

**RIVER VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1/ 2019
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
PRIMARY 6**

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Date : 28 February 2019

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BOOKLET A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A and B) : 1 h 50 min

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

	Marks	Maximum Marks
Booklet A		28
Booklet B		67
Total		95

For each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. In olden times, a person who stood by what he said was considered _____ honourable person.

(1) a
(2) an
(3) the
(4) that

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2. Siti hardly eats during recess, _____ she?

(1) do
(2) does
(3) don't
(4) doesn't

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3. Yesterday, I saw Mr Lim _____ his son to school.

(1) drive
(2) drove
(3) drives
(4) driven

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4. Tired after a long day, I had _____ on my bed for a while before getting up to prepare dinner.

(1) lie
(2) lay
(3) laid
(4) lain

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5. "All thirteen people involved in the accident have been taken to the hospital, two of _____ are in critical condition," the reporter read the news.

(1) who
(2) which
(3) whom
(4) whose

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6. _____ for my mother, all my family members are vegetarians.

- (1) Apart
- (2) Other
- (3) Except
- (4) Besides

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7. If John had left his house on time, he _____ the meeting.

- (1) will not miss
- (2) would not miss
- (3) will not have missed
- (4) would not have missed

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8. Steven _____ the string tightly around the stack of books before tying a dead knot.

- (1) wind
- (2) winds
- (3) wound
- (4) winding

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9. _____ hard Jeremy tried, he could not force open the latch.

- (1) As
- (2) Since
- (3) Despite
- (4) However

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10. No sooner had I put down the phone _____ it rang again.

- (1) and
- (2) that
- (3) than
- (4) when

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For each question from 11 to 15, four options are given. Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

11. The project _____ due to a lack of financial support.

- (1) fell on
- (2) fell off
- (3) fell apart
- (4) fell through

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12. The experienced surgeon operated on the tumour with _____ hands.

- (1) stiff
- (2) sturdy
- (3) stained
- (4) staunch

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13. Despite failing to secure a job for many months, Dan remained _____ about his chances of securing one soon.

- (1) hopeful
- (2) ignorant
- (3) adamant
- (4) contented

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14. The fisherman trembled in fear as he saw the _____ of sharks circling his boat.

- (1) herd
- (2) gang
- (3) clutch
- (4) school

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15. After months of arguing, the siblings finally _____ and decided to make peace with each other.

- (1) bit the bullet
- (2) buried the hatchet
- (3) put their foot down
- (4) gave a cold shoulder

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For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Edmund Kirsch was a man who had experienced worldwide fame. His countless (16)triumphs in the field of science and technology earned him the respect of several (17)esteemed institutes of science. He was (18)innately motivated to maintain his pursuit of scientific advancement and dared to take risks.

As he stood at the podium, he (19)reminisced the long, arduous journey he had taken to bring to life his latest advancement. *I'm about to change the world.* He rejoiced at the thought. Despite the odds being stacked against him, he had ventured forward (20)with great persistence. *Your understanding of the world as you know it, is about to change my friends.*

"Adapted from Origin by Dan Brown"

16. (1) products
(2) endeavours
(3) experiences
(4) achievements

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17. (1) renowned
(2) remarkable
(3) recognisable
(4) revolutionary

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18. (1) obviously
(2) potentially
(3) immensely
(4) intrinsically

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19. (1) assumed
(2) projected
(3) envisioned
(4) recollected

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20. (1) willingly
(2) determinedly
(3) encouragingly
(4) enthusiastically

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For each question from 21 to 28, 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.

Study the poster carefully and answer questions 21 to 28.


Presents

Community Watch

AN ANTI-CRIME MESSAGE FOR SCHOOLS

The number of shoplifting cases has been on the rise, with the number being consistently high for the past decade. In 2011, Mega Warehouse and Hypermarket shopping malls were reported to have the highest number of shoplifting cases.

These shopping malls are huge and attract large crowds daily, especially during the many sales they have throughout the year. As such, they are frequented by shoplifters. Some of the items sold in these malls include toiletries and health supplements which are also easy to conceal in clothing.

