

**Methodist Girls' School (Primary)**  
**Primary 3 End-of-Year Examination 2006**  
**English Language (Paper 2)**

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**Class:** P 3 . \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>Marks:</b>	Vocabulary & Grammar:	/ 28
	Comprehension:	/ 20
	Total:	/ 48

Vocabulary (MCQ) (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

- 1. Stephanie's father is a very famous local \_\_\_\_\_. He corrects articles and decides what should be included in a magazine.  
(1) editor  
(2) author  
(3) illustrator  
(4) journalist ( )
  
- 2. You have to read the \_\_\_\_\_ to find out what is the latest trend for ladies' shoes.  
(1) forum  
(2) classified  
(3) fashion news  
(4) entertainment news ( )
  
- 3. This house has been \_\_\_\_\_ for many months because there are rumours that it is haunted.  
(1) vacant  
(2) repaired  
(3) occupied  
(4) damaged ( )
  
- 4. The villagers scrambled madly as they heard the sound of a \_\_\_\_\_ of elephants approaching.  
(1) herd  
(2) pack  
(3) flock  
(4) troop ( )
  
- 5. We learn about humility from the beautiful deer, the main \_\_\_\_\_ in this fable.  
(1) cast  
(2) crew  
(3) actress  
(4) character ( )

6. My uncle was almost killed in a car accident because he was driving \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) roughly
- (2) carefully
- (3) recklessly
- (4) considerately

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**Grammar (MCQ) (6 x 1 mark)**

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

7. Sheryl wrapped the present \_\_\_\_\_ she gave it to Rachel on her birthday.

- (1) after
- (2) when
- (3) while
- (4) before

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8. The doorbell rang while I \_\_\_\_\_ in the bathroom.

- (1) bathe
- (2) bathed
- (3) am bathing
- (4) was bathing

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9. As Gabriel was not hungry, he ate only \_\_\_\_\_ of the food that was served.

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

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10. The Guest of Honour for the school's opening ceremony \_\_\_\_\_ in about twenty minutes. Please take your seats now.

- (1) arrive
- (2) arrived
- (3) will arrive
- (4) has arrived

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11. Although Lindsey claims to be the smartest in the class, I think I am \_\_\_\_\_ than her.

- (1) good
- (2) better
- (3) worse
- (4) the best

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12. Ryan's baby sister always \_\_\_\_\_ when she is delighted.

- (1) chuckle
- (2) chuckles
- (3) chuckled
- (4) chuckling

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## Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank. **USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) above  
(E) on

(B) behind  
(F) over

(C) down  
(G) up

(D) in

It was a hot day. Wallie, the majestic eagle, was soaring high \_\_\_\_\_ (Q13) the ground when he saw something move in the bushes. He swooped \_\_\_\_\_ (Q14) for a closer look. Then he perched \_\_\_\_\_ (Q15) a tree branch and waited patiently. He spotted a lizard sticking its head out from \_\_\_\_\_ (Q16) the rocks. It seemed delicious to Wallie.

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|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------|
| (A) take      | (B) takes      | (C) taking    | (D) took |
| (E) has taken | (F) was taking | (G) will take |          |

Angie loves photography. She started out by \_\_\_\_\_ (Q17) pictures of her family and the things around her.

She showed some of her pictures to her teacher, Mrs Tan, who was very impressed. Now, Angie \_\_\_\_\_ (Q18) pictures for the school newsletter. She is always ready to \_\_\_\_\_ (Q19) some fun shots or special moments. Tomorrow, she \_\_\_\_\_ (Q20) pictures of her school friends at the prize presentation ceremony. She feels very excited about it.

**Vocabulary Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank. **USE A WORD ONCE ONLY**

(A) company  
(E) partners

(B) holiday  
(F) sheep

(C) horses  
(G) smell

(D) hunting  
(H) sniff

People keep dogs for many reasons. The police use dogs to \_\_\_\_\_ (Q21) out drugs and to track down criminals. Shepherds use dogs to help them herd their \_\_\_\_\_ (Q22). In some countries, people take their dogs along on their \_\_\_\_\_ (Q23) trips to seek out their prey. Many keep dogs as pets at home because they keep the lonely-hearted \_\_\_\_\_ (Q24).

So, it is not surprising that dogs are regarded as man's best friend.

**Vocabulary Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Fill in each blank with a suitable word of your own.

It was ten o'clock at night when Mr Bock left his office. He was \_\_\_\_\_ (Q25) home along Pan Island Expressway. There were very few \_\_\_\_\_ (Q26) on the road. A mini van was travelling very slowly behind him. Then, suddenly, the mini van burst into flames. Almost at the same time, there was a very loud explosion, which sent pieces of the vehicle flying in all directions.

Mr Bock stopped his car immediately. He got off and carefully walked towards the burning vehicle. A few other vehicles drove past but when the drivers saw the burning van, they drove away even \_\_\_\_\_ (Q27).

As a civic-conscious citizen, Mr Bock knew there was \_\_\_\_\_ (Q28) he could do except to call the fire brigade and the police. Soon, the police arrived at the scene and Mr Bock reported what he had witnessed to them.



