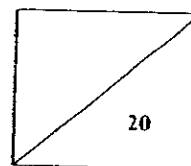


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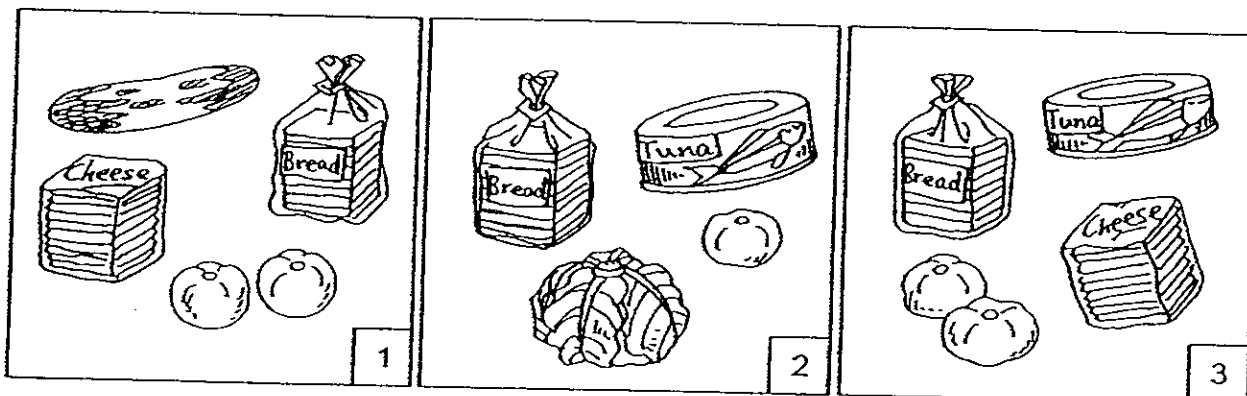
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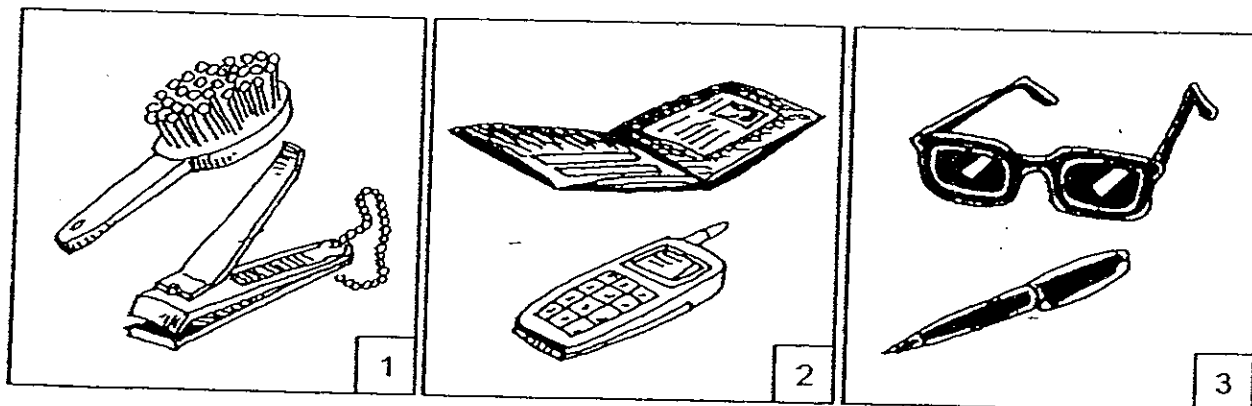
Text 1

