



ROSYTH SCHOOL
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1, 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
PRIMARY 3

Name: _____

Register No. _____

Class: Pr 3-_____

Total duration for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 15 minutes

Date: 13 May 2013

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BOOKLET A

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 19 questions (Questions 1 to 19) and 7 pages (including this page).
4. Answer all questions.
5. Shade your options on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

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Section A: Grammar (8 marks)

For questions 1 to 8, choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS given. (8 x 1 mark)

1) Rohan is getting impatient as he has waited at the customer service counter for more than _____ hour.

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| (1) a | (2) any |
| (3) an | (4) the |

2) The commuters gathered their bags and waited in line as the passenger train pulled _____ the station.

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| (1) along | (2) into |
| (3) between | (4) through |

3) "Stop asking me for more money! I do not have _____ left," Suzy angrily told her brother.

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| (1) much | (2) most |
| (3) many | (4) some |

4) Canada isn't the largest country in the world, _____ it?

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| (1) is | (2) was |
| (3) isn't | (4) wasn't |

5) Tomorrow is my mother's birthday. I _____ her a hand-phone pouch and hope to finish it tonight.

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| (1) knit | (2) knitted |
| (3) knits | (4) am knitting |

6) Jack and John suffer from short-sightedness but Jack's eyesight is _____.

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| (1) bad | (2) worse |
| (3) worst | (4) worsen |

7) The group of prefects _____ during the June holidays for their leadership training every year.

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| (1) meet | (2) met |
| (3) meets | (4) will meet |

8) All the members in the band _____ very hard this week in preparation for the upcoming concert.

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| (1) is practising | (2) was practising |
| (3) are practising | (4) were practising |

13) Randall cracked an egg into half, threw away the egg contents and washed the _____ so that he could add soil for planting seeds in it.

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| (1) yolk | (2) shell |
| (3) cover | (4) carton |

14) The Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay is a famous landmark in Singapore. The shape of the _____ looks like our favourite fruit, the durian.

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| (1) shop | (2) office |
| (3) school | (4) building |

Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (10 marks)

Study the poster carefully and then answer questions 15 to 19.

Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS given. (5 x 2 marks)



PET DAY AT THE PARK



FREE ADMISSION FOR EVERYONE

JAKE'S PET SHOP is proud to organise a Pet Day for pet lovers.

We want to promote care and kindness for all animals, big and small.

Come, spend a wonderful day at the park and make new friends.

There will be many fun events, pet stalls, attractive giveaways and prizes for you and your pet.

Date: Sunday, 9 June 2013

Time: 9am to 6pm

Venue: Sentosa Park
North Entrance

EVENTS



Are you a dog owner?

- Do you think your dog is smart and obedient?
- Participate in 'My Dog, My Companion' competition.
- Win dog food and treats from Woofy Pet Food Store.

Do you have the biggest cat?

- Sign up for the contest.
- You may just go home \$500 richer!



Don't have a pet? Would you like to adopt a dog or a cat? There will be rescued dogs and cats at the park looking for loving homes. You can learn more about pet ownership by attending talks on 30 May 2013 or 8 June 2013 at the Dog & Cat Society during any of these timings: 11 am, 2pm and 4pm.



For more information, please contact Mr Yeo at 6187 4890.

You may also visit our website: jakespetshop@city.com.sg.

Completed entry forms for contests must be submitted latest by 31 May 2013.

- 15) Pet Day At The Park is organised by _____.
- (1) Sentosa Park
 - (2) Jake's Pet Shop
 - (3) Dog & Cat Society
 - (4) Woofy Pet Food Store
- 16) The purpose of this event is to _____.
- (1) meet new friends
 - (2) have a wonderful day
 - (3) collect giveaways and win prizes
 - (4) promote kindness and responsibility to animals
- 17) The event will be held at the _____ Entrance of Sentosa Park.
- (1) North
 - (2) South
 - (3) East
 - (4) West
- 18) Completed entry forms for contests must be submitted by _____.
- (1) 30 May 2013
 - (2) 31 May 2013
 - (3) 8 June 2013
 - (4) 9 June 2013
- 19) Which one of the following is true of 'Pet Day At The Park'?
- _____.
- (1) All prize winners will receive a cash prize of \$500
 - (2) Rescued dogs and cats are available for adoption
 - (3) Visitors can attend any of the four talks on pet ownership
 - (4) Winners of 'My Dog, My Companion' contest will win only dog food

*****End of Booklet A*****



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BOOKLET B

Instructions to Pupils:

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Component	Maximum	Marks Obtained
Grammar & Vocabulary	27	
Comprehension Cloze	3	
Comprehension MCQ & Open-ended	20	
Total	50	

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Section A : Grammar (8 marks)

For questions 20 to 23, read the passage carefully, choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

Use EACH OPTION ONCE ONLY. (4 x 1 mark)

(A) we	(B) his	(C) her	(D) she
(E) they	(F) herself	(G) them	(H) myself

Last December, Peter and his mother visited the Mekong River in Vietnam. As (20)_____ were walking along the river, something unfortunate happened. Peter's mother lost (21) _____ footing and fell into the water! As she struggled to stay afloat, she spotted a rock nearby and tried to hold onto it to save (22) _____. Seeing (23)_____ mother in danger, Peter quickly plunged into the river to save her.

