is
 - (2) was
 - (3) had been
 - (4) having been

Section B – Vocabulary (5 x 1 mark)

For each question from 11 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

11. The judge _____ the defendant's driving license for dangerous driving.

- (1) revoked
- (2) rejected
- (3) deferred
- (4) deterred

12. John eventually _____ to his illness despite months of intensive care and medication.

- (1) admitted
- (2) resigned
- (3) succumbed
- (4) surrendered

13. The computing industry has been progressing over the last forty years. Its constant _____ has increasingly brought convenience to the users.

- (1) support
- (2) initiative
- (3) evolution
- (4) provision

14. Miss Tan always gives her students her _____ attention during lessons. That makes her a wonderful teacher.

- (1) undiluted
- (2) unbroken
- (3) undivided
- (4) unanimous

15. "Gina is too _____ lately. She seems to be over-confident and is not putting in effort in her work anymore," Mrs Chen complained to Gina's mother.

- (1) oblivious
- (2) negligible
- (3) pessimistic
- (4) complacent

Section C – Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Singapore has been shrouded in haze for the past week. However, Indonesia is unlikely to be the (16) source of the haze.

"The hazy conditions are probably the result of local pollution instead of forest fires in Indonesia or the region. Based on satellite images, there are no (17) significant hot spots identified in the nearby countries. The haziness is due to the (18) accumulation of pollutants which cannot be dispersed," said Mr Sim, the spokesman for the National Environment Agency (NEA). "The effects of pollution is often (19) alleviated by the wind. However, we have been experiencing windless and humid weather, and the pollutants cannot be carried away, thus making Singapore hazy," he added.

NEA will continue to (20) monitor the haze situation in the region and update the public regularly. Hopefully, days of clean air and clear skies will not be far away.

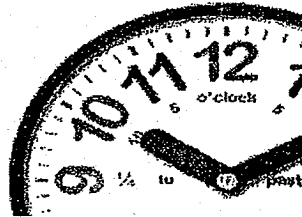
Adapted from The Straits Times dated 22 April 2017

16. (1) basis
 (2) cause
 (3) culprit
 (4) beginning
17. (1) special
 (2) notable
 (3) eminent
 (4) detectable
18. (1) collection
 (2) circulation
 (3) dissipation
 (4) multiplication
19. (1) intensified
 (2) processed
 (3) diminished
 (4) aggravated
20. (1) track
 (2) forecast
 (3) interpret
 (4) investigate

Section D – Visual Text Comprehension (8 x 1 mark)

Study this flyer carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

Family Time



Families are like gardens; the more you water them, the more spectacularly they bloom. Family time is an essential factor that helps to strengthen bonds among family members. Spending family time – sharing experiences and creating memories – instills a sense of security and inculcates family values. You get to discuss about what is going on in your individual lives, and everyone feels more valued, more heard.

Ways to Spend Quality Time with Your Family

1. Schedule a Family Night

Set aside one night each week to be a family night. Go out for dinner or do a fun activity together. You may also stay at home to watch a movie or play a board game. And yes, you may even do those household chores together. Quality time is not necessarily about what you do, but about being together, communicating and doing something you all enjoy.

2. Exercise Together

Enjoy the great outdoors together! Kick around a soccer ball and take turns being the goalkeeper. Go for a bike ride. Take an evening walk while everyone talks about their days. How about learning a new sport? When families exercise together, they gain the combined benefits of being together, growing together and encouraging one another to be active.

3. Read Together

A good story or article read with expression can pique the interest of kids of all ages and captivate the adult readers too. The ideas in the story present great conversation topics. Choose an age-appropriate book with positive messages that everyone is interested in. Make reading aloud a bedtime ritual; it is a pleasurable activity that connects the family.

4. Serve Others

Find a way to help someone as a family. Do you know of an elderly neighbour who needs help with household chores? Do you know of someone who would appreciate a meal? Clean that house or make that meal together. You may also volunteer in charitable organisations and create invaluable experiences as a family.

What's coming up...