Q1. Which ingredients did the girls use for their sandwiches?.. 1 2 3



Text 2

Q2. Which items were not in the handbag?..... 1 2 3



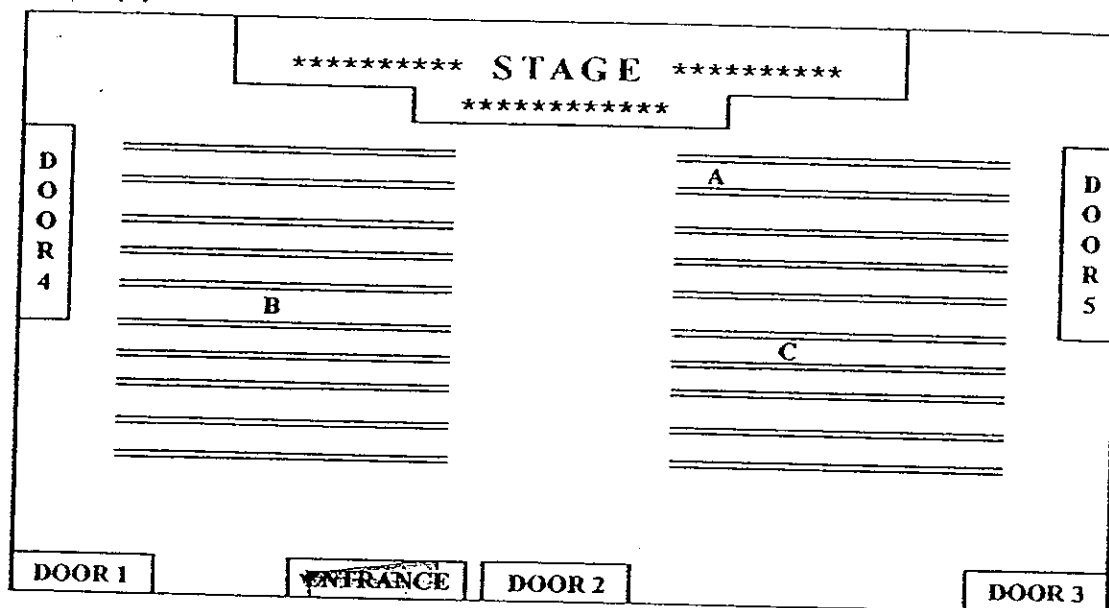
Text 3

Q3. Where will Mr. Johari, the Form Teacher of Primary 6D sit? (1) (2) (3) ●

- (1) A
- (2) B
- (3) C

Q4. Which exit should the pupils use? ● (2) (3)

- (1) Door 1
- (2) Door 2
- (3) Door 4



Text 4

Q5. Why was Dennis late for the wedding dinner? ● (2) (3)

- (1) He had to work late.
- (2) He had difficulty getting a taxi.
- (3) He had to wait a long time for the lift.

Q6. What did Dennis do before entering the banquet hall? ● (2) (3)

- (1) He signed the guest book.
- (2) He asked if the newly-weds had arrived.
- (3) He asked the photographer to take his picture.

Q7. When did Dennis realise he had gone to the wrong wedding celebration? (1) (2) ●

- (1) As soon as the loud music began.
- (2) Immediately after he had sat down.
- (3) When the name of the couple was announced.

Text 5

- Q8. What is Ben's and Yikai's co-curricular activity?..... (1) (3)
- (1) Cycling
 - (2) Badminton
 - (3) Swimming
- Q9. What was Yikai unhappy about?..... (1) (2)
- (1) His parents going away for a week.
 - (2) Having to go for badminton training.
 - (3) Having to stay at his aunt's house.
- Q10. Who are Lena and Vera?..... (1) (3)
- (1) Yikai's aunts
 - (2) Yikai's cousins
 - (3) Yikai's schoolmates
- Q11. What has Ben's mother suggested? (2) (3)
- (1) That Ben asks Yikai to stay at their house.
 - (2) That Ben calls Yikai as soon as they get home.
 - (3) That Ben seeks permission from Yikai's aunt.

Text 6

- Q12. What is special about Inuka? (1) (2)
- (1) He lives at the Singapore Zoo.
 - (2) He is the only male polar bear in a zoo.
 - (3) He is the only polar bear to be born in a tropical zoo.
- Q13. How old is Inuka? (1) (2)
- (1) 17 years old
 - (2) 25 years old
 - (3) 30 years old
- Q14. Why are zoo officials worried for Inuka?..... (1) (3)
- (1) At 550 kg, he is overweight.
 - (2) He will be lonely and upset when Sheba dies.
 - (3) Inuka has difficulty adapting to the weather in Singapore.

