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ST. NICHOLAS' GIRLS' SCHOOL
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2009 Semestral Assessment 1

8 May 2009

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 30 min

Instructions to Candidates:

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Answer all questions.

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Booklet A	30
Booklet B	35
Total	65

This booklet consists of 9 pages.

Section A: Vocabulary Multiple-Choice Questions (10 x 1 mark)

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer and shade its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the **Optical Answer Sheet** provided.

1. The police needed the _____ ~~to prove~~ that Mr Lim was not the mastermind behind the biggest jewellery robbery ever.
(1) verdict (3) discovery
(2) research (4) evidence

2. During peak hours, _____ have to take extra care ~~when crossing the road~~.
(1) peddlers (3) peasants
(2) pedestrians (4) passengers

3. Jacob was given a _____ so that he could use it to ~~examining gems~~.
(1) telescope (3) stethoscope
(2) microscope (4) kaleidoscope

4. During our excursion to the _____, we could hear the pigs squealing before being ~~slaughtered~~.
(1) arsenal (3) aviary
(2) abattoir (4) apiary

5. Even though Jane was earning millions, she still lived off her parents. She was as _____ ~~as a goldfish~~.
(1) fickle (3) harmless
(2) greedy (4) spineless



6. "Can you stop whining? ~~It is irritating!~~" _____ Leila, ~~as she frowned~~ at her younger sister.

- (1) sobbed
- (2) grumbled
- (3) denied
- (4) bragged

7. During our school _____ trail, ~~we learnt a lot about the traditions and~~ ~~beliefs of our multi-racial society,~~ which we considered important to our history.

- (1) heritage
- (2) aesthetic
- (3) religious
- (4) architecture

8. If we hope to win the drama competition, we need a/an _____ to ~~help us~~ ~~write a good script.~~

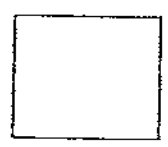
- (1) editor
- (2) director
- (3) cast
- (4) playwright

9. ~~"Blood is thicker than water,~~ June. I will not _____ to do anything when someone in my family needs help," said Johnny.

- (1) beckon
- (2) hesitate
- (3) gesture
- (4) summon

10. In times of ~~recession,~~ we need to be _____ ~~less than spending.~~

- (1) frugal
- (2) magnanimous
- (3) lavish
- (4) extravagant



Section B: Grammar Multiple-Choice Questions (10 x 1 mark)

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer and shade its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the **Optical Answer Sheet** provided.

11. Leanne is ~~shorter than~~ her brother ~~is~~ _____ ~~her sister~~.

- (1) tall
- (2) as tall as
- (3) taller
- (4) tallest

12. ~~Tom and his friends~~ _____ ~~the party tonight~~ as they know that all parents will be there.

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

13. The cook had accidentally added too _____ ~~in~~ in the soup, making it ~~too salty~~ to drink. Salt

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

14. You could fall into the pond if you bend _____.

- (1) on
- (2) under
- (3) up
- (4) over

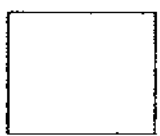
15. ~~My mother~~ _____ to the market ~~every Saturday~~.

- (1) go
- (2) going
- (3) goes
- (4) went

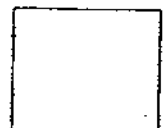
16. "It _____ the truth that I ~~want~~ ^{want} to hear, not lies!" my teacher said sternly.

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

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17. The florist gets the deliveryman to send the ~~flowers~~ after she has sold _____.
- (1) her (3) it
(2) him (4) them
18. "_____ are we ~~wanting~~ to see the new house?" Sue asked.
- (1) Where (3) Which
(2) When (4) How
19. Monica is capable _____ finishing her project alone.
- (1) of (3) to
(2) in (4) for
20. A clutch of eggs _____ hatched ~~yesterday~~ morning at the farm.
- (1) is (3) was
(2) are (4) were



Section C: Graphic Stimulus Comprehension (5 x 1 mark)

