



AI TONG SCHOOL

2008

CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT ONE

PRIMARY 6

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2

DURATION : 1h 50 min

DATE : 28 February 2008

INSTRUCTIONS

Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions.

Answer all questions.

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Class : Primary _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Date : _____

Marks :

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Section A : Comprehension-Graphic Stimulus (5 marks)

Study the following text and then answer questions 1 to 5.

“What Every Parent Should Know about Good Oral Care”

A Public Forum

Organised by:

Singapore Dental Health Foundation

As parents of growing children, some of the greatest challenges you will face involve your child's dental health. Some of these challenges include:

1. Caring for your child's teeth.
2. Dealing with an accident involving the teeth.
3. Helping your child to overcome mouth infections.

A panel of dentists will address these health concerns at this public forum. Sign up today so that you can be better informed as parents.

Date : Monday, 14th June 2008
Time : 10 am – 12 pm
Venue : Garden Peach Hotel
Orchid Room
Admission: Free

Topics Covered:

1. Start early to prevent disease

Speaker: Prof Charlotte Bronte
(Department of Orthodontic &
Paediatric Dentistry,
School of Dentistry, The
University of Michigan)

2. Tooth accidents- What can we do?

Speaker: Dr Hashim Tahir
(Registrar, Paediatric Dentistry
Unit, National Dental Centre)

3. Getting straight teeth

Speaker: Dr Cheng Chean Meen
(Practitioner, Cheng Dental
Clinic)

A morning tea reception will be provided before the Forum from 9 am onwards for the first 250 adults who sign up. They will also get a goodie bag with dental products worth \$25.

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.

1. The public forum on dental care is organised by _____.
- (1) School of Dentistry
 - (2) Garden Peach Hotel
 - (3) National Dental Centre
 - (4) Singapore Dental Health Foundation
2. One topic that is not covered in the forum is _____.
- (1) Getting straight teeth
 - (2) Preventing tooth decay
 - (3) Dealing with Tooth accidents
 - (4) Starting early to prevent disease
3. If Mr and Mrs Tan were the first twenty adults to register, they will receive _____.
- (1) dental products worth \$25 only
 - (2) dental products worth \$50 only
 - (3) dental products worth \$25 and attend a tea reception
 - (4) dental products worth \$50 and attend a tea reception
4. There will be a tea reception provided from _____ onwards.
- (1) 9 am
 - (2) 10 am
 - (3) 11 am
 - (4) 12 pm
5. This public forum is specially targeted at _____.
- (1) parents
 - (2) dentists
 - (3) children
 - (4) teachers

Section B : Grammar MCQ (7 marks)

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.

6. The police were called _____ when a group of youngsters were caught fighting.
- (1) in
 - (2) on
 - (3) out
 - (4) off
7. None of the shirts _____ me so I am going to another shop now.
- (1) fit
 - (2) fits
 - (3) fitted
 - (4) has fitted
8. Johnny _____ his mother sell curry puffs since he was eight.
- (1) helps
 - (2) helped
 - (3) had helped
 - (4) has been helping
9. The dog,(together with her puppies,) _____ to the animal shelter.
- (1) , is taken
 - (2) are taken
 - (3) is taking
 - (4) are taking
10. I _____ the incident to the police if I had witnessed it.
- (1) will report
 - (2) would report
 - (3) will have reported
 - (4) would have reported

11. I play tennis everyday _____ it rains.

- (1) as
- (2) until
- (3) when
- (4) unless

12. Mrs Wang, _____ money was stolen, had reported the robbery to the police.

- (1) who
- (2) whose
- (3) which
- (4) whom

Section C : Punctuation MCO (3 marks)

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.

Susan did a good deed last week. It happened in the evening (13) Susan was walking home when she saw a little boy fall into the lake.

“I dived into the water without a second thought and swam towards him with all my might. I grabbed hold of him before he passed out (14) said Susan.

“Did you shout for help (15) asked a reporter from the local newspaper.

Susan shook her head and continued with the account of her brave act.

13. (1) [:] colon
(2) [,] comma
(3) [.] full-stop
(4) [;] semi-colon
14. (1) [, ”] comma and inverted commas
(2) [. ”] full-stop and inverted commas
(3) [? ”] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [! ”] exclamation mark and inverted commas
15. (1) [, ”] comma and inverted commas
(2) [. ”] full-stop and inverted commas
(3) [? ”] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [! ”] exclamation mark and inverted commas

Section D : Vocabulary MCO (5 marks)

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.

