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Class : Primary 5 _____

CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL



Primary 5

Second Continual Assessment – 2008

English Language

PAPER 2

BOOKLET A

18 August 2008

Total time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

30 questions
30 marks

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

Study the following text and then answer questions 1 to 5.

Unbelievable deal for ANYONE!!!!!! 😊

TOTO Cellphones
"You Want it! We Have it!"



Student's Package - \$10/mth

- Unlimited calls to 3 TOTO numbers;
- Free 100 mins incoming and outgoing calls;
- Free 500 SMS/MMS...

Individual's Package - \$15/mth

- Unlimited calls to 5 TOTO numbers;
- Free incoming calls;
- Free 200 mins outgoing calls;
- Free 900 SMS/MMS;
- Free Mobile surfing ...



Business Package - \$30/mth

- Unlimited calls to 10 TOTO numbers;
- Free incoming calls;
- Free 500 mins outgoing calls;
- Free 1000 SMS/MMS;
- Free Mobile surfing
- Free 3 months' subscription to Mobile Email...

If none of the above plans are for you, we
can customise to your satisfaction! 😊

Headquarters:

Address: One George Street, Wong Tat Building, #28-08, Singapore 125689
Tel: 6558-1866 Fax: 6558-1890
Email: contactus@toto.com
Website: <http://www.totocellphones.com>

Opening Hours:

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| * Mon - Thu | : | 10.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. |
| * Fri - Sat | : | 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. |
| * Sun & Public Holidays | : | 1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. |

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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. (5 marks)

- 1 How many standard packages are being offered by TOTO Cellphones?
- (1) 1
 - (2) 2
 - (3) 3
 - (4) 4
- 2 Lenny, who has signed up for the Student's Package, _____
- (1) needs to pay for outgoing calls
 - (2) pays only \$30 monthly for subscription
 - (3) gets to enjoy unlimited calls to subscribers of any phone company.
 - (4) gets to send 500 SMS/MMS via her handphone without extra costs.
- 3 You may visit the headquarters on _____
- (1) Monday at 9 a.m.
 - (2) Tuesday at 8 p.m.
 - (3) Friday at 8 a.m.
 - (4) Sunday at 2 p.m.
- 4 For more information, you may _____
- (1) call 6558 1890
 - (2) visit <http://www.totophones.com>
 - (3) send an email to contactus@toto.com
 - (4) go to the headquarters at George Street, Wong Tat Building, #28-08
- 5 Which one of the following statements is not true?
- (1) With the Individual's Package, you can enjoy free mobile surfing.
 - (2) The company is able to design a package according to your needs.
 - (3) Business Package subscribers can call all TOTO subscribers at no costs.
 - (4) Calling the headquarters is an alternative for those without internet access.

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 Casey got so carried _____ that she lost track of time during her debate.
- (1) on
 - (2) off
 - (3) for
 - (4) away
- 7 You are not to step _____ the yellow line on the station platform.
- (1) over
 - (2) above
 - (3) across
 - (4) beyond
- 8 Several of the luggage _____ damaged when the trolley fell down the stairs.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were
- 9 Mrs Koo, together with her students, _____ in the studio before going on stage last night.
- (1) rehearse
 - (2) rehearses
 - (3) had rehearsed
 - (4) has rehearsed
- 10 _____ there is a heavy downpour, the golf tournament will be held at the Orchid Country Club.
- (1) After
 - (2) Since
 - (3) Unless
 - (4) Despite

11 "I am having a hard time trying to choose a winner _____ the last two contestants," complained the judge.

- (1) only
- (2) either
- (3) among
- (4) between

12. The famous chef _____ restaurant was burnt down had returned to his hometown in despair.

- (1) who
- (2) which
- (3) where
- (4) whose

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)

As Angel opened her mouth wide, she felt tears rolling down her cheeks. "Are you ready (13)" asked the dentist as he prepared the anaesthetic.

Angel nodded fearfully. Her dentist injected some anaesthetic to numb her gum.

"You will be feeling the numbness very soon (14) grinned the dentist. At that moment, the nurse entered and informed the dentist of an urgent call.

Angel waited anxiously. She felt herself drooling as the numbness took effect. "Where is the Doc? Help (15)" yelled Angel. She reached for the tissue in her pockets. She was about to wipe her drool when the dentist returned.

He apologised profusely. He then continued to use his pair of pliers to pull Angel's decayed tooth out. "It's over, Angel! No pain, right?" smiled the dentist with his white teeth.