Q15. Why did the zoo officials change their minds about sending Inuka away? (1) (2) (3)

- (1) They could not find a tropical zoo that would take him.
- (2) Thousands of people had asked for Inuka to remain in Singapore.
- (3) They did not want to break rules set up by the Animal Welfare and Ethics Committee.

Q16. How will the living conditions of the polar bears be improved? (1) (2) (3)

- (1) Larger enclosure
- (2) Air-conditioned enclosure
- (3) Walking area and better quality water

Text 7

Q17. Who started the 'Postcards Across ASEAN' project? (1) (2) (3)

- (1) ASEAN
- (2) Philippines
- (3) Singapore

Q18. What was the main purpose of the project? (1) (2) (3)

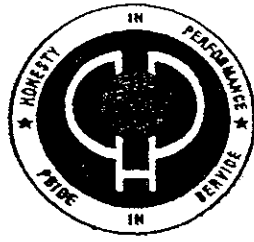
- (1) To exhibit the postcards during the ASEAN Summit.
- (2) To encourage friendship and understanding among ASEAN children.
- (3) For children across ASEAN to send postcards to one another.

Q19. How many postcards did children from Singapore submit? (1) (2) (3)

- (1) 1,000 postcards
- (2) 10,000 postcards
- (3) 100,000 postcards

Q20. What can one learn from Hernina's postcard? (1) (2) (3)

- (1) All Filipinos live in thatched houses.
- (2) Filipino villagers can depend on one another for help.
- (3) Filipinos families have daily meals with their neighbours.



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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY FIVE
PAPER 2 BOOKLET A

Name: _____ () Class: P5 _____

Total Duration of Paper: 1h 50 min

Section	Marks	
Comprehension (Graphic Stimulus)		5
Grammar		7
Punctuation		3
Vocabulary		5
Vocabulary Cloze		5
Comprehension MCQ		5
Total		30

Comprehension: Graphic Stimulus (5 Marks)
Study the advertisement below and answer question 1-5.

TELEBA LEADING INNOVATION

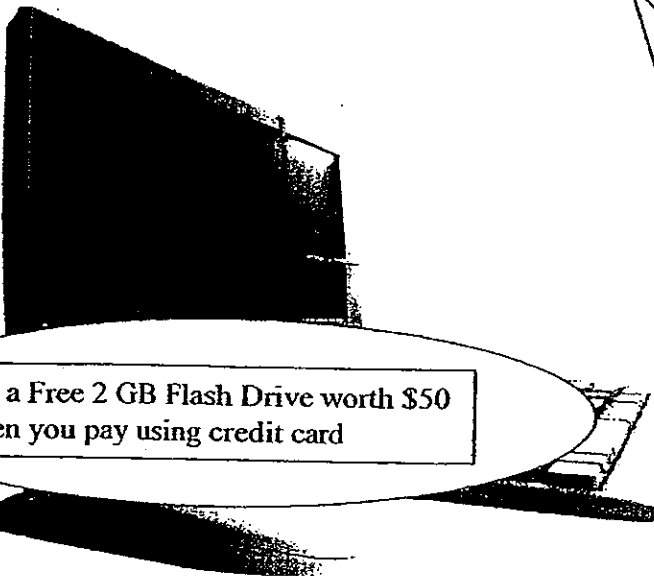
Buy Teleba and Travel to Tokyo, Japan for free!

Purchase any Teleba PC during the IT sale at Tufan Digital Centre and qualify to be one of the 2 lucky winners to enjoy a FREE trip for 2 to Japan, including accommodation and meals.

What's more, selection of the Urban Office Student Edition entitles you to double your chances instantly.

Free Bundle

Spice up your life with one of the following free bundles worth \$350!



XYZ 308
All - in - one
Printer OR

ABC Hotshot
Camera
7 megapixels OR

Urban Office
Student Edition

With Teleba notebook and PC, you can get to share photos and keep in touch with your families quickly and easily, enjoy great music, experience satellite television and movies anytime, jump into stunning games and get work done more quickly.

Hurry! Promotion is only valid for purchases made in June 08.

