



Anglo-Chinese School (Primary)

P6 ENGLISH LANGUAGE 2007

END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Name: _____ () Class: Primary 6 ____

Date: 11 September 2007

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Text 1

Q1. Which picture shows the medicine the doctor prescribed for Sam?

① ② ③



Text 2

Q2. Which picture shows Tim with the people he went to Hong Kong with?

① ② ③



Text 3

Q3. Which of the following shows the route that Mandy will take to the bank?

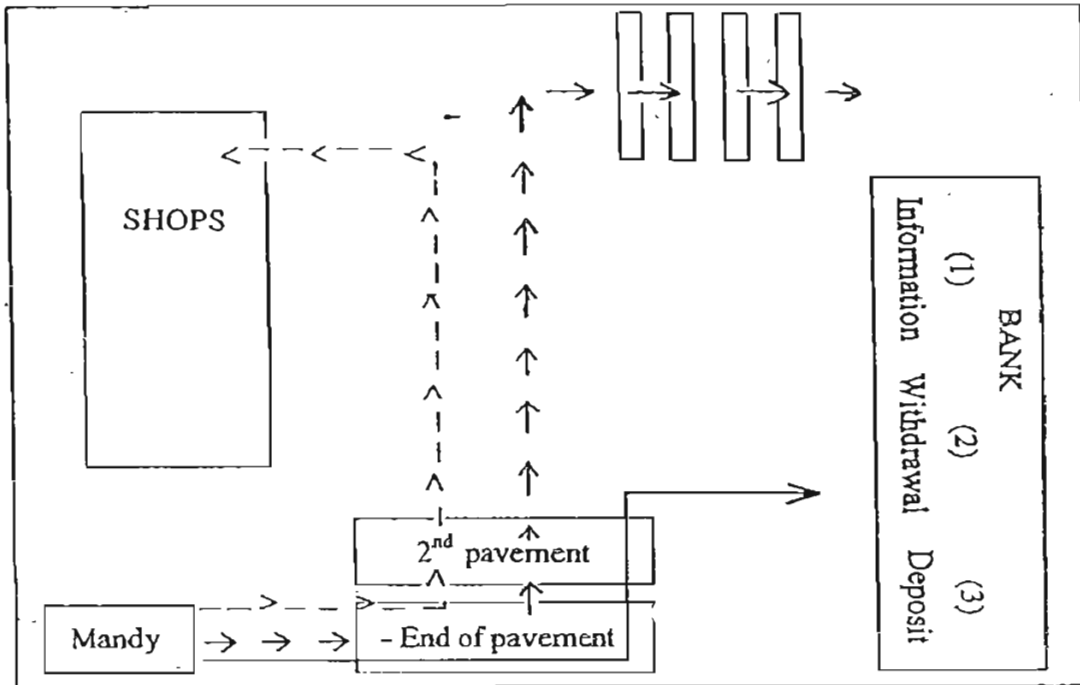
① ② ③

- 1. → → → → →
- 2. --> --> -->
- 3. —————→

Text 3

Q4. Which counter will Mandy go to at the bank?..... ① ② ③

1. Information
2. Withdrawal
3. Deposit



Text 4

Q5. What was Stella carrying?..... ① ② ③

1. Two bags.
2. Ten bottles of water.
3. Bags containing ten bottles of water.

Q6. Where did Stella come from?..... ① ② ③

1. Singapore
2. Malaysia
3. Indonesia

Q7. Which word best describes Stella?..... ① ② ③

1. Honest
2. Hardworking
3. Carefree

Text 5

Q8. What did Alex find out at the airport in France? (1) (2) (3)
1. His flight had been cancelled.
2. His flight had been delayed.
3. His baggage was missing.

Q9. Where did Alex spend the additional night in France?..... (1) (2) (3)
1. At the airport.
2. In a hotel.
3. At the accommodation provided for by the airline

Q10. What bad news did Alex receive at the airport in London?..... (1) (2) (3)
1. There were no taxis.
2. His baggage was damaged by airline staff.
3. His baggage was still in France.

