

ANGLO-CHINESE SCHOOL (JUNIOR)



SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 - 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 6

Name : _____ ()

Class : P 6 . ()

Date : 7 May 2013

BOOKLET A

30 Questions

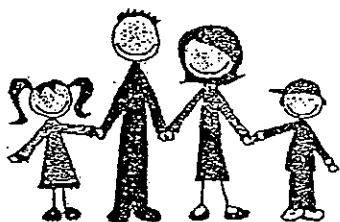
30 Marks

Total Time For Booklet A and B : 1 hour 50 minutes

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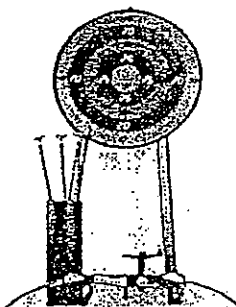
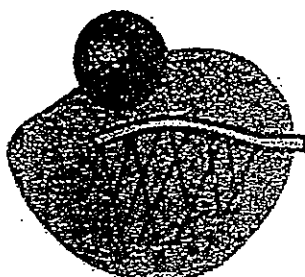
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WEEKEND@NEXPO
 Singapore NEXPO Halls 1 - 3
 10am to 10pm
 The last Saturday of every month
FUN . FAMILY . FRIENDS



Have fun with your family and friends at Weekend@NEXPO at the Singapore NEXPO! Held on the last Saturday of every month in 2013 at the Singapore NEXPO, Weekend@NEXPO features a vibrant new theme every month. From magic shows and fun fairs, to musical performances and flea markets for a special cause, there's something for everyone in the family! Check out our image gallery for past events.



This Month's Event:

SPORTS FAIR

Featuring aerobics, soccer, cycling, beginner's golf, table-tennis, basketball and sepak takraw. There will also be branded sports wear and equipment on sale at wholesale prices. Come down with your family and friends on the last Saturday of April!

Kids, meet your favourite soccer player at the Sports Fair – our very own Sanji Ali from the National Soccer Team. Sign up for a 10-minute clinic with him and get tips from our top national player – free of charge! The first 50 kids who sign up will get an autographed football free!

Coming up in May: GAMES DAY

Parents, let your kids take a break from their revision for exams. Remember, all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy! Let your kids release their stress in May's Event : Games Day Weekend@NEXPO. We have lots of games in store for you – shooting games, ball games, virtual games, strategic games, puzzles, quizzes and more! Get your family down to NEXPO in May. The first 50 families to register will get a stylus for iPhone!

Get your free MEELO drink at the refreshments counter. Every registration ticket can be exchanged for one cup of MEELO. First come first served.

A special shout to all budding local talents: Have a special talent that you'd love to showcase? Weekend@NEXPO has the perfect platform for you! To find out more about how you can perform at Weekend@NEXPO, please email weekend@nexpo.com.sg.

WEEKEND@NEXPO is organised by Singapore Development Board and sponsored by MEELO

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 purpose of this advertisement is to _____.
- (1) urge people to enjoy their weekends
 - (2) get families to spend more time together
 - (3) encourage kids to learn to play some sports
 - (4) attract people to come to NEXPO for the month's activities
- 2 Anyone who registers for May's event will get to _____.
- (1) have a free stylus for iphone
 - (2) go for the sports fair free of charge
 - (3) redeem his ticket for a cup of MEELO
 - (4) have an autographed football from Sanji Ali
- 3 Tommy wants to participate in the soccer clinic. He will _____.
- (1) be able to get free sports wear
 - (2) need to register for April's event
 - (3) be receiving an autographed football
 - (4) have to get an approval from Sanji Ali
- 4 According to this advertisement, WEEKEND@NEXPO _____.
- (1) occupies 4 halls
 - (2) is held every Saturday
 - (3) will continue monthly for the year 2013
 - (4) is sponsored by Singapore Development Board
- 5 If anyone wishes to showcase his talent, he can _____.
- (1) sign up during WEEKEND@NEXPO
 - (2) register in the next month's programme
 - (3) send an email to the organisers to find out more
 - (4) use WEEKEND@NEXPO to compete with other potentials

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 All except Johnny _____ accepted the changes to the programme.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) has
- (4) have