16. The woman was so distraught after hearing the bad news that she _____ a number of times.
- (1) passed by
 - (2) passed up
 - (3) passed off
 - (4) passed out
17. Pupils should _____ Wei Liang who was nominated the most caring student.
- (1) copy
 - (2) follow
 - (3) imitate
 - (4) emulate
18. Chan Seng's bakery was _____ for two months for flouting hygiene rules.
- (1) detained
 - (2) expelled
 - (3) suspended
 - (4) postponed
19. Kenny made a rapid _____ from his attack of flu.
- (1) retreat
 - (2) remedy
 - (3) recovery
 - (4) recuperation
20. Joo Lian's father left her a fortune but she _____ it all.
- (1) flattened
 - (2) deducted
 - (3) decreased
 - (4) squandered

Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (5 marks)

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

My grandfather has a kinship towards trees and claims to have passed it to me.

(21)

There is a huge tree that is nicknamed "The Wong Tree" after my grandparents. It is a

Ficus Benghalensis, otherwise known as a banyan tree. In India, they are considered

sacred. When my mother was my age, my grandparents chained themselves to the tree

(22)

to prevent it from being cut down and paved over. Now, it is a local attraction and

(23)

the road winds around it.

Mother cringes each time we drive past it. "You don't know what it's like

(24)

to have parents who embarrass you," she confides in me.

(25)

Adapted from Millicent Min, Girl Genius by Lisa Yee

21. (1) a kindness
(2) an empathy
(3) a friendship
(4) a familiarity
22. (1) holy
(2) religious
(3) sacrificial
(4) indispensable
23. (1) land
(2) building
(3) signpost
(4) landmark
24. (1) cries
(2) shivers
(3) flinches
(4) complains
25. (1) tells
(2) assures
(3) relates to
(4) shares with

Section F: Comprehension MCQ (5 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Audrey had a pot of stew boiling on the stove as she chopped up vegetables for the salad.

All of a sudden, the door to the verandah flew open with an explosive force. "Hurry kids, into the tub!" she shrieked as her husband hastened to the door, pulled it shut and turned the lock.

While Audrey and her three young daughters cowered in the tub, the wooden walls and floor splintered around them. Suddenly, the fibreglass tub holding Audrey and her daughters shot backwards and upwards. As the house disintegrated around them, they felt rain beating down on them. They were out in the open, rising into the black sky. The daughters screamed as the swirling wind tried to pluck them out of the tub.

Then the tub split apart and the four of them were suspended in mid-air. It was quiet and the clammy air was tinged with a smoky-grey colour. Lightning and rain stopped. This must be the core of the tornado, Audrey thought. Out of the corner of her eye, she glimpsed a yellow car spinning in the air. As she felt herself descending, she passed by a roof corner of a house.

She landed on her back softly as if she had slipped off the end of a playground slide. Her daughters sprawled at her side, breathless and sobbing. This lull was broken by the sudden roar of the wind and hailstones pelted round them. Instinctively, Audrey rolled over and sheltered the girls with her body. When the hail stopped, she gingerly raised her head and noted that they had landed in a ditch some metres from where her house once stood. Apart from a bleeding wound on the side of her eldest daughter's head, everyone was all right. Her house was nowhere to be seen; neither was her garage, although her red car still stood in its usual spot, quite intact.

Amid the devastation, Audrey heard screaming. People were screaming the names of their loved ones in panic-stricken voices. As she and her daughters walked towards the empty site where their house once stood, Audrey found her husband sitting on the door he had been locking. His right hand was still grasping the doorknob. Looking quite dazed, he asked her, "Why are we out here?"

26. Audrey wanted her daughters to be in the tub with her because _____.
- (1) the flood was coming
 - (2) they would be getting wet shortly
 - (3) they would be able to stay together
 - (4) she wanted to give them a bath first
27. _____ accompanied the tornado.
- (1) Rain, wind and snow
 - (2) Rain, lightning and hail
 - (3) Rain, smoke and lightning
 - (4) Rain, thunder and lightning
28. In the core of the tornado, it was _____.
- (1) turbulent and noisy
 - (2) clammy and pitch dark
 - (3) quiet but raining gently
 - (4) calm without lightning or rain
29. Audrey could not see her house as _____.
- (1) she was in a deep ditch
 - (2) it had been blown away
 - (3) the garage was blocking it
 - (4) the wind and hailstones were too strong
30. People were yelling because _____.
- (1) they were angry with the tornado
 - (2) they were trying to find one another
 - (3) they could not hear themselves speak
 - (4) they wanted to be heard above the wind

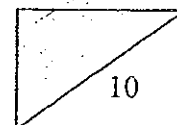
Section G : Grammar Cloze

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.

