

METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)

Founded in 1887



END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2014 PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH

PAPER 2 (BOOKLET A)

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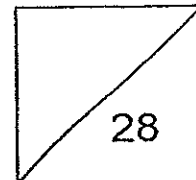
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This booklet consists of 10 printed pages including this page.

For each question from 1 to 10, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (10 marks)

1 The coach, as well as the players, _____ to win the Inter-school Football Championship title this year.

- (1) hope
- (2) hopes
- (3) are hoping
- (4) have hoped

2 She would have given you an answer _____ you had asked her more politely.

- (1) if
- (2) so
- (3) when
- (4) unless

3 The teacher asked Sarah to help her clean the board. She will do it, _____?

- (1) will she
- (2) does she
- (3) won't she
- (4) doesn't she

4 With five dollars per day as his allowance, the poor elderly man can hardly get _____.

- (1) by
- (2) over
- (3) along
- (4) through

5 I would like to speak to you _____ I know you are busy.

- (1) so
- (2) since
- (3) although
- (4) because

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- 6 The girls _____ television since six o'clock.
- (1) watched
 - (2) had watched
 - (3) were watching
 - (4) had been watching
- 7 Marie finally found her long lost sister _____ she had been searching for over the years.
- (1) who
 - (2) which
 - (3) whom
 - (4) where
- 8 The MRT station is just around the corner. It will take you less than five minutes _____ foot to get there.
- (1) in
 - (2) on
 - (3) by
 - (4) with
- 9 "May we take a break? We _____ our homework," the girl asked her mother.
- (1) complete
 - (2) are completing
 - (3) have completed
 - (4) have been completing
- 10 Sarah had just turned off her computer when she heard the doorbell _____.
- (1) ring
 - (2) rang
 - (3) rings
 - (4) had rung

For each question from 11 to 15, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

11 Our teacher will _____ us to the Asian Civilisation Museum next term as part of our learning journey.

- (1) take
- (2) send
- (3) bring
- (4) follow

12 I hope our services _____ your expectations.

- (1) accede
- (2) exceed
- (3) precede
- (4) concede

13 Grandma does not have as much hair as she used to. She has a receding hairline and it is _____ on top.

- (1) thinning
- (2) shrinking
- (3) lightening
- (4) weakening

14 The Girl Guides were exhausted after the _____ trek.

- (1) drab
- (2) hectic
- (3) strenuous
- (4) aggressive

15 The alarm was _____ as soon as the fire broke out.

- (1) erupted
- (2) disrupted
- (3) mobilised
- (4) activated

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For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

Vincent van Gogh was born on March 30, 1853, in a small village in Holland. As a child, he was serious and sensitive. He loved to draw and his work showed a talent for art, (16)

but no one encouraged him to become an artist. Instead his father thought he should take a sensible job – something like a clerk. As a young adult, he moved from job to job with little success and earning very little money. He became more depressed with each failure. (17)

However, just before his 27th birthday, something changed his life. He realised he was meant to be a painter, and he began to study art.

In 1888 van Gogh moved south to Arles, France. He decided to form a commune of (18)

artists so they could share their passion and tips with one another. He began painting with zeal and emotion. The colours in his paintings became more vibrant and bright. One of (19) (20)

his masterpieces was the classic, *The Starry Night*.

Adapted from Reading Explorer by Nancy Douglas

- 16 (1) a skill
(2) a flair
(3) an attitude
(4) an expertise

- 17 (1) desolate
(2) humiliated
(3) oppressed
(4) disheartened

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- 18 (1) family
(2) village
(3) community
(4) department
- 19 (1) apathy
(2) passion
(3) detachment
(4) seriousness
- 20 (1) livid
(2) bland
(3) dynamic
(4) dramatic

Study the cover and page of this magazine carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

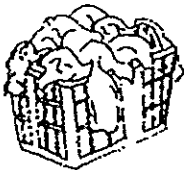
Household Tips

Issue 57

your preferred household magazine

THIS MONTH'S SPECIAL: VINEGAR - A Household Must-have

White distilled, apple-flavoured, wine, cider, balsamic... the variety is amazing! It is easy to see why vinegar has gained popularity over the years. From using it for food preparation and cooking to cleaning, gardening, home remedies, health benefits and pet care, its uses are endless! Though it is extremely versatile, it remains as one of the most economical products that you can have on hand.



Learn to use vinegar for...

- ❖ Cleaning the floor
- ❖ Cleaning your kitchen appliances
- ❖ Laundry
- ❖ Food Preparation
- ❖ Boosting Health
- ❖ Pets



Hear what our volunteer testers have to say:

I have always had vinegar in my house but have never used it outside of the kitchen. Who would have known that cleaning the glass windows could be this easy!



Mdm Lim, 63

After I started using vinegar to clean my dog, no one ever complains about its smell anymore!