7 The rugby player came _____ after being unconscious for a week.

- (1) out
- (2) over
- (3) round
- (4) through

8 We saw a suspicious-looking man _____ into the school just now.

- (1) sneak
- (2) sneaks
- (3) sneaked
- (4) was sneaking

9 She cannot complete the race _____ she is very fit.

- (1) if
- (2) since
- (3) unless
- (4) despite

10 Sally, as well as her friends, _____ to the park every Sunday.

- (1) come
- (2) comes
- (3) has come
- (4) have come

11 This road leads to Rome, _____?

- (1) will it
- (2) isn't it
- (3) does it
- (4) doesn't it

12 You must be commended _____ your hard work.

- (1) in
- (2) on
- (3) by
- (4) for

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)

During Mark's first month of college, the professor gave his students a pop quiz. Mark was a conscientious student and had breezed through the questions, until he read the last one: "What is the first name of the woman who cleans the school?" Surely this was some kind of joke. He had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was tall, dark-haired and in her 50s, but how would he know her name (13) He handed in his paper, leaving the last question blank.

Just before class ended, one student asked if the last question would count towards the final grade. "Absolutely (14) said the professor. "In your careers, you will meet many people. All are significant. They each deserve your attention and care, even if all you do is smile and say 'hello (15) ." Mark never forgot that lesson. He also learnt that her name was Dorothy.

Adapted from Everyone is Important in "The Ultimate Lifeguide"

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

- 14 (1) [. ,] full-stop
(2) [, '] comma and inverted commas
(3) [' ,] inverted commas and comma
(4) [, '] full stop and inverted commas

- 15 (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full-stop
(3) ['] inverted comma
(4) [!] exclamation 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 Your storybook looks interesting. Could you _____ it to me?
- (1) lend
 - (2) fetch
 - (3) return
 - (4) borrow
- 17 We have a/an _____ of food so we invited our neighbours to join in the celebration.
- (1) extra
 - (2) surplus
 - (3) enough
 - (4) shortage
- 18 Look! There is a _____ of puppies in the box.
- (1) litter
 - (2) nest
 - (3) flock
 - (4) brood
- 19 Richard is a very _____ person. He seldom thinks before he acts.
- (1) intuitive
 - (2) impatient
 - (3) impulsive
 - (4) indecisive
- 20 The competent police officers _____ as they hunted down the murderer at large.
- (1) sat on the fence
 - (2) threw in the towel
 - (3) put their foot down
 - (4) left no stone unturned

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)

After the war was over, Otto returned to Amsterdam to look for his daughters. There he learnt that both Margot and Anne were dead. Anne's diary was saved by Miep, a (21) colleague of his. She gave it to him saying, "Here is your daughter's (22) legacy to you."

