

METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL

Founded in 1887



CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 2011 PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH LANGUAGE

(BOOKLET A)

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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Answer all questions.

Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS)
Provided.

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary 5. _____

Date: 23 February 2011

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Study the following brochure and then answer questions 1 to 5

DISCOVERY HOLIDAY CAMPS

Learn Science the Fun Way

Main Campus : Parry Park Primary School

Camp Details

Cost : \$350 per child for a 5-day Discovery Camp

The cost includes : Camp workbook / sheets, Discovery camp T shirt and bag, lunches, morning and afternoon teas, transport and entry fees for all excursions.

Cost of transport is an additional \$30 per child

Pick-up & Drop-off Locations :

- Void deck of Blk 515, Jurong West St 52
- Jurong Regional Library
- Bukit Timah Neighbour Police Post at Blk 1 Toh Yi Drive

Programmes at the Main Campus :

S-1 : Sensing Science , S-2 : Yippee!! Science

A-3 : Fun-tastic Science, A-4 : Incredible Science

B-5 : Maestro Science

	S1	S2	A3	A4	B5
22 Nov – 26 Nov	Not Available	☺	Class Full	Class Full	☺
29 Nov – 03 Dec	☺	☺	☺	☺	Not Available
06 Dec – 10 Dec	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
13 Dec – 17 Dec	☺	Not Available	☺	☺	☺

About Discovery Holiday Camps

Children can and do love Science – that is what we in Discovery Holiday Camps (DHC) earnestly believe in and our activities, projects, visits and lessons are developed to help children love Science. It is an established fact that when children love a subject, they will do excellently in it.

We work with children from ages 6 to 12, placed in 3 different Class Sets : "S" Programs for the P1 children; "A" Programs for the P2s and P3s and "B" Programs for the P4s to P6s.

Discovery Holiday Camps is run by my own company "Science Consultants Pte Ltd" under my personal direction. My partners are Science graduate managers and our classes are taught by trained teachers assisted by trained Science Camp leaders. DHC is all about kids learning Science in a fun and enjoyable way.

Dr Esther Lee

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For each question from 1 to 5, 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. (5 marks)

1 The aim of the Discovery Holiday Camp is to _____.

- (1) enable the children to excel in all subjects
- (2) keep the children occupied during their vacation
- (3) allow children from Primary 1 to 6 to get together
- (4) let the children discover Science in a fun and enjoyable way

2 The cost of the camp does not include _____.

- (1) meals
- (2) camp T-shirt
- (3) notes and materials
- (4) transport from home to campus

3 The organiser for the Discovery Holiday Camp is _____.

- (1) Dr Esther Lee
- (2) Jurong Regional Library
- (3) Parry Park Primary School
- (4) Science Consultants Pte Ltd

4 How many sessions are conducted during the period of November and December at the main campus?

- (1) 5
- (2) 15
- (3) 17
- (4) 20

5 The classes for the Discovery Holiday Camps are conducted by _____.

- (1) Dr Esther Lee
- (2) trained teachers
- (3) Science graduate managers
- (4) teachers of Parry Primary School

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For each question from 6 to 12, 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 marks)

- 6 Sally ~~saw~~ the mischievous boy _____ the stray dog in the back lane.
- (1) kick
 - (2) kicks
 - (3) kicked
 - (4) was kicking
- 7 A file containing important documents _____ missing now.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were
- 8 Mr Tan remembers _____ of them even though they have been to his home before.
- (1) both
 - (2) each
 - (3) either
 - (4) neither
- 9 After much deliberation, the judge gave a verdict _____ the guilty party.
- (1) at
 - (2) by
 - (3) on
 - (4) with
- 10 My classmate has invited my sister and _____ to her birthday party at the club.
- (1) I
 - (2) us
 - (3) we
 - (4) me
- 11 _____ it was raining, my brother insisted on going for a jog round the estate.
- (1) As
 - (2) Since
 - (3) When
 - (4) Though

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12 "Has anyone in the class ever _____ a kite ~~X~~ before?" Mrs Lim asked her students.

- (1) fly
- (2) flies
- (3) flew
- (4) flown

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

Miss Hughes opened the attendance register and called their names in turn. When she came to the last name on the list (13) John Young, she noticed that the boy had been absent for over a month.