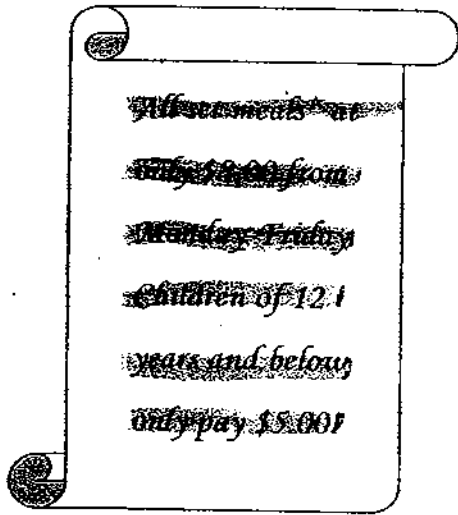
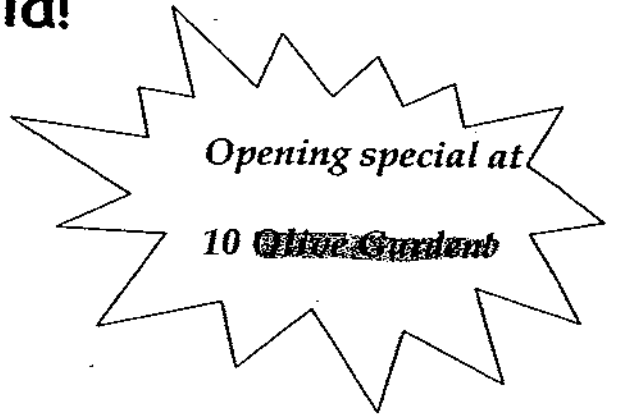
Study the advertisement below carefully and answer the questions that follow in the Optical Answer Sheet provided.



MaMaMia!

We have shifted from 20 Pine Grove!

~~at 20 Pine Grove and improved~~
 location at 10 ~~Sunway Garden~~ To mark the
 new opening, we are offering delightful
 discounts!



- Monday: Grilled Chicken with Mushroom Sauce
 OR ~~Fish & Chips~~ - \$8.00
- Tuesday: Beef Spaghetti Aglio Olio
 OR ~~Grilled Fish with Black Pepper Sauce~~ - \$8.00
- Wednesday: Chicken Ham Spaghetti
 OR Beef Meatballs Spaghetti - \$8.00
- Thursday: Creamy Mushroom Spaghetti
 OR Spaghetti with Soft Shell Crab
 In Special Sauce - \$8.00
- Friday: Fish Milanese
 OR ~~Baked Cod Fish With Meunieve Sauce~~ - \$8.00

~~Valid from~~
~~11:30am onwards Monday to Friday~~

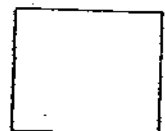
The first 10 customers of each day will enjoy our own speciality - butterscotch ice-cream topped with hot chocolate fudge - free of charge. Available only on Saturdays & Sundays

Don't miss our offers!
 For reservations, call us at 63256798
 or visit our website, www.mamamia.com.sg

~~Other outlets:~~
~~Sunway Garden~~
~~Sunway Valley~~
~~Sunway~~

~~Monday to Friday 10am - 10pm~~
 Saturday & Sunday (9am - 11pm)

21. Mrs Tan may visit the restaurant on _____ to enjoy the \$8.00 set meal offer.
- (1) Monday at 10am
 - (2) Thursday at 10pm
 - (3) Wednesday at 12pm
 - (4) Saturday at 12pm
22. The ~~newest~~ MaMaMia! Outlet is located at _____.
- (1) Pine Grove
 - (2) Pine Valley
 - (3) Olive Garden.
 - (4) Orchid Garden
23. If Mr Low and his friend both love fish, they should go to the diner on _____.
- (1) Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
 - (2) Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
 - (3) Thursday, Friday and Monday
 - (4) Friday, Monday and Tuesday
24. Alice, who is ten, went to the restaurant on Thursday for dinner with her Uncle Tom and brother, Joey, who is fourteen. How much would they have paid?
- (1) \$15
 - (2) \$18
 - (3) \$21
 - (4) \$24
25. Which of the following statements is true?
- (1) Susan, who is the sixth customer on Friday, will receive a free ice-cream.
 - (2) MaMaMia! is offering discounts at all outlets only on weekends.
 - (3) Reservations can only be made online.
 - (4) MaMaMia! has 4 outlets.



