



Maha Bodhi School  
2012 Semestral Assessment 2  
English Language (Paper 2)

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
Class : Pr 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
Duration : 1 h 20 min (Booklets A & B)  
Date : 25 October 2012

**BOOKLET A**

**Section A: Grammar MCQ (10 x 1 mark)**

For each of the following, choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OMS.

1. I was hungry but my sister was not, so my mother cooked some noodles for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 1) I
  - 2) me
  - 3) we
  - 4) our
  
2. Don't sit on this chair. I have spilled \_\_\_\_\_ coffee on it.
  - 1) few
  - 2) much
  - 3) many
  - 4) some

3. While we \_\_\_\_\_ for our school bus, we saw a car crash into a tree.

- 1) wait
- 2) waited
- 3) are waiting
- 4) were waiting

4. "My parents have \_\_\_\_\_ to visit Grandmother who is in hospital. Please call back later," I told my aunt over the phone.

- 1) go
- 2) gone
- 3) went
- 4) been going

5. Yunmi wanted to invite her cousins to New York \_\_\_\_\_ a visit.

- 1) in
- 2) on
- 3) by
- 4) for

6. Our exams are over. My friends and I \_\_\_\_\_ a movie tomorrow.

- 1) watch
- 2) will watch
- 3) have watched
- 4) were watching

7. We have to cook lunch ourselves \_\_\_\_\_ Mother does not come home in time.

- 1) if
- 2) or
- 3) so
- 4) but

8. Brenda did not \_\_\_\_\_ the concert because her friends were talking and making a lot of noise.

- 1) enjoy
- 2) enjoys
- 3) enjoyed
- 4) have enjoyed

9. "My dogs \_\_\_\_\_ fine this morning but now they look really sick," my brother told the vet.

- 1) is
- 2) are
- 3) was
- 4) were

10. "There \_\_\_\_\_ so much dust on the table. Please wipe it," the monitor instructed Julian.

- 1) is
- 2) are
- 3) was
- 4) were

**Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (8 x 1 mark)**

**For each of the following, choose the best answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OMS.**

\*11. The worried family \_\_\_\_\_ with the latest news on the ferry accident. They prayed for the safety of their relative who was on the ferry.

- 1) kept up
- 2) kept from
- 3) kept away
- 4) kept down

12. The lion \_\_\_\_\_ the deer for a distance before pouncing onto it.

- 1) stalked
- 2) stroked
- 3) trekked
- 4) trampled

\*13. Sanjay \_\_\_\_\_ at the burglar with a hockey stick.

- 1) lunged
- 2) nestled
- 3) roamed
- 4) embraced

\*14 Once we built the makeshift boat, we would \_\_\_\_\_ our plan of escaping from the island.

- 1) mount
- 2) execute
- 3) suggest
- 4) accomplish

15. Zulaiman and his family lived in a \_\_\_\_\_ home as their flat was being renovated.

- 1) brief
- 2) lasting
- 3) temporary
- 4) permanent

16. During the war, food was \_\_\_\_\_ and it had to be rationed.

- 1) rare
- 2) scarce
- 3) plentiful
- 4) frequent

17. When the man was found in the forest, his clothes were \_\_\_\_\_.  
He did not have food for days.

- 1) jagged
- 2) broken
- 3) ragged
- 4) wrinkled

\*18. During the festive period, the streets were \_\_\_\_\_ with  
activities. Stalls were set up and many visitors thronged the area.

- 1) glowing
- 2) glistening
- 3) bursting
- 4) bustling

*\*Words are taken from Spelling List.*

**Section C: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully. Choose the best answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OMS.**

One fine morning, Bobtail the rabbit met Long-ears the hare. They crouched by a hedge and lay quiet, for they could hear a cart passing by noisily. Bobtail peered through and saw that it was a farm cart laden with carrots and turnips. How their mouths watered!

Just as the cart passed the two animals, a wheel ran over a stone, and the jerk made a big, juicy carrot fall from the cart to the ground. Bobtail and Long-ears looked at it in great delight.

When the cart had gone out of sight, the two of them scurried onto the path. Bobtail picked up the carrot and said, "We will share this. I will break it into half!"

Bobtail broke the carrot in half, each part measuring the same length but one part was the thick top part and the other was the thin bottom part.

"One piece is bigger than the other! You should not take the bigger piece!" squealed Long-ears.

"And no reason why you should either!" said Bobtail crossly.

"We had better ask someone to judge," Long-ears said.

They looked around and saw only Neddy the donkey.

"There isn't anyone in sight except the stupid old Neddy," Bobtail said. "It's not much good asking him. He has no brains to think of."

"That's true," said Long-ears, "but who else is there to ask?"

"No one," agreed Bobtail. "Well, come on. Let's take the carrot to the donkey and ask him to decide which of us will have the larger piece."

Neddy had heard every word they said about him and was not at all pleased about it. He decided to do something.

He took the larger piece of the carrot and bit off the end. However, he had bitten off such a big piece that it had become smaller than the other! He then picked up the second piece and bit a large piece off that one too.

The hare and the rabbit watched in alarm.

