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CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



Primary 3

2009 Semestral Assessment 2

25 September, 2009

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

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

Instructions to Candidates:

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Booklet A	30
Booklet B	35
Total	65

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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.

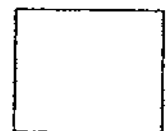
1. The heavy rain caused the **river** to _____ into **the sea**.
(1) overgrow (3) overflow
(2) overthrow (4) overlap

2. This _____ of **cup** was given to me by my late grandmother. If you look carefully, the design on every cup is unique.
(1) set (3) map
(2) piece (4) collection

3. My mother was my _____ when I first started playing tennis. She taught me many things about the game.
(1) gang (3) player
(2) coach (4) recruit

4. Cindy was so _____ in her book that she did not even notice the teacher coming into the classroom.
(1) addicted (3) engrossed
(2) impressed (4) fascinated

5. Jamie has a _____ for savoury snacks. She will probably have a curry puff rather than a muffin for tea.
(1) taste (3) choice
(2) favourite (4) preference



6. After the morning assembly, the principal _____ the whole school and urged everyone to donate generously to the school building fund.
- (1) addressed (3) lectured
(2) disciplined (4) reprimanded
7. Dr Seet is as wise as _____. You may ask him for advice on any matter.
- (1) Zeus (3) Hercules
(2) Venus (4) Solomon
8. We spent the whole day at the _____, taking pictures and looking for more information about all the different species of birds.
- (1) aviary (3) arsenal
(2) abattoir (4) aquarium
9. The hikers ran off when they heard the _____ of the wolf coming from inside the cave.
- (1) howling (3) bawling
(2) screaming (4) murmuring
10. The brakes _____ when the driver stepped on them suddenly to avoid hitting the boy.
- (1) rattled (3) wheezed
(2) clattered (4) screeched



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. "Who painted _____ dolls? They look so real," Tom said as he held one of them in his hand.
- (1) this (3) these
(2) that (4) those
12. Rei ~~was~~ so nervous that her voice trembled as she _____ on stage.
- (1) speak (3) spoke
(2) speaking (4) spoken
13. The aeroplane _____ an hour later because of the bad weather conditions.
- (1) took in (3) took off
(2) took up (4) took on
14. The chef and his assistant _____ the ingredients for the cake right now.
- (1) are preparing (3) has prepared
(2) was preparing (4) were preparing
15. Meena completed her homework _____ an hour.
- (1) behind (3) among
(2) within (4) around



16. Maria has been playing the flute _____ she was seven years old.
(1) after (3) since
(2) when (4) unless
17. " _____ did the terrorists destroy the World Trade Centre in New York?" asked the little girl.
(1) Why (3) Which
(2) What (4) Where
18. My aunt _____ to work daily because her office is very near to her home.
(1) walk (3) walks
(2) walked (4) walking
19. "The file that was used to put my worksheets and booklets has gone missing. I cannot find _____ anywhere!" Mary cried.
(1) it (3) him
(2) her (4) them
20. This room is _____ than the other rooms in the building because the air-conditioning unit is under repair.
(1) warm (3) warmth
(2) warmer (4) warmest



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

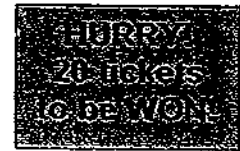
Study the advertisement below carefully and answer the questions that follow in the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

The Great Singapore Food Festival

From 1 May to 30 June 2009

The Great Singapore Food Festival is here again. Dine at any participating restaurants and stand a chance to win attractive prizes.

Every \$50 spent at any participating restaurant will entitle you to a chance of winning a trip to Hong Kong. Lucky draw entries on 30 June will not be accepted.



List of participating Food and Beverage Merchants

Italiano Pizzeria

20% off on all a la carte dishes
This offer is not valid from 12 noon to 3pm



Chat over Coffee

Get a slice of our 'Cake of the Day' for just \$1 with every order of our in-house coffee brew. Valid for dine-in customers only



Dim Sum Palace

Savour authentic Cantonese snacks prepared by well-known Chef Gan from Hong Kong. Every 100th customer will receive an invitation to Chef Gan's live culinary show.



