

SINGAPORE CHINESE GIRLS' SCHOOL  
FIRST SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2014  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PRIMARY 5

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	Marks Obtained	Highest Possible Marks
Part One		15
Part Two		40
Sub-total		55

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**PAPER 1 (WRITING)**

1 hour 10 minutes

55 marks

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.

There are two parts to this paper: Part 1 and Part 2.  
Answer the question in both Part 1 and Part 2.

Part 1: Situational Writing (15 Marks)  
Study the brochure carefully.

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### Your Task

Imagine that you received this brochure in the mail. Your parents have decided to take you on this tour during the June holidays.

**Write an e-mail telling your cousin, Mary, about it.**

You are to refer to the brochure.

In your email, include the following information:

- the cost of the tour
- when you are going
- accommodation arrangements
- one activity that will interest you and why
- how to get more information

You may re-order the points. You should write in complete sentences.

Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

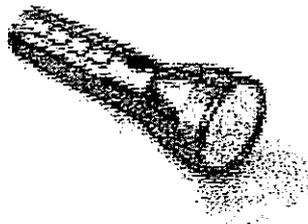
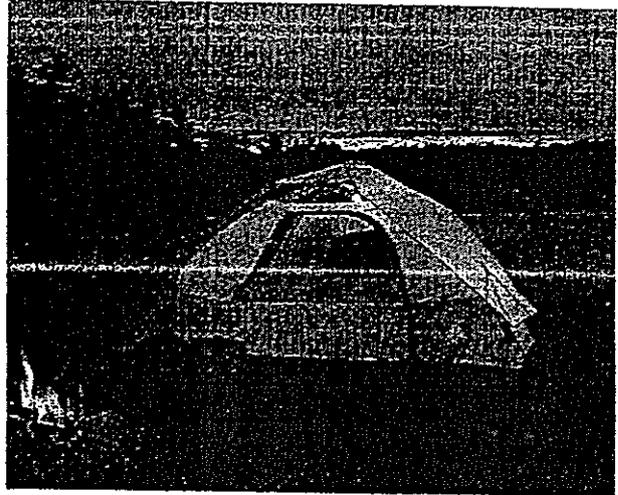
Write a composition of at least 150 words about a **memorable** adventure.

The pictures are provided to help you think about this topic. Your composition should be based on one or more of these pictures.

Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

- What was the adventure?
- Why was the adventure memorable?

You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.



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PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET A

28 questions

28 marks

Total time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

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Answer all questions.

For each question from 1 to 10, 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. (10 marks)

1. Last week, the majority of the staff \_\_\_\_\_ with the decision made by their manager at the meeting.
  - (1) agree
  - (2) agreed
  - (3) agreeing
  - (4) have agreed
  
2. When Rocky, the dog, heard its master \_\_\_\_\_ the house, it started barking.
  - (1) left
  - (2) leave
  - (3) leaves
  - (4) had left
  
3. The young man swam bravely \_\_\_\_\_ the current to rescue the helpless lad who was drowning.
  - (1) along
  - (2) around
  - (3) against
  - (4) between
  
4. The three explorers had run out of food and water and had to exist \_\_\_\_\_ the limited resources found on the deserted island.
  - (1) in
  - (2) by
  - (3) on
  - (4) up
  
5. Neither Jason nor his twin brother \_\_\_\_\_ able to participate in the competition yesterday.
  - (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were

6. \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Lee spent most of his life in Japan, he knew very little Japanese.
- (1) Unless
  - (2) Despite
  - (3) Although
  - (4) In spite of
7. "Jane, did your brother complete all the questions on the worksheet by \_\_\_\_\_?" asked Mrs Chew.
- (1) myself
  - (2) himself
  - (3) yourself
  - (4) themselves
8. Mrs Ang became frantic when she \_\_\_\_\_ her toddler in the crowded shopping mall.
- (1) lost
  - (2) lose
  - (3) loses
  - (4) is losing
9. Bryan's plan to go on a holiday to Phuket fell \_\_\_\_\_ as he was very busy with work.
- (1) out
  - (2) back
  - (3) down
  - (4) through
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Lisa's phobia of heights, she still went bungee jumping.
- (1) As
  - (2) Since
  - (3) Though
  - (4) Despite