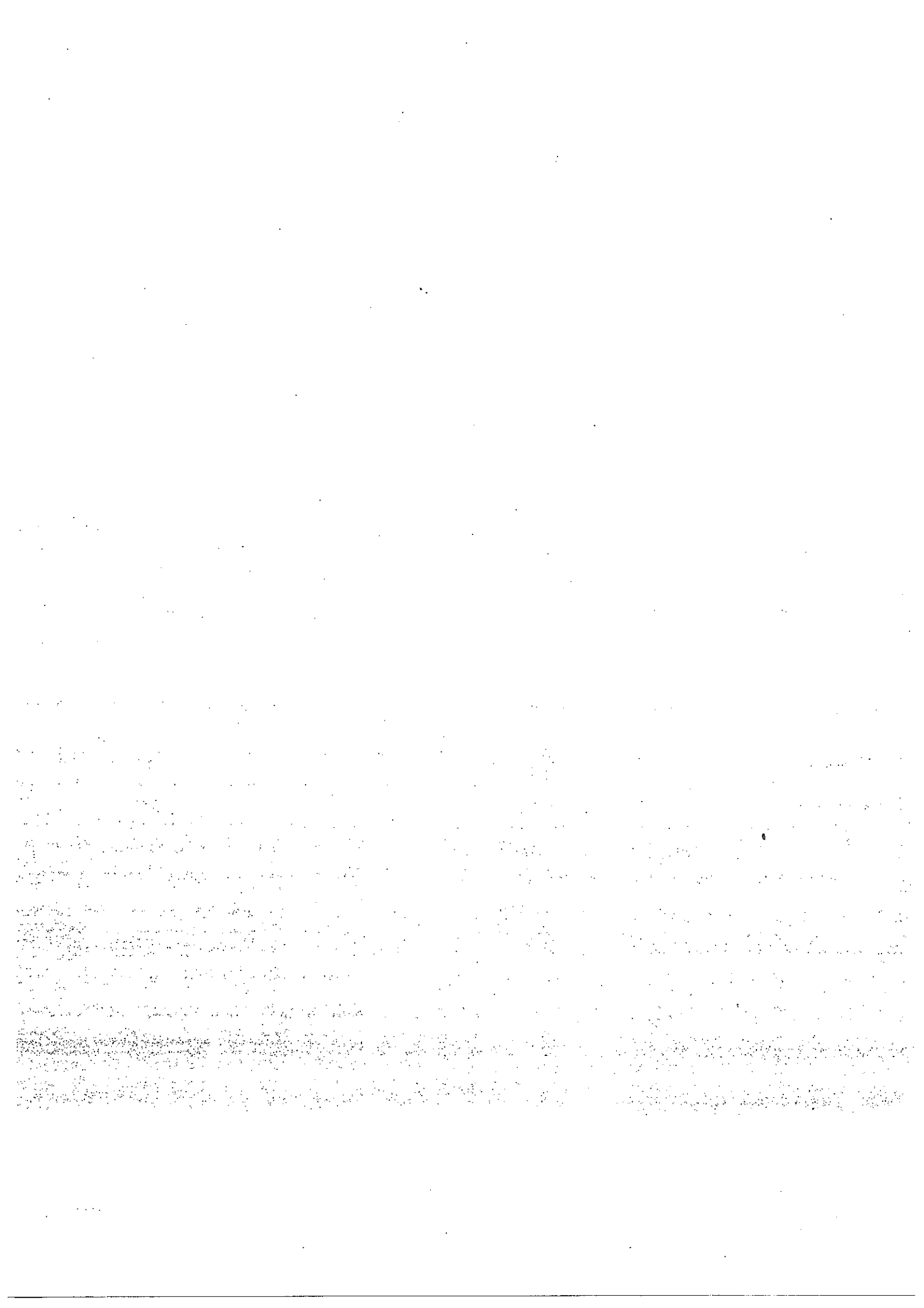
There is a line in Anne's diary which reads, "I want to go on living after I'm dead..." It was that line that made Otto finally decide to publish the diary as a book. Since its first (23) publication in 1947, Anne's diary has been translated into 50 languages and has sold over 25 million copies. Anne Frank still lives on.

Today, many people visit the museum called The Anne Frank House. It was (24) originally the secret annexe, the place where Anne and several others hid during the war. Over 800,000 people visit the museum every year. (25) Tributes to Anne Frank are held in many countries and June 12, Anne's birthday, has become Anne Frank Day.

Adapted from 'Anne Frank' by Susanna Davidson

- 21 (1) ally
(2) helper
(3) partner
(4) co-worker
- 22 (1) heritage
(2) tradition
(3) heirloom
(4) inheritance
- 23 (1) printing
(2) publicity
(3) popularity
(4) proclamation
- 24 (1) formerly
(2) basically
(3) primarily
(4) naturally
- 25 (1) Eulogies
(2) Souvenirs
(3) Memorials
(4) Remembrance

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Parent's Signature

BOOKLET B

50 Questions

65 Marks

Total Time For Booklets A and B : 1 hour 50 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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Booklet	Component	Possible Marks	Marks Obtained
A		30	
B	Grammar Cloze	10	
	Editing for Spelling & Grammar	10	
	Comprehension Cloze	15	
	Synthesis and Transformation	10	
	Comprehension OE	20	
	Total	65	

This paper consists of 8 printed pages (inclusive of cover page)

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) all | (D) how | (G) on | (K) the | (N) what |
| (B) can | (E) it | (H) or | (L) then | (P) when |
| (C) for | (F) most | (J) than | (M) these | (Q) with |
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Podcasting is basically the creation and distribution of amateur radio, plain and simple. Many podcasts are basically normal, everyday people just talking about things that interest them (31) _____ a little music mixed in. Others are more serious and focused in content, offering up the latest interesting news on a particular topic, interviews with interesting people, (32) _____ recordings of interesting keynotes and presentations.