For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. Which of the following is not offered to a customer if he pays cash for his purchase of a Teleba computer?
 - ~~(1)~~ A flash drive
 - ~~(2)~~ An XYZ 308 Printer
 - ~~(3)~~ A ABC Hotshot camera
 - ~~(4)~~ A chance to win two tickets to Japan

2. To increase his chances in winning the trip to Japan, Mr Lee should _____
 - ~~(1)~~ pay using his credit card
 - ~~(2)~~ pay in cash
 - ~~(3)~~ choose the XYZ 308 printer
 - ~~(4)~~ choose the Urban Office Student Edition

3. The last day of the promotion is _____
 - ~~(1)~~ 31st May 2008
 - ~~(2)~~ 1st June 2008
 - ~~(3)~~ 30th June 2008
 - ~~(4)~~ 1st July 2008

4. The free trip to Japan does not include _____
 - ~~(1)~~ meals
 - ~~(2)~~ a camera
 - ~~(3)~~ flight tickets
 - ~~(4)~~ accommodation

5. The total number of flight tickets given away is _____
 - ~~(1)~~ one
 - ~~(2)~~ two
 - ~~(3)~~ three
 - ~~(4)~~ four

Grammar (7 marks)

For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. My sister _____ her book in the library so she needs to go back there.
- (1) leaves
 - (2) has left
 - (3) have left
 - (4) is leaving
7. Helen saw Tina _____ the wallet from Mr Lee's bag and reported her to the principal.
- (1) stole
 - (2) steal
 - (3) had stolen
 - (4) was stealing
8. He baked a birthday cake for his mother _____ the bakery was closed.
- (1) and
 - (2) but
 - (3) although
 - (4) because
9. Jim, as well as his friends, _____ for the camp next Sunday.
- (1) is going
 - (2) has gone
 - (3) are going
 - (4) have gone

10. "_____ I have the time, I will not help you with your project," said John's mother.

- (1) If
- (2) Even
- (3) Since
- (4) Unless

11. The man _____ daughter has been kidnapped is talking to the police now.

- (1) who
- (2) which
- (3) whom
- (4) whose

12. A fleet of ships _____ destroyed in the fire yesterday.

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

Punctuation (3 marks)

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Mr Shaik Kader was a Kampong boy. "Life was very carefree in those days(13) For a boy of, maybe, say, 10 to 12 years, life was all play (14) reminisced Mr Shaik Kader, who spent his childhood in the kampongs at Geylang Serai. " Some of the places we went to or some of the things we did are not found today, like vegetable farms, caves, shooting water-birds with catapults and making guns out of wood," said the editor. "Kampung life for us boys was all play and play," he further recollected, "My activities on a typical Sunday would usually involve playing with my neighbours(15) He still feels that those were the best days of his life.

Adapted from 'Kampong Days' by National Archives

13. (1) [:] colon
(2) [,] comma
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [?] question mark
14. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
(3) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(4) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
15. (1) [" .] inverted commas and full stop
(2) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
(3) [" !] inverted commas and exclamation mark
(4) [! "] exclamation mark and inverted commas

Vocabulary (5 marks)

For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. The university will be building more _____ to meet the needs of the foreign students.
- (1) barracks
 - (2) cabins
 - (3) dormitories
 - (4) warehouses
17. The _____ squandered away all his inheritance in just a few ~~of~~ months.
- (1) miser
 - (2) spendthrift
 - (3) traitor
 - (4) volunteer
18. Many pupils could not _____ with Alice because of her quarrelsome nature.
- (1) get along
 - (2) get back
 - (3) get down
 - (4) get over
19. The price of petrol has _____ over the last few months forcing Mr Lim to sell his car.
- (1) escalated
 - (2) decreased
 - (3) improved
 - (4) progressed

20. The shy businessman took the _____ step of giving his first interview.
- (1) immediate
 - (2) instantaneous
 - (3) momentous
 - (4) momentary

Vocabulary Cloze (5 marks)

For each question from 21 to 26, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

During my second month of nursing school, our professor gave us a pop quiz. I was a (21) conscientious student and had breezed through the questions until I read the last one, "What is the first name of the woman who cleans the school?" Surely this was some kind of (22) joke. I had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was tall, dark-haired and in her fifties, but how would I know her name?