A Thai Affair

Order the set menu of the day and receive a complimentary Thai dessert worth \$15. Valid on weekdays only



21. Mrs Lee will be able to participate in the Great Singapore Food Festival lucky draw if she dines at any of the participating restaurants on _____.
- (1) 1 April 2009
 - (2) 31 May 2009
 - (3) 30 June 2009
 - (4) 1 July 2009
22. There are _____ participating merchants in the Great Singapore Food Festival.
- (1) one
 - (2) two
 - (3) three
 - (4) four
23. Mrs Fong loves to watch cooking programmes so she would be most keen to dine at _____.
- (1) A Thai Affair
 - (2) Italiano Pizzeria
 - (3) Dim Sum Palace
 - (4) Chat over Coffee
24. Mrs De Sousa spent \$100 at **Dim Sum Palace** on 30 May 2009. She was entitled to _____ chance(s) of winning the trip to Hong Kong.
- (1) 0
 - (2) 1
 - (3) 2
 - (4) 3
25. Which of the following statements is true?
- (1) You can receive a free Thai dessert if you spend \$15 at **A Thai Affair**.
 - (2) It is more worthwhile to have dinner than to have lunch at the **Italiano Pizzeria**.
 - (3) **Dim Sum Palace** will be giving out 100 invitations to Chef Gan's cooking show.
 - (4) You can have a cup of in-house coffee brew and a slice of the 'Cake of the Day' in **Chat over Coffee** for just \$1.



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.

It might not seem possible that drawing farm animals could lead to fame and fortune. For Walt Disney, it did. Walt spent much of his childhood on a farm. He had to help feed and care for the animals. He liked to watch them and play with them. He even named the animals. They would come when he called. A hen named Martha would even lay an egg right in his hand.

When Walt was six years old, he wanted to draw a pig named Porky. However, his family was very poor and he did not have any paper to draw on. He dipped a brush into a bucket of tar and drew the pig on the side of the house. He was rebuked by his father for it. After that, he drew on toilet paper. His aunt bought him paper when she found out how well he could draw. By the time he was seven years old, Walt's knack for drawing began to take shape as he started to sell small sketches and drawings to nearby neighbours.

Walt continued to develop and flourish in his talent for drawing when he grew up. He started to draw animals for animated cartoons. He went further to produce short animated cartoons. The first animated cartoons produced by Walt had characters drawn in black and white. Walt added vibrant colours to the otherwise dull images, creating animated cartoons that thrive with feelings and life. Walt then went on to add music and sound to the cartoons. The first cartoon animation with sound was Steamboat Willie. It starred a talking and singing mouse. This mouse was later named Mickey Mouse. Mickey Mouse went on to become one of the best-loved animal characters ever created.

Walt created many famous cartoon characters throughout his career, but none surpassed the legendary Mickey Mouse. Mickey was created in 1928 but till today, he continues to hold a special place in the heart of everyone.

26. The phrase "fame and fortune" means _____
- (1) stardom and luck
 - (2) popularity and luck
 - (3) stardom and riches
 - (4) popularity and poverty
27. Walt Disney enjoyed drawing _____ animals when he was young.
- (1) zoo
 - (2) farm
 - (3) forest
 - (4) ocean
28. Why was Walt's father angry with him?
- (1) Walt drew on toilet paper.
 - (2) Walt painted tar on the pig.
 - (3) Walt drew on the side of the house.
 - (4) Walt wasted his time drawing all day.
29. What does the word 'It' in the third paragraph refer to?
- (1) Porky
 - (2) Walt Disney
 - (3) Mickey Mouse
 - (4) Steamboat Willie
30. Which of the following statements is **NOT** true?
- (1) Walt created Mickey Mouse.
 - (2) Walt's aunt bought toilet paper for him to draw on.
 - (3) Walt Disney sold his drawings to his neighbours when he was young.
 - (4) Walt's cartoons were special because they had colour, music and actions.

