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**2011 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE – PAPER 2**  
**LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION**  
**PRIMARY 1**

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Class : Primary 1 / \_\_\_\_\_

Date : 28 October 2011

**Note:**

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read carefully the instructions given at the beginning of each part of the booklet.
3. Do not waste time. If a question is difficult for you, go on to the next one.
4. Check your answers thoroughly and make sure you attempt every question.
5. In this booklet, you should have the following:

- a. Page 1 to Page 17
- b. Question 1 to 57

57 Questions

60 Marks

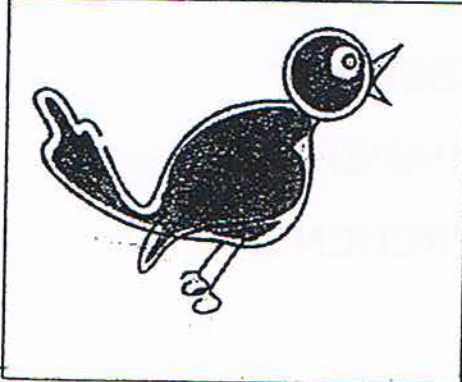
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ITEMS	OBTAINED	POSSIBLE
MCQ		30
Qn 31 - 57		30
TOTAL		60

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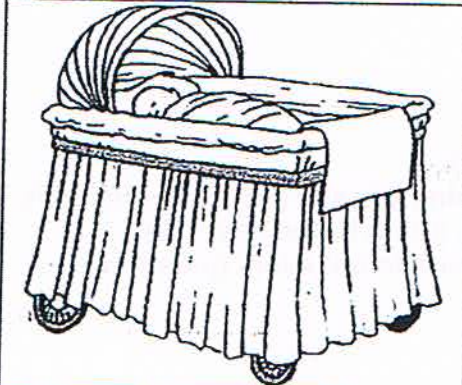
Section A: Vocabulary (10 marks)

Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets provided.

1.  The \_\_\_\_\_ chirped loudly and flew away when a cat prowled towards it.


(1) hen  
(2) bird  
(3) duck  
(4) stork

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2.  The \_\_\_\_\_ slept soundly after drinking some milk.

(1) baby  
(2) sister  
(3) brother  
(4) grandson

(     )

3.  A/An \_\_\_\_\_ looks like a pig but it has two large tusks.

(1) elk  
(2) warthog  
(3) anteater  
(4) hippopotamus

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4.



Sheila loves to \_\_\_\_\_. She hopes to perform in a concert one day.

- (1) swim
- (2) climb
- (3) dance
- (4) skate

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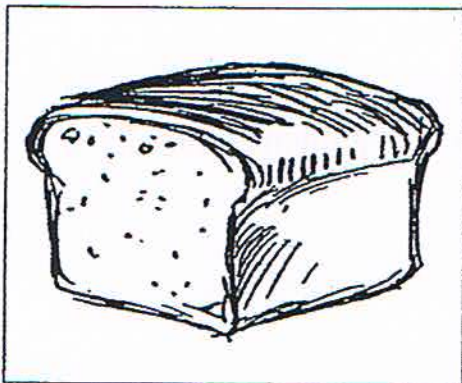


Our \_\_\_\_\_ takes good care of our plants by watering them daily.

- (1) king
- (2) cook
- (3) queen
- (4) gardener

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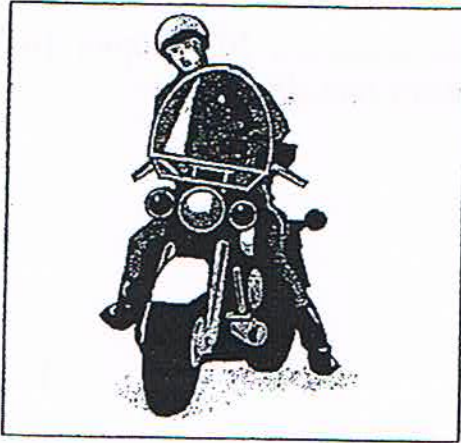
I need two slices of \_\_\_\_\_ to make a tuna sandwich.