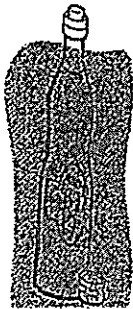
Mr Tan, 35

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Adapted from Page 12 of Household Tips Magazine:

In this month's article, we have gathered tips and suggestions from a variety of sources, including consumers' feedback, articles and also experiments conducted by our own team of writers. Do take note that these suggestions of use have not been scientifically tested and readers are advised to try them at their own discretion.

Let us first look at some interesting facts about this wonder product.



Age-old Ingredient

People have been using vinegar for cooking and food preparation for more than 10 000 years, making it possibly the oldest ingredient in the world.

Museum

Did you know that there is a museum dedicated to documenting all about this amazing product?

The International Vinegar Museum is the world's first and only museum of its kind. Do visit the museum if you are in South Dakota, USA.

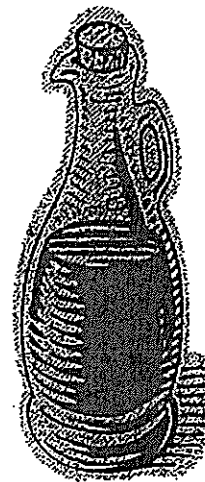
Household Help

Tackle many of your household problems with a mixture of white distilled vinegar and water.

Remove odours, treat furniture, clean pets, soothe sore throats and even stop hiccups with this product. It's simply amazing!

Magic

Watch pearls melt and eggs soften when soaked in this liquid. Even a chicken bone will turn rubbery after some time!



For each question 21 to 28, choose the most appropriate option (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

- 21 What do you think is the **most** likely reason for the word 'preferred' to be used on the magazine cover?
- (1) to invite readers to vote for the magazine
 - (2) to invite more volunteers to give their opinions
 - (3) to ask the readers to state their preference for the next issue
 - (4) to suggest that readers like the magazine more than other household magazines
- 22 Which of the following is **not** a reason for sharing the views of volunteer testers ?
- (1) The magazine would be more interesting with views from different people.
 - (2) The volunteers would be paid an attractive sum of money to give their opinion.
 - (3) The readers would be able to relate better to the experiences of others like themselves.
 - (4) The readers would feel more confident about trying out the uses after knowing that someone else has tried them.
- 23 The two volunteers have an exclamation mark at the end of their speech to show they are _____.
- (1) excited to be featured in the article
 - (2) convinced about the benefits of the product
 - (3) trying to get the readers' attention to what they have to say
 - (4) unhappy that they did not know about the uses of vinegar earlier
- 24 Which one of the following words, which are found on the magazine cover, tells us that vinegar is inexpensive?
- (1) benefits
 - (2) versatile
 - (3) remedies
 - (4) economical
- 25 Based on the adapted article, vinegar is most commonly used for _____.
- (1) cooking
 - (2) pet care
 - (3) experiments
 - (4) household help

- 26 Telling the readers that they are advised to try the suggestions of use at their own discretion means that _____.
- (1) the readers should try out all the suggestions
 - (2) the magazine cannot force the readers to try the suggestion
 - (3) the magazine will be held responsible for any consequences of use
 - (4) the readers are personally responsible for trying out the suggestions
- 27 According to the interesting facts, which of the following statements about vinegar is true?
- (1) Pets should keep away from vinegar.
 - (2) Vinegar was first discovered 10 000 years ago.
 - (3) There is only one vinegar museum in the world.
 - (4) Vinegar is often used by magicians to perform tricks.
- 28 What is the main purpose of the article?
- (1) to encourage people to buy the various types of vinegar
 - (2) to promote vinegar as a solution to most household problems
 - (3) to warn readers about the dangers of using vinegar as a cleaning product
 - (4) to encourage people to become volunteer testers, giving them opportunities to try out new things

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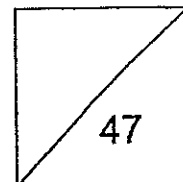
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There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) against	(D) in	(G) much	(K) or	(N) when
(B) from	(E) least	(H) on	(L) there	(P) where
(C) if	(F) most	(J) one	(M) under	(Q) which

It is important to know what to do during a thunderstorm. _____ lightning strikes,
(29)

you must also know the spots to stay away _____ and the places to head for _____
(30) (31)

your safety is almost assured.

Do not seek shelter _____ an isolated tree or any tall, lone structure. It is best
(32)

to be _____ the midst of a clump of trees of more _____ less the same height.
(33) (34)

Avoid being the tallest and _____ obvious figure in an open space.
(35)

You should lie _____ your stomach in the middle of a field, and stay flat on the ground.
(36)

_____ you were standing up, you would then be in _____ of the worst places.
(37) (38)

As long as you keep low and stay level on the ground, the big forks of lightning will most likely give you a miss.