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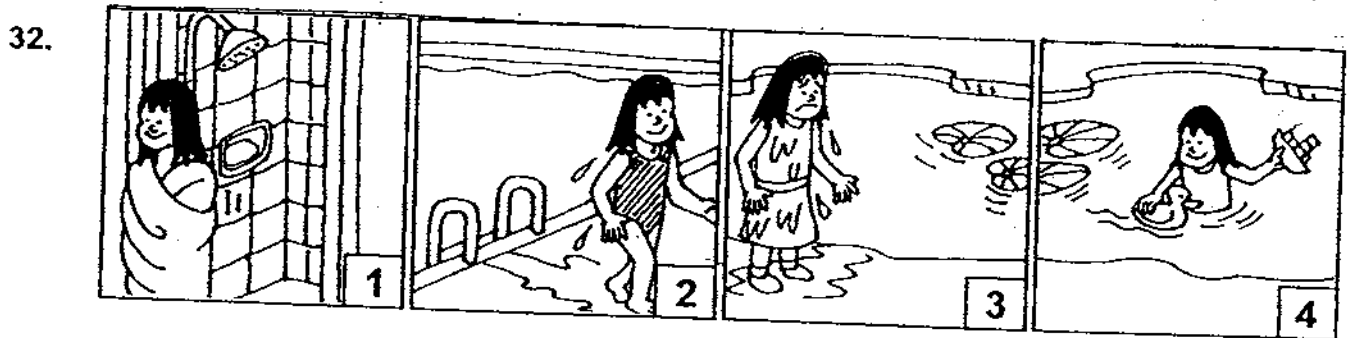
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Section E : Picture Matching (3 x 1 mark)

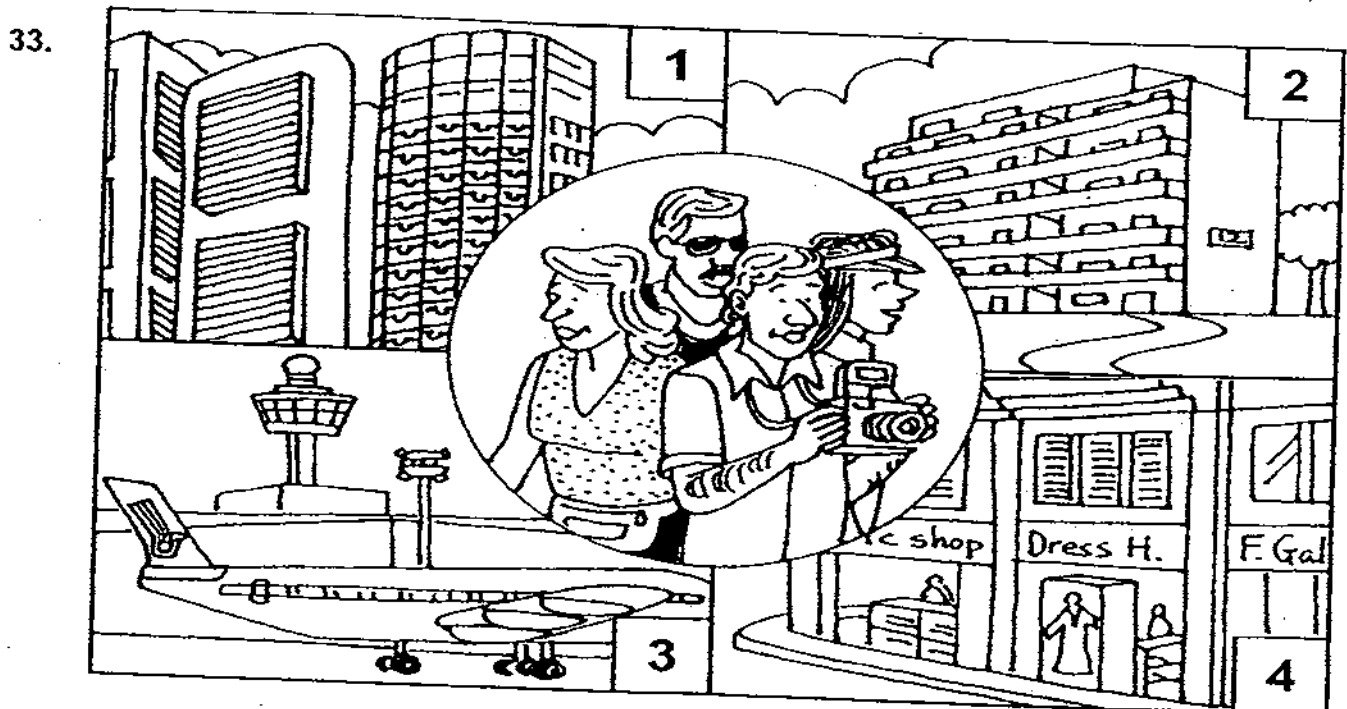
Your teacher is going to read a statement for each question from 31 – 33. Listen to the statement and look at the picture carefully. Choose the picture that best matches the statement read and **write its number 1, 2, 3 or 4** in the brackets provided.