Section D: Comprehension Multiple-Choice Questions (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the **Optical Answer Sheet** provided.

Modern aromatherapy introduced in France in 1928, relies on scented oils to help one feel better, physically and emotionally. Certain oils are designated for certain problems. ~~lavender is for relaxation and restful sleep and vanilla reduces anxiety. Rosemary and the citrus oils of lemon and orange increases alertness.~~

If one wants proof that aromatherapy does indeed solve all the problems it claims to, one will not find it. Scientists draw a line between aromatherapy and "~~aromachology,~~" a new ~~name for the scientific study of odours' effects on mood, emotion and behaviour.~~ From studies and research, scientists have confirmed some of its claims. One of these is that ~~lavender is truly relaxing and can help to boost one's mood, improving the quality of sleep.~~ ~~Lemon balm oil when dabbed on the faces and arms of elderly patients with dementia can have a calming effect. Rosemary does really perk one up and reduce anxiety.~~

So is ~~aromatherapy safe and worth trying?~~ If the aromatherapist is well-trained and the therapy is conducted in the correct manner, one does not have anything to worry about. If the oils are used ~~improperly, they can cause burns, allergic reactions, headaches and nausea.~~ The bottom line is, if it works for you, it works.

Adapted from "Aromatherapy: Does it work?" Reader's Digest (Sept 06)

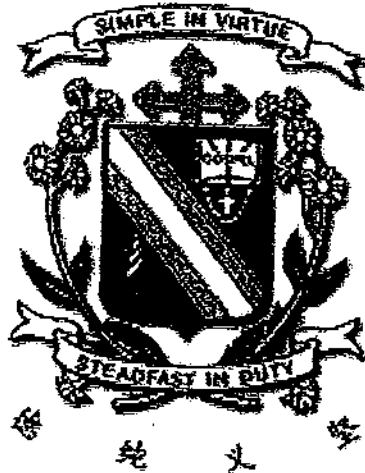
26. _____ is believed to lessen anxiety.
- (1) Vanilla
 - (2) Lavender
 - (3) Rosemary
 - (4) Chamomile
27. "Aroma-chology" as a study tells us how odours affect _____.
- (1) our level of alertness
 - (2) the quality of our sleep
 - (3) the way we feel and act
 - (4) diseases like asthma and dementia
28. What are the risks of going to an aromatherapist who is ~~not~~^{not} good at her job?
- (1) We may suffer burns.
 - (2) Our moods will be affected.
 - (3) Our alertness will be raised.
 - (4) We will experience sleepless nights.
29. Which one of the following is not true?
- (1) Lavender helps a person relax and sleep.
 - (2) Rosemary makes a person alert and anxious.
 - (3) Aromatherapy and "aroma-chology" refer to different things.
 - (4) Aromatherapy carried out by an untrained person can cause us harm.
30. What does the word it in the last line refer to?
- (1) Aromatherapy
 - (2) Aroma-chology
 - (3) Aromatherapist
 - (4) Allergic reactions



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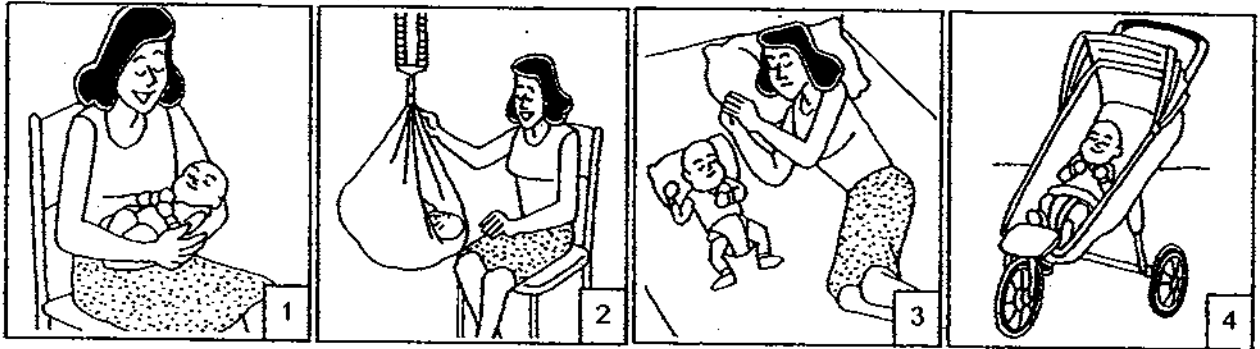
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Section E: Picture Matching (3 x 1 mark)

