



**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SECOND SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2017  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**PRIMARY 5**

**PAPER 2: BOOKLET A**

**TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (    )                  Pr 5 (    )

**Instructions to pupils:**

- 1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.**
- 2. Follow all instructions carefully.**
- 3. Answer all the questions**
- 4. Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.**

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

1. <sup>(singular)</sup> Litter \_\_\_\_\_ everywhere at the stadium after the football match yesterday.
- (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were
2. \_\_\_\_\_ did the Queen expect such a warm reception from her subjects during her visit to their village.
- (1) Little
  - (2) None
  - (3) Much
  - (4) Either
3. All the students, except for John, \_\_\_\_\_ handed in their homework.
- (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) has
  - (4) have
4. The accident victim was \_\_\_\_\_ a loss for words to express his gratitude to the doctor for saving his life.
- (1) in
  - (2) at
  - (3) on
  - (4) by
5. Jane \_\_\_\_\_ to visit her aunt yesterday, but later changed her mind.
- (1) 's planning
  - (2) are planning
  - (3) has planned
  - (4) had planned

6. John \_\_\_\_\_ not have passed the examinations if he had not received extra help from his teachers.
- (1) must
  - (2) might
  - (3) ought
  - (4) should
7. The best protection \_\_\_\_\_ illness is a good diet and lots of exercise.
- (1) in
  - (2) for
  - (3) among
  - (4) against.
8. "Jane wants to participate in the art competition, \_\_\_\_\_ she ?" her teacher asked.
- (1) won't
  - (2) hasn't
  - (3) wasn't
  - (4) doesn't
9. I know the lady \_\_\_\_\_ husband is a teacher in my school.
- (1) who
  - (2) which
  - (3) whom
  - (4) whose
10. The parent should have \_\_\_\_\_ up the school to inform of her child's absence by now.
- (1) ring
  - (2) rang
  - (3) rung
  - (4) ringing

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

11. Jane was \_\_\_\_\_ when she failed to win the badminton despite training very hard for it.
- (1) grieved
  - (2) troubled
  - (3) devastated
  - (4) apprehensive
12. All young recruits are required to \_\_\_\_\_ a medical examination before they join the army.
- (1) study
  - (2) prepare
  - (3) undergo
  - (4) memorise
13. As a storm was \_\_\_\_\_, we had to quickly pack up our picnic and leave in a hurry.
- (1) eminent
  - (2) probable
  - (3) imminent
  - (4) expectant
14. The witness \_\_\_\_\_ that he had seen the car knock down the pedestrian.
- (1) certified
  - (2) testified
  - (3) enquired
  - (4) promised
15. He \_\_\_\_\_ a humble appearance, but actually he is very arrogant.
- (1) puts on
  - (2) puts off
  - (3) puts out
  - (4) puts away

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 (OAS). (5 X 1 mark)

Crocodiles can live up to a hundred years old or more. However, they may soon become extinct from our rivers and lakes in the future. This is partly due to the <sup>(16)</sup> increasing popularity of crocodile-leather products like handbags, shoes and belts. Every day, more and more crocodiles are <sup>(17)</sup> mercilessly hunted. Yet to some villagers who live near crocodiles, they are a much hated animal. <sup>(18)</sup> Time to time, people fall victim to these giant reptiles. A crocodile is not easily <sup>(19)</sup> spotted because although its eyes and nostrils are raised above the water line, the rest of its body is immersed in the water. This explains how humans and <sup>(20)</sup> other animals fall prey to the crocodile.

- 16. (1) lessen  
(2) decline  
(3) disappear  
(4) extinguish
  
- 17. (1) growing  
(2) multiplying  
(3) broadening  
(4) accumulating
  
- 18. (1) cruelly  
(2) bitterly  
(3) wrongly  
(4) shockingly
  
- 19. (1) Often  
(2) Rarely  
(3) Regularly  
(4) Sometimes
  
- 20. (1) receded  
(2) descended  
(3) suspended  
(4) submerged

Study this flyer carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

(8 X 1 mark)

# SINGAPORE TOY MUSEUM

**A toy museum to delight both adults and kids  
with its vast collection of vintage toys from around the world.**

Tucked away in a secluded corner of Beechwood Road, what was once a barber shop is now home to the *Singapore Toy Museum*. Although not yet a household name, the *Singapore Toy Museum* has attracted a small but growing number of locals and tourists alike. Since it first opened in 2013, its only form of publicity is by word of mouth.