Podcasting was all the rage in 2005. One reason (33) _____ the quick success of podcasting is the fact that they are easy to create. You do not need a lot of technical expertise to create a basic podcast. Here's (34) _____ you need: a digital audio recorder that (35) _____ create an MP3 file, some space on a server to host (36) _____ file, a blog, and something to say. That's (37) _____. That's part of the reason why in the first six months of its existence, more (38) _____ five thousand new podcasts were born, and the number continues to explode.

So who is podcasting? Mostly it's people from (39) _____ walks of life with all sorts of interests. However, most major news organisations have jumped (40) _____ the podcast bandwagon with nightly news summaries, special features, and regular shows. Businesses, churches, governments, and, you guessed it, schools are getting into the act as well.

*Adapted from 'Blogs, Wikis, Podcasts and Other Powerful Web Tools for Classrooms'
By Will Richardson*

For each word in **bold**, write the correct spelling of the word in the box. For each underlined word, write the correct grammatical form of the word in the box. (10 marks)

Arguably the most well-recognised figure in comic book history, legendary writer Stan Lee

(41)

was famous for creating iconic superheroes such as *Spider-Man* and *The X-Men*. Often seen

(42)

sporting tinted glasses, Lee possessed a personality as colour as his characters.

(43)

The "Marvel style" of writing was **pioniered** by Lee: first creating a plot with the artist, then

(44)

(45)

letting the artist illustrait the store, after which Lee would add dialogue to a finished pages.

(46)

The first teenaged **costumed** character created was the high school student Peter Parker,

(47)

who attained arachnid-like powers after being bite by a radioactive spider. Lee turned Parker

(48)

into a guilt-ridden superhero after his beloved uncle was murdered by a **burgler** whom Spider-Man

(49)

(50)

had refused to captured. This was bom one of the most often repeated quote in comic book history:

"With great power comes great responsibility."

Adapted from movies.yahoo.com

Normally, to fall from an aircraft in flight without a parachute would be a terrible tragedy.

However, there are _____ (51). Take the example of Nicholas Alkemade. Nicholas was a member of the Royal Air Force during World War Two. He was a rear air gunner in a Lancaster bomber.

On the night of 24 March 1944, he _____ (52) in what was his thirteenth and final combat mission. His aircraft was attacked by enemy gunfire and then shot down by a German fighter.

The aircraft was badly _____ (53) and had caught fire. The pilot then gave the order to

_____ (54) the aircraft. Nicholas was not wearing a parachute as it was _____ (55)

stored in another part of the aircraft. Unfortunately, by that time the aircraft was _____ (56) badly and a raging fire prevented him from getting to his parachute.

If he stayed, he would be burnt alive. If he _____ (57) without his parachute, he faced certain death. He had to _____ (58) quickly. Nicholas did not want to be burnt alive and so he jumped out, more than 5000 metres from the ground. He passed out after jumping out and only _____ (59) to three hours later safely on the ground.

Apart from some burns, a twisted right knee, a strained back and a slight concussion, he was _____ (60). Apparently, his fall had been _____ (61) by fir trees and the deep snow cover.

He was _____ (62) captured by the Germans who at _____ (63) did not believe that he could have survived his ordeal. They thought Nicholas was _____ and that he was in fact, a spy. Eventually, after checking his crashed aircraft, they _____ (65) his story. The orderly Germans were so impressed that they gave him a certificate testifying to this fact!

Adapted from "Bomber Crew" by James Taylor and Martin Davidson

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For each of the items 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 given one(s).

(10 marks)

66 Diana has to do household chores daily. She hates it.

_____ having

67 Adam was amazed to see his team coming in first in the competition.

The sight of his _____

68 Benny told his mother that he was playing an important match that afternoon.

Benny said to his mother, " _____

69 Amy was so anxious that she forgot the lyrics to the song.

In her _____

70 Mr Lim does not like to eat durians. His children do not like to eat durians too.

Neither _____ nor _____

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Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

On Sundays, after church, my family returned home and we all changed from our Sunday clothes. Swyen, Tom and I would wait for Papa before going to the ice house. This was the one day in the week we made ice cream and everyone pitched in.