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|------------|-------------|------------|---------------|-------------|
| (A) less | (D) so | (G) this | (K) into | (N) most |
| (B) from | (E) but | (H) and | (L) because | (P) every |
| (C) for | (F) their | (J) over | (M) each | (Q) with |
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We are losing Earth's greatest biological treasures just as we are beginning to appreciate (31) _____ true value. Rainforests once covered 14% of the earth's land surface (32) _____ now they cover a mere 6% and experts estimate that the last remaining rainforests could be consumed in (33) _____ than 40 years. About two acres of rainforest are lost every second (34) _____ tragic consequences for both developing (35) _____ industrial countries. Rainforests are being destroyed (36) _____ land is needed for infrastructure. Nearly half of the world's species of plants, animals and microorganisms will be destroyed or severely threatened (37) _____ the next quarter century due to rainforest deforestation. As the rainforest species disappear, (38) _____ do many possible cures for life-threatening diseases. Currently, 121 prescription drugs sold worldwide come (39) _____ plant-derived sources. (40) _____ rainforests are cleared by chainsaws, bulldozers and fires for its timber value and then are followed by farming and ranching operations.



Section H : Editing for Spelling and Grammar

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

I flew to London a few weeks later. I was covering Wimbledon, the world's

(41) (42)

premier tennis **competiton** and one of the few event I go where the crowd never

(43)

jeers and no one is drank in the parking lot. England was warm and cloudy.

(44)

Each morning I walked the tree-lined streets near the tennis korts, passing

(45) (46)

teenagers queued up for leftover tickets and **vandors** selling strawberries and cream.

(47)

Outside the gate was a newsstand that sells colourful British tabloids, featuring

(48) (49)

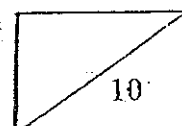
fotographs of well-dressed women, paparazzi pictures for the royal

family, horoscopes, lottry contests and a wee bit of actual news. People

(50)

actually **devored** such gossip. I, however, prefer to read impactful news that affect

the world.



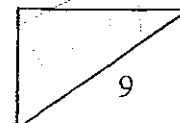
Section I : Comprehension Cloze

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

A store owner was tacking a sign above his door that read "Puppies for Sale." Signs like that have a way of (51) _____ small children, and sure enough a little boy appeared under the store owner's sign. "How much are you going to sell the (52) _____ for?" the little boy asked. The store owner replied, "Anywhere from \$30 to \$50." The little boy reached into his (53) _____ and pulled out some change. "I have \$2.37," he said. "May I please look at them?" The store owner smiled and whistled and out of the kennel came Lady, who ran down the aisle of his store (54) _____ by five teeny balls of fur.

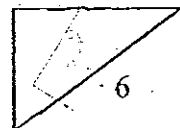
One puppy was lagging considerably (55) _____. Immediately the little boy singled (56) _____ the lagging, limping puppy and said, "What's wrong with that little dog?" The store owner explained that the (57) _____ had examined the little puppy and had discovered that it did not have a hip socket. It would always (58) _____. The little boy became excited. "That is the puppy I want to buy." The store owner said, "No, you don't want to buy that little dog. If you really want him, I'll just (59) _____ him to you."



The little boy got quite (60)_____. He looked into the store owner's eyes, pointing his finger and said, "I don't want you to give him to me. That little dog is (61)_____ every bit as much as all the other dogs and I'll pay the full (62)_____. In fact, I'll give you \$2.37 now and 50 cents a month until I have him paid for."

The store owner countered, "You wouldn't want to buy this little dog. He is never going to be able to run and jump and play with you like the other puppies." To his (63)_____, the little boy reached (64)_____ and rolled up his pant leg to (65)_____ a badly twisted, crippled left leg supported by a big metal brace. He looked up at the store owner and softly replied, "Well, I don't run so well myself, and the little puppy will need someone who understands."

Source : <http://www.uwm.edu/~ceil/funstuff/touching.html>



Section J : Synthesis / Transformation

For each of the questions from 76 to 80, rewrite the 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. He was able to meet the sales quota. He was promoted.

Due to _____

67. Mary did not eat fruits on Health Awareness Day. She ate a hamburger and fries.

Instead of _____

68. Nobody revealed the name of the successor until the will was read.

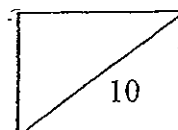
The name _____

69. "I shall never come to this shopping centre again," she exclaimed.

She exclaimed that _____

70. He met the lady in the market yesterday. She is now talking to his parents.

_____ whom _____



Section K : Comprehension OE

Read the passage below and answer questions 71-80.

(20 marks)

It was Daddy's Day at school and Sarah could not wait to go. However, her mother tried to tell her that she probably should stay at home. ~~She was worried that the children might not understand why Sarah's dad was not with her.~~ Sarah, on the other hand, was not afraid. She knew just what to say, what to tell her classmates of why he was not there. Her mother was still worried, 5. for her to face this day alone. That was why once again, she tried to keep her daughter home. The little girl insisted on going to school, eager to tell them all about a dad she never sees, a dad who never calls.

