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PRIMARY FOUR
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2

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Class: Primary Four _____

40 QUESTIONS

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1 hour 15 minutes

Component	Marks
Sections A-C	/ 17
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INSTRUCTIONS:

Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
Follow all instructions carefully.
Answer all the questions.

This paper consists of 10 printed pages excluding the cover page.

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Section A – Grammar MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

1. My father _____ to work every morning.

- (1) cycle
- (2) cycles
- (3) is cycling
- (4) was cycling

2. Sammy _____ himself very much at the party last night.

- (1) enjoy
- (2) enjoys
- (3) enjoyed
- (4) enjoying

3. Mrs. Wong bought the ingredients and made the pizza by _____ for all of us.

- (1) itself
- (2) myself
- (3) herself
- (4) themselves

4. _____ bag over there belongs to Mark.

- (1) This
- (2) That
- (3) These
- (4) Those

5. Alice added _____ drops of soy sauce to her porridge to make it tasty.

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

6. Mrs. Bala _____ in the kitchen when the doorbell rang.

- (1) cook
- (2) cooked
- (3) is cooking
- (4) was cooking

Section B – Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

7. The timid, little girl was _____ when she realised that she had accidentally broken her neighbour's expensive vase.

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

8. The _____ of thieves stole from the rich man's mansion.

- (1) gang
- (2) bench
- (3) panel
- (4) troupe

9. Smoking is _____ in all enclosed areas of public places.

- (1) punished
- (2) pardoned
- (3) prohibited
- (4) prevented

10. The fire fighters eventually _____ the fire after a two-hour battle.

- (1) put in
- (2) put off
- (3) put out
- (4) put away

11. The two men were arrested for producing _____ money at a home in Long Island.

- (1) forged
- (2) artificial
- (3) imitation
- (4) counterfeit

12. In the recent riot in the city, the police used tear gas and water cannons to _____ the mob of protesters.

- (1) dispel
- (2) discord
- (3) dispose
- (4) disperse

Section C – Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

The stingray is a marine animal, found in the oceans and some freshwater rivers around the world. Today, there are about 480 known species of stingrays.

Stingrays move forward by using their large fins and swim with a "flying" motion. Since their eyes are on top of their heads and their mouths at the bottom, they cannot see their prey, but they are able to detect danger through their sense of smell.

Stingrays do not attack people aggressively. However, when they are attacked by predators or stepped on, they lash their tails at them. The tail consists of at least one razor-sharp barbed spine filled with toxic venom.

As a matter of fact, the barbed spine of a stingray was responsible for causing the death of a famous television personality, Steve Irwin. He was the "Crocodile Hunter", the man who had gained popularity around the world for leaping onto the backs of huge crocodiles and grabbing deadly snakes by their tails.

Irwin, 44, had been filming a documentary called 'Ocean's Deadliest' on the Great Barrier Reef in Australia. He and a cameraman were snorkelling in the shallow water when the fearless animal-lover swam over the top of the stingray, which then stuck out its barb and pierced him in the chest.

Irwin was filmed pulling the barb from his chest moments before losing consciousness. Irwin's manager and producer, John Stanton said, "Steve probably got a bit too close to the ray and with the cameraman in front, it must have felt sort of comered."

Adapted from: <http://www.stingray.com.sg>.

Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

13. Stingrays can be found _____.

- (1) only in oceans
- (2) only in freshwater
- (3) all around the world
- (4) in oceans and freshwater rivers

14. A stingray is not able to see its prey because _____.

- (1) its mouth is at the bottom
- (2) its large fins cover its eyes
- (3) its eyes are on top of its head
- (4) it only uses its sense of smell to detect danger

15. The word "lash" in line 8 shows that the stingrays _____ when attacked.

- (1) flip their tails
- (2) poke their prey
- (3) latch onto their prey
- (4) swiftly sweep their tails

16. Steve Irwin was well-known for _____.

- (1) being a celebrity
- (2) being killed by a stingray
- (3) showing exceptional courage when handling reptiles
- (4) filming a documentary entitled the 'Ocean's Deadliest'

17. According to the passage, Irwin was attacked because _____.

- (1) the stingray was hungry
- (2) he had provoked the stingray
- (3) he had snorkelled in the shallow water
- (4) the stingray had felt threatened by his presence

Section D – Grammar Cloze (5 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 each word ONCE only.