Q What's the matter with John Young, (14) she asked, looking up.

"He's in the hospital, Miss Hughes," said a fair-haired girl in the front row. (15) He's broken his leg."

- 13
- (1) [.] comma
 - (2) [.] full stop
 - (3) [-] dash
 - (4) [:] colon

- 14
- (1) [.] full stop
 - (2) [?] question mark
 - (3) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
 - (4) [? "] question mark and inverted commas

- 15
- (1) [.] comma
 - (2) [.] full stop
 - (3) [, "] comma and inverted commas
 - (4) [. "] full stop and inverted commas

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For each question from 16 to 20, 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. (5 marks)

- 16 It is difficult to _____ the flavour of the chicken if you cook it that way.
- keep
 retain
 preserve
 maintain
- 17 The badly injured victim of the gang attack _____ along the pavement and finally collapsed on the ground.
- (1) sashayed
(2) sauntered
(3) staggered
(4) scampered
- 18 The unfortunate old man was _____ with an incurable disease.
- (1) affected
(2) inflicted
(3) afflicted
(4) contaminated
- 19 Young children should take up gymnastics as they are more _____.
- brittle
 fragile
 elastic
 supple
- 20 _____ the meaning of the word in the dictionary if you are not sure.
- (1) Look at
(2) Look up
(3) Look into
(4) Look through

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For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

All of us enjoy reading a good novel. In some novels, we are enthralled by the story; in others we are absorbed in the characters. In the world of novels we meet all kinds of imaginary people from all kinds of interesting places. (21)

How exciting it is to read a book like *Space Demons* and enter the world of the computer and play a deadly combat with the sinister space demons. How horrifying it is to be teleported sixty years into the past in Hans Peter Richter's novel *Friedrich* and experience through the suffering of Friedrich, the persecution of the Jews in Nazi Germany. (22) (23) (24)

When we read a novel we share the emotions, thoughts and actions of its characters. We identify with them as they struggle to conquer their problems. (25)

- 21 1 inspired
 2 bewitched
 3 captivated
 4 entertained
- 22 1 fortifying
 2 exhilarating
 3 breathtaking
 4 awe-inspiring
- 23 1 evil
 2 crude
 3 powerful
 4 frightening
- 24 1 carted
 2 carried
 3 relocated
 4 transported
- 25 1 overlook
 2 overcome
 3 overpower
 4 overwhelm

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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Half an hour before daybreak, three of the boys assembled, as they had agreed a week ago, near the old bridge. The fourth, a young acquaintance by the name of Tolly, had not turned up. His absence did not greatly surprise the others. They knew that his mother did not want him to come on this expedition into the forest. 5

Charles, who was the oldest and their accepted leader, waded downstream to the place where their boat was tied up in the shelter of some overhanging bushes. Then he rowed the boat back to the shallow water near the bridge, where the boys loaded it with the provisions, blankets and other things which they were taking on their journey. 10

Dawn was just breaking as they climbed into their boat and pushed off from the bank. A swift current carried them downstream, so there was no need to row. They took turns to keep the boat in the centre of the river. Three hours later, they entered the forest where they intended to spend the next few days.

"Let's go ashore now and make some tea," suggested Charles. "No one will see us here." 15

It was forbidden to light fires in the forest, but people rarely went into it.

While Charles tied the boat up, the other two boys set about gathering wood for a fire. When they came back, each with a large handful of sticks, they found Charles looking very worried. 20

"We haven't got any matches," he announced gloomily. "Tolly was going to bring them."

This was bad news. They were miles away now from the nearest store.

For each question from 26 to 30, 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. (5 marks)

26 Tolly's absence did not surprise the boys because _____.

- (1) they were not close to him
- (2) he was too young to go on an expedition
- (3) they knew his mother had not allowed him to go
- (4) the expedition in the forest was too dangerous for him

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- 27 The boys had loaded the boat with provisions, blankets and other things because _____.
- (1) it was very cold in the forest
 - (2) they were running away from home
 - (3) the nearest store was miles away from the forest
 - (4) they had intended to spend a few days in the forest
- 28 The boys did not have to row the boat because _____.
- (1) they had given the boat a strong push
 - (2) they had plenty of time to get to the forest
 - (3) they kept their boat in the centre of the river
 - (4) the river carried their boat along quite easily
- 29 In line 22, Charles was "worried" as _____.
- (1) the store was too far
 - (2) his friends took a long time to return
 - (3) it was forbidden to light fires in the forest
 - (4) he realised they would not be able to start a fire
- 30 According to the passage, which one of the following statements is true?
- ~~(1)~~ The forest was secluded as no one went there.
 - (2) The boys started their journey late in the morning.
 - ~~(3)~~ Charles was made the leader as he was the strongest.
 - (4) It was a last minute decision by the boys to go on the trip.