**Comprehension (MCQ) (5 x 2 marks)**

Read the personal recount carefully.

My name is Florence and I was holidaying in Cambodia. On my third day there, something happened that I will never forget. It began when I saw a half-dead woman lying in front of a village hospital. The woman in rags looked at me with the most pitiful eyes and begged with a feeble voice, "Please help me."

Immediately, I helped the woman into the hospital and shouted, "Please take her in! This woman is very sick." The nurse replied that she could not help her because there were too many patients and too few beds in the hospital.

She gave me a piece of paper and said, "Go to this place and tell the people there to help her."

Without hesitation, I hurried to the place using my map. When I reached the place, I realised that it was an open field with a white tent that was used as a hospital.

As I walked in, I saw rows of beds with very sick patients. Volunteers were tending to the patients. I was amazed that there were people who cared so deeply for those who were unrelated to them.

"In this place, we take in sick or dying people from the streets and provide free medical care for them," a voice behind me said. I turned around and saw a small, elderly lady with an angelic look on her face. I explained why I was there. At once, she asked two of the volunteers to fetch a stretcher and follow me. We found the dying woman and took her back to the tent.

I witnessed a great act of love that day. The dying woman was too poor to give anything back to these volunteers. Yet they took her in and cared for her unselfishly.

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

29. Florence was a \_\_\_\_\_ in Cambodia.
- (1) nurse
  - (2) tourist
  - (3) patient
  - (4) volunteer
- (     )
30. Florence could tell that the woman was poor because she \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) was in rags
  - (2) begged for help
  - (3) had a weak voice
  - (4) had the most pitiful eyes
- (     )
31. The nurse in the village hospital turned the woman away because \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) the woman was dying
  - (2) the nurse did not want to help
  - (3) there were not enough beds in the hospital
  - (4) the nurse wanted the woman to go to the white tent
- (     )
32. The word "those" in paragraph 5 refers to the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) volunteers
  - (2) patients at the white tent
  - (3) dying woman and Florence
  - (4) patients at the village hospital
- (     )
33. Based on the recount, which one of the following statements best describes Florence?
- (1) She wanted to make others happy.
  - (2) She cared for those who needed help.
  - (3) She was willing to accept help from others.
  - (4) She was willing to give money to help others.
- (     )

**Comprehension (Open-ended) (5 x 2 marks)**

Read the newspaper report carefully.

**Village under water**

Tuesday, 23 December 2004

*By Joanne Pitt*

When she should have been asleep in bed last night in Semarang, Indonesia, Yatini was knee deep in water in her bedroom. She had spent the night moving her belongings to the safety of the upper floor of her house. At 5 a.m., the water from the flooded River Kendal started to seep over the tops of her boots. At that point, she gave up.

"I'm feeling very tired," she said wearily. "I haven't slept for the whole night. This is our third flood in the last six months. I don't think I can take it anymore!" Yatini went to join her neighbours in the shelter of the village hall.

"This is a dangerous time for the very young and the very old because many diseases are water-borne," said Dr Lydia Hanes, the village doctor. She added that muddy river water when mingled with water from drains, was particularly dangerous. She warned, "People should boil all their drinking water, or only drink bottled water."

Another casualty is the village school. They still do not know the extent of the damage but it is expected that the school will be closed for two months.

Reverend Jabez, whose church is on the highest point in the village, has opened up the church hall as a place of refuge. Now, the hall is swarmed with hundreds of homeless villagers. Reverend Jabez and his wife, Sarah, have been busy preparing hot drinks and food for the people.

"I'm glad we are able to help the villagers in bad times like these," said Sarah.

Write your answers in complete sentences.

Q34. What did Yatini do to try to save her belongings?

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Q35. Name two places the villagers went to for shelter.

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Q36. According to the village doctor, what should the people do to prevent themselves from falling sick?

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Q37. Which two-word phrase in the passage tells us that the church hall is very crowded?

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Q38. What did Reverend Jabez and Sarah do to help the villagers when they came to the church hall?

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End of Paper

Please check your work carefully.

**Answer Sheets**  
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| 1) 1        | 2) 3         | 3) 1       | 4) 1        | 5) 4  |
| 6) 3        | 7) 4         | 8) 4       | 9) 3        | 10) 3 |
| 11) 2       | 12) 2        | 13) A      | 14) C       | 15) E |
| 16) B       | 17) C        | 18) B      | 19) A       | 20) G |
| 21) H       | 22) F        | 23) D      | 24) A       |       |
| 26) driving | 27) vehicles | 28) faster | 29) nothing |       |
| 29) 2       | 30) 1        | 31) 3      | 32) 2       | 33) 2 |

- Q34. She moved her belongings to the safety of the upper floor of her house, so that they would not get wet.
- Q35. They went to the village hall and church hall for shelter.
- Q36. They should only drink bottled water, or boil all their drinking water.
- Q37. The two-word phrase is "*swarmed with*".
- Q38. They prepared hot drinks and food for the villagers.