

KONG HWA SCHOOL
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT TWO 2008
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 3

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)
BOOKLET A

Total Time for Booklets A & B: 1 hour 30 minutes

Marks:

	Max Marks	Marks obtained
Booklet A (Section A-E)	30	
Booklet B (Section F-J)	34	
Total	64	

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

NAME : _____ ()

CLASS : PRIMARY 3 _____

DATE : 23 OCTOBER 2008

Section A: Grammar (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

1. We _____ pay attention when the teacher is teaching.
(1) need (2) ought
(3) might (4) should ()
2. James studies _____ for his examinations. He always does well in his examinations.
(1) briefly (2) instantly
(3) diligently (4) superficially ()
3. _____ the pot to boil on the stove. Then, pour the ingredients into the pot.
(1) Put (2) Make
(3) Turn (4) Switch ()
4. It has started to rain _____ Tommy continues to play soccer.
(1) if (2) unless
(3) but (4) because ()
5. "I am _____ my cousin in Australia tomorrow!" exclaimed Sarah.
(1) visit (2) visits
(3) visited (4) visiting ()
6. "What a _____ painting! Who drew it so well?" Mother asked.
(1) colour (2) colourful
(3) colourless (4) discoloured ()

Section B: Vocabulary (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

7. Mrs Lee _____ Jia Le for talking loudly in class.
(1) advised (2) scolded
(3) shouted (4) affirmed ()
8. John loves to play badminton. He enjoys playing _____ as well as doubles.
(1) casual (2) singles
(3) friendly (4) competitive ()
9. My ~~uncle~~ writes news articles for the Straits Times. He is a/an _____.
(1) author (2) broadcaster
(3) journalist (4) photographer ()
10. The ballerina wears a _____ whenever she dances ballet.
(1) tutu (2) dress
(3) jacket (4) jumpsuit ()
11. Paul jumped for _____ when he heard that he topped the class.
(1) joy (2) delight
(3) laughter (4) excitement ()
12. I _____ at the Hilton Hotel in Penang during the June holidays.
(1) lived (2) visited
(3) toured (4) stayed ()

Section C: Vocabulary Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

For each question from 13 to 16, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

Jane: Hello, may I speak to Tom, please?

Tom: This is Tom speaking. Who is this?

Jane: It's Jane. Will you be free this Saturday? I'm going to have a party at my house at 3 p.m. I would like you to join me at my party.

(13)

Tom: I will be occupied with my piano and tuition lessons from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Is it alright that I come later?

Jane: That's fine. I need your help to contact your uncle's daughter, Clara, to inform her about my party. I would like to invite her too but I don't have her telephone number.

(14)

Tom: No problem, I'll be happy to inform her. Would you like me to bring ice-cream and pudding for everyone? My dad owns a Minimart so it is convenient for me to bring these to your party.

(15)

(16)

Jane: That will be wonderful! Thank you very much. I'll see you this Saturday.

Tom: See you. Bye.

Jane: Bye.

13. (1) follow
(2) attend
(3) connect
(4) combine ()
14. (1) aunt
(2) sister
(3) niece
(4) cousin ()
15. (1) glad
(2) joyful
(3) jubilant
(4) excited ()
16. (1) dessert
(2) appetiser
(3) refreshments
(4) confectionery ()

Section D: Punctuation (4x 1 mark)

For each question from 17 to 20, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

Sandy has a pet dog called Snoopy which is very clever. She loves to play with Snoopy (17) They play "catch" every day.

"Snoopy! Catch the stick (18)" shouted Sandy. Snoopy happily ran to the stick and picked it up with its teeth.

One day, Snoopy was unwell. It wouldn't eat. "Why are you not eating your food (19) Sandy asked Snoopy.

Sandy took Snoopy to the veterinarian. He told Sandy that Snoopy would be well again after taking his medicine. "Give Snoopy a spoonful of this syrup three times a day and soon he will be well again (20) said the vet.

Snoopy recovered after a few days. Sandy was delighted to see Snoopy regain his appetite.