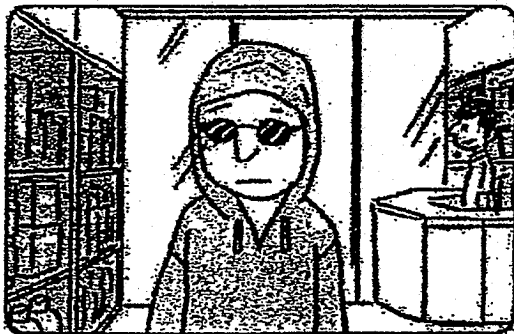
The Great Singapore Sale is expected to bring in a huge crowd like the previous year and sales staff will be busier than ever. This will be a perfect opportunity for shoplifters to strike. **DON'T LET ANY CULPRITS GET AWAY!**

We watch. We care. We report.

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Tips on how to spot a shoplifter and what to do

Notice their appearance and behaviour



Don't be fooled by shoppers trying to look smart and stylish. Shoplifters may attempt to cover their identity by wearing hooded clothing and sunglasses. Hooded jackets might give the false impression that the shopper simply wants to keep warm.

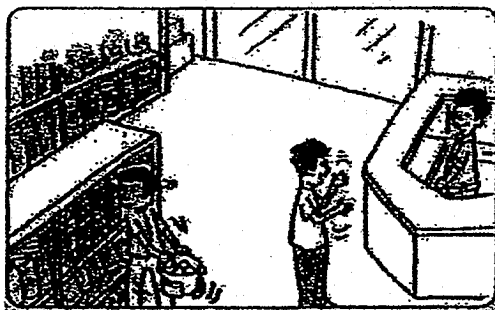
Most also loiter around their targets, thinking of the right move or waiting for the coast to be clear.

Group theft has become rather common. A group of 4 to 8 people may enter a shop separately, appearing to be independent customers, but work together to steal an item. Some even carry dangerous weapons like knives.

Beware of group theft



Watch out for distraction tactics

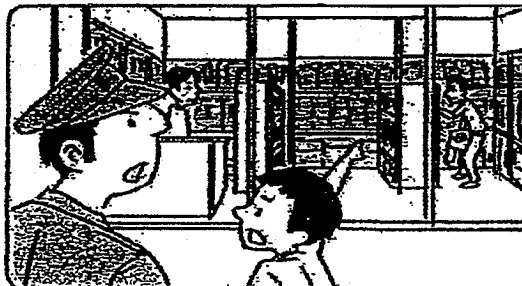


Other than group theft, shoplifters may work in pairs. One person works to keep the attention of the shop attendant away from the other. This makes it easier for them to steal without being spotted.

The person may ask many questions or simply block his line of sight so he cannot see the accomplice make his move.

If you see someone acting suspiciously, don't take matters into your own hands. Instead, contact the mall security or better yet, call the police. It is better to be safe than sorry.

Report anything or anyone suspicious



21. What attracts shoplifters to large shopping malls like Mega Warehouse and Hypermarket?

- (1) These malls have many sale items.
- (2) These malls are overcrowded all the time.
- (3) These malls host the Great Singapore Sale.
- (4) These malls carry toiletries and health supplements. ()

22. Why do you think the caption "DON'T LET ANY CULPRITS GET AWAY" is written in capital letters?

- (1) It expresses a sense of urgency.
- (2) It sends a strong message to thieves.
- (3) It draws readers' attention to stopping thieves.
- (4) It reminds shoppers to stay away from crowded malls. ()

23. Why do shoplifters wear hoodies and sunglasses?

- (1) It makes them look stylish.
- (2) It allows them to hide their features.
- (3) It allows them to hide their loot more easily.
- (4) It protects them from the cold air-conditioning. ()

24. Which of the following statements is NOT true?

- (1) Shoplifters work either in large groups or by themselves.
- (2) In 2011, the number of shoplifting cases reported was the highest.
- (3) Shoplifters look for opportunities when sales staff are preoccupied.
- (4) The Great Singapore Sale is the only time in the year that the malls experience larger crowds than usual. ()