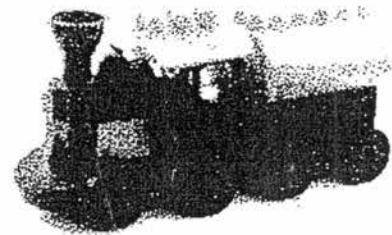
## ONE MAN'S DREAM

The museum is the brainchild of David Wong who reveals that his passion for toys began with his very first toy - a gift of a small train by his father when he was seven. Over the years, he has assembled an amazing collection of toys from every corner of the world dating from Victorian times - charming wooden dolls - up to current computerized games.

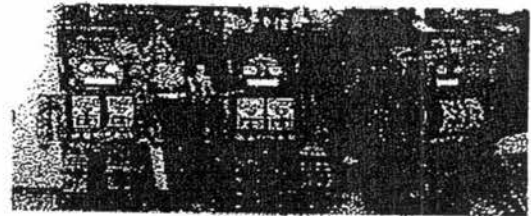
David's collection became so vast that he decided to open a toy museum for the public's enjoyment. David's other reason for opening the toy museum was to allow him to carry on collecting the rarest of dolls, teddies, board games, trains and robots for display. Thus, visitors can see and admire these rare toys.

## The MUSEUM

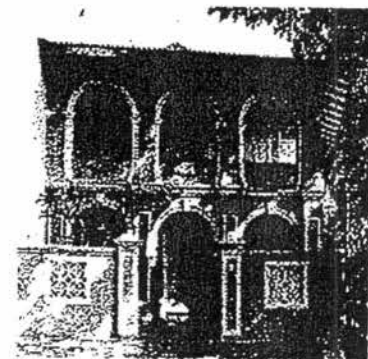
The museum opened in December 2013. Despite its modest exterior, the *Singapore Toy Museum* is home to over 5000 toys that David has painstakingly collected. Some of the toys have been donated by enthusiasts like him. One such donor, Mrs Esther Yap says, "My children and grandchildren have no interest in my old toys and I don't want to throw these treasures away."



David's first toy train



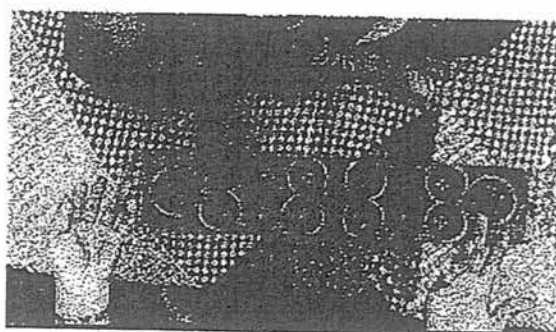
Toys in the museum



Singapore Toy Museum

*Look what the Singapore Toy Museum has in store for you this December!*

## PLAY KAMPONG GAMES FROM YESTERYEAR



Five stones, chatek, congkak. These games, popular in the 1960s and 1970s, might bring back fond memories for their parents and grandparents but they are foreign to the children of today.

It is for this reason that the museum will introduce Kampong Games during the December school holidays. The exhibition allows visitors to play with the old-school games on large weaved mats. An educator, Mr James Tan said, "Today's kids are too busy with their tablets or mobile phones." The curator of the Museum, Samuel Tang, said, "It will bring back the fun kampong days when kids played together."

### Visitor Information

#### Opening hours

Saturdays and Sundays :10am to 6pm

Schools and groups by appointment on weekdays.

For all enquiries and bookings, please email [sgtoymuseum@yahoo.com](mailto:sgtoymuseum@yahoo.com) or call museum curator Samuel Tang at 6738 2367.