17. (1) [,] comma

(2) [.] full stop

(3) [?] question mark

(4) [!] exclamation mark

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18. (1) ["] inverted commas

(2) [,] comma

(3) [!] exclamation mark

(4) [?] question mark

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19. (1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(2) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas ()

20. (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(4) [."] full stop and inverted commas ()

Section E: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)

Read the advertisement carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Have a fun-filled time at Mighty Kids Mall!!!

Magic shows, colouring competitions, free balloons, free chocolates and more! There's a whole lot of excitement at Mighty Kids Mall this December holidays.

So, come on down for an incredible experience.

Magic shows

3 p.m. every day

Let the great Bosno, the magician, enchant you with his tricks.

Free chocolates

Chocolate lovers are in for a treat. Enjoy free sampling of a great variety of chocolates sold in the mall. There are chocolates from Austria, Belgium, England, France and Switzerland.

Guess the number of boxes

The person who guesses correctly the number of boxes in the Volkswagen will win the car!



Colouring competitions

1 p.m. every day

Kids below 12 years old are invited to participate in a colouring contest. The winner will walk away with a Canon digital camera worth \$699.

Free balloons

The person spotted with a gold coloured balloon will win a mystery prize.



Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval in the OAS.

21. There are _____ attractions at the mall.

(1) two

(2) three

(3) four

(4) five

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22. The car mentioned in the advertisement is a _____.

(1) Bosno

(2) Canon

(3) Mighty

(4) Volkswagen

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23. How does a customer at the mall win a mystery prize? A customer at the mall will win a mystery prize if he/she _____.

(1) owns a digital camera

(2) holds a gold coloured balloon

(3) participates in the magic show

(4) wins the colouring competition

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24. Which word in the advertisement has the same meaning as "take part"? The word is "_____".

(1) invited

(2) enchant

(3) sampling

(4) participate

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25. Which of the following statements is true?

- (1) The free chocolates are from Europe.
- (2) All children can take part in the colouring contest.
- (3) There are more than one magic show every day.
- (4) Mighty Kids Mall is filled with excitement this June holidays.

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End of Booklet A

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Section F: Vocabulary Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose from the words given in the box and fill in each blank with the correct word. Write its letter (A to K) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted to avoid confusion.

Use each letter once only. No marks will be awarded for repeated answers.

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) mystery	(B) clues	(C) jacket	(D) binoculars	(E) voice
(F) seats	(G) detective	(H) gloves	(J) walkie-talkie	(K) famous

David was very excited. His father was going to take him to watch a movie about the (26) _____ Sherlock Holmes. David had read many books about him.

The day arrived. David's father had booked two of the best (27) _____ in the cinema. When the movie started, David was glued to the big screen, watching every move Sherlock Holmes make.

Sherlock Holmes would use a pair of (28) _____ to keep a close watch on the suspect. When the suspect left the house, he would enter the suspect's house to look for (29) _____. He would wear his (30) _____ before he began his search. When he was done, he would record his findings on his (31) _____ recorder. In the end, he would solve the

(32) _____.

When the movie ended, David told his father that he wanted to be a great (33) _____ like Sherlock Holmes when he grows up. He was David's hero.

Section G: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

PASSAGE 1

Read the passage carefully. Choose from the words given in the box and fill in each blank with the correct word. Write its letter (A to E) in each blank.

Use each letter once only. No marks will be awarded for repeated answers.

USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY

(A) swim	(B) swam	(C) swims	(D) swimming	(E) swum
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Muthu has a favourite hobby. He loves (34) _____. Every Sunday, he (35) _____ in the pool near his house. He has (36) _____ for many years.

Last month, he participated in a national competition and won a gold medal. He (37) _____ a total of one kilometre during the competition. Muthu hopes to represent Singapore in the Olympics in 2012.

PASSAGE 2

Read the passage carefully. Choose from the words given in the box and fill in each blank with the correct word. Write its letter (F to K) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted to avoid confusion.

Use each letter once only. No marks will be awarded for repeated answers.

USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY

(F) at	(G) for	(H) in	(J) on	(K) with
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Daniel and Ali are best friends. They live (38) _____ the same housing estate. Daniel waits (39) _____ the school gate for Ali every day. During recess, they always play the game "Ice and Water" (40) _____ their classmates.

When they are at home, they never fail to telephone one another. They would talk (41) _____ a long time. Their parents have to remind them to end their conversation every time.

Section H: Comprehension Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

Fill in each blank with an appropriate word of your own.

Penguins are birds with black and white feathers and a funny waddle.

Unlike most birds, penguins are not able to (42) _____. Penguins spend as much as 75% of their time underwater, (43) _____ for food in the ocean. When they are (44) _____ the water, they dive and flap their wings. It looks just like they are flying!

The body of the penguin is shaped like a torpedo. Its body is adapted (45) _____ swimming. Penguins have been observed to reach speeds of 14.4 km per hour.

Sources: www.kidzone.ws/animals/penguins/facts1.htm

& www.seaworld.org/infobooks/Penguins/adaptations.html

Section I: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (4 x 1 marks)

For each question from 46 to 49, correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

Reviewer: Thomas Lai

Author: Adeline Cruz

Title: Diligence

Main: Zino & Mr Lim
characters

(46)

Plot: Zino was a poor, **illiterat** boy who became an educated and

wealthy man. This did not happen just by luck. Mr Lim

(47)

had watch and observed Zino. He found in Zino a lot of

(48)

good **qualites**. ~~That~~ was why he chose to educate Zino and

leave his wealth to him when he died.

Zino was honest and **hardworking**. With Mr Lim's help, he

(49)

was able to better himself but próvide for his widowed

mother.

Comments: I really enjoyed the story. I liked Mr Lim as he was a kind and selfless man. I learnt to be diligent in what I do.

Rating: 4/5

Source: Diligence by Adeline Cruz

Section J: Comprehension (5 x 2 marks)

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

Long ago, there lived a poor rubber tapper called Farid. His parents died when he was young and he had a younger sister who lived with him.

The siblings lived in a small hut near a rubber plantation. Early every morning, Farid would leave his hut to work in the plantation. His sister, Siti, was always worried for his safety. She would say, "Brother, please be careful when you are in the plantation as there are many ferocious animals."

While Farid was working one morning, he heard a growl behind him. Trembling with fear, he turned round. To his horror, he came face to face with a tiger. The tiger was lying down and motionless.

At first, Farid wanted to run for his safety but soon he realised that the tiger was in great pain. Farid decided to stay and help the tiger. "Mr Tiger, looks like a large, sharp thorn has cut into your paw. Can I help you to remove it?" asked Farid.

"Alright, but don't try to harm me or I'll tear you apart," it growled.

Farid gingerly approached the tiger and removed the thorn. Then, he cleaned and bound the tiger's wound. The tiger felt better and thanked Farid. From that day onwards, Farid and the tiger became good friends.

Source: The dishonest servant & Abu and the tiger by Norhasidah Ishak/Irene Manickam/Lily Tay

All ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES

50. What did Farid work as?

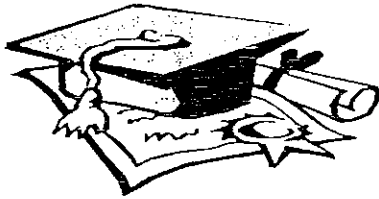
51. Which three-word phrase tells you that Farid was an orphan?

52. What does the word "it" in paragraph 4 refer to?

53. How was the tiger injured?

54. Do you think Farid should help the tiger? Why?

End of Paper



ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2008

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Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34
3	3	3	4	4	2	4	1	K	F	D	B	H	E	A	G	D

Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40	Q41
C	E	B	H	F	K	G

- 42)fly 43)searching 44)above 45)for 46)illiterate
- 47)watched 48)qualities 49)and
- 50)Fand worked as a rubber tapper.
- 51)The phrase is "his parents died."
- 52)'It' refers to the large sharp thorn.
- 53)A sharp thorn had cut into the tiger's paw.
- 54)Yes. I think so. He would do a good deed.