Family Day Charity Fun Walk 2018

Date: 9 December 2018 (Sunday)

Time: 8.00 a.m.

Venue: Barina Barrage
10 Barina Gardens Drive
Singapore 018910



Join us at Singapore's inaugural Family Day Charity Fun Walk!

- ❖ Sign up for the walk and get a fun pack worth over \$100, which includes a dri-fit T-shirt, vouchers and more.
- ❖ Complete the walk and get a bonus Jackson Supermarket grocery pack.
- ❖ Join us as we attempt to set a new record for the most number of participants in a mass walk in the Singapore Book of Records.
- ❖ Take part in the carnival after the walk for more entertainment, food and shopping.
[Carnival takes place from 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.]

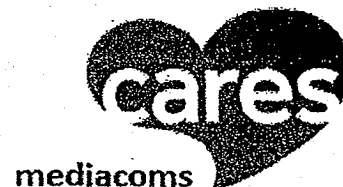
CATEGORY	PRICE
Single ticket	\$25
Pair tickets	\$40
Happy Family Bundle [4 tickets]	\$60

Visit toggle.sg/ilovemyfamily for more details and to buy your tickets.
Tickets will not be on sale at the event venue on 9 December 2018 (Sunday).

*50% of the ticketing proceeds will be donated to
AWWA (Asian Women's Welfare Association)*

Organiser's contact information:

Mediacoms Pte Ltd
8 Vista Avenue
Singapore 138508
Email: mpbevents@mediacoms.com.sg



Adapted from <https://www.eventnook.com/event/ilumfunwalk/home> Life.aspx

For each question from 21 to 28, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

21. Why is the first letter of each word in "Family Time" and "Family Day Charity Fun Walk 2018" written in capital letters?

- (1) The words are part of the illustrations.
- (2) The words are components of the titles.
- (3) It is to make the words stand out in the flyer.
- (4) It is to emphasise the importance of the family.

22. In the section "Ways to Spend More Family Time Together", some statements are given in bold to _____.

- (1) make the text look more interesting
- (2) emphasise the main points in the article
- (3) convey a sense of excitement about the ideas for family time
- (4) give the impression that the reader is being addressed directly

23. Which of the following statements is not an intended message presented in the article "Family Time"?

- (1) Like gardens, families will flourish with due care and attention.
- (2) Communication is more important in fostering family bonds than the activity itself.
- (3) Spending quality time together on a regular basis imparts a sense of belonging to each family member.
- (4) It is important to strike a balance between indoor and outdoor activities, such as bedtime reading and cycling, respectively.

24. Which of the following statements does not contain an idea found under "Ways to Spend More Family Time Together"?

- (1) Families ought to schedule a night per week to do household chores together.
- (2) When family members exercise together, they tend to motivate one another towards keeping fit.
- (3) The selected text for reading aloud should be one that all the family members are able to appreciate.
- (4) Helping the less fortunate together as a family offers an opportunity for the members to create shared memories.

25. Mr Lee decided to buy the tickets two days before the event, so he should buy them _____.
- (1) at Barina Barrage
 - (2) at Mediacoms Pte Ltd
 - (3) online at toggle.sg/lovemyfamily
 - (4) by emailing mpbevents@mediacorp.com.sg
26. Which of the following statements is true if participants sign up for the Family Day Charity Fun Walk 2018?
- (1) Participants can take part in the carnival before the walk.
 - (2) Participants will each receive a \$100 cash voucher upon registration.
 - (3) Participants will each receive a bonus Jackson Supermarket grocery pack.
 - (4) Participants will get a chance to set a new record in the Singapore Book of Records.
27. Some information in this flyer is factual while others are opinions. Which of the following statements is a fact?
- (1) Families ought to volunteer at charitable organisations together.
 - (2) AWWA is the beneficiary of the Family Day Charity Fun Walk 2018.
 - (3) Participants in the Family Day Charity Fun Walk 2018 will have lots of fun.
 - (4) An important aim of learning a new sport is to create opportunities for bonding.
28. The main purpose of the flyer is to _____.
- (1) inculcate family values
 - (2) advertise the Family Day Charity Fun Walk 2018
 - (3) persuade the public to spend quality time with their families
 - (4) to invite the public to participate in setting a new record for the most number of participants in a mass walk