Q11. Why will Alex never forget that vacation? (1) (2) (3)
1. He found France and London beautiful.
2. He had experienced frustrating moments at both airports.
3. It was the most exhausting vacation he ever had.

Text 6

Q12. What is a sign of an oncoming storm? (1) (2) (3)
1. The sky is blue.
2. The fish are active.
3. The fishermen are pulling in their catch.

Q13. How many fishing lines were cast?..... (1) (2) (3)
1. Eight
2. Thirty
3. Fifty

Q14. What had caused their boat to tip over? (1) (2) (3)
1. The heavy catch that was in their boat.
2. The water that had filled up the boat.
3. The strong sea currents.

Text 6

Q15. Why did the fishermen cling on to the capsized boat?..... ① ② ③

1. To keep afloat.
2. To save their fish.
3. To alert the crew of the rescue boat.

Q16. What was the new danger facing the fishermen? ① ② ③

1. Sharp rocks
2. Sharks
3. Crocodiles

Text 7

Q17. How did Roger feel when he heard that Tom had also received a scholarship? ① ② ③

1. Shattered.
2. Surprised.
3. Happy and excited.

Q18. How did the boys spend their day? ① ② ③

1. Shopping and watching a movie.
2. Eating and shopping.
3. Eating, shopping and watching a movie

Q19. Where did the boys have lunch? ① ② ③

1. Clementi
2. Orchard Road
3. Bishan Point

Q20. Why could Roger not go to England? ① ② ③

1. His father had lost his job.
2. His family was poor.
3. He could not get an air ticket.



Anglo-Chinese School (Junior)/Anglo-Chinese School (Primary)

P6 ENGLISH LANGUAGE 2007

COMBINED PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

PAPER 2 - BOOKLET A

Name: _____ () Class: Primary 6 ____

Date: 21 August 2007

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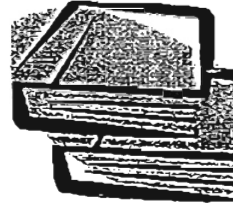
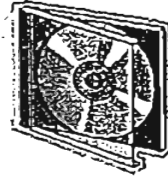
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Study the advertisement below and then answer the questions that follow it.

lesson in savings

20 %
off*



all full-priced books, movies,
music and Paperchase



for *teachers*
& *students*

Free Compact Disc
pouch for the first 50
students below
12 years old

Limited period only - 14 to 16 Sept 07

This offer is also available to Education Account holders.

HORDERS®

Spend above
\$200 and get
a \$10
voucher

BIGGEST CHOICE OF BOOKS, MUSIC, MOVIES AND MAGAZINES

***Terms and conditions apply:-**

- display valid student/teacher identification during purchase.
- discount is only applicable to full-priced items
- not to be used together with other promotional coupons or discount cards.
- excludes newspapers, magazines, gift vouchers, electronic gift cards and special orders

Main

111 STANDFORD ROAD,
15 Ziplock Place,
Singapore 200007
Tel: 60000009

Branch

201 ORCHID ROAD
#01-00 Havelock Mall,
Singapore 222880
Tel: 61234567

For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. Choose the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.
(5 marks)

1. This is an advertisement on a _____.
 - (1) lesson in savings
 - (2) sales promotion by a company
 - (3) range of teacher resources only
 - (4) suitable way to select books and movies

2. The 20% discount is not for _____.
 - (1) tertiary students
 - (2) financial planners
 - (3) Physical Fitness teachers
 - (4) Educational Account holders

3. Jenny will not qualify for a 20% discount off her purchases if she _____.
 - (1) verifies that she is a teacher
 - (2) buys items that are on offer
 - (3) spends less than \$200 for the total bill
 - (4) goes to Ziplock Place instead of Havelock Mall

4. A polytechnic student intends to spend \$236 on Compact Discs (CD) and magazines during the offer period. He will get _____.
 - (1) a \$10 gift voucher
 - (2) an electronic gift card
 - (3) a Compact Disc pouch
 - (4) 20% discount for both items

5. Which one of the following statements is true?
 - (1) There will be no discount on special orders.
 - (2) Every student who comes will get a free gift.
 - (3) This offer is only available to Educational Account holders.
 - (4) The offer will not be valid from 16 Sept 07 onwards.

