



SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 - 2015
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 3

Name : _____ ()

Class : P 3 . ()

Date : 5th May 2015

BOOKLET A

15 Questions

15 Marks

Total Time For Booklet A and B : 1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1 Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.**
- 2 Follow all instructions carefully.**
- 3 Answer all questions.**

This paper consists of 4 printed pages (inclusive of cover page)

For each question from 1 to 6, 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.

1. Ken _____ the cards before starting the game.
 - (1) ripped
 - (2) hacked
 - (3) shuffled
 - (4) dismantled

2. The football coach designed the test to _____ the fitness of his players.
 - (1) guess
 - (2) evaluate
 - (3) discover
 - (4) recognize

3. The secret agent slipped into the building with much _____ as he did not want to attract attention.
 - (1) fuss
 - (2) caution
 - (3) concern
 - (4) commotion

4. Violence should never be used to _____ problems as it makes matters worse.
 - (1) create
 - (2) resolve
 - (3) describe
 - (4) accomplish

5. We have become used to that _____ man who acts strangely.
 - (1) exotic
 - (2) exquisite
 - (3) eccentric
 - (4) expensive

6. Are the children able to play together and _____ with one another?
 - (1) get by
 - (2) get off
 - (3) get away
 - (4) get along

Part 2: Grammar (8 marks)

For each question from 7 to 14, 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.

7. Mother shouted, "You have to _____ now, we are running late!"
- (1) bath
 - (2) bathe
 - (3) bathed
 - (4) bathing
8. The police arrived _____ the nick of time to stop the burglar from escaping.
- (1) in
 - (2) to
 - (3) by
 - (4) on
9. There _____ many reporters at the hospital yesterday.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were
10. Emma went up to the shy boy to _____ him as he was sitting quietly all by himself.
- (1) friend
 - (2) escort
 - (3) befriend
 - (4) patronise
11. You received the parcel yesterday, _____ ?
- (1) do you
 - (2) did you
 - (3) don't you
 - (4) didn't you

12. Tom and his brother _____
room.

- (1) herself
- (2) himself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) themselves

13. The paint on the building _____ peeling.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) has
- (4) have

14. The boys had to _____ their jerseys to school yesterday as they had an early match.

- (1) wear
- (2) wore
- (3) worn
- (4) wearing

Part 3: Punctuation (1 mark)

For question 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

15. The man said [] "If the nation cries for a man, he must have built the nation."

- (1) [,] comma
- (2) [.] full-stop
- (3) [?] question mark
- (4) [!] exclamation mark

END OF BOOKLET A

ANGLO-CHINESE SCHOOL (JUNIOR)



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BOOKLET B

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Booklet	Component	Possible Marks	Marks Obtained
A	-	15	
B	Grammar Cloze 1	4	
	Grammar Cloze 2	4	
	Editing for Spelling & Grammar	3	
	Synthesis and Transformation	4	
	Comprehension Passage 1	10	
	Comprehension Passage 2	10	
	Total		35

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Part 4: Grammar Cloze 1 (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the boxes and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) it	(B) him	(C) her
(D) he	(E) them	(F) they

MRS LEE bought some cookies for (16) _____ children, Tom and Sally. When (17) _____ saw the cookies, they each had a few pieces. Mrs Lee only took a bite from Tom's cookie. When Mr Lee came home, (18) _____ saw crumbs on the table and asked if there were any cookies left for (19) _____. However, there were none left!

Part 5: Grammar Cloze 2 (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the boxes and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) has	(B) was	(C) in
(D) have	(E) were	(F) from

The Orang Laut is a name given to a group of Sea Gypsies or Sea People who (20) _____ mainly fishermen. They originated (21) _____ the Riau islands of Indonesia. The *Orang Laut* lived and travelled (22) _____ houseboats but they also knew a lot about the forest.

The *Orang Laut* mentioned in the legend of Sisters' Islands were a group of people who made their living as pirates and terrorised many ships on the trade route.

Pirates are not just a thing of the past! Large ships and fishing vessels travelling through the Straits of Singapore (23) _____ been known to face attacks from gun-wielding hijackers and thieves.

Adapted from Attack of the Swordfish and Other Singapore Tales

Part 6 : Editing for Spelling and Grammar (3 marks)

Read the passage carefully. The words with spelling errors are in bold and the words with grammatical errors are underlined>. Write the correct spelling or form of word in each box.

Badang was a superhero of great strength in the old days of Singapore when

(24)

our island was call Temasek. Legend has it that Badang threw a stone from Fort

Canning Hill and flung it so far that it landed at the mouth of the Singapore River.

(25)

Unfortunetely, the British blew it up in 1843 to make way for a building. A fragment of

(26)

the stone now lies in the collection of the National Muzium of Singapore.

Adapted from Attack of the Swordfish and Other Singapore Tales

Part 7 : Synthesis and Transformation (4 marks)

For each question, 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).