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(BOOKLET B)

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Write your answers in this booklet.

Name: _____ ()

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Booklet B	/ 65
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There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, 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 during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) across	(B) away	(G) for	(K) it	(N) to
(E) along	(E) between	(H) from	(L) its	(P) who
(C) and	(F) down	(J) her	(M) them	(Q) with

When the man with the gun held it up in the air, the loud speakers in the grandstand boomed. It was different _____ yesterday when no one seemed to care that a race was being run. Like all the other races, the girls walked up to the line and crouched _____ Everything, everyone was quiet _____ still. Then "Bang!" and it all changed to noise and movement. Watching _____ come towards us, it was hard to tell _____ was leading. Soon, they came closer and _____ was easier to judge across the whole track. Gracey had broken _____ from the girls closest to _____ just like Tanya, her best friend, had done. It was _____ the two girls for the win. I heard my own voice shouting out along _____ my Mother and Raymond, my brother.

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Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

(41)

Lions are handsome and powerful cats. The male lion's rich thick **mein** makes it both

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beutefull and fierce-looking and very often, it is viewed as a great hunter and **protekte**.

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However, this is not the case. Female lions does most of the hunting, while male lions rest or

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slept up to twenty hours a day. The so-called "king" is actually a sluggish monarch most of the time.

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These meat-eaters often fed on fresh kill that they bring down. However, some lions

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are outright **theifs**. They steal meat from other **pridaters** to save themselves the effort of

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hunting. That does not seems like noble behaviour at all. In fact, once the female lions have

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make their kill, the ~~male~~ lions chase the ~~female~~ lions away, so that they can take the finest morsels for themselves.

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

After Maria Montessori had completed her primary education, she made her first important decision that changed her course of life. She decided to _____ her education. Most girls from middle class had chosen to _____ at home, though some attended private schools and there, they _____ sewing, music and art. However, this sort of learning did not _____ Maria. She wanted to go on with her education _____ a serious way. That meant attending public high school, something that very few girls did in Italy at that time.

Maths and Science were the _____ that interested her most. However, before she could sign up, she had to ~~win~~ _____ her father's _____. This she finally did _____ her mother's help, though for many years after, her father continued to oppose to her plans.

Everyone predicted that Maria would _____; but instead she succeeded brilliantly. She proved, with her high marks in Math and Science, that _____ too could think about complex subjects. For a while, Maria wanted to be an engineer, _____ many of her male school classmates, but by the time she finished school, she had _____ her mind. She had become interested in biology and she wanted to study _____. It did not matter to her that _____ woman in Italy had ever studied medicine before.

In university, she received _____ grades than many of her male counterparts. Her professors were impressed by Maria's ability and her intelligence. In 1896, Maria became the first woman doctor in the country.

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For each of the questions 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 Salt was added to the chicken soup. Soya sauce was also added to the chicken soup.

Both _____

67 The pen cannot be used to write. The pencil cannot be used to write as well.

Neither _____

68 All of John's books are old.

None _____

69 "Is this your car?" the police officer asked Father.

The police officer _____

70 The latest Batman movie did not receive good reviews. I watched the movie.

_____ although

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

A hunter arrived carrying a small basket in which nestled a fat and beautiful Gaboon Viper. The skin of these plump snakes is covered with the most intricate and colourful pattern, and having purchased it, I carried it in for John to admire. The reptile had recently shed its skin, so the colours glowed with life, a lovely patchwork of pink, red, fawn, silver and chocolate. John admired it, but implored me to keep it safely locked up. 5

"It's deadly," he commented. "Well, for goodness sake, keep it safe in its cage...remember the water snakes? We don't want a repetition of that."

"Don't worry. I'm having a special cage built for it."

