



**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
MID-YEAR EXAMINATION 2011  
PRIMARY THREE  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

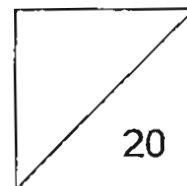
**COMPOSITION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (            )

Class: Primary Three \_\_\_\_\_

50 minutes

20 marks



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Look at the series of pictures carefully. Write a story about the pictures. Your story should have at least 80 words. You may use the words in the box to help you.



<del>buffet spread</del>	<del>delicious</del>	<del>gobbled</del>	<del>arrived</del>
<del>dissatisfied</del>	<del>severe pain</del>	<del>clinic</del>	<del>stomachache</del>



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**LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

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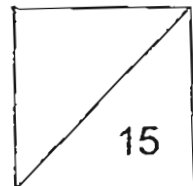
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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Do not open this question booklet until you are told to do so.

Answer all questions.

This booklet consists of 3 printed pages excluding the cover page.

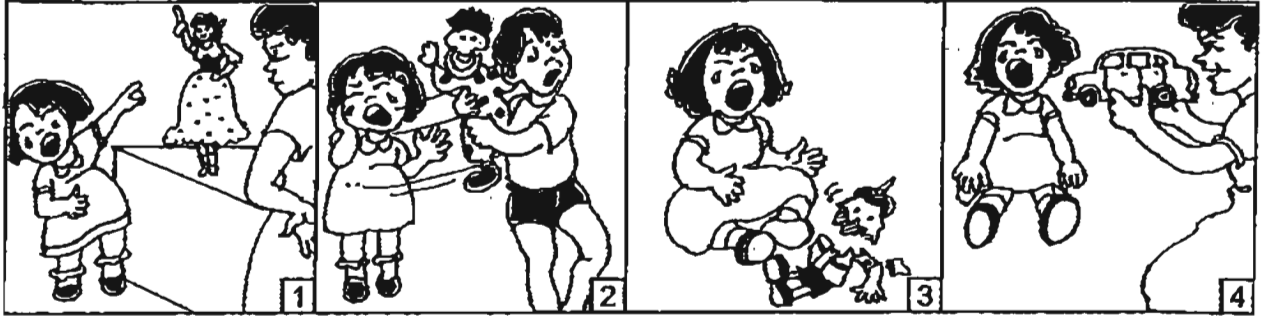


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**Part 1 – Picture Matching (4 marks)**

Listen carefully and choose the picture which matches the statement that is going to be read to you. Write the number 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets.

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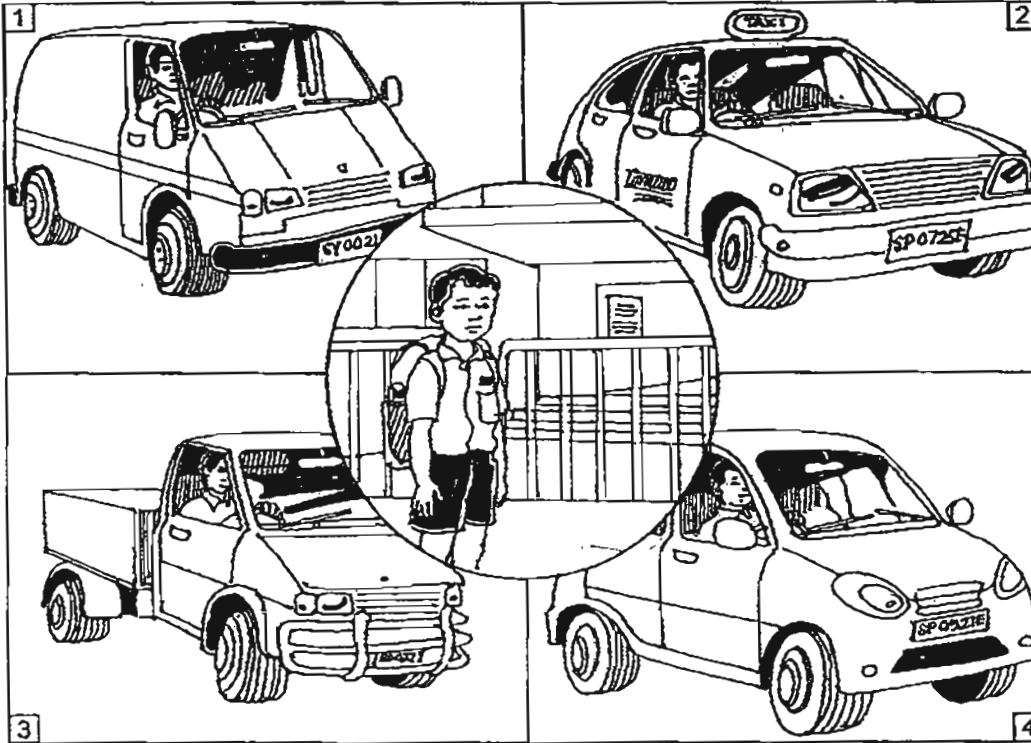
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**Part 2 – Note-taking (6 marks) & Dictation (5 marks)**