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BOOKLET B

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Section E – Grammar Cloze

There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

- | | | | | |
|-----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|
| (A) a | (D) by | (G) it | (K) the | (N) up |
| (B) after | (E) in | (H) off | (L) them | (P) were |
| (C) but | (F) into | (J) out | (M) they | (Q) with |

Secondary Three student, Ang Zyn Yee, is on a mission to minimise the use of plastic straws in Singapore. She aims to encourage individuals and businesses to give (29)_____ using disposable plastic straws as she felt that it was ridiculous to use a straw for a short moment and then throw (30)_____ away.

Zyn Yee's green quest began (31)_____ she had watched a video of a girl giving (32)_____ talk about saving the environment. Inspired, she sprang (33)_____ action to do her part in saving the environment. She started a petition to get Changi Airport to go straw-free. She also sent multiple e-mails to the Changi Airport Group (34)_____ it still did not take up her idea.

Zyn Yee then emailed various restaurants to convince them to do away (35)_____ plastic straws. She designed posters for eateries to put up so as to encourage diners to forgo the straws. She also wrote several letters, which (36)_____ published in magazines and newspapers, to spread (37)_____ green message.

Zyn Yee's zeal paid (38)_____. Last month, she partnered a fast-food chain, 4Fingers, to design customised posters. This fast-food chain distributed the posters to its outlets, encouraging customers to stop using plastic straws. She also came up with a zero-waste programme for primary schools which includes assembly talks and exhibitions. To her delight, a few schools have shown interest in her programme.

Adapted from 'Drink and throw? That's the last straw for this teen' by Kimberley Chia

Score: _____

Section F – Editing for Grammar and Spelling

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

A rock melon farm in Australia had been affected by listeria, a bacteria

(39)

found in the soil, water or faeces. This results in fatal outbreaks in Australia. This

(40)

type of bacteria can contamenate food items, which may be rare but deadly. It can

(41)

also posing serious risks to people whose immune systems are weak.

(42)

Symtoms of this illness include diarrhoea or other abdominal pain,

(43)

(44)

followed with bouts of high fever and muscle akes. People with weakened immune

systems are at risk of serious brain or heart damage, which may lead to death.

(45)

Food should be handled carefully before consunsion. For example, rock-

(46)

(47)

melons, which are typical eaten raw, should be washed thoroughly before being eaten.

(48)

Those who did not feel well after eating them should seek medical attention.

(49)

(50)

If diegnosed early, this bacterial infect is treatable with antibiotics.

Young people with normal immune systems can recover from mild listeria, often

without specific treatment.

Adapted from "Listeria-tainted rockmelons" written by Ilyda Chua

Score:

www.sgexam.com

Section G – Comprehension Cloze

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

The Health Promotion Board has launched an initiative to encourage primary schools to sell beverages with less sugar. (51) _____ is to tackle the issues of rising cases of children with diabetes in the last two decades.

While many primary schools are responding to the initiative and stepping (52) _____ their efforts to fight diabetes, some schools have gone further than others. Riverside Primary School has been waging the war (53) _____ sugar for years.

Since the school opened in 2013, it has never had a drinks stall. The school (54) _____ always advocated drinking of plain water. Everyone is encouraged to bring their water bottles every day and to (55) _____ them at the water dispensers. Teachers and other staff members are also encouraged to be role (56) _____ to their pupils.

When the parents were first told that there would not be a drinks stall at the school, some were concerned. However, when the principal (57) _____ the reason for doing so, (58) _____ of them became very supportive. They too, were concerned about the negative (59) _____ of taking excessive sugar present in the sweet drinks. The parents also agreed that consuming too much sugary drinks might spoil the children's (60) _____. As a result, the children may not feel like eating during the lunch hour or may (61) _____ to snack instead.

