



NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL  
CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1 - 2013  
PRIMARY 5

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Class: Pr. 5 \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 26 February 2013

Booklet A	/ 30
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Parent's Signature & Date

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

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INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

1. Do not turn over the page until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. Answer all questions carefully.
4. Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

(BOOKLET A)

Section A – Graphic-Stimulus Comprehension ( 5 x 1 ) marks  
Study the following poster and answer questions 1 to 5.

# Sentosa Flowers

presents

## Joys of Spring

9 - 17 February 10a.m. - 7p.m.  
Palawan Beach  
(Special preview for Sentosa VIP on 8 February!)

**EVENT HIGHLIGHTS**

- Get your camera ready for the colourful Rainbow Snake!
- Get charmed in village of Nuwa and learn about legends associated with Chinese New Year!
- Be mesmerised by the beautiful Floral Displays from day to night
- Learn more about snakes at Fun About Snakes!
- Be amazed by floral exhibits designed by ITE West, Singapore Polytechnic and ST Kinetics!

**Magic Moments**  
Snap your most memorable moment in your Sentosa Flowers journey and share the photograph with us at [flowers.sentosa.com.sg](http://flowers.sentosa.com.sg) for a chance to win cash prizes!  
Psst...Get your camera ready! Submissions open on 9 Feb and close on 18 Feb.

**Prizes to be won**  
Grand Prize: S\$2000  
1<sup>st</sup> runner up: S\$1000  
2<sup>nd</sup> runner up: S\$500  
Consolation: S\$200

**Grab your tickets today!**

<b>Standard Ticket</b> <b>\$5</b> Available at Sentosa Ticketing Counters	<b>Advance Ticket</b> <b>\$4</b> Available online at least one day in advance	<b>Buy 1-get-1 free</b> Islander Card^1  Available till 8 February only
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Sentosa island admission and carpark charges payable separately.  
Promotion code: ONE4ONE required upon ticket booking.

**Digital Imaging**  
**Kodak**

**Supporting Partners**

**TIVOLI**  
**SANDWICKZ**

**Green Turf**

For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

1. The advertisement shown on Page 1 is about an exhibition on \_\_\_\_\_ in Sentosa.

- 1) snakes
- 2) flowers
- 3) photography
- 4) Chinese legends

( )

2. Which of the following statements is true?

- 1) The exhibition is held for the first year in Sentosa.
- 2) There is a preview of the exhibition on 8 February.
- 3) An exhibition ticket allows one to enter Sentosa for free.
- 4) Entries for photography contest can be submitted at Palawan Beach.

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3. Which of the following organisations set up the floral exhibits?

- 1) Kodak
- 2) Green Turf
- 3) ST Kinetics
- 4) Far East Floral

( )

4. What is the second prize for the online photography competition?

- 1) S\$200
- 2) S\$500
- 3) S\$1000
- 4) S\$2000

( )

5. In order to enjoy the Islander Card promotion, one must purchase the cards \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) on 8 February only
- 2) with a promotion code
- 3) at least one day in advance
- 4) at Sentosa ticketing counters

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**Section B – Grammar (7 x 1mark)**

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 corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

6. Tommy cannot go swimming today \_\_\_\_\_ he has a cold.

- 1) unless
- 2) even if
- 3) because
- 4) although

( )

7. Neither John nor the team of boys \_\_\_\_\_ for training today.

- 1) go
- 2) is going
- 3) are going
- 4) was going

( )

8. Emma is going \_\_\_\_\_ a hard time and she needs our help.

- 1) on
- 2) over
- 3) about
- 4) through

( )

9. James is \_\_\_\_\_ I should look for when I need help to build a table.

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

( )

10. According to Peter, the fight \_\_\_\_\_ before the movie started.

- 1) happens
- 2) has happened
- 3) had happened
- 4) have happened

( )

11. Stella promised us that she \_\_\_\_\_ buy the tickets for "Wreck it Ralph" later.

- 1) may
- 2) must
- 3) would
- 4) should

( )

12. John resembles his father, \_\_\_\_\_?

- 1) is he
- 2) isn't he
- 3) does he
- 4) doesn't he

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**Section C – Punctuation (3 x 1mark)**

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.