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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 Marks)

A Filipino scientist has created a new building board made of chicken feathers and compressed cement.

(39)

(40)

The new material is risistant to termites and may also solve a major envirement

(41)

(42)

problem in the Philippines by provide a way to dispose off kilogrammes of waste feathers each year.

(43)

The new building board can be use for housing, replacing boards made with wood chips.

(44)

that are easy ruined by hungry insects. The new boards will not be attacked by insects as the feathers are not edible.

(45)

The scientist said his work would also solve the siknifikent problem of getting rid of the

(46)

2.2 billion kg. of feathers produced each year in the Philippines' poltree industry. Burning the

(47)

(48)

feathers rileeses green-house gases and the feathers take up a lot of space if bury and they

(49)

take a long time to decay. There are the fear of bird flu which makes converting feathers

(50)

into animal feed undisirible The scientist is hoping to perfect his feather board by the end of the

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

As evening falls, the light dims on La Escobilla Beach in Mexico. Slowly, thousands of sea turtles emerge _____ the waves. They _____ across the sand on unsteady flippers. Each _____ is returning to the beach where she hatched many years before. The turtles have come back to the _____ beach to lay their eggs.

La Escobilla Beach is a big nesting-ground for Olive Ridley sea turtles. Every year from June _____ December, female Olive Ridley turtles come ashore to _____ their nests and lay their eggs. Then they _____ the eggs with sand and return to the ocean. After 45 days, the babies _____ from the eggs and make a fast - and often fatal - dash for the _____.

Turtles outlived dinosaurs, but they are _____ match for modern threats. Poachers kill many turtles for their meat and _____, and they also take their eggs. Some turtles get _____ in fishing nets while others are killed by pollution.

Today, the world's population of sea turtles is _____. Scientists are worried about two _____ of turtles that live in the Pacific Ocean. They are the Loggerhead and Leatherback turtles. These species may be extinct in 30 years if _____ is done to help them. Fortunately, a programme in Mexico has shown that the tide can be turned. At the La Escobilla Beach, the Olive Ridley turtle population has increased.

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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 Sarah was anxious. She managed to emerge overall champion for the competition.

Despite _____

67 "Burglars broke into my house last night," Jane told her friend.

Jane told her friend _____

68 Mary does not have many friends. She is proud

Mary has _____ because of

69 She should be more careful. Then she would not have fallen into the drain.

Had _____

70 My father is patient but not my mother.

Unlike my father, _____

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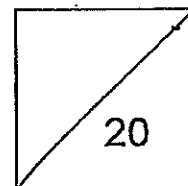
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Read the passage and answer questions 71 to 80

(20 marks)

Mr Ghiblikan who lived across the street from our house died of old age. My grandfather, my father and my Uncle Leon all went to the church for the funeral service but they went in two cars. This was because Uncle Leon had bought a new car the day before and he insisted on driving it every chance he got. Grandfather refused to travel in any car driven by Uncle Leon, so Grandfather went with Father, and Uncle Leon went in his own car, a trifle bitterly. 5

"Why won't you go in the same car with me?" he had asked Grandfather.

"Because you don't look at the road when you drive," Grandfather said.

"I have to look for signs," Uncle Leon said.

"You can't drive and look for signs at the same time," Grandfather said. 10

After the funeral service held at a church, all the cars got in line to follow the hearse to the cemetery. Father and Grandfather got home from the burial before Uncle Leon, and they were both upset about **something**.

"He did what you told him, which is typical of him," Father said. "He stopped looking for signs and kept his eyes on the road."

"So he got lost and never showed up at the cemetery!" Grandfather shouted. "A fine time to stop looking for signs! He didn't even have to look for signs! All he had to do was to stay in the procession and he couldn't miss!"

"Maybe he had a flat tyre," Father said.

"I doubt that! Brand new car!" Grandfather bellowed. "A flat tyre after travelling for two kilometres?" 20

In later years, I have understood that Grandfather was upset over the death of his friend and my father was trying to soothe him.

There was the sound of the key in the door and Uncle Leon came in and found himself looking down the barrel of Grandfather's accusing finger. 25

My father asked, "Leon, what happened?"

"Where were you after the funeral service today?" Grandfather shouted.

"At the cemetery," Uncle Leon said.

"You saw them bury Ghiblikan?" Grandfather asked.

"No, I saw them bury somebody else." 30

"Who?" Grandfather demanded to know.

"I don't know. After we left the church, I was in the long line of cars and there was a jam. When the traffic started to move, I guess I got in the wrong lane. I saw I was right behind one of the church's limousine and right in front of the limousine was a hearse from the same church, so naturally I thought I was following Mr Ghiblikan's hearse," he said and shrugged. "I had no way of knowing I was following a different hearse to a different cemetery." 35

Grandfather stared at Uncle Leon.