There are also no vending machines selling sugary drinks at Riverside Primary School. Pupils who (62) _____ to bring their water bottles can pick up bottles of mineral water at the school's general office.

Another primary school has also taken (63) _____ to cut down on sugary drinks. Xishan Primary has stopped the sale of carbonated drinks, only selling packet drinks, dairy (64) _____ and fruits at the drinks stall.

Mr Roland Neo, a physical education teacher in the school, approves of the move. He said that in the past, the common drink that went with the students' meal was (65) _____ a fizzy drink or a hot sweetened beverage. Now, most of the students consume neither. They are taking water with their meal, which is healthier.

Adapted from <https://www.tnp.sg/news/singapore/no-sweet-drinks-riverside-primary>

Score:

Section H – Synthesis & Transformation

For each of the questions 66 to 70, 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). (10 marks)

- 66 Nancy would very much like to pick up a new hobby. However, she cannot seem to find the time for it.

Much as _____

- 67 Upon seeing the bully tear her picture, the little girl cried.

The little girl cried at the _____

- 68 The tall man is my uncle. He is making a phone call.

_____ who

- 69 "Who is the best player?" Susan asked her brother.

Susan asked _____

- 70 Adele did not go to the party. Her father objected to it.

_____ due to

Score:

Section I – Comprehension

Read the passage and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

In July 2016, the Michelin Guide was launched in Singapore -and Mr Chan's chicken rice stall in Chinatown Food Centre was the first hawker stall to receive a Michelin Star. His \$2 chicken rice became the cheapest Michelin meal in the world. Overnight, he became a celebrity.

Two years after Mr Chan Hon Meng received a Michelin star for his soya sauce chicken, life for the hawker had changed and yet it had not. Mr Chan no longer woke up at 4 a.m. to toil at his cramped Chinatown hawker stall, preparing ingredients, cooking and cleaning the stall single-handedly. Nor did he have to worry about having money to pay his suppliers on time. After he had received the award, he went to two restaurants by noon to oversee the staff and train them to do their jobs well. He also had to ensure food quality.

However, some things never changed. He still took public transport to work from his three-room flat in Chinatown. He also changed into his white chef's uniform at the stall without fail.

Mr Chan was the eldest of five children. All of them helped out at their parents' farm in Malaysia. Mr Chan had volunteered to prepare meals for his family and gradually developed an interest in cooking. Subsequently, he wished to start his own restaurant someday.

When he was eighteen, Mr Chan left his hometown to look for work in Singapore. Fuelled by his dream, he immediately applied to work in a Chinese restaurant to pick up culinary skills. For the next fifteen years, he worked as a kitchen helper in several Chinese restaurants. He had learnt to cook soya sauce chicken and adapted the recipe to his taste.

With some savings, Mr Chan then started a hawker stall in Chinatown. His life changed when a Channel 8 television crew member exploring the sprawling Chinatown hawker centre stumbled on his stall. Mr Chan explained that the crew member was attracted to it because he had hung many chickens at his stall. Most stalls usually hung only two or three chickens. The man ate his chicken rice and liked it. He asked Mr Chan if he would like to be on a television programme which turned out to be the Michelin testing by seven judges. Five of them rated Mr Chan one star and he was declared a success.

Three months later, he signed a deal with Hersing Culinary to expand his chicken rice business to include two restaurants. All three outlets came under the brand name 'Hawker Chan Chicken Rice'. He chose to partner Hersing Culinary as it offered to take his food to other countries in the region. Most importantly, it was because the company was not driven purely by profits. Initially, Hersing Culinary had wanted to reprice his chicken rice to \$10 a plate, riding on its Michelin fame. However, Mr Chan was adamant about selling cheap and good food to cater for the ordinary folk. The company relented and allowed Mr Chan to continue selling chicken rice at \$2 at the Chinatown hawker stall and charge affordable prices at the restaurants.

True to its word, Hersing Culinary had taken Mr Chan's chicken rice overseas. There were three outlets in Taipei, two in Bangkok and one in Melbourne. Mr Chan's main involvement was quality control. He also had the final say in the new dishes created in these restaurants.