27. Mrs Lim was at the bank. Then she went to the shopping mall.

Before _____

28. We were very tired after the run. We still helped to prepare lunch.

_____ but

Part 8 : Comprehension Passage 1 (10 marks)

Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

In a small village on an island off the shores of Singapore, there lived a poor, old widow who had two pretty daughters, Minah and Linah. The sisters were so close to each other that they vowed to marry two brothers so they could always live together. When the news spread, many suitors came but none were brothers.

A year later, the old widow died and the sisters were forced to live with a distant uncle from another village. There, the villagers dwelled in fear of the *Orang Laut* or merciless pirates who robbed their farms and kidnapped young women to be their wives.

One day, Linah met the pirate chief and his men while fetching water from a well near the sea. The pirate chief was surprised to see such a beautiful girl and approached her immediately.

"I think I have finally found my bride!" he said to his men, throwing his head back with a sinister laugh as the sky broke into a thunderous clap.

Terrified, Linah ran home. The pirates scuttled after her. The pirate chief stormed into the house and brandished a dagger at the girl's uncle as he made known his wish to marry Linah. Her uncle had no choice but to give in.

"I will come and get her tomorrow or your people will suffer!" he roared.

That night, Minah and Linah wept bitterly in each other's arms. When dawn broke, the pirate chief and sixteen of his men came to take Linah away. The sisters clung to each other but were eventually forced apart by the pirates.

Adapted from Sisters' Islands

WRITE YOUR ANSWERS IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

29. What did the two sisters vow to do to stay together forever?

30. Why were the villagers in fear of the pirates?

31. Which word in the fourth paragraph has the same meaning as "deafening"?

32. Why did Linah run home terrified?

33. What did the pirate chief do to make Linah's uncle give in?

Part 9 : Comprehension Passage 2 (10 marks)

Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

It was the year 1853 in Milan, Ohio. The Edisons were all ready to go on a family trip. Just as they were about to leave their house, they realised that their youngest was missing. They searched frantically for their six-year-old boy, Alva, who was probably hiding gleefully.

Suddenly, one of Alva's uncles had an idea. He ran out of the barn and found Alva sitting on a pile of straw. The little boy was trying to hatch a goose egg. He had seen a hen sitting on her eggs when some baby chicks came out. Now, he wanted to make a baby goose come out from the egg.

The Edisons were not surprised at all. They had three other children but their youngest, Alva, was the most inquisitive.

The world was very different when Thomas Alva Edison was a child. There was no electric light to see by, no recorded music to listen to and no movies to watch. It was Edison who made all these and much more possible, changing our lives forever. He firmly believed in inventions, ones that could make everyday life easier and comfortable. That is exactly what he had accomplished.

Thomas Alva Edison was, perhaps, the greatest inventor of his time.

Adapted from Who Was Thomas Alva Edison?

34 Which word has the same meaning as “desperately”? Circle either (A) or (B).
(2 marks)

They searched frantically for their six year old boy, Alva, who was probably hiding
(A)

gleefully.
(B)

For Q35-36, read the statement and tick ✓ “True” or “False”. Refer to the passage for information. An example has been done for you. (4 marks)

	Statement	True	False
Example	Alva was a six-year-old boy.	✓	
35	Alva wanted to hatch a chicken egg.		
36	Thomas Alva Edison had made our lives easier and comfortable.		

37. How was the world different when Thomas Alva Edison was a child?
(2 marks)

38 Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

From the story, we know that Alva was a/an _____ child. (2 marks)

	silly
	untidy
	curious

End of Booklet B



EXAM PAPER 2015

LEVEL : PRIMARY 3

SCHOOL : ANGLO CHINESE SCHOOL (JUNIOR)

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA1

Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4	Q 5	Q 6	Q 7	Q 8	Q 9	Q 10
3	2	2	2	3	4	2	1	4	3
Q 11	Q 12	Q 13	Q 14	Q 15	Q 16	Q 17	Q 18	Q 19	Q 20
4	4	1	1	1	C	F	D	B	E
Q 21	Q 22	Q 23							
F	C	D							

Q24 called Q25 unfortunately Q26 museum

Q27. Before Mrs Lim went to the shopping mall, she was at the bank.

Q28. We were very tired after the run but still helped to prepare lunch.

Q29. The two sisters vowed to marry two brothers so they could always live together.

Q30. The villagers were in fear of the pirates because of the Orang Laut or merciless pirates who robbed their farms and kidnapped young women to be their wives.

Q31. Thunderous

Q32. Linah ran home terrified because the pirate chief saw Linah and approached her immediately and said " I think I have finally found my bride!"

Q33. The pirate chief stormed into the house and brandished a dagger at the girl's uncle as he made known his wish to marry Linah. Her uncle had no choice but to give in.

Q34. Frantically Q35. FALSE Q36. TRUE

Q37. The world did not have electric light to see by, no recorded music to listen to and no movies to watch.

Q38. Curious