#### Prices

Adult : \$10

Child (5-16 years old) : \$3.50

Senior citizen (60 years and above) and child under 5 years old : free

Family package(Two adults and up to two children) : \$20

Payment by cash and cheque only

*Games from Yesteryear is sponsored by Tan Travel Agency.*

For each question from 21 to 28, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

21. The Singapore Toy Museum \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) is owned by a barber
- (2) used to be a barber shop
- (3) shares the space with a barber shop
- (4) is around the corner of a barber shop

22. The Singapore Toy Museum is not very popular yet because \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) of its modest exterior
- (2) there are not many tourists
- (3) not many people are interested in toys
- (4) the owner does not advertise his museum publicly

23. Which one of the following statements about The Singapore Toy Museum is correct?

- (1) The museum attracts mostly children.
- (2) The museum is situated in a quiet part of Singapore.
- (3) David Wong is the only person working at the museum.
- (4) The museum has been very popular among locals and tourists ever since it opened five years ago.

24. The idea to start the toy museum was started by \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) Esther Yap
- (2) David Wong
- (3) a group of toy enthusiasts
- (4) David Wong and his father

25. Which of the following statements about David Wong is not true?

- (1) His first toy was a small toy train.
- (2) His toys were collected through careful effort.
- (3) He has a lot of enthusiasm for collecting toys.
- (4) He does not allow rare toys to be exhibited in the museum.



26. According to the text, what is the main reason for the museum wanting to introduce kampong games during the December school holidays?
- (1) to let children play with toys from other countries
  - (2) to let parents play with the games their children are playing now
  - (3) to let children experience what kind of toys their parents used to play with
  - (4) to bring back fond memories of the games for the parents and grandparents
27. Look at the section 'Visitor Information'. The Singapore Toy Museum \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) accepts credit card payment
  - (2) is a family friendly organization
  - (3) gives preference to younger visitors only
  - (4) prefers schools to visit during the weekends
28. A teacher who wants to bring the pupils to visit the Singapore Toy Museum can contact the \_\_\_\_\_ to make arrangements.
- (1) donor
  - (2) curator
  - (3) sponsor
  - (4) educator



**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SECOND SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2017  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**PRIMARY 5**

**PAPER 2: BOOKLET B**

TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Pr 5 ( )

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Booklet A</b>	<b>/28</b>
<b>Booklet B</b>	<b>/67</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>/95</b>

Any query on marks awarded should be raised by 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017. We seek your understanding in this matter as any delay in the confirmation of marks will lead to delays in the generation of results.

PAPER 1 - Writing	<b>/55</b>
PAPER 2 - Language Use & Comprehension	<b>/95</b>
PAPER 3 - Listening Comprehension	<b>/20</b>
PAPER 4 - Oral Communication	<b>/30</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>/200</b>

**Instructions to pupils:**

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

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 x 1m)

Use each WORD once ONLY

A) an	D) by	G) its	K) may	N) the
B) among	E) despite	H) instead	L) of	P) there
C) as	F) during	J) is	M) or	Q) whenever

*Bandung* is a drink popular in Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei. It consists \_\_\_\_\_ evaporated milk or condensed milk flavoured with rose cordial syrup, giving it a pink colour. The drink is \_\_\_\_\_ adaptation of rose milk served in India.

In \_\_\_\_\_ Malay language, the term *bandung* means "pairs". Generally, *bandung* refers to anything that \_\_\_\_\_ mixed with other ingredients or comes in pairs.

\_\_\_\_\_ its name, there is no connection to the city of Bandung in Indonesia, and the drink actually cannot be found \_\_\_\_\_.

*Bandung* is a favourite beverage in Malaysia, especially \_\_\_\_\_ the Malay communities. It is usually served \_\_\_\_\_ wedding receptions with other foods such as *nasi bryani* or *rendang*. Modern innovations include either adding grass jelly \_\_\_\_\_ soda water to it. It \_\_\_\_\_ be bought pre-mixed or made at home.

Served with ice cubes, it is a refreshing drink that can be enjoyed in the humid weather of Singapore.

Marks

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 x 1m)

(39)

Desmond Doss is someone we must show our respect to. He is credited of saving

(40)

75 soldiers during one of the battles of World War, II in the Pacific. He did it without carry a  
weapon.

(41)

The fact that Doss survived the battle and saved so many lives having awed those

(42)

who know his story even until now. He antlisted in the Army as a combat medic because  
he believed in the cause, but had vowed not to kill.