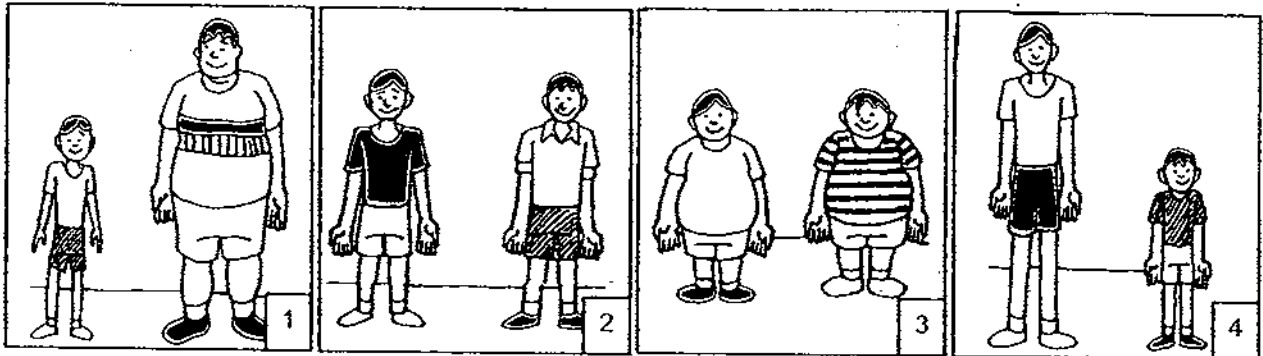
Your teacher is going to read a statement for each question from 31 - 33. Listen to the statement and look at the pictures carefully. Choose the picture that best matches the statement read and write its number 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets provided.

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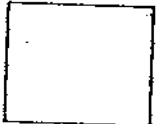
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Section F: Note-taking (4 x 1 mark)

As you listen, take down the missing information by filling in each blank numbered Q34 to Q37 with one word.

Q34. The event is held in conjunction with :	_____	Day
Q35. Type of contest :	_____	Contest
Q36. What to submit :	A _____	
Q37. Where to get entry forms:	_____	Counter



Section G: Dictation (5 x 1 mark)

Take down the journal entry in full in the space provided for Q38.

Q38.

Every weekend, my family will spend quality time together.



Section H: Vocabulary Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully. Choose the correct answer from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank. Use each word ONCE only.

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|-------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| (A) allow | (C) pleasure | (E) beauty | (G) countries |
| (B) prevent | (D) compete | (F) appreciation | (H) nominees |

In Geneva, the organisers have announced that the Grand Canyon, Mount Everest and Loch Ness will (39) _____ with more than 200 other spectacular places for the honour of being one of the New 7 Wonders of Nature.

Singapore's Bukit Timah Nature Reserve is one of the ~~best~~ (40) _____ ~~from~~ ~~countries~~. Other attractions include the Great Barrier Reef in Australia, the Niagara Falls in Canada, the Jeita Grotto cave in London, the Amah Rock of Hong Kong and the Komodo National Park in Indonesia.

To participate, one has to vote via the Internet. Votes can be cast until July 7. Registration on the website will (41) _____ people ~~from voting twice~~.

"We are calling people from all over the world to show their (42) _____ of ~~our world by joining together to celebrate the most extraordinary sites on our planet~~," said a spokesman for the New 7 Wonders campaign.

(adapted from Straits Times, December 2008)



Section I: Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully. Choose the correct answer from the words given in the box and ~~write the letter (A-F)~~ in each blank. Use each word ONCE only.

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|----------|-------------|----------------------|
| (A) run | (C) ran | (E) were running |
| (B) runs | (D) running | (F) would be running |

After listening to my teacher talk about the importance of exercise, I decided to do some serious exercise during the holidays. On Sunday, I went for ~~run~~ (43) _____ by the sea at the East Coast. The tide was just coming in and the waves were beating strongly against the rocks.