There were daddies standing along the wall at the back, ~~for everyone to meet.~~ Children squirming impatiently, anxious in their seats. One by one the 10. teacher called, ~~a student from the class to introduce their daddy,~~ as seconds slowly passed.

At last the teacher called Sarah's name, every child turned to stare. Each of them was searching, for a man who was not there. "Where's her daddy?" she heard a boy call out. "She probably doesn't have one," another 15. student dared to shout. From somewhere near the back, she heard a daddy say, ~~"Looks like another deadbeat dad, too busy to waste his day."~~

The words did not offend her, as she smiled up at her mother. With hands behind her back, slowly she began to speak and out from the mouth of a child, came words incredibly unique. 20.

"My daddy couldn't be here, because he lives so far away. Nevertheless, I know he wishes he could be, since this is such a special day. And though you cannot meet him, I want you to know all about my daddy and how much he loves me so. He ~~loved to tell me stories and he taught me to ride my bike.~~ He surprised me with pink roses and taught me to fly a kite. We 25. used to share fudge sundaes and ice cream in a cone. Though you

cannot see him, I'm not standing here alone because my daddy's always with me, even though we are apart, I know because he told me, he'll forever be in my heart."

With that, her little hand reached up and lay across her chest, feeling 30 her own heartbeat, beneath her favourite dress. From somewhere in the crowd of dads, her mother stood in tears, proudly watching her daughter, who was wise beyond her years for she stood up for the love of a man not in her life.

She finished with a voice so soft but its message was clear and loud. "I love my daddy very much, he's my shining star. And if he could, he'd be here, 35 but heaven's just too far away. You see he was a firefighter and died just this past year when airplanes hit the towers, and taught Americans to fear. Sometimes when I close my eyes, it's like he never went away." Then she closed her eyes, and saw him there that day. To her mother's amazement, she witnessed with surprise. A room full of daddies and children, all starting to 40 close their eyes.

Who knows what they saw before them, who knows what they felt inside. Perhaps for merely a second, they saw him at her side. "I know you're with me Daddy," to the silence she called out.

Not one in that room could explain it, for each of their eyes had been 45 closed. But there on the desk beside her, was a fragrant long-stemmed pink rose.

Source : <http://www.uwm.edu/~ceil/funstuff/touching.html>

71. Why did Sarah's mother want to stop her from going to school?

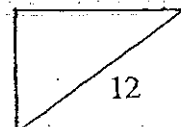
72. What was Daddy's Day about?

73. What does "Looks like another deadbeat dad, too busy to waste his day." in line 17 mean?

74. Where do you think Sarah was referring to when she said her dad "lives so far away" in line 21?

75. What were the two things Sarah's father used to do for her.

76. Why was Sarah's mother in tears?

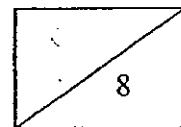


77. Explain how Sarah was "wise beyond her years".

78. What was the occupation of Sarah's father? What do you think happened to him?

79. Why do you think the people in the room started to close their eyes (in Line 40)?

80. From the passage, which word has the same meaning as "sweet-smelling"?



Ai Tong Primary School

Primary 6 English CA1 Exam (2008)

Answer Keys

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	2	4	1	1	1	2	4	1	4
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
4	2	3	1	3	4	4	3	3	4
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
3	1	4	3	4	3	2	4	2	2
Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
F	E	A	Q	H	L	C	D	B	N

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| 41. competition | 42. events | 43. drunk | 44. courts | 45. queuing |
| 46. vendors | 47. sold | 48. photographs | 49. of | 50. devoured |
| 51. attracting | 52. puppies | 53. pocket | 54. followed | 55. behind |
| 56. out | 57. veterinarian | 58. limp | 59. give | 60. upset |
| 61. worth | 62. price | 63. surprise | 64. down | 65. reveal |

66. Due to his ability to meet the sales quota, he was promoted.
67. Instead of eating fruits on Health Awareness Day, Mary ate a hamburger and fries.
68. The name of the Successor was not revealed until the will was read.
69. She exclaimed that she would never go to that shopping centre again.
70. The lady whom he met in the market yesterday is now talking to his parents.
71. She did not want Sarah's feeling to be hurt when the other children comminuted that she had no Daddy.
72. It was a day when all the children brought their father to school and introduced their father.
73. I think it means a father who was too busy and found it not worth his time to visit his child's school on Daddy's day.
74. I think she was referring to heaven.
75. Sarah's father used to tell her stories and surprised her with pink roses.
76. She was very proud of her daughter for standing up for the love of a father not in her life.
77. She understands that her father really loved her and was always in her heart although he was not around physically.
78. He was a firefighter. I think he died.
79. They were touched by what Sarah had shared and wanted to show their respect.
80. The word is "fragrant."