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Mr Chan marvelled at how his life had evolved since his humble days as a kitchen helper, and counted his **blessings**. "There are people who can cook better than me but are not recognised for their skills," he said quietly. "I'm just lucky."

<https://www.straitstimes.com/opinion/st-editorial/hawker-cha-and-his-lucky-star>

- 71 State two reasons why Mr Chan became popular overnight. [2m]

- 72 Pick out a four-word phrase from paragraph three that tells us that Mr Chan's life remained the way it was in many aspects. [1m]

- 73 Based on lines 5-11, fill in the blanks below to show Mr Chan's concerns before and after receiving a Michelin star. [2m]

Before receiving
the award



he was concerned about _____

After receiving
the award



he was concerned about _____

- 74 From lines 12 - 14, state **two** ways in which Mr Chan's habits had remained the same after receiving the award. [2m]

- 75 Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. (1m)

_____ Mr Chan won a Michelin Star.

_____ Mr Chan's chicken rice was sold overseas.

_____ Mr Chan sold his chicken rice at \$2 a plate when he started his hawker stall.

- 76 Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. (3m)

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
them (line 15)	
his dream (line 20)	
blessings (line 47)	

- 77 Based on the passage, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. (3m)

	True/False	Reason
Mr Chan managed his stall on his own before receiving the Michelin award.		
As the eldest child, Mr Chan was tasked to cook for the family.		
Mr Chan chose to partner Hersing Culinary mainly because it had offered to expand his business overseas.		

- 78 Write down one word and a two-word phrase from lines 24 -31 to show that the television crew member had not intended to visit Mr Chan's stall. [2m]

one word	
two-word phrase	

- 79 Which **two** of the following words best describe how Mr Chan felt in lines 46 - 49. Put a tick ✓ in the box beside each of your answers. [2m]
DO NOT TICK MORE THAN TWO BOXES.

surprised

☐

inspired

☐

delighted

☐

puzzled

☐

grateful

☐

sympathetic

☐

- 80 It is stated in lines 38 - 39 that "Mr Chan was adamant to continue selling cheap and good food to cater to the ordinary folks."
What does this sentence tell you about Mr Chan's character? Why do you say so? Support your answer with information from the passage. (2m)

– End of Paper –

EXAM PAPER 2018(P6)

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Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
1	3	3	3	4	2	2	1	3	1
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
2	2	4	1	3	4	2	3	N	G
Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38		
B	A	F	C	Q	P	K	H		

- 39)resulted 40)contaminate 41)pose 42)symptoms
43)by 44)aches 45)consumption 46)typically
47)thoroughly 48)do 49)diagnosed 50)infection
51)This 52)up 53)against 54)has 55)refill
56)models 57)explained 58)most 59)consequences
60)appetite 61)chose/prefer/decide/want 62)forget
63)action 64)products 65)either

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67)The little girl cried at the sight of the bully tearing her picture.

68)The tall man who is making a phone call is my uncle.

69)Susan asked her brother who the best player was.

70)Adele did not go to the party due to her father's objection.

71)Mr Chan's chicken rice stall in Chinatown Food Centre was the first hawker stall to receive a Michelin Star and his two dollars chicken rice became the cheapest Michelin meal in the world.

72)some things never changed

73)→not having honey to pay his suppliers on time.

→the food quality

74)Mr Chan still took public transport to work and changed into his white chef's uniform at the stall.

75)2 , 3 , 1

76)(line15) --- Mr Chan and his siblings.

(line 20) --- Mr Chan stating his own restaurant someday.

(line 47) --- Winning a Michelin star..

77)True / Before receiving the Michelin a ward. Mr Chan had to prepare ingredients, cook and clean the stall single-handed.

False / Mr Chan volunteered to prepare meals for his family.

False / Mr Chan chose to partner Hersing Culinary as it was not driven purely by profits.

78)exploring

stumbled on

79)surprised / grateful

80)Mr Chan was not greedy. Mr Chan did not take advantage of his fame to make money.