There were many other people (44) _____ ~~along~~ the beach and ~~enjoying~~ the sea breeze. There were a few families just sitting and enjoying the beautiful scenery. Parents sat and watched ~~as~~ children (45) _____ ~~around and dipped their feet in the cool sea water.~~

An elderly man was jogging next to me. I heard him tell his granddaughter that he (46) _____ ~~was~~ ^{following} a marathon the ~~next~~ Sunday. I then realised that there is no age limit for exercising. I made up my mind to take my grandparents to the beach the following day.



Section J: Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully. Write **ONE** suitable word for each blank.

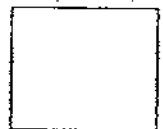
Have you ever heard of boat schools? Or floating schools? Why do they exist? In Bangladesh, such schools are a practical solution for areas that (47) _____ so badly that whole school buildings are totally under water for days.

A home-grown architect started this boat-school project. He felt that it was (48) _____ for the young to get an education and spend time with other children than wait at the rooftops for the ~~floods to subside~~. This project (49) _____ schools to go to the children instead.

Now teachers, parents and children have to redefine what a school is. Instead of buildings, a school is a space where teachers and students (50) _____ to teach and learn.

This floating project has received awards and donations abroad. Looking (51) _____ ~~boats are the future~~ for the Bangladeshis. They visualise floating villages, hospitals and even gardens if the floods continue like this.

(adapted from What's Up, February 2008)



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Section K: Comprehension Open-ended Questions (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Answer the questions in **complete sentences**.

In the old days, the elders used to tell stories about the giants. There was one particular one by the name of Abiyoyo. ~~He was as tall as a tree and could roar like a lion.~~ Of course, nobody believed the story.

~~One day, at the crack of dawn, an enormous shadow appeared~~ in front of the sun. The villagers could feel the whole ground shake. "Run for your lives! Abiyoyo's coming!" yelled the women. Abiyoyo stomped into the pastures and gobbled up the sheep and cows. The whole town was in chaos!

Just then, a boy and his father woke up. They looked out the window and saw Abiyoyo. The father figured that he, being the magician, could make Abiyoyo disappear if he could get near enough. The boy got his ukulele and his father got his magic wand. Both of them ran across the fields to look for Abiyoyo, despite the villagers' plea.

When they found him, they realised that Abiyoyo was hideous! ~~He had slobbery teeth, which were not brushed, stinking feet which were not washed, matted hair which was not combed, and long dirty fingernails which were not cut.~~ The boy quickly whipped out his ~~ukulele~~ and played a tune which got Abiyoyo dancing. The boy played it faster and faster until Abiyoyo got out of breath. He staggered and fell flat on the ground.

At that moment, the boy's father used his magic wand and "zooped" Abiyoyo. The hideous giant disappeared! ~~The villagers rejoiced and welcomed the father and son back to the village.~~

(adapted from *South African Lullaby and Folk Stories*)

52. What was the picture painted of Abiyoyo in the stories told by the elders?

53. When ~~did~~ Abiyoyo turn up at the village?

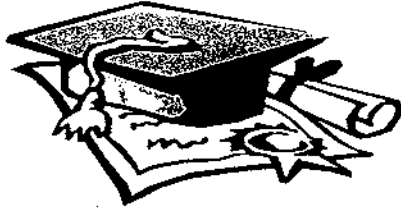
54. Why was Abiyoyo considered extremely hideous?

55. What did the boy do to make Abiyoyo fall to the ground?

56. Which sentence in the passage tells us that the villagers were pleased to see the magician and his son?



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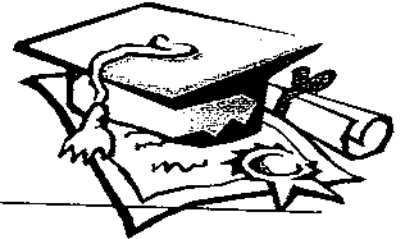


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Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33
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34)Family 35)Lookalike 36)photograph 37)Information

Q39	Q40	Q41	Q42	Q43	Q44	Q45	Q46
D	H	B	F	A	D	C	F

47)flood 48)better 49)allows 50)gather 51)ahead

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