- 13 (1) [-] hyphen
(2) [,] comma
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [?] question mark
- 14 (1) [. ,] full stop and inverted commas
(2) [, ,] comma and inverted commas
(3) [. ,] inverted commas and comma
(4) [.] inverted commas and full stop
- 15 (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [?] question mark
(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 The ballet performance was so outstanding that the audience gave a standing _____.
- (1) flattery
 - (2) support
 - (3) ovation
 - (4) compliment
- 17 Please learn to _____ your authority appropriately or else you will be fired from your job.
- (1) beat
 - (2) curb
 - (3) exercise
 - (4) vanquish
- 18 My aunt became _____ with her job when she realised that it was not as good as what she had thought it to be.
- (1) dissatisfied
 - (2) disillusioned
 - (3) discouraged
 - (4) disinterested
- 19 The _____ soon gathered at the accident scene by the time the police and ambulance arrived.
- (1) audience
 - (2) on-lookers
 - (3) spectators
 - (4) passers-by
- 20 In order not to be recognised, Mrs Li signed off using _____ when she wrote a complaint letter to the school.
- (1) a title
 - (2) a nickname
 - (3) an abbreviation
 - (4) a pseudonym

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)

Motorists are getting more and more frustrated on the roads. Traffic jam is regarded as the predominant source of urban noise. The Singapore Government

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has taken various steps to combat this traffic noise pollution. In the early 1970s, it

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was an offence for motorists to have noisy exhaust or multi-tone horns. Car horns can only be used discretely and for emergency purposes, such as to prevent an accident.

When the Area Licensing Scheme (ALS) was introduced, motorists had to buy a car label each time they were to enter the Restricted Zone. Police officers stood at the various gantries and looked out for anyone without it. This manual way has been replaced by the Electronic Road Pricing (ERP) in 1998.

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Initially, the ERP gantries were built at the business district and the busiest

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highways. Recently, more ERP gantries have been built, even in minor roads to cope with the increase in traffic jam. Besides that, the charges have increased, too. All these measures will continue to be monitored. Let's work together on this!

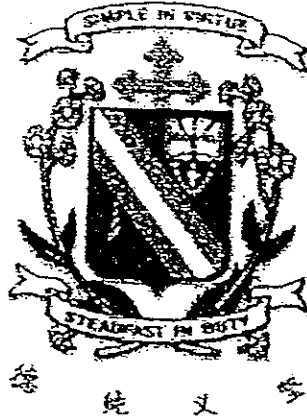
(25)

- 21 (1) leading
(2) eminent
(3) important
(4) secondary
- 22 (1) cut off
(2) pass by
(3) stand down
(4) grapple with
- 23 (1) modified by
(2) renewed by
(3) substituted with
(4) transformed into
- 24 (1) Gradually
(2) Eventually
(3) In the process
(4) At the beginning
- 25 (1) tracked
(2) recorded
(3) assessed
(4) highlighted

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PAPER 2

BOOKLET B

18 August 2008

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

50 questions
65 marks

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
Follow all instructions carefully.
Answer all questions.

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| Booklet A | 30 |
| Booklet B | 65 |
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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

The world's first postage stamps were issued by Great Britain on 1 May 1840 and people started using them five days later. They were introduced by an ex-schoolteacher called Rowland Hill. He produced a plan to reform the Post Office and succeeded in getting the plan adopted in 1839.

Before 1840, the postage on a letter was usually paid by the person who received it and charged according to its weight. As the cost of postage was very high, some people, especially the very poor, used to dread a visit from the postman. 5

The high charges were caused by the inefficient working of the Post Office. Rowland Hill's plan showed that letters could be sent all over the country for a fraction of the charges, and still enable the Post Office to make a good profit. So as to make the sender responsible for the postage, Hill suggested that it should be paid in advance by sticking a stamp to a letter. 10

There were two values of stamps: The Penny Black and the Twopenny Blue with both showing the head of Queen Victoria. They were printed in London in sheets of 240 stamps without perforations. Although these stamps are not very rare, they are in great demand by collectors. 15

Two years after Britain had introduced postage stamps to the world, a private postal service in New York issued a stamp. Other issues by postmasters in the United States were made over the next few years. In 1847, came the first stamps for use throughout the USA. They were the Five Cents Brown showing Benjamin Franklin and the Ten Cents Black showing George Washington. 20

In the meantime, the Swiss canton of Zurich brought out two stamps - the four and the six 'rappen'. Then from Geneva came a curious stamp: it was in two halves. To post an ordinary letter, only one half needed to be affixed. This stamp is known to collectors as 'The double Geneva'. 25

It was, however, Basle who issued the first multi-coloured stamp in July 1845. This stamp showed a white dove on a red background with pale blue comers.

