



**ROSYTH SCHOOL  
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT TWO 2013  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PAPER 2  
PRIMARY 4**

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Class: Pr 4 \_\_\_\_\_

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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 8 pages.
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) Judy and I followed the instructions and designed the banner \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) herself
- (2) ourselves
- (3) yourselves
- (4) themselves

2) While doing their homework just now, Ali and his brother \_\_\_\_\_ angry when the phone kept ringing.

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

3) Bala \_\_\_\_\_ so kind when he helped the old lady cross the road.

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

4) "Listen carefully. The Student Well-being Ambassadors \_\_\_\_\_ important instructions," said the prefect.

- (1) gave
- (2) gives
- (3) are giving
- (4) have given

5) Last week, Charles \_\_\_\_\_ a birthday party after asking his parents for permission.

(1) attends

(2) attended

(3) have attended

(4) was attending

6) While we \_\_\_\_\_ the stadium, it began to rain.

(1) leave

(2) have left

(3) will leave

(4) were leaving

7) \_\_\_\_\_ children standing there have the best view of the performance.

(1) This

(2) That

(3) These

(4) Those

8) My family and I decided not to eat at that coffee shop as there were \_\_\_\_\_ people in the queue.

(1) little

(2) many

(3) some

(4) much

**Section B: Vocabulary (6 marks)**

**For questions 9 to 14, choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS given. (6 x 1 mark)**

9) Leatherback turtles often die from \_\_\_\_\_ on plastic bags which they mistake for jellyfish, their favourite food.

- (1) feeding
- (2) choking
- (3) vomiting
- (4) breathing

10) When Evan saw a stranger in his house, he was \_\_\_\_\_ and shivered uncontrollably.

- (1) annoyed
- (2) ashamed
- (3) frightened
- (4) disappointed

11) It was so quiet that she could hear her own footsteps, as well as the \_\_\_\_\_ of the leaves on the tree.

- (1) rustling
- (2) buzzing
- (3) humming
- (4) whispering

12) The campers were excited when they \_\_\_\_\_ up the river in their canoes.

- (1) slid
- (2) sailed
- (3) glided
- (4) paddled

13) Before the race, all the \_\_\_\_\_ did some warm-up exercises.

- (1) onlookers
- (2) spectators
- (3) opponents
- (4) competitors

14) "Don't lose that watch because it cost me a/an \_\_\_\_\_. It took me a long time to save up for it," my brother reminded me.

- (1) piece of cake
- (2) arm and a leg
- (3) eye for an eye
- (4) apple of my eye

**Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (10 marks)**

Read the following advertisement carefully. 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)

# OUTDOOR ADVENTURES FOR KIDS

Hello kids, are you bored this holiday? Now grab your parents and head on down to these super spots for a great family time!



## Nature Connect!

- ❖ Punggol Nature Park
  - Hike in the nature trails
  - Have some fun on the slides and rope bridges at the new playground
- ❖ Mount Faber
  - Spot migratory birds and monitor lizards in their natural habitat
  - Join guided tours



- ❖ Sentosa Underwater World
  - Sneak a peek at a moray eel in a rocky crevice
  - Tour an underwater local reef community
  - Feed the friendly stingrays at Ray Bay Lagoon only



## Chomp Chomp

- ❖ Satay Club at Marina Bay
  - Barbeque your own satay
  - Catch a bumpy bumboat ride down Singapore River
- ❖ Buffet Town
  - \* Dine with your parents for free.
  - Watch a movie while eating in the playroom.

*\*Free kids' buffets are available for Sunday lunch only*

## Outdoor Activities

- ❖ East Coast Park
  - Walk/Cycle along the beach
  - Build sandcastles
  - Picnic under a shady tree
  - Camp by the beach
  - Learn to canoe



15. What is the main purpose of this advertisement?
- (1) To encourage bird-watching
  - (2) To inform parents of free kids' buffets
  - (3) To promote holiday activities for families
  - (4) To persuade kids to spend time with their friends
16. Gillian would like to observe wildlife in their natural habitat. Where should she go?
- (1) Mount Faber
  - (2) East Coast Park
  - (3) Punggol Nature Park
  - (4) Sentosa Underwater World
17. Where would one go to catch a bumboat ride?
- (1) Marina Bay
  - (2) Singapore River
  - (3) Ray Bay Lagoon
  - (4) Sentosa Oceanarium
18. What are some of the activities that one can participate in at East Coast Park?
- (1) Cycle and build sandcastles.
  - (2) Feed stingrays and camp by the beach.
  - (3) Spot migratory birds and join a guided tour.
  - (4) Enjoy free kids' buffet and have a barbeque.

19. Which of the following statements is true?

- (1) Visitors can see only moray eels at Ray Bay Lagoon.
- (2) Guided tours are available to the public at Mount Faber.
- (3) A family can enjoy a free kid's buffet on a Sunday evening.
- (4) Hiking at Punggol Nature Park allows one to catch some birds.

END OF BOOKLET A





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**BOOKLET B**

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3. This booklet consists of 21 questions (Questions 20 to 43) and 7 pages (including this page).

Component	Maximum	Marks Obtained
Grammar & Vocabulary	25	
Comprehension Cloze	5	
Comprehension MCQ & Open-ended	20	
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	

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**SECTION A**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. USE A WORD ONCE ONLY. (4 marks)

(A) she	(B) you	(C) her
(D) them	(E) theirs	(F) themselves

Mrs Lim was scolding her pupils furiously. "All of (20)\_\_\_\_\_ should be ashamed of yourselves!"