A curious child asked his mother, "Mummy, why are some strands of your hair turning grey (13)

The mother wanted to make use of this occasion to teach her child. She responded, "It is because of you (14) my dear. Every mischievous act you do will cause a strand of my hair to turn grey! You should behave better!"

The child thought about it for a moment and cried out, "Now I know why Grandma only has grey hairs on her head (15)

The next day, the mother bought two bottles of black hair dye — one for herself and the other for her mother.

- 13.
- 1) [.] full stop and inverted commas
  - 2) ["] inverted commas and full stop
  - 3) [?] question mark and inverted commas
  - 4) [!] exclamation mark and inverted commas ( )

- 14.
- 1) [:] colon
  - 2) [,] comma
  - 3) [?] question mark
  - 4) [!] exclamation mark ( )

- 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 (5 x 1mark)**

For each question from 16 to 20, one of the four options is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. "I don't want to leave this place!" my little sister \_\_\_\_\_ but my mother ignored her tantrum.

- 1) groaned
- 2) shrieked
- 3) chuckled
- 4) reprimanded

( )

17. Pat is just an \_\_\_\_\_ I met in school. I hardly talk to her.

- 1) ally
- 2) assailant
- 3) accomplice
- 4) acquaintance

( )

18. The baseball team was \_\_\_\_\_ when they failed to clinch the championship.

- 1) jubilant
- 2) crestfallen
- 3) boisterous
- 4) astounded

( )

19. Ahmad wants to \_\_\_\_\_ of our agreement! We can no longer carry out our plan!

- 1) back up
- 2) back off
- 3) back out
- 4) back away

( )

20. Paul can talk a \_\_\_\_\_. We always have problem understanding him since he speaks so quickly!

- 1) red tape
- 2) green horn
- 3) grey matter
- 4) blue streak

( )

**Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1mark)**

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

Have you ever dreamt of climbing the highest mountain of the world?

The Singapore Women's Everest Team (21) is made up of six women who are unafraid to break conventions and pursue their dreams. Coming from diverse backgrounds, they are (22) bound by a common aim to conquer Mount Everest.

Five years of preparation, training and fund-raising (23) led to success when the team put the first Singaporean women on the top of the world.

On 20 May 2009, the first summit team saw success when members Lee Lihui, Esther Tan and leader, Jane Lee, stood on the summit of Mount Everest at 8,850m. Two days later, team members Joanne Soo and Lee Peh Gee added to the (24) resounding success. It was a pity that team co-leader, Sim Yihui, did not ascend due to (25) recurring chest pains.

Now that they are home, the team visits schools to share inspiring stories of their adventure.

*Adapted from Website: <http://www.womenoneverest.com>*

21. 1) consists  
2) conjoins  
3) contains  
4) connects ( )
22. 1) held  
2) unified  
3) confined  
4) fastened ( )
23. 1) paid up  
2) paid off  
3) paid back  
4) paid down ( )
24. 1) bountiful  
2) booming  
3) remarkable  
4) reverberating ( )
25. 1) acute  
2) habitual  
3) terminal  
4) continual ( )



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**Section F – Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1mark)**

**Read the given passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.**

Grandma was brought up in a family that lived virtually on luck. Her parents were very wealthy people simply because they had always been lucky in what they did. The family would do what they could to maintain that kind of luck which they had always enjoyed – so much so that they became extremely superstitious. Therefore, Grandma has been superstitious for the past seventy-five years of her life, and will continue to be for many more years to come. 5

