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Class : Primary 4 \_\_\_\_\_

## CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



Primary 4

Semestral Assessment 2

16 October 2017

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 30 min

16 questions

16 marks

**Instructions to Candidates:**

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

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

*This booklet consists of 7 printed pages.*

**Section A: Grammar MCQ (8 x 1 mark)**

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. My cousins followed the recipe and made the cake \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (1) myself
  - (2) herself
  - (3) ourselves
  - (4) themselves
  
2. While playing the piano just now, I \_\_\_\_\_ distracted when the phone kept ringing.
  - (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were
  
3. You \_\_\_\_\_ so generous as you always help with the school's fundraising events.
  - (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were
  
4. "Look! Sandra \_\_\_\_\_ on stage right now" James exclaimed at the ballet recital.
  - (1) dances
  - (2) danced
  - (3) is dancing
  - (4) has danced

5. Yesterday, I \_\_\_\_\_ a taxi to school as it was raining cats and dogs.
- (1) take
  - (2) took
  - (3) was taking
  - (4) have taken
6. While everyone \_\_\_\_\_ in the canteen, Amira stayed in the classroom to finish her homework.
- (1) eat
  - (2) eats
  - (3) was eating
  - (4) were eating
7. \_\_\_\_\_ people standing right here ave the best view of the city.
- (1) This
  - (2) That
  - (3) Those
  - (4) These
8. The farmer was busy and had \_\_\_\_\_ time to water his crops.
- (1) little
  - (2) some
  - (3) many
  - (4) much

**Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)**

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

9. After the storm, the town was flooded and was only \_\_\_\_\_ on foot.
- (1) available
  - (2) accessible
  - (3) achievable
  - (4) accountable
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the hall clapped at the end of the performance which was put up by the adorable lower primary pupils.
- (1) audience
  - (2) onlookers
  - (3) witnesses
  - (4) spectators
11. They \_\_\_\_\_ the old house to make way for a new building.
- (1) ruined
  - (2) reduced
  - (3) discarded
  - (4) demolished
12. The famished boy \_\_\_\_\_ his food up. Soon, there was no food left on his plate.
- (1) nibbled
  - (2) chewed
  - (3) gobbled
  - (4) munched

13. With teamwork and determination our school's netball team has won the \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) partnership
- (2) championship
- (3) sportsmanship
- (4) companionship

14. Mrs Tan will not pay such an \_\_\_\_\_ price for a dress as she is thrifty person.

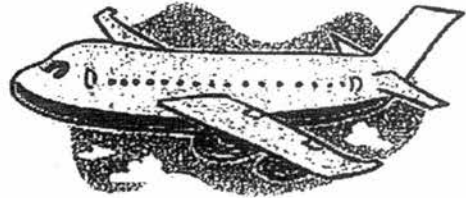
- (1) exorbitant
- (2) exuberant
- (3) exhilarating
- (4) exceptional

Section C: Visual Text Comprehension MCQ (2 x 1 mark)

Study the advertisement carefully and answer questions 15 and 16.

# Travel Mania 2017!

## You deserve that holiday!



Travel Mania 2017 features an exciting line-up of travel promotions that will take your breath away.

17 - 18 Sept  
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Singapore Expo Hall 6

### Stage Performances

#### *Turkish Belly Dance*

12 noon to 12.30 p.m.  
Love to dance? Watch and try some belly dancing!

#### *Kpop group AMAZE*

11.30 a.m to 12 noon  
Kpop fans, are you ready?  
AMAZE from Korea is here!

Brought to you by:

Exotica  
Airline



Co-organised by:



National  
Fourism Board

### Highlights

#### *Six Days Five Nights Safari Adventure*

- Stay in 5-star hotels throughout your journey in South Africa.
- Visit 2 safaris and get to interact with wildlife up close.

#### *Twelve Days Ten Nights Hokkaido Winter Wonderland*

- Stay in 4-star hotels throughout your trip. Visit the city of sapporo
- Exclusive skiing experience at Niseko Village.

### Lucky Draw

Spend a minimum of \$1000 to take part in our lucky draw!

#### Prizes

First Prize: a pair of economy class tickets to anywhere in the world!

Second Prize: a stay at Gillard Hotel

Third Prize: a suitcase

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

15. The main purpose of the advertisement is to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) attract people to visit Travel Mania 2017
- (2) encourage people to visit the safari
- (3) impress the public with amazing performances
- (4) let people know about the different tour package promotions

16. Which one of the following statements is false?

- (1) The lucky draw is open to everyone.
- (2) There are two organisers for the event.
- (3) You will stay in 4-star hotels if you decide to go for the Hokkaido Winter Wonderland trip.
- (4) If you visit Travel Mania 2017 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., you will get to watch both stage performances.

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## CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



Primary 4

Semestral Assessment 2

16 October 2017

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet B

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 30 min

30 questions  
34 marks

**Instructions to Candidates:**

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Answer all questions.