(A) he	(B) her	(C) his	(D) I
(E) me	(F) my	(G) myself	(H) she

Dear Amy,

Hope everything is fine with you. I am extremely upset. You are aware that I have always wanted a new bicycle more than anything else. In fact, (18) _____ have been skipping my meals and saving for it.

Looking at the amount I have saved so far, I would have been able to buy (19) _____ the gift next week, but not anymore. My mother has just dropped the bomb on (20) _____. My father has been diagnosed with a rare blood disorder and (21) _____ will not be able to work for a while.

It looks like my mother and I would have to help contribute to (22) _____ medical bills. I pray that my father will get well soon.

Love,

Jess

Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (5 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 each word ONCE only.

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| (A) age | (B) awarded | (C) discovery | (D) nothing |
| (E) raised | (F) rewarded | (G) success | (H) something |

Albert Einstein is one of the most influential scientists of the 20th century. Born in Germany and (23) _____ in the Jewish faith, Einstein strongly opposed the injustice of race and religion. Although he became well-known as a genius of science, he was slow in learning to speak as a child.

Einstein also rebelled in school, which left many teachers to believe he would amount to (24) _____. His interest in science and math was inspired by a compass, his geometry book and classical music. By the (25) _____ of 16 he had written his first research paper in science.

His most famous (26) _____ was the theory of relativity. Einstein was (27) _____ the 1921 Nobel Prize in Physics. His brilliant works on physics live on today and he serves as an inspiration for young scientists around the world.

Section F – Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word of your own.

Jim went on an overseas vacation with his mother and friends. They went to *Kukup*, a fishing village in Malaysia. When they got off the bus (28) _____ arriving at *Kukup's* bus station, Jim was rather unhappy. The weather was humid and he was not used to the strong "fishy" smell which permeated the whole (29) _____. He lost his appetite for seafood lunch! Jim's mother was upset with him as she felt that he was throwing tantrums.

After lunch, they went to their chalet. Jim and his friends were over the moon when they (30) _____ out that they could spend the night together. What made them happier was that the entire chalet was air-conditioned! They had a whale of a time playing simple games (31) _____ blowing bubbles, hide-and-seek and catching.

Time passed quickly while they were playing their games. Jim and his friends were glad that they had gone on this vacation and (32) _____ that they would visit this village again. It was indeed a wonderful place to spend a vacation.

Section G – Sentence Synthesis and Transformation (3 x 2 marks)

For each of the items, 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).

33. That girl is my best friend. She has curly hair.

who

34. It was raining heavily. I decided to stay at home.

so

35. Yusoff said, "I am going out tomorrow."

Yusoff said that

Section H – Comprehension – Open-ended (5 x 2 marks)
Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

The December weather was merciless. Torrential rain was a common occurrence. Tonight was no different. Lily crouched in a corner. Although the rain pelted down, the mall was filled with people. Some hurried past her without a backward glance. She was hungry and cold. Lily shuddered at the thought of having to suffer yet another day without food and warmth.

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Lily retreated into the darkness. She peered at the throngs of people who had just come out of the theatre after the midnight show. Lily stared intently, her eyes watery. The cold truth finally dawned on her. Except for a black poodle, which had taken one look at her before mistress and canine disappeared into the crowd, she was invisible to everyone else.

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Lily was depressed as she was lost and did not know her way back home. She was almost on the verge of giving up after searching for many days. Lily was about to doze off when she heard a loud and familiar voice.

“Lily, where are you?” The voice was filled with anxiety and panic.

Lily was elated. She got out of the cold dark corner that would have been her home for the night and let out her most resounding mew. She was so relieved that her wandering days had come to an end.

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Write your answers in complete sentences.