- (1) pie
- (2) honey
- (3) bread
- (4) butter

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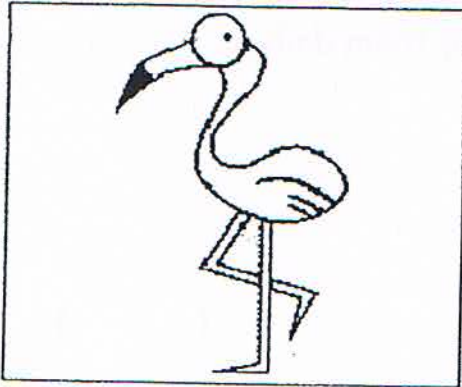


The policeman rides on his \_\_\_\_\_ and catches any motorist who drives recklessly.

- (1) bicycle
- (2) helicopter
- (3) racing car
- (4) motorbike

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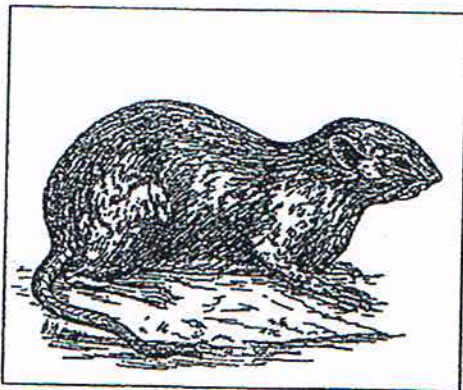


A flamingo is a bird that has a pair of long thin \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) legs
- (2) beak
- (3) hooves
- (4) flippers

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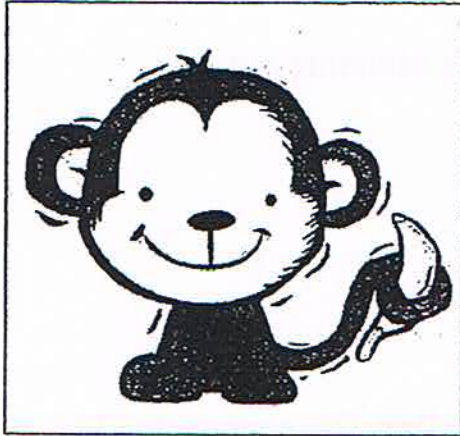


A \_\_\_\_\_ is a furry animal that lives near river banks.

- (1) turtle
- (2) muskrat
- (3) crayfish
- (4) salamander

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10.



"I am going to catch that cheeky \_\_\_\_\_ before it eats up my banana!" said Sunil.

- (1) cat
- (2) dog
- (3) tiger
- (4) monkey

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Section B: Vocabulary (5 marks)

Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets provided.

11. "Vegetables that are \_\_\_\_\_ and leafy are good for you," the doctor told me.

- (1) red
- (2) blue
- (3) green
- (4) silver

(     )

12. Tarzan would jump and grab a \_\_\_\_\_ to swing from tree to tree.

- (1) weed
- (2) flower
- (3) thistle
- (4) jungle vine

(     )

13. The mouse slowly \_\_\_\_\_ on the strawberry, bit by bit, because it did not want to finish it all at once.

- (1) ate
- (2) sipped
- (3) nibbled
- (4) swallowed

(     )

14. The angry dog \_\_\_\_\_ at the strangers standing outside Mr Lee's house.

(1) hissed

(2) roared

(3) barked

(4) croaked

(     )

15. Chloe was very happy when she \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs Tan announcing her name as the winner of the Spelling Bee competition.

(1) saw

(2) heard

(3) felt

(4) knew

(     )

**Section C: Grammar (15 marks)**

**Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets provided.**

16. "If you complete your homework now, I will \_\_\_\_\_ you a sticker," Aunt Bella told me.

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|----------|------------|---------|
| (1) give | (2) gives  |         |
| (3) gave | (4) giving | (     ) |

17. Grandmother poured green tea \_\_\_\_\_ Cindy's waterbottle so that she could drink it later in school.

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|-----------|----------|---------|
| (1) over  | (2) on   |         |
| (3) above | (4) into | (     ) |

18. " \_\_\_\_\_ this your purse?" Miss Ayu asked Lindy.

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|---------|----------|---------|
| (1) Is  | (2) Are  |         |
| (3) Was | (4) Were | (     ) |

19. Our teacher told \_\_\_\_\_ not to run along the corridors.

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|---------|----------|---------|
| (1) me  | (2) us   |         |
| (3) you | (4) them | (     ) |

20. "Did you \_\_\_\_\_ a butterfly just now?" asked Blossom.