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. For the whole of yesterday, Mathew simply _____ on his bed and did nothing.

- (1) lie
- (2) lay
- (3) laid
- (4) lain

7. The school attendant picked up a bunch of keys and said he had no idea _____ it was.

- (1) who
- (2) who's
- (3) whom
- (4) whose

8. Mr Wong holds two jobs as his family of eight _____ him for financial support.

- (1) looks to
- (2) looks at
- (3) looks for
- (4) looks after

9. I have just _____ a robber telling his accomplice to meet him outside a bank.

- (1) hear
- (2) hears
- (3) heard
- (4) hearing

10. The bicycle _____ him \$500 and up till today he still regrets buying it.

- (1) cost
- (2) costs
- (3) costing
- (4) has cost

11. The hamster, together with the golden cage, _____ stolen by a group of students last night.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

12. Gopal loves skateboarding with his friends at the park, _____?

- (1) has he
- (2) does he
- (3) hasn't he
- (4) doesn't he

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)

She kissed him, gave him a dismissive push towards the car and then followed him to it. As Tom went in, Mrs Long looked past him to the driver.

“Give my love to Gwen,” she said (13) “and tell her, Alan, how grateful we are to you both for taking Tom off at such short notice. It’s very kind of you, isn’t it, Tom (14)

“Very kind (15)” Tom repeated bitterly.

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

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. The occasional _____ the patient experienced indicated a possible malfunction of the brain.
- (1) spasm
 - (2) jingling
 - (3) tremors
 - (4) vibrations
17. Simon was given a heavy sentence for drink-driving as he showed little _____ over the offence.
- (1) guilt
 - (2) shame
 - (3) remorse
 - (4) ignorance
18. The lawmakers could not ignore the _____ against an increase in tax.
- (1) chaos
 - (2) outrage
 - (3) rebellion
 - (4) defiance
19. The soldiers _____ Bakseen's attempt to overthrow the government.
- (1) spoiled
 - (2) thwarted
 - (3) destroyed
 - (4) exacerbated
20. Due to the _____ lack of crude oil, the price of petrol has soared to unimaginable heights.
- (1) acute
 - (2) ample
 - (3) extreme
 - (4) excessive

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)

It sits on a shelf at the top of my closet. Once it was a shoe-box, decorated for Valentine's Day and given to me by my oldest child. This shoe-box valentine is wrinkled and mouldy where the jellybeans and gumdrops have run together. It is (21) sticky in places but it is a repository of objects from their childhood given to me (22) by my children. They have scrawled their names on little slips of papers (23) a product of love in its most uncomplicated and authentic state. (24)

The children are grown now. They still love me though it is harder sometimes to get any information to prove it. Once in a while I take it down and open it. It is (25) something I can touch and hold and believe in, now that there are no small arms around my neck.

Adapted from *All I Really Need To Know I Learned In Kindergarten* by Robert Fulghum

21. (1) crisp
(2) coarse
(3) crinkled
(4) crumpled
22. (1) relics
(2) remains
(3) antiques
(4) artefacts
23. (1) signed
(2) shaded
(3) scribbled
(4) scratched

- 24. (1) creative
- (2) genuine
- (3) traditional
- (4) trustworthy

- 25. (1) data
- (2) evidence
- (3) testimony
- (4) confession

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

It was 7 a.m. in Kyoto, Japan and the taxi company had just called a second time to say they could not find my house. Once again I spelled out directions, glanced impatiently at my watch and waited. Only two hours remained until my flight would leave and it was an hour-and-a-half trip to the Osaka airport.