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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 or a phrase.

<p>Q34. The concert is held to celebrate : _____ Day</p> <p>Q35. Concert venue : _____</p> <p>Q36. Concert will end at : _____</p> <p>Q37. Carnival will be held at : _____</p>

Section G : Dictation (5 x 1 mark)

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

Q38.

Last Friday, our school celebrated Teachers' Day.

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.

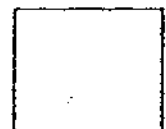
(A) measured	(C) compared	(E) preventing	(G) extra
(B) decreased	(D) increased	(F) enough	(H) allowing

In the 1980s, a scientist did a project to measure how strong the sunlight over Israel was. He had done the same test twenty years before. When he (39) _____ the results of his (two tests), he was shocked to discover that Israel was getting much _____ it had received before. Further research showed that the amount of sunlight reaching the different parts of the earth had (40) _____ over the years. Scientists called this "global dimming".

Global dimming is caused by air pollution. Man-made particles such as sulphur dioxide, soot and air float in the air like a _____ of our planet, (41) _____ some of the sun's rays (from passing through).

Not letting a lot of the sunlight through might sound like a good idea on a very hot day. However, scientists have discovered that global dimming has harmful effects. Less sunlight means that plants cannot grow well. Because of this _____ and there may come a day when countries will _____ able to grow (42) _____ food to feed all their people. This will lead to serious consequences.

(adapted from What's Up, July 2009)



Section I: Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

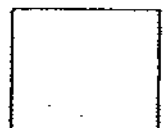
Read the following passage carefully. Choose the correct answer from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. Use each word ONCE only.

(A) collect	(C) collected	(E) collection
(B) collects	(D) collecting	(F) have collected

I love to collect little things like matchbox covers, buttons, badges and stickers. Most of all, I enjoy collecting stamps. Stamps are miniature works of art. Over the years, I (43) _____ stamps from many parts of the world. Every single stamp that I have is unique. I do not enjoy writing and receiving e-mails. I prefer letters as I can keep the stamps on the envelopes.

I have about one hundred stamps now, but I will continue to (44) _____ many more as I hope to have a larger stamp (45) _____ than my brother. He has two hundred and sixty stamps. I am sure that I will have more by the end of this year.

Yesterday, Miss Lim, my English teacher at school taught us a new word, "philately", during our English lesson. The word "philately" refers to "the activity of (46) _____ stamps for pleasure". I hope to be a well-known philatelist when I grow up.



Section J: Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

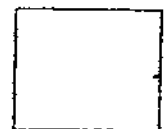
Read the following passage carefully. Write **ONE** suitable word for each blank.