Adapted from Postage Stamps by LN and M Williams

For each question from 26 to 30, 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)

- 26 Postage stamps were first issued in _____
- (1) 1839
 - (2) 1840
 - (3) 1845
 - (4) 1847
- 27 Prior to 1840, the amount of money paid for postage by the receiver was based on _____
- (1) the receiver's income
 - (2) the weight of the letter
 - (3) the distance the letter had travelled
 - (4) the time taken for the letter to reach the receiver
- 28 The word 'curious' in line 24 means _____
- (1) typical
 - (2) unusual
 - (3) distorted
 - (4) miniature
- 29 According to the passage, the 'Double Geneva' _____
- (1) was a very colourful stamp
 - (2) consisted of only half a stamp
 - (3) had the picture of Queen Victoria on it
 - (4) was issued after the six 'rappen' was introduced
- 30 Which one of the following statements is not true?
- (1) Great Britain was the first country to issue postage stamps.
 - (2) Hill's proposal to improve the Post Office was accepted in 1839.
 - (3) The high postage charges were due to the scarcity of post offices.
 - (4) People were eager to collect the Penny Black and the Twopenny Blue.

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) | after ✓ | (D) | it's ✓ | (G) | of ✓ | (K) | was ✓ | (N) | where ✓ |
| (B) | are ✓ | (E) | its ✓ | (H) | on ✓ | (L) | were ✓ | (P) | which ✓ |
| (C) | in ✓ | (F) | itself ✓ | (J) | the ✓ | (M) | when ✓ | (Q) | with ✓ |

The *Chingay Parade* is an annual street parade in Singapore. The parade is usually held a few days (31) _____ the Chinese Lunar New Year. The name *Chingay* was coined from its phonetic Hokkien equivalent; (32) _____ means "the art of costumes and masquerade".

The first *Chingay* parade was held in 1973. Although not religious in nature, the first procession, consisting about two thousand participants, (33) _____ totally Chinese. There (34) _____ stilt-walkers, big-headed dolls, dragon and lion dances and mini operas. From 1976, the parade took (35) _____ a multicultural flavour with the participation of performers from other racial groups. In 1990, to celebrate 25 years of Singapore's independence, *Chingay* made (36), _____ evening debut. It is indeed a pleasure to watch the glittering floats and colourful lights (37) _____ the parade is held in the evening.

The evolution of *Chingay* is synonymous (38) _____ the growth of Singapore. It showcases (39) _____ rich multi-cultural diversity of our society. *Chingay* has now elevated (40) _____ to the ranks of the world's best parades. Extensive worldwide media coverage of the parade has attracted hordes of tourists to Singapore.

Adapted from www.chingay.org.sg

Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar.
Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

The Giant Panda is a mammal in the bear family. It is easily recognised by

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the **destintive** large black patches around its eyes and across its round body.

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It lives in the mountain ranges of central-western China and spent most of

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its time each day eating bamboo shoots. Pandas are good in climbing trees

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and are swim quite well. They usually live alone and are therefore considered

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to be **solertry** creatures. They will only meet other pandas during the mating

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season. Pandas are generally active at **twyllight** and during the night.

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With only 1,600 of them at the wild, the Giant Panda is an endangered

species. The greatest threat to its survival is probably the indiscriminate

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destruction of its **natrel** habitat by humans. Many of the bamboo areas needed

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for its food and shelter have been cleared and uses for farming. The

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Chinese government has, however, announced that it will create five new panda reserves. Five new links between the reserves in the Qinling mountain range will also be built.

Adapted from www.panda.comet.co.uk

Fill in the blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

Do you want to know how to keep fit? Dancing to music is a fun (51) _____ to keep in shape. It also helps us (52) _____ healthy. Done regularly, dancing can be a great (53) _____ of exercise. It (54) _____ calories, improves coordination, builds stamina and most importantly, it is fun. Besides that, one is less likely to get (55) _____ with dancing compared to other activities as there are always new steps to learn and the music is motivating.

It is easy to find out more about dance classes. Most health clubs and community centres (56) _____ their members dance or exercise classes. You can sample a few types of classes until you find your (57) _____ style, music and teacher. When starting a class, do not (58) _____ to be a professional on your first session. Instead, approach each class with a positive (59) _____ of mind. Tell yourself that you are aiming to improve your health and having fun, not competing to win a dance. (60) _____.

Over time, you would have selected a style of dancing that you like. Nevertheless, one must bear in mind that a ballet class is going to (61) _____ your body differently from a hip-hop or jazz dance class. The best way to get health (62) _____ from dancing is to mix or switch between different types of dance classes. In doing so, you can reduce the (63) _____ of injury from overusing the same muscle groups. Some dance classes will (64) _____ on building muscle endurance and strength but dancing is mostly cardiovascular. Your regular training routine with weights will help you (65) _____ up your stamina. Remember to include additional strength training so that your muscles get strong as well.

Adapted from The Straits Time, July 2008

For each of the questions 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 meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66 "Greg, have you forgotten about our basketball match at the stadium tonight?" asked his brother, Lou.