I remember as a young child, I would sit by her bed in the morning and wait patiently for her to rise. Grandma believes that for luck, you should get out from the right side of the bed. If your body is nearer to one edge of the bed when you wake up, you should get out of the bed by the other. There are many other incredibly strange beliefs that Grandma maintains. She once dipped a sprig of pomegranate leaves into some water on a bright red dish and sprinkled the water on my sister's hair on the day she took up a new job. Grandma was pleased despite the murmurs of uneasiness from my sister and giggles from the rest of the family. 10

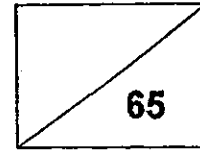
My family is very experienced in handling Grandma's extreme superstitions on Chinese New Year. We love this elder too much to hurt her feelings during a period that is so important to her. For instance, on the first day of the New Year, Grandma would insist that none of us wash our hair. She explained that we would wash away our good luck for the New Year if we did so. In order to avoid any squabbles with her, the whole family would wake up much earlier than Grandma to have our showers. Imagine visiting our relatives' homes with itchy heads! That would be unbearable! 15 20

Grandma also disallows us from using any foul language or unlucky words on this day. Before we have our breakfast, she would ensure that all of us queue up in front of her and greet her with auspicious words. In return, we would each receive a red packet from her. For the rest of the day, we could not make any references to the past year as we are taught to look forward to a new beginning. Following that, a new year of superstitions starts once again! 25

For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer and shade the corresponding oval on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

26. Grandma's superstitious beliefs \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) gave her a long life
  - 2) made her a wealthy person
  - 3) had been passed on to her by her parents
  - 4) came from rising from the right side of the bed
- ( )
27. By describing Grandma's beliefs as "incredibly strange", the writer suggests that she \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) appreciates the superstitions
  - 2) finds the superstitions effective
  - 3) disapproves of the superstitions
  - 4) finds the superstitions hard to believe
- ( )
28. The writer's sister accepted the sprinkles of water from the red dish because she wanted \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) please Grandma
  - 2) seek help from the gods
  - 3) have a successful career
  - 4) receive Grandma's blessings
- ( )
29. "That" in line 21 refers to the family \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) having itchy heads
  - 2) not having their hairs washed
  - 3) washing away their good luck
  - 4) waking up early in the morning to have their showers
- ( )
30. Which of the following is the most suitable title for the text?
- 1) My Lucky Grandma
  - 2) My Superstitious Grandma
  - 3) Chinese New Year Superstitions
  - 4) That Superstitious Family of Mine
- ( )

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Booklet B

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**Section G – Grammar Cloze (10 x 1) marks**

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40 in the passage below. From the list of words in the box, choose the most suitable answer for each blank and write its letter ( A to Q ) in it. "I" and "O" have been omitted to avoid confusion in marking. Use each word only **ONCE**.

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|--------|------------|-------|--------------|-------------|
| A) a   | D) at      | G) if | K) myself    | N) to       |
| B) and | E) be      | H) in | L) otherwise | P) you      |
| C) are | F) however | J) is | M) the       | Q) yourself |

Having good manners will help you to live with other people pleasantly. If you lived by \_\_\_\_\_ on a desert island, nobody would care whether you were kind or not. It would  
(31) not bother other people if you were rude. However, \_\_\_\_\_ someone else happened to  
(32) live there with you, \_\_\_\_\_ would have to learn how to get along with each other.  
(33) \_\_\_\_\_, the two of you would probably quarrel and fight all the time, or you might have  
(34) to stay apart \_\_\_\_\_ be two lonely people on the same desert island! Nobody would  
(35) like to live like this for long. Most of us do not live on a desert island. We are bound to meet people  
and we try to pass \_\_\_\_\_ day with them in a pleasant way.

Courtesy is \_\_\_\_\_ part of good manners. It is nicest when the courteous  
(36) person is being truly sincere, when he really means \_\_\_\_\_ be polite and kind. We  
(37) expect most people \_\_\_\_\_ society to show courtesy, and it is important for children to  
(38) show courtesy to older people.  
(39)

People who \_\_\_\_\_ courteous and kind do not have to worry about making  
(40) friends. Their manners and kind behaviour will persuade others to enjoy their company and look forward to meeting them again.