Chopsticks are an important part of Asian culture. Their popularity and widespread use across Asia have a long and rich history. Chopsticks come in (47) _____ forms, from the golden ones engraved with calligraphy to the modern day disposable wooden ones.

The first chopsticks were developed in China over 5000 years ago. Early Asian man would take his food from the fire using sticks or (48) _____ broken from _____ These sticks gradually became chopsticks.

It has been said that using chopsticks improves memory and increases finger dexterity. It can also be (49) _____ in learning and improving skills such as Chinese character writing and brush painting.

Many Asian superstitions revolve (50) _____ chopsticks as well. If you find an uneven pair of chopsticks at your table setting, it usually means that you will miss the next boat, train or plane you are trying to catch. In addition, dropping your chopsticks is a (51) _____ of bad luck. Hold tightly to your chopsticks!



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

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

There once lived an ~~evil king~~ called Saron, who was hated by all. Under his rule, ~~the~~ ^{being}

~~kingdom was a dark and gloomy place. The king was a cruel and selfish man.~~

~~king~~ One day, he threw a young man, Frodo, into prison for a misdeed. A date was set for Frodo to be executed.

~~king~~ ^{allow} ~~him to go home.~~

~~king~~ His home was far away, but he promised to return on time for his execution. The king believed that Frodo was out to escape and refused to accede to his request.

~~Bruno, Frodo's good friend,~~ heard about this and went to see Saron. Bruno offered to die for his friend if he did not return. Saron found this hard to believe. However, he agreed to let Frodo go, but not until he had Bruno securely tied up.

The day of Frodo's execution drew near and yet Frodo had not returned. ~~king~~ ^{Bruno's}

~~king~~ ^{was so} He was confident that his friend would not fail him. On the day of the execution, Bruno was all ready to give up his life for Frodo. A large crowd had gathered to watch the execution. Just as the executioner was about to bring the sword down, he heard a loud cry, "Frodo has come!" True enough, Frodo had arrived. He had been ~~delayed~~ by a storm on his way back. ~~The~~

~~king~~ ^{was beyond} Saron was so ~~deeply~~ ^{deeply} ~~troubled~~ ^{troubled} ~~that~~ ^{that} ~~he~~ ^{he} ~~immediately~~ ^{immediately} ~~pardoned~~ ^{pardoned} ~~Frodo~~ ^{Frodo}

~~king~~ A loud cheer arose from the crowd. ^{immediately.}

52. In what way was Saron evil?

53. What was _____ Saron before his execution?

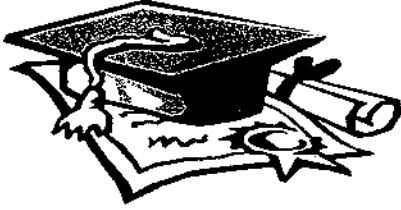
54. _____ were _____ when Frodo _____?

55. _____ made Saron decide to free Frodo _____ ^{end?}

56. Which word in the passage means _____ ?



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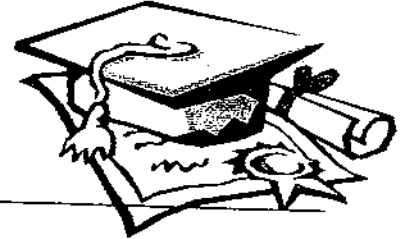


ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2009

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
3	1	2	3	4	1	4	1	1	4	3	3	3	1	2	3	1

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33
3	1	2	2	4	3	3	2	3	2	3	4	2	4	3	1

34)Children's 35)Hall 36)9 in the morning 37)School Field

39)C 40)B 41)E 42)F 43)F 44)A 45)E 46)D

47)different 48)twigs 49)useful 50)around 51)sign

52)He would not pardon anyone who had committed petty crimes and offenders were often sentenced to death by him.

53)His request was to go home to bid farewell to his parent and friends.

54)They were worried that Bruno would have to die when Frodo did not return.

55)Saron was touched by the loyalty between the two friends.

56)The word is "delayed".