Lou asked Greg _____

67 Susan did not go to the zoo with her friends. She was down with measles.

Since _____

68 The car was parked in the secured garage. It was broken into.

_____ although

69 Belle does not win the travel quiz. Her sisters do not win the travel quiz, too.

Neither _____

70 Kenny had a learning disability. He was the top boy in class.

Despite _____

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

Mrs Packletide was a wealthy lady who lived in a fashionable part of London, England. She loved to travel to exotic places like Africa and the Orient to do adventurous things. She loved even more to regale all her friends in London with her experiences when she got back.

Now imagine her feelings when her equally fashionable neighbour, Loona Bimberton, held their audience captive with her account of her travels in a private airplane with an Algerian aviator. This was the compelling motive for Mrs Packletide's sudden decision to shoot a tiger. She made up her mind that nothing less than a personally-procured tiger-skin would do. 5

Mrs Packletide paid some villagers in India a thousand rupees to organize the tiger hunt. The great night arrived moonlit and cloudless. Mrs Packletide crouched on the platform in the tree with her rifle. Beside her was her paid companion, Miss Mebbin. A goat was tied to a tree nearby. 10

"I suppose we are in some danger?" asked Miss Mebbin.

"Nonsense," replied Mrs Packletide. "It's a very old tiger. It couldn't spring up here even if it wanted to." 15

At that moment, the tiger appeared and ambled towards the tethered goat. "Now, now!" urged Miss Mebbin with some excitement. The rifle flashed with a loud sound, and the great tawny beast sprang to one side and then rolled over in the stillness of death. The goat also lay dead beside it. Miss Mebbin pointed to the bullet wound on the goat. The old tiger had died of a heart attack! Mrs Packletide was annoyed at the discovery but pleased to be the possessor of a dead tiger. 20

Back in England, Mrs Packletide gave a big party so that all her friends and neighbours could admire her tiger-skin rug and hear her account of the tiger hunt.

"How amused everyone would be if they knew what really happened," said Miss Mebbin with a laugh. 25

"You surely wouldn't give me away?" Mrs Packletide asked.

"I've seen a cottage I would like to buy," replied Miss Mebbin. "It's quite a bargain, only I don't happen to have the money." Miss Mebbin now lives in her pretty cottage which is the wonder and admiration of her friends. When asked if she had plans for another hunt, Mrs Packletide whispered, "The incidental expenses are so heavy!" 30

Adapted from Mrs Packletide's Tiger by Saki

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 What did Mrs Packletide do on her travels?

72 What would Mrs Packletide do each time she returned from a trip?

73 How do you think Mrs Packletide felt about Loona Bimberton?

74 What does the word 'This' in line 7 refer to?

75 Why do you think a goat was tied to the tree during the tiger hunt?

76 Why do you think an old tiger was chosen for the hunt?

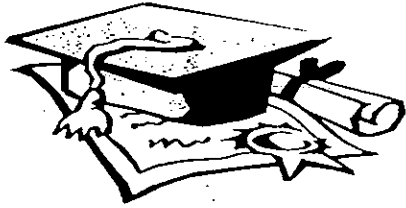
77 How was the goat killed?

78 What did Mrs Packletide have to do to stop Miss Mebbin telling the truth?

79 Explain clearly the statement, "The incidental expenses are so heavy!"
Why did Mrs Packletide say that?

80 According to the passage, give a word to describe Mrs Packletide.

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ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2008

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41) distinctive

42) spends

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48) natural

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51) way

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56) offer

57) favorite

58) expect

59) frame

60) competition

61) tone

62) benefits

63) chances

64) focus

65) build

66) Lou asked Greg if had for gotten about their basketball match at the stadium that night.

67) Since Susan was down with measles, she did not go to the zoo with her friends.

- 68)The car was broken into although it was parked in the secured garage.
- 69)Neither Belle nor her sisters win the travel quiz.
- 70)Despite the fact that he had a learning disability, Kenny was the top boy in class.
- 71)She did adventurous things on her travels.
- 72)She would regale all her friends in London with her experiences when she returned from a trip.
- 73)She felt jealous and wanted to be better than Loona Bimberton.
- 74)It refers to the jealousy Mrs Packletide had towards Loona Bimberton and she being able to hold the audience captive with her account of adventurous.
- 75)The goat was the bait to lure the tiger out.
- 76)An old tiger was chosen to ensure the success of the hunt as well as to ensure the safety of Mrs Packletide and the other people involved in hunt.
- 77)The goat was shot by Mrs Packletide.
- 78)She had to buy a specific cottage which Miss Mebbin wanted.
- 79)On top of whatever money she had to spend for her trip, Mrs Packletide had to buy Miss Mebbin a cottage.
- 80)She was adventurous.