Booklet A	16
Booklet B	34
Total	50

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**Section D: Grammar Cloze [1] (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the following passage carefully. Choose the most suitable answer from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. Use each word / phrase only once.

(A) I	(C) its	(E) them
(B) he	(D) she	(F) you

One day, Mooty the Mouse fell asleep under Grandma's favourite chair. (17) \_\_\_\_\_ long, curly tail lay in a coil on the floor.

Grandma came into the room. "Oh, how careless (18) \_\_\_\_\_ am," she thought. "I've dropped my sewing thread again." (19) \_\_\_\_\_ bent to pick what she thought was a long strand of thread from the floor.

"Help!" screamed Grandma.

"Oh my!" yelled Mooty. It ran away quickly.

This incident left both of (20) \_\_\_\_\_ quivering from fright. What an unforgettable day!

*Adapted from 'The Adventures of Mooty Book One' by Jessie Wee*



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**Section E: Grammar Cloze [2] (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the following passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

The twins, Sharat and Shishir, have recently transferred to a new school. It (21) [ was / were ] nerve-racking as the boys would be going there without their parents. "Boys, we (22) [ has / have ] to attend an important meeting this morning. Enjoy your first day!" their parents called out as they left home.

As soon as the boys reached school, they (23) [ was / were ] ushered into the Principal's office. The friendly principal walked them to the classroom. "Hi, Mrs Tan! These (24) [ is / are ] our new pupils, Sharat and Shishir," he said to the teacher. Mrs Tan smiled warmly at the twins.

*Adapted from 'The Twins Discover the Six Seasons' by Asha Shankardass*



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**Section F: Synthesis and Transformation (2 X 1 mark)**

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 meaning of the given sentence(s).

25. The woman is my neighbour. She is pushing a pram.

\_\_\_\_\_ who  
\_\_\_\_\_

26. Both Paul and Sulin will not attend the birthday party.

Neither \_\_\_\_\_  
nor \_\_\_\_\_



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**Section G: Comprehension Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the following passage carefully. Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

Have you ever wondered why your favourite food tastes so good? Well, you can thank your taste buds for letting you appreciate the saltiness of French fries and the (27) \_\_\_\_\_ of ice cream. Taste buds are found on your tongue and allow you to experience tastes that are sweet, salty, sour and bitter. How exactly do they work? Stick out your tongue and (28) \_\_\_\_\_ into the mirror, Can you see those bumps? The bumps contain tiny hairs which send messages to the brain about how something tastes.

However, you need to know that your nose also plays an (29) \_\_\_\_\_ role too. While you are chewing your food, it releases chemicals that immediately travel up into the nose. Inside the uppermost part of your nose, there are some special cells that help you (30) \_\_\_\_\_. These special cells then work together with your taste buds to tell your brain all about that delectable slice of pizza.

Without your tongue and nose, life would be without flavour!

*Adapted from [www.kidshealth.org](http://www.kidshealth.org)*



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**Section H: Comprehension [1] (10 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 31 to 39

Colonel Harland David Sanders is best known for creating a fried chicken recipe that would lead to the formation of the world's fast-food chicken chain, Kentucky Fried Chicken, commonly known as KFC.

Sandera was born on September 9 1890 in the United States of America After his father died when he was 6 years old, Sanders became responsible for feeding and taking 5 care of his younger brother and sister. From the age of 10, he took up numerous jobs and worked as a farmer, a railroad fireman, and a soldier in the United States Army.

Later, he began cooking chicken for customers at a petrol station in Corbin, Kentucky However, for many years, his recipe was not well-received by his customers. Despite that, Sanders did not give up. He finally hit it big. He achieved his secret recipe of 11 herbs and 10 spices. The pressure cooker, a novelty at that time, was used by him for cooking his flavourful chicken. Using it reduced the preparation time and enabled him to serve more customers.

The fried chickens were so popular that the governor of Kentucky gave him the title Kentucky Colonel'. Kentucky Fried Chicken expanded internationally and it can be found in many countries around the world today. 15

Sanders passed on at the age of 90.

Even today, Sanders with his famous goatee, a white suit and a western string tie continues to symbolize delicious country fried chicken all over the world.

*Adapted from Colonel Harland Sanders Biography.com*

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For questions 31 to 33, refer to paragraphs 1 and 2.  
 Decide if the statements are true or false. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.  
 An example has been done for you. [3m]

Action		True	False
Example	Colonel Sanders is the founder of Kentucky Fried Chicken	✓	
31.	Sanders was ten years old when his father died.		
32.	Sanders was once a soldier in the United States Army.		
33.	Sanders had to help to look after his siblings.		