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Outside, torrential rains were threatening to sweep my little house off the mountain slope on which it teetered, so far north in Kyoto that city buses lurched past only three times a day.

The telephone rang again. "Terribly sorry," began the despatcher. Then I realised what had happened. Flooded with calls, the company was maximising profits by handling only in-city runs. I had heard this would happen when the weather got bad. I shouted into the phone that I had a plane to catch – I must be in Seoul by noon – and I would meet the taxi a few hundred metres away on a bridge over the Kamo River.

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Standing above the gale-swelled torrent, horizontal wind-driven rain drenching my overcoat, I gazed up and down the road. No taxi. Finally, struggling with my umbrella and suitcase, I began to hitchhike. A sedan went by, driver and passenger staring at the lunatic, well-dressed foreigner walking backward and holding his thumb out in the downpour.

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From the other direction a white Nissan approached, then jammed on its brakes. A young man threw open the door, gesturing for me to get in. Shaking with cold and anger, I climbed inside.

20

spatcher
In the most humble Japanese, the man identified himself as the ~~despatcher~~ with whom I had spoken three times that morning. To get me to my plane, he had abandoned his post and raced from the company in his personal car. He gave a deep bow but did not explain why a taxi could not pick me up, except to say they were 'very, very busy' that morning. Delivering me straight to the boarding stop for the airport bus, he refused the 2000 yen I pressed into his hand and with more apologies implored me to patronise his company in the future.

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A few hours later, settling back into my seat as the storm-delayed 727 took off, I opened the newspaper. On the second page my eyes wandered to the headline of a short article – 'Taxi Strike Begins This Morning In Kyoto.'

Adapted from *Good Business* by Paul Wadden in Reader's Digest, February 1991

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. In line 7, the word 'it' refers to the _____.
- (1) city buses
 - (2) little house
 - (3) torrential rain
 - (4) mountain slope
27. 'Then I realised what had happened' (line 9). The writer realised _____.
- (1) how apologetic the despatcher was
 - (2) the weather had turned for the worse
 - (3) why there was no taxi available to pick him up
 - (4) the taxi company was flooded with phone calls
28. The writer was 'holding his thumb out' (line 19) as he was trying to _____.
- (1) get help
 - (2) hail a taxi
 - (3) get a lift from other people
 - (4) catch the attention of other passers-by
29. The fact that the despatcher refused to accept the writer's money tells us that he was _____.
- (1) humble
 - (2) stubborn
 - (3) apologetic
 - (4) unrepentant
30. According to the passage, which one of the following statements is true?
- (1) The despatcher regretted picking the writer up in his own personal car.
 - (2) The writer realised the despatcher had gone out of his way to pick him up.
 - (3) The writer left his house to try to get a taxi on his own after the third phone call.
 - (4) The despatcher had no chance to explain why his company did not send a taxi.



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COMBINED PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

PAPER 2 - BOOKLET B

Name: _____ () Class: Primary 6 _____

Date: 21 August 2007

Duration of paper: 1h 50 min

1. Composition	55	
2. Language Use & Comprehension	95	
2.1 OAS (Booklet A)	30	
2.2 Grammar Cloze	10	
2.3 Editing (Spelling & Grammar)	10	
2.4 Comprehension Cloze	15	
2.5 Synthesis & Transformation	10	
2.6 Comprehension	20	
3. Listening Comprehension	20	
4. Oral Communication	30	
Total	200	

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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.