The pupils had not behaved (21)\_\_\_\_\_ when there was no teacher in the classroom. Mrs Lim was in a room nearby when she heard (22)\_\_\_\_\_ laughing and shouting loudly. Mrs Lim shook her head sadly as (23)\_\_\_\_\_ entered the classroom. She could not believe that the pupils could be so noisy.

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets. (4 marks)

The rich food in the water surrounding the coral reefs (24) [ attract / attracts ] hundreds of sea creatures. Colourful fishes (25) [ swim / swims ] around in the water. Meanwhile, a cluster of anemones (26) [ is / are ] seen clinging to the coral. Some creatures actually eat the coral. For example, a parrot fish (27) [ eat / eats ] the coral by breaking off small lumps of it, a little at a time. On the other hand, a starfish eats a large amount of the coral at one time.

**SECTION B**

**Combine the sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given. (3 marks)**

28. I lost the file. It contained all my notes.

\_\_\_\_\_ which  
\_\_\_\_\_

29. Sally likes to travel during the holidays. She likes to read during the holidays too.

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

30. We exercise regularly. It is a way to keep us healthy.

Exercising \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Fill each blank with a suitable word. (5 marks)

One day, a woodcutter's axe accidentally fell into a river. The poor woodcutter searched thoroughly in the water but he could not find it. Finally, he (31)\_\_\_\_\_ into tears. Hearing his sobs, (32)\_\_\_\_\_ angel suddenly appeared. After looking at the woodcutter, the angel dived (33)\_\_\_\_\_ the river. After a while, it surfaced, holding a golden axe. The angel handed the axe to the woodcutter but he did not accept it. He said that his axe was made of iron.

The angel dived into the river again and soon returned with a silver axe. The woodcutter again (34)\_\_\_\_\_ to take it. The angel plunged into the river for the third time. It soon reappeared with the woodcutter's axe, which the poor man gratefully took. The angel (35)\_\_\_\_\_ impressed with the man's honesty. It gave him the golden and silver axes to reward him for his integrity.

*Adapted from <http://www.english-for-students.com/The-Truthful-Woodcutter.html>*

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Taking care of your pet rabbit and keeping it happy can be easy and fun. Here are some quick rabbit care tips.

Keep your pet in a special pen called a hutch. It is usually small and has wires on the sides and bottom to let air in. The wires on the bottom let the animals' droppings fall onto a tray below. You should always clear the tray to 5 keep the hutch clean.

Your rabbit will get bored easily if it is locked up in the small hutch all the time. This is because there is no space for it to move or run about. To help your pet get some exercise, you could build a "rabbit run" for your pet. Although it still has wires on the sides, it is much bigger than a hutch so the rabbit can run 10 freely in it.

You should give your rabbit fresh water twice daily. Check that the water is clean. Your rabbit should be given food pellets mixed with chopped up vegetables. Sometimes, you can also feed your pet some bananas as a treat. However, do not overfeed your rabbit as it will become overweight and 15 unhealthy.

Most importantly, you need to learn to pick up your rabbit carefully. First, support its bottom with one hand. Next, hold its neck with your other hand. Then, put it gently against your chest so it feels safe and secure. You should never pick your rabbit up by its ears! 20

How do we know that our rabbits are happy? They will grind their teeth gently and coo softly.

Source: <http://voices.yahoo.com/how-to-take-care-of-your-pet-rabbit-correctly-taking-3851066.html?cat=53>

36. Which word has the same meaning as “without much effort”? Circle (A) or (B).

[1m]

Taking care of your pet rabbit and keeping it happy can be fun and easy.

(A)

(B)

37. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

The special home of a rabbit \_\_\_\_\_ . [1m]

<input type="checkbox"/>	is usually small
<input type="checkbox"/>	has a tray inside it
<input type="checkbox"/>	has wires on top of it

38. How can you give your pet rabbit exercise?

\_\_\_\_\_ [1m]

39. Name three things that you can feed your pet rabbit:

(i) \_\_\_\_\_ [1m]

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_ [1m]

(iii) \_\_\_\_\_ [1m]

40. Write 1, 2 or 3 in the blanks to show the correct order of the steps to pick up your pet rabbit properly. [1m]

\_\_\_\_\_ Hold it gently against your chest.

\_\_\_\_\_ Support its bottom with one hand.

\_\_\_\_\_ Hold its neck with one hand.

For Qns 41, 42 and 43, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. [3m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	Never clear the tray to keep the hutch clean.		✓
41.	Rabbits do not like carrots.		
42.	A "rabbit run" is larger than a hutch.		
43.	A rabbit coos loudly to show it is happy.		

End of Booklet B





# ANSWER SHEET

**EXAM PAPER 2013**

**SCHOOL : ROSYTH SCHOOL**

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**TERM : SA2**

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

Q18	Q19
1	2

## BOOKLET B

Q20  
B

Q21  
F

Q22  
D

Q23  
A

Q24  
Attracts

Q25  
Swim

Q26

Is

Q27

Eats

Q28

I lost the file, which contained all my notes

Q29

Sally likes to travel and read during the holidays.

Q30

Exercising regularly is a way to keep us healthy.

Q31

Burst

Q32

An

Q33

Into

Q34

Refused

Q35

Was

Q36

Taking care of your pet rabbit and keeping it happy can be fun and easy

A

**B**

Q37

✓	Is usually small
	Has a tray inside it
	Has wires on top of it

Q38

You can build a 'rabbit run' for your pet.

Q39

- i) Carrot
- ii) Food pellets mixed with chopped up vegetables
- iii) Bananas

Q40

3

1

2

	Statement	True	False
Example	Never clear the tray to keep the hutch clean.		✓
Q41	Rabbits do not like carrots		✓
Q42	A 'rabbit run' is larger than a hutch.	✓	
Q43	A rabbit coos loudly to show it is happy		✓