**Section H – Editing for Spelling and Grammar (10 x 1) marks**

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

Jacob enjoyed playing tricks on his friends as his pastime. One day, he went hiking with a

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group of friends. He decided to take along an imitate snake which was made of rubber. His

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**intansion** was to throw it at one of the girls while they were taking a break.

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The **oporrtnuity** came when they stopped for lunch under a big oak tree. He placed the

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snake **prekarlousll** on one of the branches and shouted excitedly, "Look! There's a big snake

(45)

above you!" His friends glance up and screamed in horror as they leapt up from the ground and

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started to run from the tree. Jacob laughed loudly at their panic expressions. Realising his trick,

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his friends refused to share their food with him, as he had disrupt the lunch they had been so

(48)

eager to enjoy. When they saw him approached the tree, they turned their backs towards him.

(49)

This meant that he was **unforchunertly** unable to taste the delicious sandwiches and chicken that

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the girls had prepared. He had to sit **sepretely** from the rest and all he had for lunch were a few

small biscuits. After that day, he had learnt not to play pranks on his friends again.

**Section I – Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1) marks**

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

There are two interesting things that happen to us very often but we take little notice of them and possibly never try to find \_\_\_\_\_ anything about them. These two small but interesting events are “turning white in the face” and “blushing”

People seldom bother to learn why these things \_\_\_\_\_ place. We know that under \_\_\_\_\_ circumstances, when we are relaxed, our heartbeat is usually between sixty \_\_\_\_\_ ninety beats a minute. When we exert ourselves, our heart beats faster and the rate \_\_\_\_\_. This is because certain muscles in the body have to do more work and be more efficient so more blood is \_\_\_\_\_ in these muscles.

When we are frightened, our brain receives a message to transfer blood from certain \_\_\_\_\_ of our body, such as our face and hands, to the muscles of our legs. This will prepare the legs to run from the \_\_\_\_\_ of fear or fright. Hence, our face turns pale.

When we blush, we turn red in the cheeks or neck. This happens when a sudden emotion, \_\_\_\_\_ as embarrassment and happiness, occurs. When this happens, tiny blood vessels just below the surface of the \_\_\_\_\_ dilate. As these vessels are filled with blood, they are more visible on the face and neck \_\_\_\_\_ the skin in these areas is thinner. Hence, the skin looks red. When this happens, people begin to \_\_\_\_\_ hot and uncomfortable.

Young people tend to blush more easily \_\_\_\_\_ the old. This is because as we grow \_\_\_\_\_, we become more experienced with the ways of life. Mature adults are generally able to handle situations better without being embarrassed \_\_\_\_\_ what is said or done. In other words, as the young learn to cope with sudden emotions, they blush less often.

**Section J - Synthesis / Transformation (5 x 2) marks**

**For questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the given one(s).**

66. Cindy's father left for work. She threw a tantrum because of that.

\_\_\_\_\_ when  
\_\_\_\_\_

67. Jane carries her handbag no matter where she goes.

Wherever \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

68. We may lose all our competitions. We must practise hard.

Unless \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

69. Adam speaks Mandarin and English fluently.

Besides \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

70. She was beautiful. She attracted many princes from far and wide.

Her \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Section K – Comprehension (10 x 2) marks**

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

Mr Tan returned home after work in the evening. After driving his car into the garage, he walked to his front door and searched in his right trouser pocket for a bunch of keys which included the one for his front door. It was not there. He tried his other trouser pocket. It was not there either.

"Don't panic," he said to himself. "You must have dropped it in the car."

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Back in the garage, he searched the front seat of his car. He scrutinised every inch of the floor below his driver's seat, where he had sat during the entire journey. Nothing. He then searched the back seats, although a little voice at the back of his mind told him it was unnecessary. Unsurprisingly, he found nothing there as well.