34. Which word has the same meaning as 'new and unusual'? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

The pressure cooker, a novelty at that time, was used by him for cooking his flavourful chicken.  
 (A) (B)

For questions 35 and 36, refer to paragraphs 3 and 4.  
 Decide if the actions were taken by Colonel Sanders or the governor of Kentucky.  
 Tick (✓) your chosen answer.  
 An example has been done for you. [2m]

Action		Colonel Sanders	the governor of Kentucky
Example	used the pressure cooker	✓	
35.	gave someone a title		
36.	came up with a recipe for delicious fried chicken		

37. Which word has the same meaning as 'represent'? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

Even today, Sanders with his famous goatee, a white suit and a western string tie continues to symbolize delicious country fried chicken all over the world.  
 (A)  
 (B)

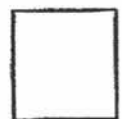
38. Refer to paragraph 3.  
Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

The word 'it' in line 12 refers to the \_\_\_\_\_. [1m]

<input type="checkbox"/>	recipe
<input type="checkbox"/>	pressure cooker
<input type="checkbox"/>	preparation time

39. Which two words best describe Colonel Sanders in paragraphs 2 and 3? [2m]  
Tick (✓) your chosen answers.

<input type="checkbox"/>	resilient
<input type="checkbox"/>	courteous
<input type="checkbox"/>	responsible



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**Section I: Comprehension [2] (10 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 40 to 46.

At the time of the earthquake, Hiromitsu Shinkawa was at work in a lumberyard. After the ground had stopped shaking, he rushed home to check on his wife, Yuko.

Shinkawa was relieved to find Yuko safe in the house. However, a tsunami came. Immediately, he and Yuko dashed to the second floor of their house. Unfortunately, a wave crashed through the windows of the house. Both of them were thrashed beneath the water. 5  
Kicking hard, Shinkawa was able to get his head above the surface. He looked around, desperate to find something to help him stay afloat.

The roof of his house had been torn off and was floating nearby. He swam towards it. He tried to get onto a section of broken roof but it was not easy to do so with the debris wobbling in the sea of choppy water. He could only hold on to it and wait for help. "Where was 10  
Yuko?" Shinkawa thought. Tears brimmed in his eyes as he saw no trace of her.

The next day, Shinkawa felt a surge of hope at the sound of helicopters in the air. He tried his best to stand up on the floating roof to signal for help. But six aircrafts passed without noticing him. By the end of the day, Shinkawa was dehydrated from lack of water.

Just as he thought all was lost, Shinkawa spotted a police patrol boat. But it did not stop. 15  
Thinking quickly, Shinkawa retrieved a scrap of red fabric and a pole from the ocean and made a flag. When the patrol boat passed his way again he waved the flag frantically. His heart skipped a beat when he saw a light flashing from the patrol boat. He heaved a sigh of relief.

Shinkawa was taken to the hospital. Unfortunately, his wife, Yuko, had been swept away by the tsunami. 20

*Adapted from 'Japan Earthquake and Tsunami' by Mame Ventura*

For question 40, write 1, 2, or 3 in the brackets.

40. Shinkawa was \_\_\_\_\_ when he first felt the earthquake. [1m]

(1) at home

(2) on the way home

(3) in the lumberyard

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41. Which word in paragraph 3 has the same meaning as "welled up"? [1m]

42. What does the word 'her' in line 11 refer to? [1m]

[ Write your answer using a complete sentence / complete sentences. ]

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43. These are some statements describing the events experienced by Hiromitsu Shinkawa. Put them in order according to the flow in the story. Write 1, 2 and 3 on the lines. [1m]

\_\_\_\_\_ Six aircrafts flew past him.

\_\_\_\_\_ He was thrown into the water.

\_\_\_\_\_ He waved the flag he had made to signal for help.

44. State whether each sentence below is **True** or **False**. Give a reason for your answer. [2m]  
 [ Write your reasons using complete sentences. ]

Sentence	True / False	Reason
(a) He made a flag using his own shirt to get the attention of the rescuers in the police patrol boat.		<hr/> <hr/>
(b) Shinkawa's wife was found.		<hr/> <hr/>

45. Refer to paragraph 3.

Give two reasons why Shinkawa could not get onto the broken roof. [2m]  
 [ Write your answer using a complete sentence / complete sentences. ]

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

46. Tick two of the following words that correctly describe Shinkawa's feelings when the police patrol boat flashed its light. [2m]

hopeful


worried


disappointed

relieved

reluctant

unhappy

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EXAM PAPER 2017 (P4)

SCHOOL : CHIJ

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA2

ORDER CALL :

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	3	2	3	2	3	4	1	2	1
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
4	3	2	1	1	1	C	A	D	E
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24						
was	have	were	are						

25)The woman who is pushing a pram, is my neighbour.

26)Neither Paul nor Sulin will attend the birthday party.

27)sweetness      28)look      29)important      30)smell      31)False

32)True      33)True      34)A      35)the governor of Kentucky

36)Colonel Sanders      37)B      38)pressure cooker      39)resilient

40)3      41)brimmed      42)It refers to Yuko      43)2 , 1 , 3

44)False / Shinkawa retrieved a scrap of red fabric and a pole from the ocean.

False / Yuko had been swept away by the tsunami.

45)1)The debris was wobbling.      2)It was in the sea of choppy water.

46)hopeful      /      relieved