36. In which month of the year did this story take place?

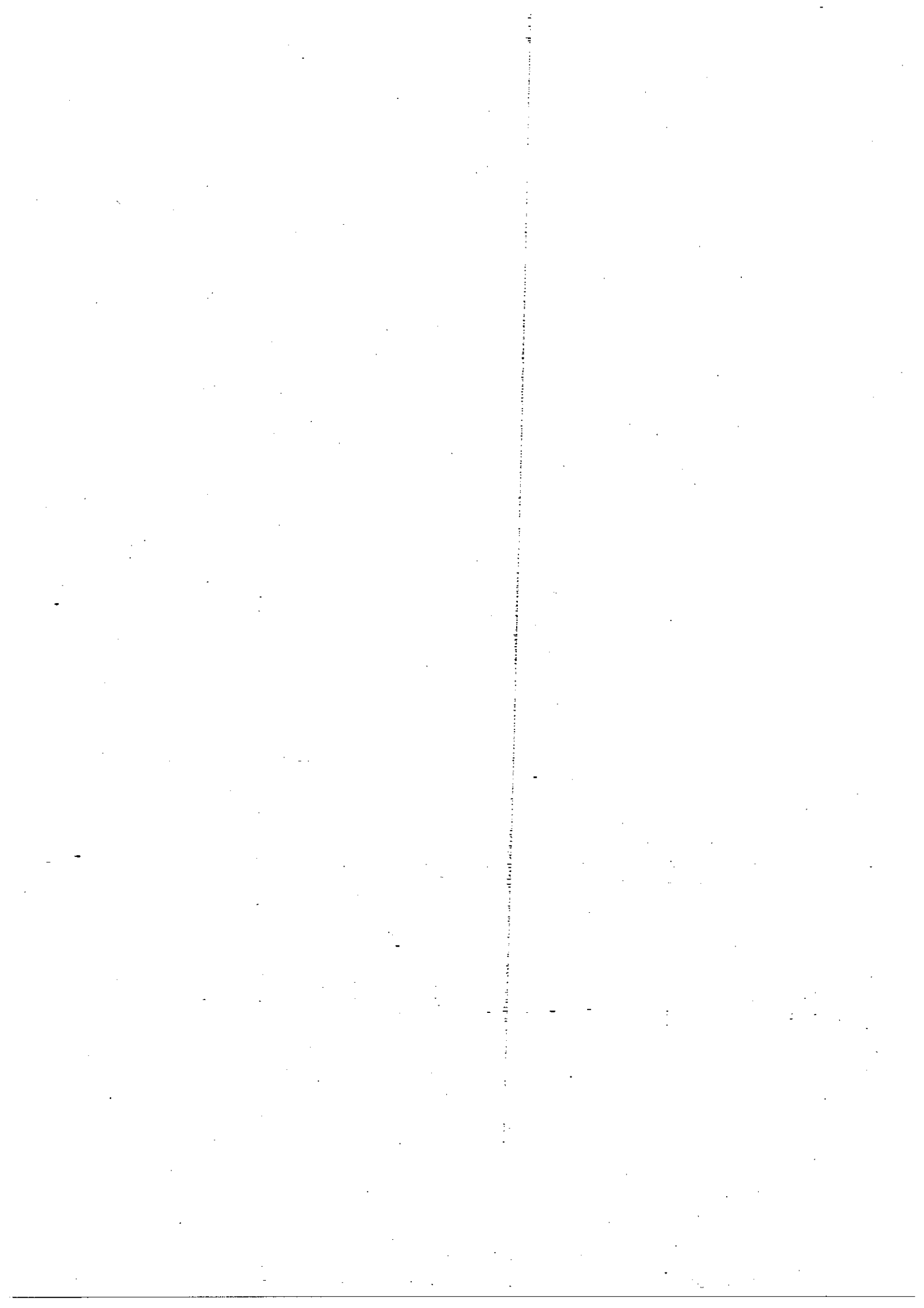
37. Why was Lily cold and hungry?

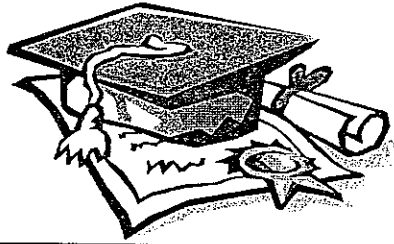
38. Which word in paragraph 2 has the same meaning as "backed away"?

39. Who do you think the loud and familiar voice (line 13) belonged to?

40. What kind of animal is Lily?

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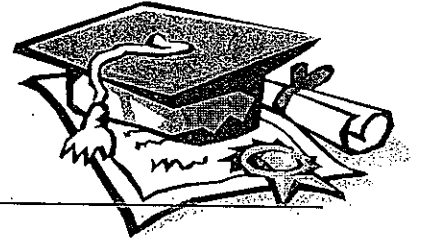


ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2010

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28)on 29)area 30)found 31)like 32)hoped

33)That girl who has curly hair is my best friend.

34)It was raining heavily so I decided to stay at home.

35)Yusoff said that he was going out the next day.

36)This story took place in December.

37)She had, no food and warmth.

38)The word is "retreated".

39)It belonged to Lily owner.

40)Lily is a kitten.