For each question from 11 to 15, 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. (5 marks)

11. Belinda was a very \_\_\_\_\_ hostess who made her guests feel welcome.
- (1) aloof
  - (2) hostile
  - (3) graceful
  - (4) hospitable
12. Grandpa has \_\_\_\_\_ his wallet and cannot find it now.
- (1) misled
  - (2) mislaid
  - (3) misguided
  - (4) misconceived
13. Mr Davis decided against driving as it was foggy and \_\_\_\_\_ was quite poor.
- (1) vision
  - (2) insight
  - (3) visibility
  - (4) perception
14. I was informed that my new neighbour will be living in Singapore \_\_\_\_\_ as a new citizen.
- (1) indefinitely
  - (2) perpetually
  - (3) unceasingly
  - (4) permanently
15. Young children and the elderly are generally more \_\_\_\_\_ to air pollutants and fall ill quite easily.
- (1) prone
  - (2) inclined
  - (3) receptive
  - (4) susceptible

For each question 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to replace the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

In 2005, researchers travelled to Panama on a rescue mission. The invasive chytrid fungus had been found in the country's mountains, threatening to eliminate entire populations of amphibians. Biologists loaded hundreds of frogs into crates, including several dozens of rare Rabbs' fringe-limbed tree frogs and tadpoles, to safeguard them in U.S. labs.

Now, only one Rabbs' frog remains. The others died of natural causes and new tadpoles were never able to fully metamorphose in the labs. The last Rabbs' frog, nicknamed Toughie by his caretakers, lives inside a biosecure shipping container with various other frog species. He is fed a diet of crickets and is weighed but otherwise touched sparingly. Although Toughie is healthy, researchers believe he is also old.

*Adapted from the article "Down to One" – National Geographic*

16. (1) stint  
(2) errand  
(3) calling  
(4) operation
17. (1) dispel  
(2) disperse  
(3) eradicate  
(4) invalidate
18. (1) shield  
(2) defend  
(3) protect  
(4) neglect
19. (1) adapt  
(2) remain  
(3) convert  
(4) develop
20. (1) casually  
(2) flippantly  
(3) carelessly  
(4) infrequently

Study the following advertisement and then answer questions 21 to 28.

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An opportunity to experience the world at home!

Join us at SUNTEC CONVENTION CENTRE for this bi-annual event of epic proportions and have a lot of fun!

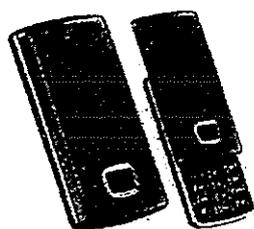
Dates:

15 November 2013 (Friday)  
16 November 2013 (Saturday)  
17 November 2013 (Sunday)

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

## WHAT YOU CAN LOOK FORWARD TO

- ❖ Keynote address by the President of the International Tourism Board (ITB)
- ❖ A mega exhibition consisting of several booths set up by various countries
- ❖ Concert to showcase different cultural arts
- ❖ Food stalls with delectable international cuisine
- ❖ Irresistible discounts and offers on travel packages



For the first 50 visitors to the event and those who sign up for any tour package with us, STARTEL will be giving a 35% discount for the latest DEX8 LG handphone.

# SEE YOU THERE!



# AROUND THE WORLD



An opportunity to experience the world at home!

## WHAT ELSE IS IN STORE

**A Lucky Draw will be held on all three days of the event at the ATRIUM at SUNTEC CONVENTION CENTRE! Take part in it and you stand to win our top prize:**



A pair of tickets to Perth, Australia by Aus Airlines! In addition to that, you and your guest will receive a 5 nights' accommodation at Silver Villa, the most famous hotel in all of Australia. We will also throw in a free tour around the city, all sponsored by the Australian Tour Division.