You are going to carry out an interesting activity during your Science lesson.  
Listen as your teacher reads out the instructions.

Each blank from questions 5 to 10 should be filled with one word or phrase. As you listen, fill in the blanks with the information given.

5.	Object to be made:	_____
6.	One of the materials I need:	_____ card
7.	Another material that I need:	_____ punch
8.	Number of colours used:	_____ colours
9.	Where I should make a hole:	_____ of the card
10.	How to spin the card:	on the _____

**Dictation**

Your teacher is teaching the class about Sir Isaac Newton. As he/she reads the journey entry on Sir Isaac Newton, you are to write down the information in full in the space provided for question 11.

11. Sir Isaac Newton was one of the greatest scientists and mathematicians of his generation.

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**PAPER 2**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (       )

Class: Primary Three \_\_\_\_\_

13 May 2011

45 QUESTIONS

1 hour 15 minutes

Component	Marks
Sections A-C	/ 20
Sections D-H	/ 30
Paper 2 Total	/ 50

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

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Answer all the questions.**

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**SECTION A : VOCABULARY MCQ (7 marks)**

For each question, choose the most suitable answer to fill in the blank. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

1. The peacock \_\_\_\_\_ proudly around the garden with its feathers spread.  
  
(1) glided  
(2) strutted  
(3) hopped  
(4) lumbered
  
2. The hunter was chased by the hungry \_\_\_\_\_ of wolves.  
  
(1) fleet  
(2) pack  
(3) flock  
(4) troop
  
3. The victim went to court to \_\_\_\_\_ against the man who had stolen her money.  
  
(1) testify  
(2) punish  
(3) witness  
(4) complain
  
4. Jacob is \_\_\_\_\_. He did not take Michael's eraser without his knowledge.  
  
(1) guilty  
(2) amiable  
(3) innocent  
(4) responsible
  
5. The factory \_\_\_\_\_ the air with thick black smoke everyday and the residents are unhappy.  
  
(1) dirties  
(2) pollutes  
(3) destroys  
(4) blackens



6. We had a hard time finding the shop because of its quiet \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) location
- (2) position
- (3) direction
- (4) condition

7. Ahmad waited \_\_\_\_\_ for the test to start as he had not studied for it. His hands were clammy.

- (1) hastily
- (2) angrily
- (3) anxiously
- (4) carelessly

**SECTION B : GRAMMAR MCQ (8 marks)**

For each question, choose the most suitable answer to fill in the blank. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

8. John and his brother \_\_\_\_\_ walking home from school when they found a wallet.

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

9. The man in the sports car \_\_\_\_\_ past us as he was being chased by the police.

- (1) sped
- (2) speed
- (3) speeds
- (4) speeding

10. "The bowl of soup is tasteless. Please add \_\_\_\_\_ salt," my brother complained.

