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PRIMARY 3

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Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.

	Maximum	Marks Obtained
Grammar /Vocabulary	28	
Comprehension (MCQ)	10	
Comprehension (OE)	10	
Total	48	

* This paper consists of 8 pages altogether.

Section A: Vocabulary (14 marks)

For questions 1 to 6, choose the most suitable answer and write its number in the brackets provided. (6 X 1 mark)

1. The _____ performance was very enjoyable although there was no music in the background.

(1) solo

(2) duet

(3) choir

(4) acapella

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2. Ryan looked at his _____ to make sure that he was heading towards the north.

(1) brochure

(2) compass

(3) handbook

(4) binoculars

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3. The children learned a lot about Singapore's _____ on their trip to the Singapore History Museum.

(1) future

(2) secret

(3) mystery

(4) heritage

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4. Hannah enjoys her trip to the _____ where she is able to see many beautiful birds.

(1) aviary

(2) arena

(3) aquarium

(4) amphitheatre

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5. The _____ used to be a common mode of public transport in Singapore, but now it is used mainly by tourists.

(1) ship

(2) train

(3) bicycle

(4) trishaw

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6. The towers of the castle stood out _____ in the horizon

(1) simply

(2) humbly

(3) modestly

(4) majestically

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For questions 7 to 14, read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to K) in each blank. The letter "I" has been omitted to avoid confusion. USE A WORD ONLY ONCE.
(8 x 1 MARK)

(A) unique	(B) jeepney	(C) souvenirs	(D) schedule
(E) visit	(F) traditional	(G) splendid	(H) monorail
(J) fascinated	(K) trip		

Nadia had a (7) _____ holiday. Her family had gone on a (8) _____ to the Philippines. She was (9) _____ by their rich cultures and traditions. She had a lot of fun trying out the *tinikling*, a (10) _____ dance of the Philippines. Stepping in and out of the bamboo poles was not as easy as it looked!

The highlight of her trip was the ride on a (11) _____. Nadia made sure she took pictures of the beautifully decorated vehicle. She wanted to show her friends this (12) _____ transport that can only be found in the Philippines.

Although they had a tight (13) _____, Nadia still found time to buy some (14) _____ for her friends and relatives in Singapore. She wished she could visit the country again.

Section B: Grammar (14 marks)

For questions 15 to 20, choose the most suitable answer and write the number in the brackets provided. (6 X 1 mark)

15. "You certainly look much _____ you did yesterday," said Mrs. Ang.

- (1) happy (2) happiest
(3) happier than (4) more happy ()

16. It gets so crowded in the rush hour that it's quicker to go _____ foot than by bus.

- (1) by (2) on
(3) in (4) with ()

17. _____ the eggs until fluffy then fold in the flour.

- (1) Beat (2) Beats
(3) Beating (4) Beaten ()

18. Someone ran off with my clothes while I _____.

- (1) swim (2) swam
(3) am swimming (4) was swimming ()

19. I was shopping in the supermarket when I _____ my purse.

- (1) lose (2) lost
(3) loss (4) loses ()

20. "David Beckham played for Manchester United, _____ he?" asked Jim.

- (1) did (2) does
(3) didn't (4) doesn't ()

For questions 21 to 24, read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. USE A WORD ONCE ONLY. (4 X 1 mark)

(A) bake	(B) baking	(C) bakes
(D) baked	(E) being baked	(F) will be baking

Jim loves to eat cakes especially those (21) _____ by his mother, Mrs. Fong. She started (22) _____ as a hobby two years ago. She (23) _____ all kinds of cakes and pastries. Mrs. Fong's friends and neighbours love her cakes and orders for them keep coming in. Her business is so good that she is thinking of opening a shop. Jim helps her during the school holidays. He is now able to (24) _____ butter and sponge cake.

For questions 25 to 28, read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. USE A WORD ONCE ONLY. (4 X 1 mark)

(A) I	(B) he	(C) we
(D) our	(E) she	(F) they

Dear Rajan,

What a pity you cannot be here! I had a great time.

My team came in first in the Obstacle Race. The instructor said that (25) _____ was very impressed by (26) _____ performance.

Siew Ping, the timid girl in our class turned out to be a very good leader

(27) _____ promised to give us a treat after the camp.