From the ice house, we took two large cakes of ice after removing the sawdust, cutting out the ice and replacing the sawdust. The ice was from a lake in the mountains which had been brought down during winter. We used ice tongs to carry the ice to our back porch. 5

There, one cake would be taken inside for our icebox while the other was reserved for ice cream making. By the time we returned, Mamma would have prepared all the ingredients for chocolate ice cream and poured them into the freezer bucket. We would then proceed to break up the ice cake into smaller pieces and pack them inside the freezer bucket together with some salt. 10

I would then fold two gunny sacks and place them on top of the freezer bucket. Then I sat on top of it keeping it steady while Tom and Swyen took turns turning the handle which made the freezer bucket go round and round. swyen

Whenever we thought the ice cream was ready, Tom would go off and call Mamma to check. Nobody knew better than Mamma when ice cream was hard enough. We would keep turning the handle until Mamma was satisfied that the ice cream was ready. 15

Finally, when it was done, Mamma would bring out a bread pan and spoons. We knew what Mamma would do next. I noticed that Tom would invariably whistle loudly. He always said this made him happy. At the same time, I also noticed that Seth Smith and Pete Hanson would make their appearance at this time as well. Sure enough, when I turned round, there they were on our back porch. 20

Mamma removed the dasher from the freezer bucket and cleaned ice cream from the blade, though she always left a generous portion behind. She then left the dasher blade in the bread pan, distributed the spoons and took the rest of the ice cream inside. Armed with the spoons, we quickly scraped off and licked the remaining ice cream from the dasher blades. 25

It always seemed odd to me to see Tom walk off arm-in-arm with Seth and Pete after these sessions so I tailed them. Behind the wood shed, I saw them each pay Tom a penny.

"Same time next week? Same signal?" Pete and Seth asked. 30

"Sure, next week it's pineapple," Tom replied.

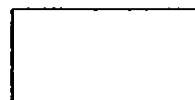
After they left, I came forward and confronted Tom. I accused him of giving his brothers a raw deal. Tom calmly explained.

"Now JD, you know I wouldn't do that. I won't try to influence you in any way but haven't you noticed that with Pete and Seth around, Mamma always leaves more ice cream behind on the dasher? Also both of them are from families that are too poor to afford ice cream every Sunday. Besides, isn't Seth your friend?" 35

This stumped me so I retorted that I would tell our big brother, Swyen. Tom told me to go right ahead, he pointed out that knowing how money-minded Swyen was, he would just insist on inviting over a few more boys and that would leave us with even less ice cream. 40

My brother truly had a great brain. I could not think of a suitable reply so I kept silent about the whole affair.

- Adapted from "The Great Brain" by John D Fitzgerald



WRITE YOUR ANSWERS IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 Which two words in the first paragraph suggest that the writer and his family joined in the ice cream making enthusiastically?

72 Describe clearly how the cakes of ice should be removed from the ice house.

73 Why did the writer place two gunny sacks on the freezer bucket before sitting on it?

74 Which sentence tells us that Mamma was experienced in ice cream making?

75 Which word in the sixth paragraph has the same meaning as 'without fail'?

76 Explain what the word 'it' (line 28) refers to.

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77 Explain what Pete and Seth meant by 'same signal'.

78 What does the phrase 'raw deal' (line 33) mean?

79 How did Tom defend his actions to the writer?

80 Refer to line 41 'My brother truly had a great brain'. Explain fully what the writer meant.

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Exam Paper 2013 Answer Sheet

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32) H	34) N	36) K	38) J	40) G