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|---------|------------|---------|
| (1) see | (2) sees   |         |
| (3) saw | (4) seeing | (     ) |



21. The roads were closed because there was so \_\_\_\_\_ snow that fell last night.
- (1) much (2) many  
(3) some (4) few ( )
22. "I bought \_\_\_\_\_ a new pair of skates," Mary said.
- (1) myself (2) himself  
(3) herself (4) yourself ( )
23. My grandfather \_\_\_\_\_ early every night.
- (1) sleep (2) sleeps  
(3) slept (4) sleeping ( )
24. Romeo held the roses in his hands and said, "\_\_\_\_\_ are for you."
- (1) This (2) That  
(3) These (4) Those ( )
25. Timothy performed very well \_\_\_\_\_ he did not win the competition.
- (1) or (2) so  
(3) and (4) but ( )



26. Yuki raised her hand and \_\_\_\_\_ the teacher a question.

- (1) ask
  - (2) asks
  - (3) asked
  - (4) asking
- (     )

27. Colin: \_\_\_\_\_ did Jessie cry?

Tina: She cried because she could not find her mother.

- (1) How
  - (2) Who
  - (3) Why
  - (4) Which
- (     )

28. Singapore Idol is a singing competition. Only the \_\_\_\_\_ singer on the island will win the competition.

- (1) good
  - (2) better
  - (3) best
  - (4) as good as
- (     )

29. Wei Ling \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes in the kitchen now.

- (1) wash
  - (2) washed
  - (3) is washing
  - (4) are washing
- (     )

30. Mrs Wishy Washy was here just now. \_\_\_\_\_ was looking for her dirty cows.

- (1) I
  - (2) She
  - (3) It
  - (4) They
- (     )

Section D: Vocabulary (3 marks)

Fill in the blanks with the helping words in the box.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

zebra	showed	squabbling
playing	springbok	disguised

31. The robber \_\_\_\_\_ himself as a cleaner in order to get into the house.

32. The \_\_\_\_\_ looked at the black and white stripes on its body and said, "I wish to be colourful instead."

33. Janet and Lydia were scolded by their parents for \_\_\_\_\_ over a doll.



Section E: Punctuation Cloze (5 marks)

Fill in each circle with the correct punctuation. The underlined word is not punctuated correctly. Write its correct form in the box given.

(34) There was once a girl who had no manners. Everyone called her

Silly lily.

She does not thank her father each time he helps her tie her

shoelaces. She screams at her mother when she is hungry. What a rude

(35)

girl

(37)

One day  her mother sat her down and said, "it is time for you

to stop behaving like this! We should always treat others with respect.

(38)

Have you forgotten your manners  "

She cried and apologised to her parents immediately. "I promise to

be polite from now on," she said as she gave her parents a hug.

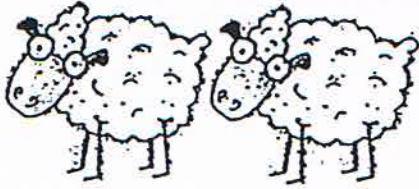
*Adapted from "Remember your Manners" by Nancy Battista Morgan*



Section F: Picture Vocabulary Cloze (3 marks)

Look at the picture and fill in each blank with a suitable word.

There was once a boy who had to take care of his



(39) \_\_\_\_\_ every day. One day, he

felt bored as he watched them eating grass. He decided to do something mischievous.

"Help! Help!" he cried. All the villagers came out of their



(40) \_\_\_\_\_ to help the boy. When they

realised he was fine, they were angry.



The next day, the boy saw a (41) \_\_\_\_\_

coming. He shouted at the top of his voice. No one came to his rescue and he lost all his sheep. He regretted his mischievous act. "I promise I won't lie ever again," he said as he cried.

*Adapted from [www.goodreads.com](http://www.goodreads.com)*



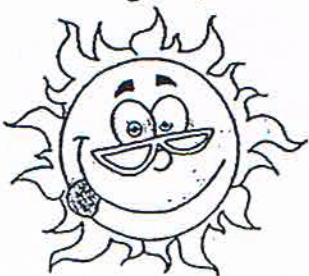
Section 6: Grammar Cloze (5 marks)

Circle the correct answer in the brackets.

Once, Wind and Sun had an argument about who was stronger. At last, they decided to 42. ( show , showed showing ) each other their powers. "Here comes a man. Let's see 43. ( who , why , which ) can make him take off his coat," said Sun

Wind agreed. He blew hard 44. ( in , on , at ) the man. The man held on to his coat even 45. ( tight , tighter , tightest ) than before.