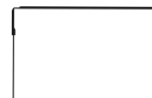
(A) a	(D) at	(G) off	(K) through	(N) where
(B) an	(E) from	(H) out	(L) to	(P) which
(C) any	(F) of	(J) some	(M) under	(Q) with

We all hate ants, cockroaches and bugs. However, there is no need to kill them _____ strong chemicals that may also harm you in the long run. One
(31) simple substitute is to have _____ soapy water in a spray bottle and
(32) spray this at ants and cockroaches. To discourage ants, set out cucumber peels or slices in the kitchen. Ants have a natural aversion _____
(33) cucumber and bitter cucumbers seem to work best. Alternatively, dry, crushed mint leaves or cloves also work as _____ ant deterrent.
(34)

Pandan leaves can keep cockroaches _____ bay. A single pandan
(35) leaf tied up in a knot will do. If you do have one of those cockroach-killing sprays, make sure you store it _____ of harm's way and try not to use it in
(36) the kitchen _____ it can settle on surfaces and leach into your food.
(37)

As for garden bugs, hold _____ on pesticide and make a garlic
(38) spray instead. The recipe: Puree 15 garlic cloves and one pint _____ water in a blender, strain the mixture _____ a
(39) cheesecloth into a clean spray bottle and apply to all leaves. Repeat every few
(40) days until the problem goes away.

Adapted from *Mind Your Body*, The Straits Times, 21 February 2007



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

A 52-year-old resident of Yishun Avenue 4 died last Friday, two days

after being diagnosed with dengue fever. Although the cause of his death has

(41)

(42)

not been confirm, he is the second person suspected to have **sucumbed** to

the disease this year.

(43)

The victim worked with a clerk at a car agency. He first visited a clinic

(44)

near his home on Monday last week. He was experiencing body **aiks** and

(45)

giddiness. When his **syntoms** continued to worsen on Wednesday, his family

(46)

decided to take him to the hospital. Blood tests showed that he was suffered from

(47)

dengue fever. His condition later **detereorated** and he died on Friday evening.

(48)

Yishun was one of the hotspots identify early last month. In fact, some

(49)

residents claimed to have found some mosquito-larvae breed in the drains of a

(50)

car park and a bin centre in the **nay**burhood. Officers from the National

Environment Agency will continue with house-to-house as well as outdoor checks

in the area.



Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

Philip was sitting on a wooden bench in almost total darkness, smoking a cigarette, when he heard the snake. He heard it as a faint rustling noise and immediately _____ his breath. When the sound

(51)

_____ clearer, he knew the snake was crawling along the

(52)

_____ he was sitting on.

(53)

He _____ the hairs on his neck stiffening as a cold

(54)

sweat broke _____ on his forehead. He resisted the

(55)

temptation to draw hard on his cigarette and used its _____ to see

(56)

the snake. As he listened, he realized that the snake was sliding slowly towards

him. A fresh rustle told him it was a _____ fifty centimetres

(57)

away. Then he felt a slight tickling on his bare _____ . The snake

(58)

was exploring his leg with its forked tongue. From its weight and the

_____ of its belly, Philip guessed that it was quite slender.

(59)

It felt like eternity though it was probably just about a minute _____

(60)

he felt the last centimetre of its tail slide off his skin.

He dared not move an _____ . He still had another

(61)

_____ to solve ~ his cigarette.

(62)



It had burnt down almost to the tip. How was he to get _____ of
(63)

it? He could not _____ it out without moving. If he did, the
(64)

_____ would probably be equally aroused by the shower of
(65)
sparks. Given its length, the reptile was not out of striking distance yet.



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. The bag was heavy. I could not carry it.

_____ too

67. If you do not try your best, you will never win the game.

Unless _____

68. "Do not leave your bags here," the prefect advised us.

The prefect _____

69. The boys have not seen him. The girl has not seen him either.

Neither _____

70. May is kind and diligent.

_____ not only



Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

The sounds of the train apparently drew the boys' attention to the track. After making their way through the trees, they clambered with difficulty to the top of the steep roadbed, knelt down along the railroad tracks and began to play.