41. famous

42. colourful

43. pioneered

44. illustrate

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46. costumed

47. bitten

48. burglar

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51. exceptions

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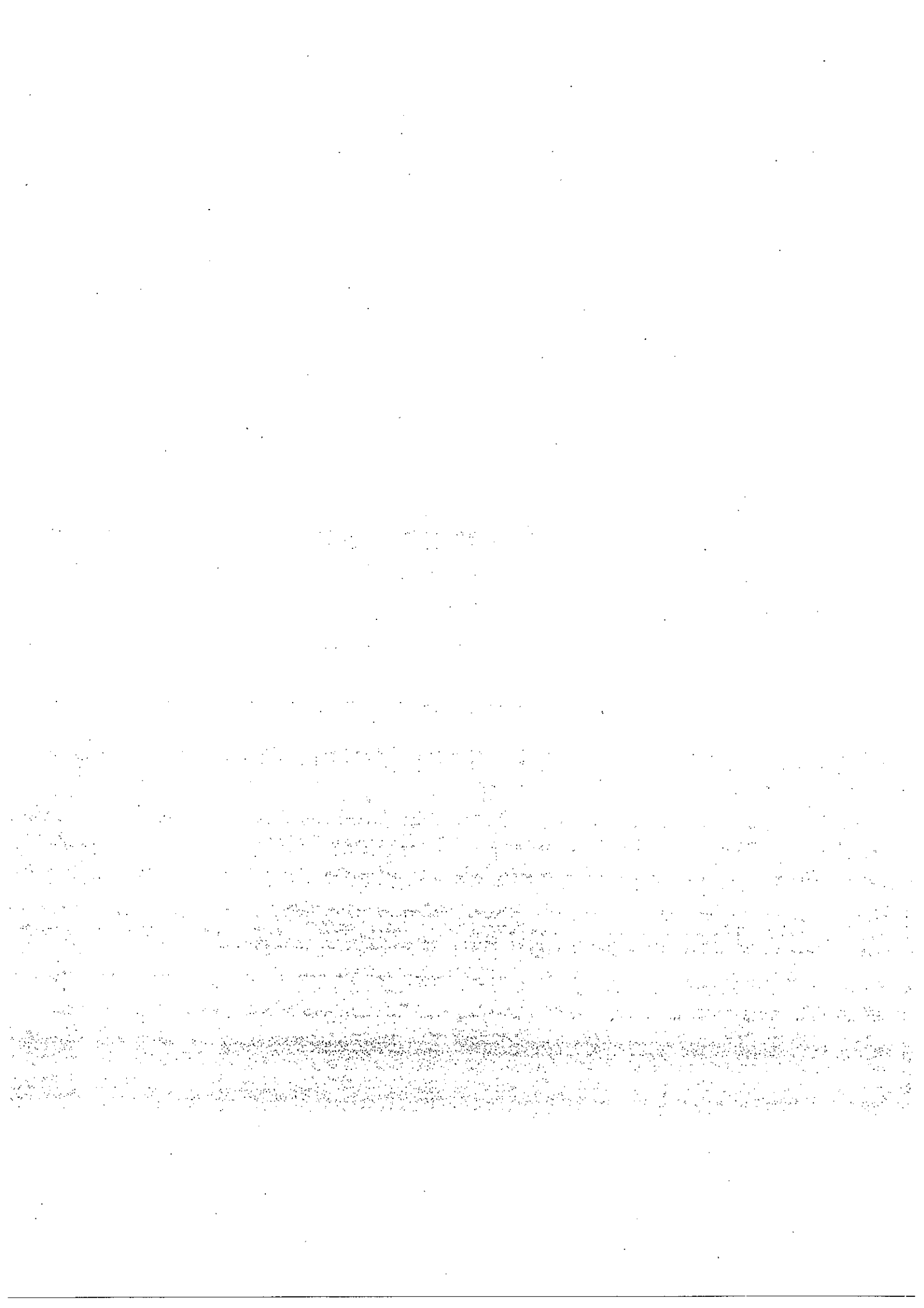
53. damaged

54. abandon

55. inconveniently

56. burnt

57. jumped



58. think

59. landed

60. unharmed

61. cushioned

62. then

63. first

64. lying

65. believed

66. Diana hates having to do household chores daily.

67. The sight of his team coming in first in the competition amazed Adam.

68. Benny said to his mother, "I am playing an important match this afternoon."

69. In her anxiousness, Amy forgot the lyrics to the song.

70. Neither Mr Lim nor his children like to eat durians.

71. The words are "pitched in".

72. The ice must be cut out after removing the sawdust and at the end, the sawdust must be replaced.

73. The writer placed two gunny sacks on the freezer bucket before sitting on it so as to make it more comfortable for him to sit on top of the freezer bucket.