For questions 24 to 27, read the passage carefully. Then underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets. (4 x 1 mark)

Have you ever heard of a mammal which (24) (lay / lays) eggs? Well, the platypus in eastern Australia (25) (do / does). That is not the only strange thing about the platypus. It looks strange too. Like a beaver, the platypus sports a brown furry body and a broad flat tail. Unlike a beaver however it (26) (has / have) a long flat snout shaped like a duck's bill! The Australian government and its citizens (27) (is / are) proud that the platypus is unique to Australia.

Section B : Vocabulary (4 marks)

For questions 28 to 31, read the passage carefully, choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

Use EACH OPTION ONCE ONLY. (4 x 1 mark)

(A) nutrients	(B) fattest	(C) diet	(D) fertile
(E) weak	(F) light	(G) longest	(H) heavy

The River Nile is about 6,695 km in length. It begins in the mountains of Africa and flows through Egypt before draining into the Mediterranean Sea. It is the (28) _____ river in Africa and in the world.

The River Nile is important to the Egyptians because long ago, the ancient Egyptians lived along the Nile. The land was green on either side of the Nile. The river provided water and rich (29) _____ for the soil. The soil contained *kemet* (black mud) which was left behind after the river flooded every year during the heavy summer rains. The (30) _____ soil was ideal for growing healthy crops such as wheat, vegetables and melons.

Reeds, water plants with tall straight hollow stems, also grew alongside the Nile. These reeds, called papyrus, were used by the Egyptians to make paper. The reeds were flattened, dried, and stuck together in small sheets. The Egyptians glued the small sheets together to make big pieces which could be rolled. Papyrus was widely used as it was (31) _____ and easy to carry around.

Section C: Sentence Manipulation (1 x 1 mark)

For question 32, 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).

32) The girl was frightened. The girl hid under the bed.

_____ because

Section D: Comprehension Cloze (3 marks)

Read the passage carefully. For questions 33 to 35, fill in each of the blanks with the most suitable word. (3 x 1 mark)

Dear Ravi,

Last week, we celebrated Earth Day on 22 April. My school organised many (33)_____ for us to do on different days of that week. We focused on recycling stuff such as paper, plastic and aluminium. However, what I (34)_____ doing the most was composting - the recycling of leftover food and garden waste. It was so interesting!

We put the leftover food and garden waste into a bin. Next, we layered it with fallen leaves, soil and newspapers. Then we placed it in a sunny place in the school garden.

We have to wait for a few weeks before the mixture is ready to be used with soil for potting (35)_____. I can't wait!

Please write and tell me how your school in India celebrated Earth Day.

Your pal,

Jon

Section E: Comprehension (OE) (10 marks)

Read the following passage carefully. Then write the answers for questions 36 to 41.

Justin and Mary woke up early even though they were on holiday at their uncle's house by the lake. The night before, Uncle Tom had told them about Foggy Figure that haunts the lake. Justin and Mary were determined to see the ghostly creature before their vacation was over.

It was only 5 am, so everyone else in the house was still asleep. As the children crept through the kitchen to the back door, Mary sniffed the air. It had the faint scent of coffee and pastries. She shrugged it off and followed Justin out of the door to the jetty. The fog had settled over the lake, making it impossible to see anything from the dock. Justin suggested going out on the boat instead.

The children climbed onto Uncle Tom's boat and were getting nervous now that they were on the water. Slowly, the fog began to lift. Mary turned around and screamed, "Foggy Figure!" It was in the boat with them! The children hugged each other in fear, but then they heard a familiar laugh. Justin leaned towards Foggy Figure. "Uncle Tom?" he asked.

"I knew that story would get you two out of bed early to take a boat ride," Uncle Tom said. Then he dished out the breakfast he had prepared in the kitchen earlier.

Mary smiled. She had smelled the coffee. It wasn't her imagination!

36) Where did Justin and Mary stay during the holidays? [2m]

37) Why did the children go out to the lake? [2m]

38) Which word in paragraph 3 tells us that the children were feeling worried? [2m]

39) How did Justin recognise Foggy Figure as Uncle Tom? [2m]

40) What did Uncle Tom prepare for breakfast? [2m]

**** End of Paper****



ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2013

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TERM : SA1

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

Q18	Q19
2	2

Booklet B

Section A

Q20) E

Q22) F

Q23) B

Q24) lays

Q25) does

Q26) has

Q27) are

Section B

Q28) G

Q29) A

Q30) D

Q31) F

Section C

Q32) The girl hid under the bed because she was frightened

Section D

Q33) activities

Q34) enjoyed

Q35) plants

Section E

Q36) Justin and Mary stayed at their uncle's house during the holidays

Q37) Uncle Tom told them that Foggy Figures haunted that lake so they wanted to find out if they were true

Q38) nervous

Q39) Justin heard a familiar laugh so Justin recognize Foggy Figures as Uncle Tom

Q40) Uncle Tom prepared coffee and pastries for breakfast.