25. How do shoplifters distract their victims?

- (1) Loitering around their targets.
- (2) Being quiet and inconspicuous.
- (3) Getting out of other shoppers' way.
- (4) Engaging in conversations with shop attendants. ()

26. Which of the following organisations is the creator of this poster?

- (1) R & T Malls Asia
- (2) The Police Force
- (3) Department of Education
- (4) Masters Security Services ()

27. The phrase "better to be safe than sorry" means it is advisable to _____.

- (1) contact the police instead of mall security.
- (2) be aware of robbers so you do not get robbed.
- (3) stay at home instead of being robbed at the shopping mall.
- (4) report your suspicion and be wrong, instead of ignoring it and be in danger.

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28. What is the main purpose of the poster?

- (1) To help in preventing shoplifting from happening
- (2) To be observant and look out for group shoplifting
- (3) To learn how to give an account of anything suspicious.
- (4) To be wary of people who look like they cannot be trusted.

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End of Booklet A

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. (10 marks)
EACH WORD CAN ONLY BE USED ONCE.

(A)	an	(D)	each	(G)	however	(K)	past	(N)	will
(B)	any	(E)	for	(H)	in	(L)	some	(P)	with
(C)	by	(F)	from	(J)	may	(M)	such	(Q)	would

The Ministry of Manpower (MOM) has enforced new rules for employers of foreign domestic workers (FDWs). From 1 January 2019, employers (29)_____ no longer be allowed to safekeep money belonging to their maids, including paid salaries.

Current laws state that employers must pay their maids' salaries (30)_____ full and on time. With the new law enacted, both employers and FDWs are protected (31)_____ money-related disputes. If employers are found guilty of keeping money belonging to their maids, they (32)_____ face a maximum penalty of a \$10,000 fine and 12 months' jail.

Speaking on the sidelines of an event, Senior Parliament Secretary for Manpower, Ms Low Yen Ling, said that MOM received about 600 complaints (33)_____ year regarding maids' salary issues in the past three years. She added, "We understand that some FDWs, for various reasons, wish (34)_____ their employers to safekeep their monies and salaries but (35)_____ practices are strongly discouraged.

Employers can assist their FDWs by opening bank accounts for them. (36)_____ this, FDWs can manage their own monies from their salaries. This would minimise and prevent (37)_____ unnecessary salary disputes. (38)_____, MOM also added that this practice poses inconveniences and risks to both parties. Maids who have no direct access to their funds will have to approach their employers whenever they need their money.

Adapted from "Little Red Dot October 23, 2018"

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

Should a school hang on to a confiscated mobile phone for three months?

This issue has reached the courts after a parent felt that the penalty was too

(39)

harsh. The parent is sued a secondary school principal for damages, but has not

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sucedded in getting the school to return the mobile phone.

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The parent's request to have the mobile phone returned imediately was turned

down by District Judge Clement Julien Tan. The judge ruled that the principal's action

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in holding on to it was justification, as the school rules had made it clear that any

student caught using one during school hours will have it confiscated for at least three

months. The boy met the principal on March 21 and admitted that he had used an

(43)

iPhone 7 in school hours on March 8. It was confiscated and the SIM card was

(44)

(45)

returned as with a receipt stating that it could be retreeved in three months' time.

Later in the evening of March 21, the parent wrote to the principal to say that

the mobile phone was his and he wanted it back. He added that "a three-month

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(47)

confiscation is disproportion to the offence", and his son had assured him that he will

not break the rule on phone use again. Failing to get a reply, he took the principal of

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the well-known secondary school to kort.

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The father, raiprisanted by lawyer Andrew Hanam, is claiming that the principal

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is being unreasonable in denaying him the rights to his property. However, District

Judge Tan rejected the parent's claims, adding that the principal was simply following

the rules.