I handed in my paper, leaving the last question blank. Before the class ended, one student asked if the last question would (23) count toward our quiz grade.

(24) "Absolutely," said the professor. "In your careers you will meet many people. All are (25) significant. They deserve your attention and care, even if all you do is smile and say 'hello'.

I have never forgotten that lesson. I also learned her name was Dorothy.

21. (1) brilliant
(2) hardworking
(3) meticulous
(4) self-righteous
22. (1) quip
(2) trick
(3) riddle
(4) mystery
23. (1) add up
(2) increase
(3) calculate
(4) be included in
24. (1) Finally
(2) Definitely
(3) Completely
(4) Undeniably
25. (1) infamous
(2) important
(3) prominent
(4) considerable

Comprehension MCQ (5 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30

About ten years ago, a young and very successful executive named Josh was travelling down a Chicago neighbourhood street. He was going a bit too fast in his sleek, black, 12-cylinder Jaguar XKE, which was only two months old.

He was watching for children darting out from between parked cars and slowed down when he thought he saw something. As his car passed, no child darted out, but a brick sailed out and - WHUMP! - it smashed into the Jaguar's shiny black side door! SCREECH..!!!! Brakes slammed! Gears ground into reverse, and tyres madly spun the Jaguar back to the spot from where the brick had been thrown.

Josh jumped out of the car, grabbed the boy and pushed him up against a parked car. He shouted at the boy, "What was that all about and who are you?"

Building up a head of steam, he went on. "That's my new Jag. That brick you threw is going to cost you a lot of money. Why did you throw it?"

"Please, mister, please. . . I'm sorry! I didn't know what else to do!" pleaded the youngster. "I threw the brick because no one else would stop!"

Tears were dripping down the boy's chin as he pointed around the parked car. "It's my sister, mister," he said. "She rolled off the kerb and fell out of her wheelchair and I can't lift her up."

Sobbing, the boy asked the executive, "Would you please help me get her back into her wheelchair? She's hurt and she's too heavy for me."

Moved beyond words, the young executive tried desperately to swallow the rapidly swelling lump in his throat. Straining, he lifted the young lady back into the wheelchair and took out his handkerchief and wiped the scrapes and cuts, checking to see if they were serious. He then watched the younger brother push her down the sidewalk toward their home.

It was a long, slow walk back to the sleek, black, shining, 12-cylinder Jaguar XKE. Josh never did fix the side door of his Jaguar. He kept the dent to remind him not to go through life so fast that someone has to throw a brick at him to get his attention.

For each question from 25 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

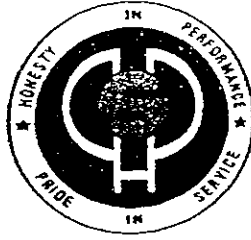
26. Josh stopped his car because _____.

- (1) a brick hit his car
- (2) he hit another parked car
- (3) there was a boy in front of it
- (4) there was a wheelchair blocking his way

27. According to the passage, the boy threw the brick to _____.

- (1) get the driver's attention
- (2) play a prank on the driver
- (3) seek revenge for his sister's injuries
- (4) prevent the car from hitting his sister

28. Josh had difficulty swallowing the lump in his throat because he _____
- (1) was enraged
 - (2) was impatient
 - (3) regretted his actions
 - (4) felt sorry for the ^{girl} boy in the wheelchair
29. The word 'straining' in line ²¹24 tells us that Josh _____
- (1) was weak
 - (2) was unwilling to help the girl
 - (3) had difficulties in lifting the girl
 - (4) was pressured into helping the girl
30. Josh did not repair the dent on his car as he _____
- (1) could not afford to pay for its repair
 - (2) did not want to forget the incident
 - (3) regretted stopping to help the boy
 - (4) was afraid someone would damage it again



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PAPER 2 BOOKLET B

Name: _____ () Class: P5 _____

Total Duration of Paper: 1h 50 min

Section	Marks
Grammar Cloze	10
Editing for Spelling and Grammar	10
Comprehension Cloze	15
Synthesis / Transformation	10
Comprehension Open Ended	20
Total	65

Grammar Cloze (10 marks)

There are 10 blanks in the passage below. From the list of words in the box, choose the most suitable one and write its letter in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion. USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.