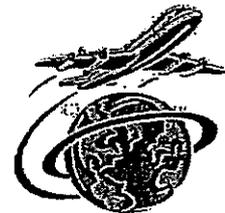
**Not to fret if you miss out on the top prize in the Lucky Draw. There are plenty of other wonderful prizes such as:**



- ❖ Travel packages to Bali, Krabi and Langkawi
- ❖ Massage sessions at Free Yourself Massage Parlour
- ❖ Free gym membership at Explore Fitness
- ❖ Tickets to Universal Studios

### \*TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1) Participants of the lucky draw must be aged 18 and above.
- 2) Only Singaporeans are eligible to participate in the lucky draw.
- 3) Trips include return air tickets and hotel accommodation.
- 4) Prizes cannot be exchanged for cash.



For more information about this event,  
do log on to the following website:  
[www.aroundtheworld2013.com](http://www.aroundtheworld2013.com)

Or you can call us at:  
1800-6786-9725

Proudly organized by:  
International Tourism Board

Sponsored by:  
World Wander Travel Agency  
and STARTEL

For each question from 21 to 28, 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. (5 marks)

21. How often is the Around The World event held?
- (1) once a year
  - (2) twice a year
  - (3) once every two years
  - (4) once every three years
22. Which of the following is **not** a segment of the event?
- (1) cultural concert
  - (2) circus acts by international performers
  - (3) opening speech by the President of ITB
  - (4) exhibition booths from different countries
23. Mr Lim was the thirtieth visitor to the event. He will receive a \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) DEX8 LG handphone
  - (2) ticket to Universal Studios
  - (3) 35% discount for the DEX8 LG handphone
  - (4) 5% discount on any travel package he signs up for
24. Where will the lucky draw be held?
- (1) Universal Studios
  - (2) International Tourism Board
  - (3) World Wander Travel Agency
  - (4) Atrium at Suntec Convention Centre
25. The top prize at the lucky draw will include \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) a free city tour
  - (2) massage sessions
  - (3) three tickets to Perth
  - (4) a week's worth of accommodation at Silver Villa

26. To stand a chance to win a prize in the lucky draw, a participant must be \_\_\_\_\_

- (1) at least 16 years old
- (2) a citizen of Singapore
- (3) a member at Explore Fitness
- (4) one of the first 50 visitors to the event

27. The Around The World event is organized by \_\_\_\_\_

- (1) STARTEL
- (2) Australian Tour Division
- (3) International Tourism Board
- (4) World Wander Travel Agency

28. Which of these statements is correct?

- (1) Cash can be redeemed in place of any lucky draw prize.
- (2) Winners of the top prize will travel by Singapore Airlines.
- (3) For inquiries about the event, you can call 1800-6786-9725.
- (4) Only local cuisine will be available at the food stalls at the event.

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PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET B

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

Write your answers in this booklet.

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 in order to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

**EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE**

(A) than	(D) out	(G) who	(K) before	(N) between
(B) him	(E) but	(H) would	(L) his	(P) after
(C) into	(F) will	(J) however	(M) their	(Q) in

As a young lawyer in Morocco, Mr Taha Bouqdib was all set on a career path in legal services. \_\_\_\_\_, an invitation to a tea warehouse turned his world upside down.

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It was an eye-opener for the young Mr Bouqdib \_\_\_\_\_ was until that point, familiar only with the usual Moroccan brew of "mint, green tea and a lot of sugar". The friend who invited \_\_\_\_\_ "showed me all the different types of tea from around the world and the

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connection \_\_\_\_\_ myself and the tea was immediate," he recounts.

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"The product attracted me first more \_\_\_\_\_ the business behind it. I knew it was my destiny." Thus, this began Mr Bouqdib's love affair with tea which today has culminated

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\_\_\_\_\_ the thriving Singapore-based empire that is TWG Tea.

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\_\_\_\_\_ he founded TWG seven years ago, Mr Bouqdib had made a point of learning the craft of brewing the perfect cuppa by working for fourteen years at French gourmet

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tea company Mariages Freres. Eventually, Mr Bouqdib decided to strike \_\_\_\_\_ on his

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own. Initially, he and his wife had their sights set on the United States but a friend who was living here persuaded them to consider Singapore as their base instead.