"There was nothing I could do. It wasn't until we turned in the cemetery gate and stopped at the graveside that I realised I was at the wrong funeral. I was the only car in the procession, besides the hearse and the limousine. I got out of the car and in the limousine up ahead was the widow and the pastor and a man from the funeral parlour." 40

My grandfather continued to stare at him.

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"I couldn't say I'm sorry, goodbye. I had to be respectful to the dead. Besides, the pastor came up and shook my hand, so I had to stay where I was." 45

Nobody said anything for a while. Then Uncle Leon broke the silence. "And you know what happened? The widow came up and clasped my hand and you know what she said? She said, 'You did my husband a favour, coming here today. I want to thank you for your kindness and the comfort you bring.'"

That was Uncle Leon's story until the next morning when the papers came and there was a little item that said: 50

Small time criminal Lefty Brown, fatally wounded in a holdup, was buried at Fair View Cemetery yesterday, all but unmourned. Cemetery officials said only the widow, and an unidentified escort accompanied the body to its final resting place.

Adapted from *A Favour for Lefty* by Charles Einstein

71 Which three-word phrase from lines 1-6 tells us that Uncle Leon was upset that Grandfather and Father were travelling in another car? (1m)

[Empty rectangular box for answer to question 71]

72 Why did the writer's grandfather, father and Uncle Leon go to the church in two cars? (2m)

[Two horizontal lines for answer to question 72]

73 What does the word "something" in line 13 refer to?

[Two horizontal lines for answer to question 73]

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[Empty square box for marking question 71]

[Empty square box for marking question 72]

[Empty square box for marking question 73]

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- 74 Choose words from lines 14 to 23 which have opposite meanings to the words below. (3m)

unusual	
believe	
enrage	

- 75 What were the two possible reasons Father gave for Uncle Leon's absence from the burial? (2m)

1. _____

2. _____

- 76 Based on the passage, state whether each sentence in the table is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. (2m)

	True/False	Reason
Uncle Leon did not make it to the church.		
Uncle Leon was aware that he was at the wrong funeral before he got out of his car at the cemetery.		

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77 Explain clearly why Uncle Leon did not leave immediately when he realised his mistake. (2m)

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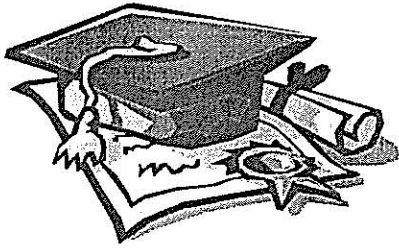
78 Write 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. (1m)

- _____ Uncle Leon followed a hearse.
- _____ Uncle Leon got caught behind a long line of cars.
- _____ Uncle Leon turned into the cemetery gate.
- _____ Uncle Leon got in the wrong lane.

79 Based on evidence found in the passage, how do we know Lefty Brown's widow appreciated Uncle Leon's presence at the funeral? (2m)

80 Based on the passage, state the cause or effect in the table below. (3m)

	Cause	Effect
1.		Uncle Leon returned home to face an angry Grandfather.
2.	Uncle dead. to the	
3.	Lefty Brown was a criminal.	



ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2014

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
F	H	C	J

39)resistant 40)environment 41)providing 42)of 43)used

44)easily 45)significant 46)poultry 47)releases

48)buried 49)is 50)undesirable 51)from 52)crawl

53)turtle 54)same 55)to 56)make 57)cover

58)hatch 59)ocean 60)no 61)shells 62)caught

63)decreasing 64)special 65)nothing

66)Despite Sarah's anxiety, Sarah managed to emerge overall champion for the competition.

67)Jane told her friend that burglars had broken into her house the previous night.

68)Mary has few friends because of her pride.

69)Had she been more careful, she would not have fallen into the drain.

70)Unlike my father, my mother is patient.

71)a trifle bitterly.

72)Uncle Leon had bought a new car the day before and he insisted on driving it every chance he got. Grandfather refused to travel in any car driven by Uncle Leon as Uncle Leon never looked at the road. So Grandfather went with father and Uncle Leon went in his own car.

73)It refers to Uncle Leon not turning up at the cemetery.

74)typical
doubt
soothe

75)1)He stopped looking for signs and got lost.

2)Uncle Leon had a flat tyre.

76)False / Uncle Leon did not make it for the burial at the cemetery.

True / Uncle Leon realised he was at the wrong funeral at the turned in the cemetery and stopped his car at the grave side.

77)Uncle Leon thought that he had to be respectful to the dead and he had to stay where he was as the pastor came up and shook his hand.

78)3, 1, 4, 2

79)She clasped Uncle Leon's hand and thanked him for his kindness and comfort he brought.

80)1)Uncle Leon went to specify the wrong funeral.

2)Uncle Leon had to stay at the wrong funeral.

3)Nobody was at his funeral except his widow, the pastor and Uncle Leon.