Adapted from *The Big Juicy Carrot* by Enid Blyton

19. Why did Bobtail and Long-ears lay quietly beside the hedge?
- 1) They wanted to steal a carrot.
  - 2) They heard a farm cart passing by.
  - 3) They were waiting for the farm cart.
  - 4) They wanted to hop onto the farm cart.
20. How do you know that Bobtail really wanted to share the carrot with Long-ears?  
Bobtail \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) asked Neddy to judge
  - 2) broke it into two unequal parts
  - 3) picked it up from the path hurriedly
  - 4) broke it into two parts of similar length
21. What was the reason why Bobtail and Long-ears asked Neddy to judge?
- 1) Neddy was old and stupid.
  - 2) Neddy had heard everything that they said.
  - 3) Bobtail and Long-ears did not want to quarrel.
  - 4) Bobtail and Long-ears could not find anybody else.
22. "Neddy had heard every word they said about him and was not at all pleased about it." What does "it" refer to?  
It refers to \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) the carrot
  - 2) what he decided to do
  - 3) the quarrel between Bobtail and Long-ears
  - 4) what Bobtail and Long-ears described about him
23. Why do you think Neddy bit off a large piece from both ends of the carrot?
- 1) He was greedy.
  - 2) He was stupid and did not know how to judge.
  - 3) He wanted to teach Bobtail and Long-ears a lesson.
  - 4) He did not want Bobtail and Long-ears to argue anymore.





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Booklet A (28 marks)	
Booklet B (22 marks)	
Total marks (50 marks)	
Parent's Signature	

**BOOKLET B**

**Section D: Grammar Cloze (7 x 1 mark)**

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb from the box. Use each verb once only.

Passage 1

crying	cried	was crying
have cried	cry	cries

There lived a shepherd boy a long time ago. He would amuse himself by (24) \_\_\_\_\_ out to the villagers. He would (25) \_\_\_\_\_ out, "Wolf! Wolf!" However, there was no wolf around. The villagers were tricked many times.

One day, a wolf did come. The boy (26) \_\_\_\_\_ out immediately, "Wolf! Wolf!" While he (27) \_\_\_\_\_ for help, the wolf started to feast on a sheep. No one came in the end. The boy realised too late that he should not have lied for fun.

to	through	along
for	down	into

## Passage 2

Alice was lost. She walked (28) \_\_\_\_\_ the stairs and saw a tiny door. She knelt down and looked (29) \_\_\_\_\_ the peephole. Not able to see anything, she opened the door and found that it led (30) \_\_\_\_\_ a small passage. She walked to the end of the passage. Right in front of her was the loveliest garden she had ever seen. How she longed to get out of this place she was in.

Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box. Use each word once only.

Passage 1

overlooking	heavy	light	accomplished
survived	shuddered	impossible	overseeing

Captain Alfred Bulltop Stormalong was one of the greatest sailors in the world. He was born in Massachusetts in a house (31) \_\_\_\_\_ the sea. His ship was named *Courser*, and it was so wide that it was (32) \_\_\_\_\_ to fit in Boston Harbour.

Captain Stormalong was most famous for defeating the kraken - a giant sea creature. People (33) \_\_\_\_\_ with fear when they heard its name as it could crush a ship with one swipe of its tentacles! Captain Stormalong did not manage to kill the huge beast on his first try. He went back with a (34) \_\_\_\_\_ heart and abandoned the sea life to be a farmer. Many years later, he fought with the kraken a second time. He drew the beast into a whirlpool from which it never escaped. He finally (35) \_\_\_\_\_ what he had failed to do before. He was contented.

**Section F: Comprehension Open-End (5 x 2 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions in complete sentences. Your answers must be based on the passage read.**

If he had not been strapped in, Jason would not be able to sit still. He wanted to tell everyone that he was going to be on TV.

Every evening at six pm, he watched his favourite game show "Class Acts". Players answered questions and were rewarded with money. If they could not answer a question, they had to act out the title of a song, TV show or book. Jason knew most of the answers, so he sent in a letter to try to get on the show. Three weeks ago, his mother called him to the phone. He had been chosen to be a contestant! He jumped up in excitement. They even sent him two tickets so that he and his mother could fly into the city.

To get ready, Jason watched "Class Acts" every evening. His family members would take turns to play against him. Everyone came up with all kinds of questions about science, music, movies, games and books. His friends asked him questions at recess and his teacher took time to play the game in class. She asked questions about the subjects they were studying.

Jason could feel the plane getting ready to land. He looked out the window and saw the Statue of Liberty. He had butterflies in his stomach. He could not wait for the game to begin.

Adapted from *Jason and the Game Show* from <http://www.education.com/>

36. "If he had not been strapped in, Jason would not be able to sit still." From the sentence, where do you think Jason was?

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37. Why was Jason excited?

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38. Why did Jason's family members take turns to play against him?

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39. Which sentence tells you that Jason was nervous about the contest?

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40. From the sentence "To get ready, Jason watched 'Class Acts' every evening", which adjective would you use to describe Jason?

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*Please remember to check your work thoroughly.*





# **ANSWER SHEET**

**EXAM PAPER 2012**

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## **Booklet A**

1) 2	2) 4	3) 4	4) 2	5) 4	6) 2	7) 1	8) 1	9) 4	10) 1	11) 1	12) 1
13) 1	14) 2	15) 3	16) 2	17) 3	18) 4	19) 2	20) 4	21) 4	22) 4	23) 3	

24) crying    25) cry    26) cried    27) was crying    28) down    29) through

30) to    31) overlooking    32) impossible    33) shuddered    34) heavy

35) accomplished

36) He was on a plane.

37) He was going to be on television as a player of his favourite game show "Class Acts".

38) They wanted to help him get ready for the contest.

39) The sentence is "He had butterflies in his stomach".

40) He was very hardworking.