(43)

At Okinawa in the spring of 1945, Doss' company faced an ardewous task. They

(44)

had to climb a steep, jagged cliff to a plateau which thousands of heavily armed Japanese

(45)

soldiers were waiting for them. The terrain was tracherous.

(46)

During the battle, Doss crawled on the ground to the wounded soldiers. Doss

(47)

(48)

dragged servialy injured men to the edge of the ridge. He tied a rope about their bodies

and lowered them down to other medics below.

(49)

Doss saved 75 men, including his sarjent, over a 12-hour period. He received the

(50)

Medal of Honor proud in 1945 from President Harry Truman. He died in 2006.

Marks

Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 x 1m)

For years, scientists have suggested we should all be drinking eight glasses of water a day.

However, a new \_\_\_\_\_ (51) conducted recently suggests that the guideline may not apply anymore and drinking too much can actually be \_\_\_\_\_ (52). Going past that amount can kill, in extreme \_\_\_\_\_ (53). Scientists now suggest that we just drink enough to \_\_\_\_\_ (54) our thirst. There have been cases in the \_\_\_\_\_ (55) when athletes in marathons were told to load up with water. Some of them had \_\_\_\_\_ (56) these recommendations strictly. Unfortunately, some had drunk too much and died. The tragedies were a \_\_\_\_\_ (57) of having too much water in their bodies, leading to a condition known as water poisoning. This condition will \_\_\_\_\_ (58) when the amount of salt in your body becomes too diluted.

You must learn to \_\_\_\_\_ (59) to your body. Water actually becomes \_\_\_\_\_ (60) to swallow when you no longer \_\_\_\_\_ (61) to drink. You just have to follow the signs your body is \_\_\_\_\_ (62) you.

While it is not \_\_\_\_\_ (63) to drink eight glasses of water a day, your body still needs water or other fluids to work \_\_\_\_\_ (64). In cold climates, we should drink enough to \_\_\_\_\_ (65) ourselves from getting dehydrated. In hotter climates, the body needs more. The key is to drink according to our body's needs.

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). (5 x 2m)

Do not write in this space.

66. Tom is exhausted. He will not attend the party.

Due to Tom's \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

67. Lily had completed the project on time.

The project \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

68. "Where have you gone to?" my teacher asked the pupils.

My teacher asked the pupils \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

69. I would like to help you. I do not have the information.

Much as \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

70. The runner sprained his ankle. He completed the race.

Despite his \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Go on to the next page)

Marks

Read this passage and answer questions 71 to 80. (20m)

The canoe was approaching the island. Far beyond, the mountains loomed and the sun blazed. Tom stopped **paddling**. He licked his dry, cracked lips and tasted the coppery taste of blood. Sitting in the front part of the canoe, Daniel *searched the land for* a distinguishing landmark. He had a sheet of yellow paper on his knee. He lifted up the paper and both men spoke in low tones while they kept referring to the paper.

5

The paper had the appearance of a rough map. Through much folding, it was creased and torn. They had stolen the map from a group of Chinese men just the day before. The duo had overheard their conversation at the inn. Treasure was rumoured to be hidden on the island centuries ago. It was their opportunity to strike it rich.

"It looks like we have found it!" Tom exclaimed excitedly.

10

They both sat for some time staring at the land, while the canoe drifted slowly. Both were afraid to make the first move. They were looking out for the legendary tribe that inhabited the land. They had been known to attack any *intruders* ruthlessly as they did not want their tribe to be disturbed by the outside world. They were also infamous for their use of blowguns and darts laden *with poison*.

15

Daniel turned to look at Tom finally. They both nodded with determination at each other. Daniel quietly folded his map and put it in his pocket. *He paddled to the rocky sides of the beach slowly. His muscles ached with every move.* When their canoe finally hit the rocky sides of the beach, they tied the canoe to a jutting piece of rock and alighted, making their way towards the forest quickly. Finally, they reached the opening of the forest. They surveyed the surroundings *before sprinting in*.

20

They pushed through a tangle of reeds, broad fronds and young trees. The trees rose up to a canopy of greenery *far* overhead as they ventured further in. Tom looked up gratefully. "*if not for these trees, I would have been scorched!* I wonder if there is any river where we can drink from."