- (1) a few
- (2) many
- (3) much
- (4) a little

11. Please pick up \_\_\_\_\_ toys by the door over there and put them in the box here.
- (1) this
  - (2) that
  - (3) these
  - (4) those
12. Ming Da is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the twins.
- (1) tall
  - (2) taller
  - (3) tallest
  - (4) as tall as
13. Peter was running late for his appointment so he ran as fast as he could \_\_\_\_\_ he saw the bus approaching the bus-stop.
- (1) if
  - (2) so
  - (3) when
  - (4) although
14. The thief ran \_\_\_\_\_ the dark alley to get away from the policemen who were pursuing him.
- (1) by
  - (2) into
  - (3) over
  - (4) around
15. The boy and his brother have just moved into this neighbourhood. He does not know \_\_\_\_\_ yet so he is feeling very lonely.
- (1) nobody
  - (2) anybody
  - (3) somebody
  - (4) everybody

**SECTION C : COMPREHENSION MCQ (5 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 16 to 20 on the next page.

**Cinema Classics** presents **A Day at the Movies**

**Cinema Classics** is organising a weekend charity screening of 4 movies to raise funds for the Singapore Children's Charity. \$2 from the sale of every ticket will be donated to charity. The money will be used to purchase school textbooks and school shoes for needy pupils.

**Date:** 4 June and 5 June 2011

**Venue:** Bishan Cinema

**Ticket prices:** Adult – \$12

Children below the age of 12 – \$8

Tickets must be purchased in advance from the Sistic Counters.

Last day for ticket sales is 1 June 2011.

**Kung Fu Panda**

**Showtime:**

11.45 a.m.

1.45 p.m.

3.45 p.m.

**Venue:** Hall 1

**Ninja Warrior**

**Showtime:**

10.30 a.m.

1 p.m.

2.40 p.m.

**Venue:** Hall 4

**Ben 10**

**Showtime:**

2 p.m.

7 p.m.

**Venue:** Hall 3

**The Mummy Returns**

**Showtime:**

12.15 p.m.

3.30 p.m.

**Venue:** Hall 7

Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

16. Who is organising the charity movie screening?
- (1) Sistic Counters
  - (2) Bishan Cinema
  - (3) Cinema Classics
  - (4) Singapore Children's Charity
17. I can watch Ninja Warrior on \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) Tuesday 4 June 2011
  - (2) Saturday 4 June 2011
  - (3) Wednesday 5 June 2011
  - (4) Friday 5 June 2011
18. If Mr and Mrs Lim take their 12-year-old son to watch Kung Fu Panda, they will be contributing \_\_\_\_\_ to the Singapore Children's Charity.
- (1) \$6
  - (2) \$24
  - (3) \$32
  - (4) \$36
19. Which two movies are the first and the last to be screened?
- (1) Ninja Warrior and Ben 10 Movie
  - (2) Ben 10 and The Mummy Returns
  - (3) Ninja Warrior and Kung Fu Panda
  - (4) The Mummy Returns and Kung Fu Panda
20. What is the aim of the charity movie screening?
- (1) To promote the 4 movies
  - (2) To raise funds for Cinema Classics
  - (3) To raise funds for the Singapore Children's Charity
  - (4) To collect school textbooks and school shoes for needy pupils

**SECTION D : VOCABULARY CLOZE (5 marks)**

Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in each blank.  
Use each word **ONCE** only.

bunch	climbed	destructive	dreary
leaf	on	over	tipped

Matilda took a quick look around her cage. She looked at her two baby monkeys, Kate and Dana, as they played. They were fighting over a (21) \_\_\_\_\_ of bread, a treat from the zoo-keeper. Life at the zoo was quite (22) \_\_\_\_\_ at times. Her babies were often dejected because they were bored. When they were in such a depressed state, they also became (23) \_\_\_\_\_. They tore apart a stuffed ball that had been given to them to play with. They had also (24) \_\_\_\_\_ the monkey bars over sideways. They were always getting themselves into trouble! Most of the people who approached the cage would laugh with joy over Kate and Dana's antics.

Matilda had to admit that they were awfully cute sometimes. Once, Kate scooted across the floor (25) \_\_\_\_\_ an old skate. She weaved among their toys with Dana close behind, laughing uncontrollably.