Adapted from "Straits Times Online, 7 June 2017"

Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

I came home from work one day and my son greeted me at the door with a broad smile. "Dad, I am a hardworking man!" Puzzled, I asked my wife about this. She shared with me that (51) _____ five-year-old had emptied a 2-litre jug of water from the fridge, (52) _____ of it on the floor. My wife's initial reaction had been to yell and spank him. However, she did (53) _____. She patiently asked him, "Brenton, what were you trying to do?"

"I was trying to help you wash the dishes, mum," he replied proudly. (54) _____ enough, she saw a (55) _____ of plates that had been washed with the water from the fridge on the kitchen table.

"Well son, why did you use the water from the fridge?" she further inquired. Brenton explained that he could not (56) _____ the sink. My wife began to understand the situation better and her anger faded (57) _____ instantly. "What do you think you can do next time that would (58) _____ less of a mess?"

Brenton's face lit up as he replied, "I could wash (59) _____ in the bathroom." My wife explained to him that the dishes might break in the bathroom and he should instead (60) _____ her help. She then proceeded to clean (61) _____ the mess he had created.

As she finished narrating the incident to me, I realized (62) _____ important it is to make proactive choices. Had she gone ahead with her initial reaction, she would not have been able to understand what he was (63) _____ to do and would have missed a great teachable moment. (64) _____ both situations, she would have had to clean the mess, (65) _____ with this approach she was able to connect with him more effectively. More importantly, had she yelled and spanked him, he would have greeted me at the door with frown and said, "Dad, I am a bad boy!"

Adapted from "7 Habits of Highly Effective Families by Stephen R. Covey"

For each of the questions from 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. Aminah is being taught how to swim by the coach.

The coach _____

67. Muthu's mother asked him, "Why do you think your sister will be late?"

Muthu's mother asked him _____

68. Big Bully Chan suddenly appeared at the foyer and caught me off guard.

The sudden _____

69. Mrs Tan is going to the supermarket. Her children are going there as well.

_____ together with _____

70. The tourist attraction is popular with tourists. As a result, it makes a good profit.

_____ because of its _____

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 79. (20 marks)

Katie and I exited the Starbucks and joined the bustle in the street. The early morning crowd in the central business district was rushing to their places of work. Katie's usual toothy grin had been missing for some time, three weeks to be exact. In its place, were stiff lips and mildly furrowed brows. "Everyone in the office is desperate to win over Claude, you know," Katie muttered, audible enough for me to catch her words. Claude was the company's Director of Marketing, under whom we worked.	5
I continued to walk along the street with Katie deep in thought. I thought about Claude, remembering his typical short curt replies whenever we asked him anything. Since taking over as Director of Marketing less than three weeks ago, he had ordered a complete revamp of the company's plans and shortened deadlines. His motto seemed to be: <i>more work in less time</i>. He had no qualms about getting us to work past our usual hours, neither was he forgiving of those who could not match up to his expectations. Yet, everyone seemed to go out of the way to get his attention.	10
Katie should have been promoted so that she could have taken over when the former director resigned unexpectedly just over a month ago. At least that was what Mr Everett, the owner of the company, had her believe. Everyone in the office was rooting for her and that only added to her confusion and misery. However, her exemplary people skills and steadfast organisational ability lost out to Claude's qualification of being the sole heir to his father's empire. "A spoilt, entitled brat," I thought to myself, shaking my head.	15 20
Just then, we reached a traffic junction and I slowed down. As I stopped and took a sip of my cappuccino, I realised that Katie had not stopped. She stepped off the kerb and continued across the street, oblivious to the fact that she was crossing the busiest street of New York. "Katie, watch out!" I yelled. Katie stopped but it was too late.	25

A car came to a screeching halt. As I saw Katie falling to the ground, I made a dash for her. "Katie, are you all right?" I asked anxiously. She nodded as I helped her up. The driver of the car joined us both, his eyes wide and mouth agape.

"I actually slipped on the wet road while trying to step out of harm's way," Katie explained to the both of us. "Don't worry, I won't ask you to pay for my coffee," she joked to the driver. Her expression was now a complete 180-degree turn from just minutes ago. Her thick fur coat saved her from being injured. As I realised how lucky Katie was to be alive, a smile formed on my face. We continued to walk to our office building.