They persevered on through the thick bush. After what seemed like an eternity, they both stumbled upon a cave. On the wall at the opening of the cave was a *writing in red paint*. "*This is it!* The writing here matches the one we saw on the map!"

25

Overwhelmed, the two men whooped with joy. They had found the exact location of the treasure! They gave each other a reassuring hug and were about to venture into the cave when suddenly, Tom *shrieked* in pain. It felt like he was being pinched, before he collapsed onto the ground and *plunged into unconsciousness*. There was a rustling of leaves. Daniel watched wide-eyed as men with painted faces emerged from the thick bushes with tubes in their mouths. They seemed ready to blow into the tubes. *By the look of Tom lying in a heap* on the ground with a long red dart in his neck, Daniel knew that he had better beware of the tubes the babarians had in their mouths.

30

35

(Adapted from "The Treasure in the Forest" by H.G. Wells)

Do not write in this space.

71. From paragraph 1, state two actions of Daniel and Tom that showed they were unsure if they were at the right place. [2m]

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

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

72. Explain clearly in your own words why Daniel and Tom had stolen the map from the group of Chinese men. [2m]

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

73. What does "it" in line 10 refer to? [1m]

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

74. Find words from paragraph 4 and 5 which have the same meaning as the word(s) in the boxes. Use one word for each box. [3m]

outsiders	
protruding	
occupied	



75. Based on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

Do not write in this space.

Statement	True/False	Reason
The tribe living on the island was a friendly one.		
Daniel was exhausted while paddling his canoe.		
Both Daniel and Tom were careful before they entered the forest.		

76. What was Tom relieved about right after entering the forest? [2m]

---



---



77. Other than the treasure, explain clearly what Tom was looking for after he had entered the forest. [2m]

---



---

78. Explain clearly why Daniel and Tom were so sure that they had finally found the location of the treasure. [2m]

---

---

Do not write in this space.

79. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events happened in the story. (1m)

\_\_\_\_\_ Men with painted faces emerged.

\_\_\_\_\_ A long, red dart struck Tom in his neck.

\_\_\_\_\_ A rustling of leaves could be heard.

80. Explain in your own words why Tom collapsed. [2m]

---

---

Marks

**End of Paper**

**SCHOOL : NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**LEVEL : PRIMARY 5**  
**SUBJECT : ENGLISH**  
**TERM : 2017 SA2**

**Booklet A**

Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
3	1	4	2	4	2	4	4	4	3
Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
3	3	3	2	1	3	1	1	4	4
Q 21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
2	4	2	2	4	3	2	2		

**Booklet B**

Q 29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
L	A	N	J	E	P	B	F	M	K
Q39)	for	Q43)	arduous	Q47)	severely				
Q40)	carrying	Q44)	where	Q48)	around				
Q41)	has	Q45)	treacherous	Q49)	sergeant				
Q42)	enlisted	Q46)	wounded	Q50)	proudly				

Q51)	experiment	Q56)	followed	Q61)	need
Q52)	lethal	Q57)	result	Q62)	giving
Q53)	cases	Q58)	arise	Q63)	necessary
Q54)	quench	Q59)	listen	Q64)	properly
Q55)	past	Q60)	hard	Q65)	prevent
Q66)	Due to Tom's exhaustion, he will not attend the party.				
Q67)	The project had been completed on time by Lily.				
Q68)	My teacher asked the pupils where they had gone to.				

Q69)	Much as I would like to help you, I do not have the information.
Q70)	Despite his sprained ankle, the runner completed the race.
Q71)	They kept referring to the sheet of paper. Daniel searched the land for a distinguishing landmark.
Q72)	Daniel and Tom had overheard the conversation of the Chinese men at the inn that the treasure was rumoured to be hidden in the island centuries ago and it was an opportunity to strike it rich.
Q73)	It refers to the island where the treasure was hidden on.
Q74)	intruders jutting inhabited
Q75)	False - They had been known to attack intruders ruthlessly with blowguns and darts laden with poison. True - His muscles aches with every move when he was paddling his canoe. True - They surveyed the surroundings before entering the forest.
Q76)	The trees gave him some shade so he would not be scorched.
Q77)	He was looking for a river to drink from.
Q78)	The writing in the cave matched the one on the map.
Q79)	3, 1, 2
Q80)	The dart that struck Tom was laden with poison.