Then, it was Sun's turn. At first, he shone gently at the man. Then, Sun went on shining brighter and brighter. The man felt hot. At last, he 46. ( take , took ) taking ) off his coat. Wind accepted defeat but being arrogant, he said, "One day, I will prove you wrong!"



*Adapted from "The Sun and the Wind" - Retold by Rick Walton*

Section H: Word Order (3 marks)

Rearrange the words to form a sentence or a question.

Begin each sentence with a capital letter and end it with a full stop or a question mark.

47. river is the eel swimming in an There

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48. all of us party to Michael birthday invited his

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49. Jack sleepy Why in always class is

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Section I: Synthesis (2 marks)

Join the sentence using 'where'.

50. The swimming pool is always crowded.

My cousins like to swim there.

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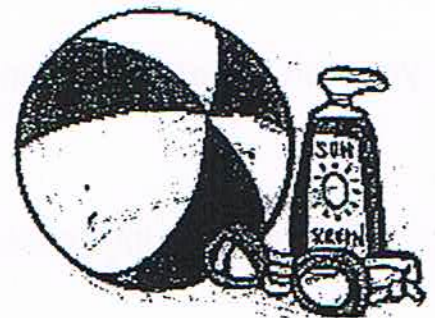
Join the sentence using 'because'.

51. Mimi sang to her children.

Her children were crying.

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Section J: Comprehension Cloze (3 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

One fine day, Lionel the lion was walking through the forest looking for food. He had not eaten for more than ten days so he was very

(52) \_\_\_\_\_. Soon, Lionel met a mouse. He went close to the mouse and (53) \_\_\_\_\_ him. "Smells good!" Lionel exclaimed.

"If you let me go, I will reward you," the mouse pleaded. Lionel thought for a while and asked to see the reward.

The mouse took out a (54) \_\_\_\_\_ and said, "You can use this to spot a star in the sky. Then, call out the name of the animal you wish to eat. The animal will appear in front of you.

Lionel was impressed. He accepted the reward and let the mouse go.

The mouse crept away quickly and had a good laugh later that night.

*Adapted from Aesop's Fables 'The Lion and the Mouse'*





Section K: Comprehension (6 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions which follow.

Write your answers in complete sentences.

Once upon a time, there was a whale called Lola who always kept to herself. Whenever anyone tried to cheer her up, Lola would move away. After some time, the animals decided to ignore her forever as they thought that Lola was unfriendly.

However, Dido, a young dolphin, refused to follow the others. 5  
She secretly followed Lola to find out why Lola behaved in that way. To Dido's surprise, she saw Lola eating sand while crying near the ocean bed. As Lola opened her mouth to eat, Dido realised that Lola had bad breath. She asked Lola, "Is this why you do not want to make friends with all of us?" 10

Lola nodded sadly and said, "I am ashamed of my bad breath."

"Do you know that the rest of the animals think that you are unfriendly? Isn't that worse?" Dido asked. Lola realised that by not getting help, she had created a bigger problem. Lola then accepted Dido's offer to clean her teeth. When this was done, Lola began 15  
speaking to everyone again. She learnt to trust her friends with her problems.

*Adapted from 'Lola the Whale' by Pedro Pablo Sacristán*

55. Why did the animals decide to ignore Lola forever?

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56. What was Lola doing near the ocean bed?

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57. What did Lola try to hide?

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# ANSWER SHEET

## EXAM PAPER 2011

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SUBJECT : PRIMARY 1 ENGLISH

TERM : SA2

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Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
1	2	1	1	1	2	3	4	3	3	3	3	2

- 31)disguised      32)zebra      33)squabbling      34)Lily      35)!
- 36),      37)It      38)?      39)sheep      40)houses      41)wolf
- 42)show      43)who      44)at      45)tighter      46)took
- 47)There is an eel swimming in the river.
- 48)Michael invited all of us to his birthday party.
- 49)Why is Jack always sleep in class?
- 50)The swimming pool, where my cousins like to swim is always crowded.
- 51)Mimi sang to her children because they were crying.
- 52)hungry      53)smelled      54)telescope
- 55)The animals thought that Lola was unfriendly.
- 56)Dido saw Lola saw eating sand while crying near the ocean bed.
- 57)She tried to hide her bad breath.