"You must be wondering why I'm smiling," Katie spoke. "This near-accident gave me an idea. Actually, it was when you came running across the road that the idea stuck me - how you were all worried and scared for me." I shot Katie a quizzical look. "The only way to get everyone back on my side, is to have another near-accident!"

Adapted from "Can you keep a secret, by Sophie Kinsella"

71. Where were the author and Katie headed? (1m)

72. From line 1 to 13, choose a word that has the same meaning as the following word/ phrases. [4m]

tolerant	
rude	
busyness	
loud enough	

73. Why was Katie certain that she would be the next Director of Marketing? (2m)

74. Which 3-word phrase in paragraph 3 suggests that the author's colleagues supported Katie? (1m)

75. What does the author mean by the phrase *sole heir to his father's empire* (line 19)? (2m)

76. For the following character descriptions, use an adjective to describe what the character is feeling. The first one has been done for you. (3m)

Description	Adjective
<i>toothy grin (line 3)</i>	<i>cheerful</i>
<i>stiff lips and mildly furrowed brows (line 4)</i>	
<i>his eyes wide and mouth agape (line 28)</i>	
<i>a smile formed on my face (line 33)</i>	

77. Based on paragraphs 4 and 5, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/ False	Reason
Katie stopped when she realised she was crossing the busiest street in New York.		
Katie spilt her coffee in the accident.		
Katie was hurt in the accident.		

78. Write 1, 2, 3 in the spaces provided next to each statement to determine the correct sequence of events that happened in the story. (1m)

_____ Claude took over as Director of Marketing.

_____ Katie and the author bought coffee at Starbucks.

_____ Katie told the author about her plan to get everyone back on her side

79. Why do you think the author *shot Katie a quizzical look* (line 37-38)? (1m)

80. How do you know the author did not like Claude? State a reason for the author's dislike for him. (2m)

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Booklet A

Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
2	2	1	4	3	3	4	2	4	3
Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
4	2	1	4	2	4	1	4	4	2
Q 21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28		
2	3	2	4	4	2	4	1		

Booklet B

Q 29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
N	H	F	J	D	E	M	P	B	G
Q39)	suing		Q43)	during		Q47)	would		
Q40)	succeeded		Q44)	along		Q48)	court		
Q41)	immediately		Q45)	retrieved		Q49)	represented		
Q42)	justified		Q46)	disproportional		Q50)	denying		

Q51)	our	Q56)	reach	Q61)	up
Q52)	most / some / half	Q57)	away	Q62)	how
Q53)	not	Q58)	make	Q63)	trying
Q54)	Sure	Q59)	them	Q64)	In / with
Q55)	pile / stack / heap	Q60)	seek / get / let	Q65)	but
Q66)	The coach is teaching Aminah how to swim.				
Q67)	Muthu's mother asked him why he thought his sister would be late.				
Q68)	The sudden appearance of Big Bully Chan at the foyer caught me off guard.				

Q69)	Mrs Tan, together with her children, is going to the supermarket.
Q70)	The tourist attraction makes a good profit because of its popularity with tourists.
Q71)	They were headed to work / their office.
Q72)	forgiving curt bustle audible
Q73)	The owner of the company .Mr Everett, had told Katie the she would be promoted to take over the position of Director of Marketing.
Q74)	rooting for her
Q75)	He was Mr Everett's the owner's only son who will take over the business.
Q76)	(line 4)--- annoyed / upset / unhappy / anxious / worried (line 28) --- shocked (line 33) --- relieved
Q77)	False --- Katie stopped when the author yelled at her to watch out. True --- She told the driver that she would not ask him to pay for her coffee that split. False --- Katie's thick fur coat saved her from being injured.
Q78)	1 , 2 , 3
Q79)	The author did not understand what Katie meant.
Q80)	She referred to him as a spoilt, entitled brat . He was rude to them/ He made them work overtime. He gave them less time to complete their work / He was not tolerant of their mistakes.