It was a very challenging day and (28) _____ were exhausted.

Your best friend,

Rashid

Section C: Comprehension 1

Study the Graphic Stimulus above carefully. Then answer questions 29 to 35 by choosing the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. (5x2 marks)

Give your Family a treat !!!

SERANGOON COMMUNITY CLUB FAMILY DAY

Venue: Sentosa -- Siloso Beach
Date : 1 June 2004
Time : 9.00 am – 5.00 pm
Admission : Members - free
Adult guest - \$5
Children below 12 years old - \$2
Meeting Place : Ferry Terminal

BALLOON SCULPTURE

Free lessons! Free balloons!

10.00 am – 11.30 am

3.00 pm – 4.30 pm

MAGIC SHOW

Come, see and pick up a few tips from Uncle Bozo

9.00 am – 10.00 am

2.00 pm – 3.00 pm

TELEMATCH 3.00pm – 4.30 pm

Get together a team of six family members.

Show your skills, strength and courage to win fantastic prizes!!!

FANCY DRESS CONTEST 9.00am – 11.00am

Let your hair down and walk away with fabulous prizes
in our very own "CREATIVE DRESSING"

TALENTIME 10.00 am – 12 noon

Bring your musical instrument or just your voice.
Show off and win a 3-day holiday in Thailand!!!

RIDES - WET & WILD

Scream your heads off -
try all the rides

FISHING

A video camera for the
biggest catch

29. Where is the venue for the Family Day?

- (1) Siloso Beach
- (2) Changi Beach
- (3) Ferry Terminal
- (4) Serangoon Community Club

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30. This event is organised for _____.

- (1) the public.
- (2) children only.
- (3) Serangoon Community Club members only.
- (4) Serangoon Community Club members and their guests.

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31. You can get free lessons in _____.

- (1) fishing and screaming
- (2) singing and magic show
- (3) magic show and balloon sculpture
- (4) balloon sculpture and hair dressing

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32. The phrase, "let your hair down" means _____.

- (1) untie your hair
- (2) relax and enjoy
- (3) let your hair flow freely
- (4) join a hair dressing contest

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33. If you want to win a prize, which event would you participate in?

- (1) Rides
- (2) Fishing
- (3) Magic Show
- (4) Balloon Sculpture

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Comprehension 2

Read the following passage carefully. Then write the answers for questions 34 to 38.
(5 X 2 marks)

J.D. has a very special dog, Blue. He has the best sniffing nose in the area. Blue can sniff out a mole in a hole, a rabbit in a burrow, or a squirrel up a tree. He can sniff the breeze and tell which way you are coming from.

Blue's best friend is a little dog named, Molasses. Molasses belongs to Mr. Grange, J.D.'s neighbour.

One Saturday, Blue went out hunting with J.D.'s father. However, he did not come home when J.D.'s father did. "Where's Blue?" J.D. asked. "He went after a rabbit or something. I searched the woods and kept calling him. He didn't come back," replied her father. He tried not to look worried, but she could see that he was. During the day, there were gunshots heard from the woods nearby. Sometimes, poachers could be found hunting in the area. That night, JD lay awake on her bed. Her room felt empty without Blue. J.D. turned into her pillow and cried herself to sleep.

The next day J.D. went into the woods to look for Blue. She went deeper and deeper calling out Blue's name. Suddenly, she saw Blue running towards her. J.D. was overjoyed. Holding on to Blue, she turned to head back home. However, Blue pulled away and ran off into the woods. J.D. decided to see what Blue was up to. It was difficult for her to follow Blue. He was fast and it was getting dark.

Finally, J.D. caught up with Blue. He was lying next to an injured Molasses. Molasses was near dead from bleeding. A bullet had hit his back leg. J.D. tried to carry Molasses but she could not go far. J.D. felt so helpless. Suddenly, she heard someone calling her name. It was her father. He quickly helped her to bring the dog to the vet.

The story of how Blue had saved Molasses spread like wild fire. Everyone agreed that Blue is truly a hero.

(Adapted from *True Blue* by Joan Elste)

34) Who is Molasses?

35) According to J.D.'s father, why did Blue not come back with him?

36) Why did J.D cry herself to sleep?

37) How was Molasses injured?

38) Why is Blue considered a hero?