To the west, a freight train rolled slowly towards the children. Overhead lights signalled to engineer Rich Campana that the passenger train ahead was out of the way and they could resume their normal speed of 40 miles per hour. The engineer pulled the throttle, then turned to conductor Anthony Falzo who was sitting at the locomotive's left observation window. Rich and Anthony spotted something ahead at the same instant. "What's that up there?" asked the engineer. Anthony did not answer and was staring intently. A crumpled cardboard box? Discarded rags? Suddenly both men realised what it was. 5 10

Rich threw on the emergency brake and jerked the air-horn handle with all his strength. The horn's blast and Anthony's words exploded at the same time, "Kids on the track!"

Anthony had dealt with emergencies for many years, especially in his police service. Now all his experience took over. He felt his body 'go on automatic'. He sprang through the door and raced to the front of the swaying train. Scrambling down a steel ladder, he paused on the bottom rung, two feet above the roadbed flashing by. 15

Now he could clearly see the two little children. They were sitting alongside the rail. Anthony waved frantically and shouted, "Get away!" He mentally calculated the train's deceleration rate and groaned. Engrossed in play, Todd and Scott did not hear the train. 20

Finally as the sound became thunderous, Scott looked up and froze. Though the train was slowing down, Anthony knew he could not outrun it. Instead he forced himself to wait until he would be close enough to leap off and grab the boys. With perhaps ten feet between them and the sharp-edged snowplough blade at the front of the train, Anthony sprang forward from the ladder. Landing on the loose, fist-size ballast stones alongside the track, he had to struggle to keep his balance. In two giant strides, he almost reached the children. They stared up at him in wide-eyed shock. Anthony, flinging his body into space, flew towards them. 25 30

As his body hurtled downward, Anthony covered Todd while reaching out with one arm to grab Scott and pull him clear of the track. But the train had caught up to them. Anthony saw the black steel edge of the snow blade clip the young child on the chin. Part of the train then punched into the back of Anthony's work vest. Still, Anthony managed to pull Scott completely beneath him. Burying his face in the stones, he pushed downward on the two boys with all his strength as the overhang of the train passed inches above them. 35

Adapted from *Kids On The Track* by Jack Murphy in Reader's Digest, July 1990



ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. Which word in the first paragraph has the same meaning as 'seemingly'?

72. Explain clearly Anthony's purpose in 'staring intently' (line 10).

73. What does 'it' in line 11 refer to?

74. Give two reasons to explain why Rich 'threw on the emergency brake and jerked the air-horn handle'(line 12)?

75. Explain clearly what the expression 'felt his body go on automatic' (lines 16 - 17) means.



76. Explain clearly why Anthony groaned (line 22) upon mentally calculating the train's deceleration rate.

77. What did Scott realise when the 'sound became thunderous' (line 24)?

78. What caused Anthony to land unsteadily on the track?

79. From **paragraph 6**, quote the sentence that describes how Anthony finally closed the gap between the children and him.

80. In the **last paragraph**, which part of Scott was hit by the train?

~ END OF PAPER ~



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Answers Key

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

41 confirmed	46 suffering	51 held	56 light	61 inch
42 succumbed	47 deteriorate	52 became	57 mere	62 problem
43 as	48 identified	53 bench	58 leg	63 rid
44 aches	49 breeding	54 felt	59 part	64 put
45 symptoms	50 neighbourhood	55 out	60 before	65 snake

66. The bag was too heavy for me to carry.
67. Unless you try your best, you will never win the games.
68. The prefect advised us not to leave our bags there.
69. Neither the boys nor the girl has seen him.
70. May is not only kind, she is also diligent.
71. It is "apparently".
72. Anthony was thinking hard what the object on the track was.
73. It refers to the two boys playing along the railroad track.
74. He wanted to stop the train and to tell the kids to go off the tracks.
75. It means he acted instinctively during emergencies and did what was necessary to save the two boys.
76. He knew the train would not stop in time and the children would be injured.
77. He realized that the train was approaching and he had to act quickly to save Todd himself.
78. Anthony landed on fist-size ballast stones caused Anthony to land unsteadily.
79. It is "Anthony flinging his body into space flew towards them."
80. Scott's chin was hit by the train.