74. The sentence is "Nobody knew better than Mamma when ice cream was hard enough."

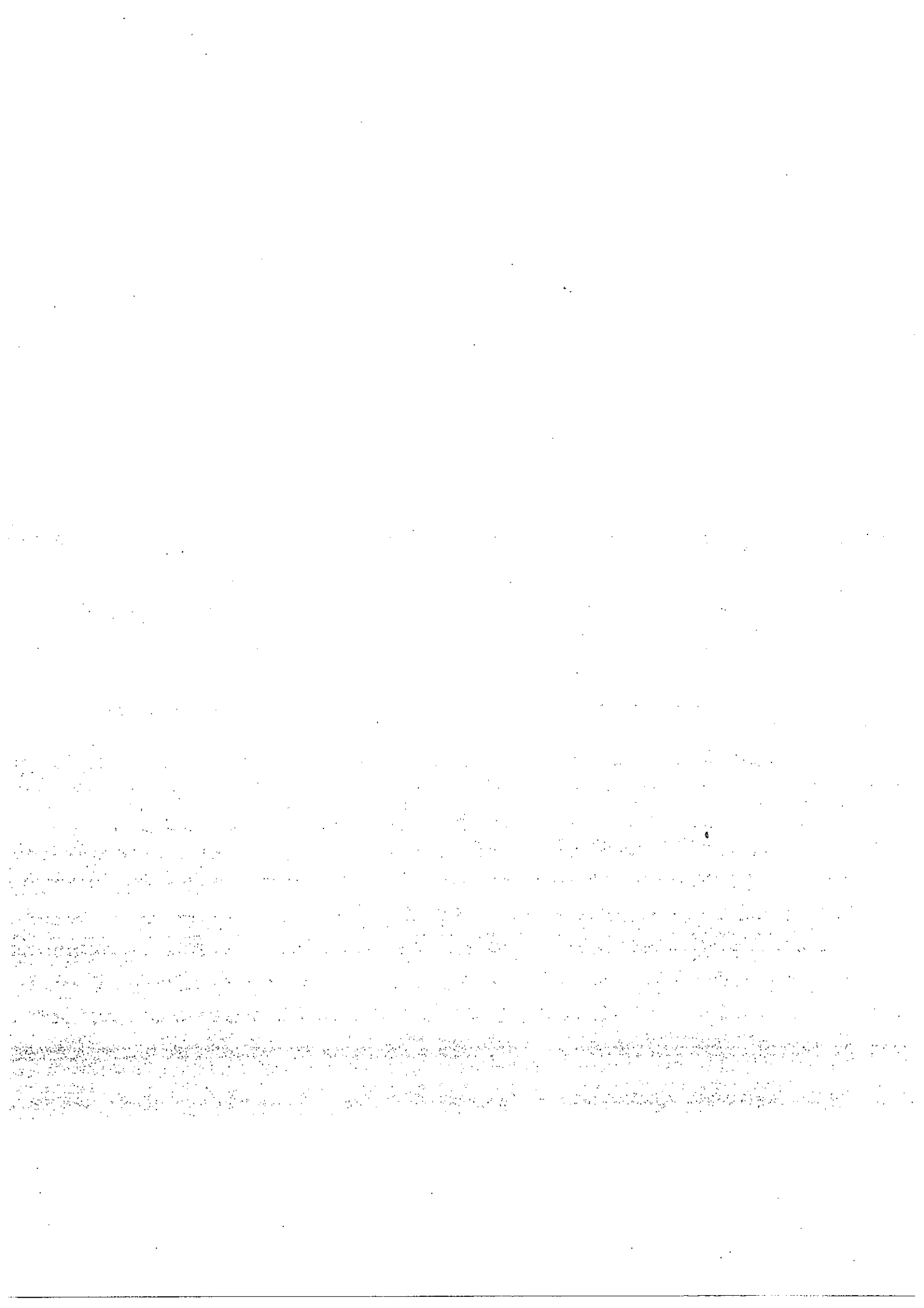
75. The word is "invariably".

76. It refers to having to see Tom walking arm-in-arm with Pete and Seth after the ice cream making and eating sessions.

77. "Same signal" means that the loud whistle Tom produced every time they made ice cream to signal to them to go over to enjoy the ice cream with them.

78. It means a bad and unfair deal.

79. He pointed out that Seth and Pete were from poor families who could not afford to buy ice cream every Sunday. He also reminded the writer that Seth



was his friend and that Mamma would always leave more ice cream on the dasher when Seth and Pete were around.

80. He realized that his brother was smart and quick in thinking.