**SECTION E : GRAMMAR CLOZE (5 marks)**

Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in each blank.  
Use each word **ONCE** only.

across	along	by	in
into	over	to	under

Peter went fishing. He walked (26) \_\_\_\_\_ a bridge and chose a spot (27) \_\_\_\_\_ a shelter where it was shady. The shelter was located next (28) \_\_\_\_\_ a snack kiosk so he bought a drink as he was thirsty. As he waited, he saw a few friends swimming (29) \_\_\_\_\_ the water nearby. They were waving to him. He put his fishing rod down and jumped (30) \_\_\_\_\_ the cool water! He had so much fun that day.

**SECTION F : EDITING (5 marks)**

Correct the words in **bold** for spelling. Write the correct answer in the boxes provided.

Mosquitoes are common in Singapore. The Aedes mosquitoes lay

(31)

their eggs in **stagnent** water. They are also known to cause dengue

(32)

(33)

**fiver**. The symptoms include skin rashes, a severe **headacke** and loss

(34)

(35)

of **appitite**. If you have these ailments, consult your physician **imediate**ly.

He will then be able to provide the required treatment.

**SECTION G : COMPREHENSION CLOZE (5 marks)**

Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

One hot day, a thirsty fox was looking down into a deep well and accidentally fell in. "I wanted some water, but certainly not this much," said the fox to (36) \_\_\_\_\_, as he splashed around in the water.

Just then, a thirsty goat came to the (37) \_\_\_\_\_. He looked down and was (38) \_\_\_\_\_ to see the fox in the water. The fox pretended that everything was alright and said, "I came down to get some of this wonderful cool water. It's the best water you'll ever taste!"

The goat quickly jumped into the well as he was very thirsty and the water looked good. When the goat had finished (39) \_\_\_\_\_, the fox said, "Now, you put your front feet on the wall, I will run up your back and jump (40) \_\_\_\_\_. Once I'm out, I'll help you to get out too."

The goat did as he was told and soon the fox was free. "See you later," he said as he ran off. The poor goat was left in the well.

*Adapted from: Aesop's Fables, The Goat and the Fox*

**SECTION H : COMPREHENSION OPEN-ENDED (10 marks)**

Read the passage below and answer questions 41 to 45.

A long time ago, there lived an old couple in a tiny village. The old man was a very skilful craftsman. He would make tiny wooden toys with very simple tools and display the wooden toys in his shop.

However, no one from the village would visit their small, rundown shop to buy their toys. The children in the village would rather play with modern toys bought from the newer and bigger stores. The old man did not know this and soon, the old couple fell on hard times. They had not made a sale in weeks so the old man cleaned up his shop windows as he thought that customers could not see the toys through the dirty windows. He also showcased his nicest toys outside the shop.

Then, something strange happened. All the toys outside his shop disappeared. He put more toys outside and watched from his window. Soon, he saw some tiny elves carrying the toys away. He caught two of the elves. The elves begged to be released and promised him a bag of gold if he gave them all his toys. The old man gave them all his toys very willingly.

*Adapted from: Enid Blyton, The Little Old Toymaker*



41. In what way was the old man skilful?

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42. Why did the old man have very few customers?

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43. How did the old man try to get more customers?

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44. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as the word 'displayed'?

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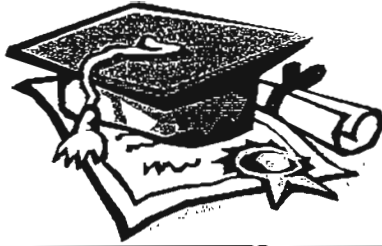
45. Why was the old man so willing to give up his toys in exchange for the bag of gold?

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**END OF PAPER**  
*Please check your answers.*





# ANSWER SHEET

## EXAM PAPER 2011

SCHOOL : CATHOLIC HIGH  
SUBJECT : PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

TERM : SA1



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

Q18	Q19	Q20
1	1	3

- 21)loaf      22)dreary      23)destructive      24)tipped      25)on  
26)across      27)under      28)to      29)in      30)into  
31)stagnant      32)fever      33)headache      34)appetite      35)immediately  
36)himself      37)well      38)surprised      39)drinking      40)out

41)He could make tiny wooden toys with simple tools.

42)The children in the village would rather play with modern toys from newer and bigger stores.

43)He cleaned his dirty windows and show cased his nicest toys outside the shop.

44)The word is " showcased".

45)The couple fell on hard times and had not made a sale in weeks.