So the special cage was built, and the sluggish and deadly viper was placed inside. All would have been well if it had not been for the thunderstorm. This broke with unusual force just as I was having my bath, and remembering that the reptile cages were piled out in the open, I yelled to the animal staff to bring them in. If the cages got damp, the wood would warp and no matter how small a crack, a snake could squeeze through if it wanted to. The cages were rushed inside and piled up near the monkeys. This proved to be my undoing. 10 15

John was seated near the table, in his pyjamas. He was busy cutting some old fruit tins to make into water pots for the birds. He was totally absorbed in his work. I was just coming out of the toilet when I saw something move in the shadows beneath his chair. There on the floor, about six inches away from John's inadequately slipped feet, lay the Gaboon Viper. I had always believed, judging by what I had read and was told, that at moments like this, one should speak quietly to the victim, thus avoiding panic and sudden movement. 20

"Keep quite still, the Gaboon Viper is under your chair."

Looking back, I feel that I should have left out any reference to the snake in my request, as my remark had an extraordinary and arresting effect on my companion. He left the chair with a speed and suddenness that was startling. The tin can, the hammer and the tin cutters went flying in various parts of the hut. The Gaboon Viper, startled by all this activity, shot out from under the chair and wiggled determinedly towards the back of the monkey cages. I headed him off, and after a few tense minutes, got him entangled in the folds of a butterfly net which I then carried him and dumped him in his cage. I saw then the reason for his escape; the reptiles had been stacked too close to the monkeys, and a female Drill* had amused herself by putting her paws through the bars and undoing all the cages she could reach. The first one, as always happens, belonged to the Gaboon Viper. John said little, but it was terse and to the point. I agreed with him wholeheartedly for should the snake have bitten him, he would not have survived. 25 30 35

Adapted from The Overloaded Ark by Gerald Durrell

* Drill – a dark brown baboon

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 Which word in paragraph 1 (has) the same meaning as "snuggled"?

72 What (had) caused the colours of the viper to glow with life?

73 Give two reasons why John (wanted) the Gaboon Viper to be "safely locked up" (line 6) ?

74 Why (did) the narrator not want to leave the animal cages in the rain?

75 Which sentence from lines 13 -21 best (suggests) that the narrator blamed himself for the viper's escape?

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76 Explain clearly why John was unaware that the viper had escaped.

77 Why do you think the narrator refers to John as "the victim" (line 23) ?

78 What was John's reaction when he realised that the viper was under his chair?

79 Why had the viper been able to get out of its cage?

80 "John said little but was terse and to the point." (line 35-36) Why do you think John reacted in this way?

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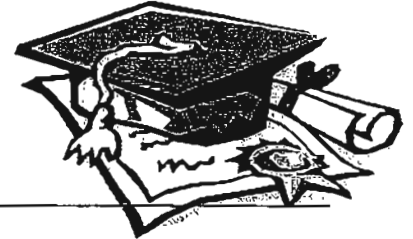


ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2011

**SCHOOL : MGS PRIMARY
SUBJECT : PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH**

TERM : CA1



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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
P	K	D	J	E	Q

- 41)mane 42)beautiful 43)protector 44)do 45)sleep
46)feed 47)thieves 48)predators 49)seem 50)made
51)continue 52)stay 53)learnt 54)interest 55)in
56)subjects 57)favour 58)with 59)fail 60)she
61)like 62)changed 63)medicine 64)no 65)higher

66)Both salt and Soya sauce were added to the chicken soup.

67)Neither the pen nor the pencil can be used to write.

68)None of John's book is news.

69)The police officer asked Father if what was his car.

70)I watched the latest Batman movie although it did not receive good reviews.

71)The word is "nestled".

72)The viper had recently shed its skin, so the colours glowed with life.

73)The Gaboon viper was very deadly and he was afraid the snake would escape/she did not want to encounter the same experience he had with the water snakes.

74)The damp cages would cause the wood to warped enabling snakes to squeeze through the small cracks of the cages.

75)The sentence is "This proved to be my undoing".

76)He was totally absorbed in his work.

77)He knew that John was in danger of being bitten by the snake.

78)John jumped out of his chair with speed and suddenness.

79)A female Drill had amused herself by putting her paw through the bars and undoing the cages.

80)He was still shocked.