"So we came and the magic of Singapore won us over – between the airport and the hotel, I made the decision that Singapore \_\_\_\_\_ be the right place to start our company."

(37)

Within a year, the couple had packed up their lives and moved here and began working round the clock to start up \_\_\_\_\_ business. They are now permanent residents.

(38)

Adapted from "Brewing a tea empire from love at first sight" Straits Times 23 Dec 2013

Each of the underlined words contain a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

A loosened cover on a Downtown Line (DTL) train's detrainment switch was what caused Singapore's newest MRT line's second disruption in less than a week.

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Downtown Line operator SBS Transit reportedly said at a press conference on Saturday that the switch was believed to be triggered with a young girl who moved the metal

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cover that concealed it, triggering a cut in the power supply, an in-built safety feature, and the deployment of a ramp for emergency evakuaton.

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Friday night's disruption lasted about 40 minutes, from around 9.34pm to 10.14pm, according to SBS Transit. However, they resulted in a halt in service for more than an hour,

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according to other local media reports.

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The company said it had since enhanced its switch covers "for a tighter fit" on all its DTL trains, adding that it has stationed staff at both ends of its trains to prevent repeat incedents.

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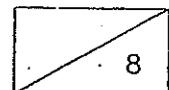
"At about 9pm, there was a power fault affecting the Downtown Line, 50 passengers on one train was detained at Bayfront Station. Full service resumed at 10.10pm. We apologise to

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all commuters for the inkonveneince caused," said Tammy Tan, SBS Transit Senior Vice

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President of corporate communications.



Further investigations by both SBS Transit and the Land Transport Authority are ongoing.

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Throughout the disruption, SBS Transit and the Land Transport Authority keep commuters updated via social media and activated its free bus bridging service between stations.

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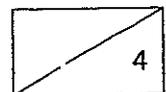
This is the second time the new Downtown Line xperienced a service disruption. The first one happened just hours after its official opening the previous Sunday. Train service was delayed near Bayfront MRT station for 15 minutes due to a train fault then.

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Commuters took to social media to vented their frustration. Many expressed their disappointment and disbelief.

Adapted from article "New Downtown Line MRT service hit by second breakdown within a week" Yahoo Newsroom Dec 28 2013



Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

An eleven-year old girl whimpered softly. Her father carried her into the blue insulated medical tent \_\_\_\_\_ Marc O'Regan was treating the injured. More than six weeks had \_\_\_\_\_ since the devastating earthquake in Kashmir, Pakistan and the injury that the child \_\_\_\_\_ behind her left ear – most likely caused by a \_\_\_\_\_ pole – had yet to be treated.

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(52)  
(53)  
(54)  
The girl lay her head on her father's lap as O'Regan \_\_\_\_\_ cut away some of her hair. He then cleansed the wound and dressed it. As he worked, he kept up a steady patter of encouragement.

"I know it hurts," he said. "We're going to make it better."

He administered a \_\_\_\_\_ injection that made the child cry. Then he handed over a packet of pills to the father and child. Through a pair of soldiers who translated using basic English, he told the patient to see \_\_\_\_\_ the next day.

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(57)  
O'Regan was taking a month off to volunteer with a medical-relief \_\_\_\_\_ called Operation Heartbeat in the demolished earthquake zone. The quake had struck on October 8, 2005 and to a country already fatigued by years of disasters, the effects of the earthquake were overwhelming. More than 80,000 people were killed. Nearly four million of the quake survivors, many seriously injured had been left \_\_\_\_\_, with winter coming soon.

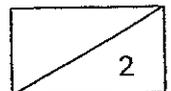
(58)  
From the air, the place looked like Hiroshima \_\_\_\_\_ the bomb. Buildings and homes were flattened, debris were everywhere including farm equipment and carcasses of \_\_\_\_\_ that were the region's lifeblood.

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(62)  
\_\_\_\_\_ the quake, Kashmir had been spectacularly beautiful like an emerald river rushing along glacier-smoothed stones at the valley floor. In the distance stood the majestic Himalayas that many trekkers had scaled the \_\_\_\_\_ slopes with much difficulty.