As his wife and children were on holiday in Malaysia, there was no one at home to open the door for him. Using his mobile phone, he got in touch with the security guard at his office, where Mr Tan worked as a legal consultant, and requested him to check if his bunch of keys was in his personal office. The security guard replied that he could not enter Mr Tan's personal office. He did not have the keys to the individual offices, and so he could not do what Mr Tan wanted him to do.

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In his desperation to enter the house, Mr Tan decided to climb a tree in his garden, get on a branch which was near to an upper floor window, and try to break through the window into the house. He knew it was a reckless thing to do but he decided to continue anyway.

He had just finished sweeping up the glass shards when he heard the siren of a police car reverberate through the street. This made him remember that the security alarm of his home would always be automatically activated when the house was locked. His entry must have triggered the alarm and alerted the nearby police post. The police car eventually came to a stop in front of his garden gate and three policemen rushed to the front of the house.

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Mr Tan decided that the best thing to do would be to get to his front door, face the policemen and explain to them what had happened. With the aid of his next-door neighbour, Mr Tan managed to convince the policemen of his identity and that a burglar had not broken into his house. However, one of the policemen told him off for his rash action. There were other ways he could have solved his problem and saved himself the embarrassment of a confrontation with the police. On hindsight, he realised that a quick trip back to his office would have sufficed.

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From that day onwards, Mr Tan and his family made sure to hide a spare key for the front door in their garden, lest any of them ever be tempted to break into their own home.

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For each question from 71 to 80, write your answer in the space provided. All answers must be in complete sentences.

71. What was Mr Tan's occupation?

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72. Which word in the first three paragraphs has the same meaning as "to examine very closely and carefully"?

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73. Why was it unsurprising that Mr Tan did not find his keys in the backseat compartment of the car?

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74. Who does the word "him" in line 12 refer to?

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75. Despite knowing it was reckless to break in through the window, why did Mr Tan decide to do so?

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76. Based on the passage, where do you think the "glass shards" (line 20) came from?

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77. What did the policemen think had happened as they approached Mr Tan's house?

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78. Which **three-word phrase** in the passage has the same meaning as "reprimanded him"?

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79. Which sentence in the passage tells you that Mr Tan's keys had been in his office?

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80. Do you think Mr Tan is likely to be locked out of his house again? Explain why.

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# ANSWER SHEET

**EXAM PAPER 2013**

**SCHOOL : NAN HUA**

**SUBJECT : PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH**

**TERM : CA1**

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
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Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34
2	3	4	1	2	2	3	4	3	4	1	1	2	Q	G	P	L

Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
B	M	A	N	H	C

- 41)imitation      42)intention      43)opportunity      44)precariously  
45)glanced      46)panicked      47)disrupted      48)approaching  
49)unfortunately      50)separately      51)out      52)take      53)normal  
54)and      55)increases      56)needed      57)parts      58)source  
59)such      60)skin      61)as      62)feel      63)than  
64)older      65)by  
66)Cindy threw a tantrum when her father left for work.  
67)Wherever Jane goes, she carries her hand bag.  
68)Unless we practise hard, we may lose all our competitions.

- 69) Besides Mandarin, Adam also speaks English fluently.
- 70) Her beauty attracted many princes from far and wide.
- 71) Mr Tan was a legal consultant.
- 72) The word is "scrutinized".
- 73) He had not sat at the back seat.
- 74) It refers to the security guard at Mr Tan's office.
- 75) Mr Tan was desperate to enter the house.
- 76) The glass shards came from Mr Tan breaking through the window of his house.
- 77) The policemen probably thought that a burglar had broken into Mr Tan's house.
- 78) The three-word phrase is "told him off".
- 79) The sentence is "On hindsight, he realised that a quick trip back to his office would have sufficed".
- 80) No. I do not. He hid a spare key for their front door in their garden.