(A) and	(B) are	(C) as	(D) at	(E) but
(F) for	(G) from	(H) if	(J) in	(K) of
(L) will	(M) with	(N) who	(P) to	(Q) under

I was pleasantly surprised by the well-balanced article concerning hunting. However I disagree (31) _____ two points that were made. People (32) _____ poach or leave a wounded animal (33) _____ suffer should not be called hunters. They (34) _____ poachers. The other is the issue (35) _____ people like Ted Turner, who buy pieces of land (36) _____ keep out the average hunter, not giving them any space to hunt. The wealthy people who go (37) _____ area to area, each autumn, to kill animals only (38) _____ their heads are one of the major reasons that the number of hunters are dropping nationwide. Hunting (39) _____ soon be a thing of the past (40) _____ this continues. This form of sport will disappear altogether.

Adapted from 'Letters', National Geographic, March 2008

Spelling and Grammar – 10 marks

Correct each word in **BOLD** for spelling and each UNDERLINED word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

(41)

I once did something I will never forget in my life. I decide to make a one-and-a-

(42)

half hour trip home knowing that I was a little **tried**. I thought that after a cup of coffee, I

(43) (44)

will be all right. Little did I know that thirty **minuets** into the trip, I would feel my eyes

(45)

wanting with close.

(46) (47)

So I did what most **poeple** try to do and turned the radio up loud and open the

(48)

window wide. That did not work. The next thing I knew, my car was **heeding** towards

(49)

the gravel service lane. If the loud noise in the gravel underneath the car had not

(50)

awakened me, I **probably** would not be around today.

That day, I realised how important getting enough sleep was.

Adapted from 'You Said It', Reader's Digest, March 2008

Comprehension Cloze (15 marks)

Read the passage carefully and then fill in each blank with a suitable word of your own.

This is one of the main reasons I went into psychiatry – to help people. I (51) _____ it by accident actually. I was in (52) _____ army and they needed people in Woodbridge Hospital, a hospital for (53) _____ with mental illness. I volunteered. That (54) _____ in the eighties and Woodbridge was a fairly run-down place then. They had 2,200 (55) _____ but there were 3,500 patients.

How (56) _____ all these patients fit into Woodbridge? Some patients slept on beds while (57) _____ slept on mattresses.

I met this woman in her fifties. She had come in (58) _____ schizophrenia, had been treated and could have been (59) _____, but her family would not take her back. She had a husband (60) _____ a son but they had stopped visiting her after a few years.

That is the stigma of (61) _____ illness that I want to help dispel.

Recently, I treated a forty-year-old man who appeared to be a (62) _____ of success. He had been happily married for ten years. Both he and his wife were doing (63) _____ in their careers and had made a lot of money. They also (64) _____ two lovely, well-behaved children. The man, however, felt that his (65) _____ was meaningless and empty.

As he put it, "I have a successful career and a beautiful wife. We are well-off but I feel empty!"

Excerpt from 'In Search of Meaning', Chicken Soup for the Singapore Soul

Synthesis and Transformation (10 marks)

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 given one(s).

66. She has a cold. She cannot go swimming.

_____ as

67. The motorist swerved to the left. He wanted to avoid hitting the dog.

_____ in order to

68. It was a bad storm. There was a big crowd at the stadium.

Despite _____

69. "Have you ever been on a ship?" my uncle asked me.

My uncle wanted to know _____

70. Sally did not like jogging. She also did not like swimming.

_____ neither _____

Comprehension Open Ended (20 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 71 to 80.

Moorthy was a hardworking iron merchant. He was about to set out on a journey, so he went to the house of a friend, Gopal, taking with him two hundred tonnes of iron.

"I beg of you," Moorthy said to Gopal. "Please keep this iron for me. I am about to set out on a long journey. In case I have some bad luck, I can return home and sell this iron for a large sum of money and still survive."