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In the aftermath of the earthquake which \_\_\_\_\_ 7.6 on the Richter scale, Pakistan and the United Nations issued a plea for \_\_\_\_\_ and volunteers began to arrive. On the day he saw the girl with the head wound, O'Regan was on a two day drop-in mission for Operation Heartbeat flying by helicopter from base camp into a remote valley called Gehl to care for the injured in three villages still inaccessible by road.

Adapted from *Operation Heartbeat* Reader's Digest, April 2006



For each of the following questions, 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(s). (10 marks)

66. Ali and Siti baked a birthday cake. They wanted to show their love for their mother.

Ali and Siti showed \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

67. The castle is so beautiful. Helen is captivated by it.

Helen is captivated \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

68. You must wake up on time. You do not want to miss the school bus.

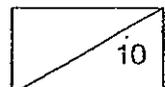
\_\_\_\_\_ in order not to  
\_\_\_\_\_

69. The rabbit in the magician's hat suddenly disappeared. It surprised the audience.

The sudden \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

70. "Pack all <sup>their</sup> your camping equipment into the bag!" the commander told his soldiers.

The commander reminded \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



The passengers on the bus watched sympathetically as the young woman with the white cane made her way carefully up the steps. She paid the driver and, using her hands to feel the location of the seats, walked down the aisle and found the seat he had told her was empty. She settled in and rested her cane against her leg.

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It had been a year since Safiya became blind due to a medical misdiagnosis. She was suddenly thrown into a world of darkness, anger, frustration and self-pity. Once a fiercely independent woman, Safiya now felt powerless, a helpless burden on everyone around her. No matter how much she cried or ranted, she knew her sight was never going to return. Just getting through each day was an exercise in frustration and exhaustion. All she had to cling on to was her husband, Meraj.

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Meraj was an Air Force officer. A determined man, he had made up his mind to help his wife regain the strength and confidence to become independent again. He knew that was the most daunting task he would ever face.

Soon Safiya felt ready to return to her job, but how would she get there? She used to take the bus but was now too frightened to get around the city by herself. Meraj volunteered to drive her to work each day even though they worked at opposite ends of the city.

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This comforted Safiya and fulfilled Meraj's need to protect his sightless wife who was so insecure about performing the slightest task. Soon, however, Meraj realized that the arrangement was not working - it was hectic, and costly. Safiya had to start taking the bus again. How would she react to such a suggestion?

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Just as Meraj predicted, Safiya was horrified at the idea of taking the bus again. "I am blind!" she responded bitterly. "How am I supposed to know where I am going? I feel like you are abandoning me."

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Meraj was heartbroken. He promised Safiya that he would ride the bus with her until she got the hang of it. For two weeks, Meraj accompanied Safiya to and from work each day. He taught her how to rely on her other senses, specifically her hearing, to determine where she was and how to adapt to her new environment.

Meraj helped her befriend the bus drivers who could watch out for her and save her a seat. Each morning, they made the journey together and Meraj would take a cab back to his office. Although this routine was more costly and exhausting than the previous one, Meraj knew it was only a matter of time before Safiya became independent again.

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Finally with the overwhelming support and encouragement from her husband, Safiya decided that she was ready to try the trip on her own. Monday morning arrived and for the first time, they went their separate ways. 35

One Friday morning, Safiya took the bus to work as usual. As she was paying for her fare to exit the bus, the driver said, "I envy you. It must feel so good to be taken care of and protected like you are." 40

Safiya had no idea what the driver was talking about and questioned him curiously.

The driver answered, "Every morning for the past week, a gentleman has been standing across the corner watching you when you get off the bus. He makes sure you cross the street safely and watches you until you enter your office building. Then he blows you a kiss and walks away. You are one lucky woman." 45

Tears of happiness poured down Safiya's cheeks. Although she could not physically see him, she had always felt Meraj's presence. Safiya was lucky for he had given her a gift more powerful than sight, a gift she did not need to see to believe. 50

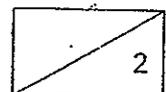
Adapted from <http://www.ezsoftech.com/stories/mis21.asp>

71. From **paragraph one**, how do we know that the passengers on the bus took pity on the young woman? [1m]

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72. Which five-word phrase from **lines 1 - 5** tells you that the young woman relied on her sense of touch to move around in the bus? [1m]



- 73 Choose a word from paragraphs 2 to 5 which suggest the following.  
Write each word in the appropriate box.

[3m]

Safiyah felt that she was a liability to her loved ones.	
Meraj knew that it would be very difficult for him to get Safiyah to become independent again.	
Safiyah doubted her own ability to carry out the simplest job.	

- 74 Based on the passage, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so.

[3m]

	True / False	Reason
Meraj was in despair and felt helpless as he did not know how to help his wife.		
The bus drivers whom Safiyah encountered were most helpful.		
Safiyah was happy about taking the bus again.		

- 75 What does the word "it" in line 21 refer to? [2m]

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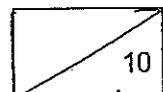
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- 76 According to the passage, what are the two things that Meraj trained his wife in during the two weeks when he accompanied her on the bus to work? [2m]

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77. The change in Safiyah has been tracked below. Based on your understanding of the passage, give suitable reasons for this change. [2m]

Past	Present	Reason
Safiyah had no problem moving around on her own.	She had to use a white cane to aid her in finding her way around.	
Safiyah was bitter and negative towards her life after becoming blind.	She became a happier and positive person and had even returned to work.	

78. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. [1m]

\_\_\_\_\_ Safiyah had to learn to overcome her disability.

\_\_\_\_\_ Safiyah was an independent woman.

\_\_\_\_\_ Safiyah became blind unexpectedly.

79. List down three things which Safiyah's husband did to make the bus driver describe Safiyah as **one lucky woman** in line 46? [3m]

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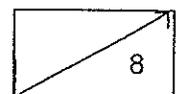
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80. According to the passage, Safiyah said that she had "a gift more powerful than sight" (line 49). What was this gift that her husband had given her? [2m]

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## Exam Paper 2014 Answer Sheet

**School: SINGAPORE CHINESE GIRLS' SCHOOL**

**Subject: PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH**

**Term: SA1**

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2) 2	7) 2	12) 2	17) 3	22) 2	27) 3
3) 3	8) 1	13) 3	18) 3	23) 3	28) 3
4) 3	9) 4	14) 4	19) 4	24) 4	
5) 3	10) 4	15) 4	20) 4	25) 1	

29) J	31) B	33) A	35) K	37) H
30) G	32) N	34) Q	36) D	38) M

39. conference

40. by

41. evacuation

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44. incidents

45. were

46. inconvenience

47. kept

48. experienced

49. official

50. vent

51. where

52. passed

53. suffered

54. falling

55. carefully

56. painful
57. him
58. organization
59. untreated
60. after
61. animals
62. Before
63. steep
64. measured
65. help
66. Ali and Siti showed their love for their mother by baking a birthday cake.
67. Helen is captivated by the beautiful castle.
68. You must wake up on time in order not to miss the school bus.
69. The sudden disappearance of the rabbit in the magician's hat surprised the audience.
70. The commander reminded his soldiers to pack all their camping equipment into the bag.
71. They watched sympathetically as the young woman with the white cane made her way carefully up the steps.
72. Using her hands to feel.
73. Burden  
Daunting  
Insecure
74. False; Meraj was a determined man and had made up his mind to help his wife regain the strength and confidence to become independent again.  
True; They agreed to watch out for her and saved her a seat every morning.  
False; Safiya was horrified at the idea of taking the bus again.
75. It refers to Meraj driving Safiya to work every morning even though they worked at opposite ends of the city.

76. He taught her how to rely on her other senses to determine where she was and how to adapt to her new environment.

77. Safiyah became blind due to a medical misdiagnosis.  
Her husband gave her overwhelming support and encouragement.

78. 3, 1, 2

79. (1) Watched her alight from the bus. (2) Watched her cross the road safely.  
(3) Watched her enter the office building.

80. The gift that her husband had given her was love.