Gopal agreed to help him look after the iron. Things turned out just as Moorthy had feared. Misfortune fell upon him on the way and he was obliged to return home. Straightaway he went to Gopal's house and demanded for the iron. In the meantime, Gopal had sold the iron to pay his own debts, for he believed that Moorthy would never return.

However, he put on a bold front and replied, "Truly, Moorthy, I have sad news for you. I locked the iron in a room, thinking that it was as safe as gold there. But, unknown to me, there was a rat-hole in the wall and the rats had come into the room and eaten all the iron."

Moorthy, pretending that he believed this untruth, answered promptly. "That is, indeed, sad news for me, for the iron was all that I had left. Still, I am aware that rats love chewing on iron bars. I have lost much iron in this way before, so I'll just have to bear my present bad luck."

This answer was very pleasing to Gopal, who was now sure that Moorthy believed that the rats had eaten his iron. To avoid any further suspicion, he invited Moorthy to dine with him the next night. Moorthy accepted the invitation and went his way. As he was passing through the city, he met one of Gopal's sons, whom he quietly took home and locked up in a room.

The next day, he went to Gopal's house to dine. Gopal came to the door, with tears streaming down his face.

"You must pardon me for being distressed," he said to Moorthy, "but yesterday one of my children disappeared and nothing has been heard of him since. The town-crier has been through the streets, but no trace of the child is to be found."

"I am, indeed, sorry to hear this news," replied Moorthy "Last evening, I saw a sparrow flying over the city with a child in its claws. The child certainly looked very much like one of your children."

"You senseless fellow," retorted Gopal. "Why do you make fun of me? How could a sparrow carry off a child weighing fifty pounds?"

"Ah," replied Moorthy. "You must not be surprised that a sparrow can carry off a child of fifty pounds in our city where rats eat up two hundred tonnes of iron. My friend, give me back my iron and I will gladly return your boy."

<http://hinduism.about.com/od/panchatantra/a/merchantiron.htm>

For each question from 71 to 80, write your answer in the space provided. All answers must be in complete sentences.

71. What was Moorthy's occupation?

72. What did Moorthy want Gopal to do?

73. How did Gopal explain that the iron had gone missing?

74. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as 'lie'?

75. Why did Moorthy want the iron back?

76. Explain clearly why Gopal invited Moorthy to dinner.

77. Why was Gopal upset when Moorthy went to his house for dinner?

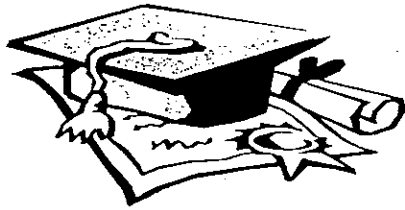
78. Do you think Gopal is a good friend? Why?

79. How many times did Moorthy go to Gopal's house?

80. Between Moorthy and Gopal, who do you think is smarter? Why?

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ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2008

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TERM : SA 1

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- 41)decided 42)tired 43)would 44)minutes 45)to
- 46)people 47)opened 48)heading 49)of 50)probably
- 51)discovered 52)the 53)people 54)was 55)places
- 56)did 57)others 58)for 59)discharged
- 60)and 61)mental 62)model 63)well 64)
- 65)life
- 66)She cannot go swimming as she was has a cold.
- 67)The motorist swerved to the left in order to avoid hitting the dog.

- 68) Despite the fact that it was a bad storm, there was a big crowd at the stadium.
- 69) My uncle wanted to know if I had ever been on a ship.
- 70) Sally liked neither jogging nor swimming.
- 71) Moorthy was an iron merchant.
- 72) He wanted Gopal to look after his iron for him while he went on a journey.
- 73) He said that some rats had eaten them up.
- 74) The word is "untruth".
His
- 75) Some bad luck had fallen upon him on his journey so he wanted to sell the iron for money.
- 76) Gopal thought Moorthy had believed story about eating the iron and did not want him to get suspicious he invited him to dinner.
- 77) Gopal was upset because his son was missing.
- 78) No, he is not. He was not trust worthy person.
- 79) Moorthy went to Gopal's house three times.
- 80) Moorthy is smarter. Instead of fighting or arguing with Gopal, he taught him a good lesson and made his realize his distal.