



NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term Review 1 – 2012

English Language

Primary 4

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Section A: Grammar - MCQ (6 × 1 mark)

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

1. The fishermen _____ upset when they realised that their nets were torn.
(1) is (2) are
(3) was (4) were ()

2. Jasmine _____ complete all her homework or she will get a punishment from her teacher
(1) could (2) might
(3) must (4) would ()

3. Susan _____ the dentist every six months for a routine checkup.
(1) visit (2) visits
(3) visited (4) visiting ()

4. The Wright Brothers were the Americans who _____ the first practical airplane.
(1) construct (2) were constructed
(3) constructed (4) were constructing ()

5. The gardener used scarecrows to scare _____ the crows which were disturbing the crops and gardens.
(1) across (2) away ()
(3) behind (4) through

6. Mary _____ extremely late as usual and missed the first half of the concert.
(1) turned up (2) turned on
(3) turned in (4) turned off ()

Section B: Grammar - Cloze (6 × 1 mark)

There are 6 blanks numbered 7 to 12. From the list of the words given, choose the most appropriate word for each blank. Write its letter (A to K) in the blank. The letter (I) has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

Use each word only ONCE.

A) around	B) if	C) its	D) itself	E) of
F) off	G) out	H) up	J) what	K) while

18 March 2012

Dear Kelly,

Look at the creature on this postcard! Do you know 7) _____ it is? You would not want to play hide-and-seek with this leaf-tailed gecko. It is capable of changing its colour. While on the branch of a tree, it remains so still and camouflaged that you will not be able to notice it at all.

With predators such as the snake and hawk, the leaf-tailed gecko certainly needs this natural ability to disguise itself. Throughout the day, the leaf-tailed gecko hardly moves. When threatened, it will try to frighten its attacker 8) _____. It is only 28 centimetres long but it makes 9) _____ look bigger and fiercer by opening its mouth wide to show a blood red mouth. It also makes a squawking noise to intimidate its enemy. 10) _____ all else fails to deter the enemy, it will drop its tail as a final resort.

The leaf-tailed gecko is a hunter too. It creeps _____ its habitat after dark and preys on small frogs, moths, beetles and other creepy-crawlies

I will be back in Singapore in a few days. I will catch 12) _____ with you then. Take care!

Yours truly,

Leann

Section C: Vocabulary - MCQ (6 × 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number in the brackets provided.

13. "What a rude waiter!" he _____ angrily to the manager.
(1) argued (2) muttered
(3) wailed (4) complained ()
14. The fishermen were very _____ of the raging storm as it might capsize their boat.
(1) fearing (2) fearless
(3) fearful (4) fearsome ()
15. Sonny has purchased all the necessary camping _____ that we require for our annual camping trip.
(1) supplies (2) apparatus
(3) weapons (4) ingredients ()
16. Although my grandfather is eighty years old, he is still participating in marathons. He is _____.
(1) as lazy as a pig (2) as fit as a fiddle
(3) as brittle as glass (4) as stubborn as an ox ()
17. His mother caught him _____ around the neighbourhood instead of attending school.
(1) travelling (2) cruising
(3) wondering (4) wandering ()
18. Jimmy did not score well for his examination as he began his revision _____.
(1) on the dot (2) over one's head
(3) at the eleventh hour (4) sitting on the fence

Section D: Vocabulary - Cloze (6 × 1 mark)

There are 6 blanks numbered 19 to 24. From the list of the words given, choose the most appropriate word for each blank. Write its letter (A to K) in the blank. The letter (I) has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

Use each word only **ONCE**

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|------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| A) extreme | B) dwindling | C) excitement | D) exorbitant | E) increasing |
| F) protect | G) season | H) selfish | J) shield | K) thoughtless |

There has been some concern in Malaysia about the giant turtles which had come to nest on the beaches in Trengganu. Great efforts have been made to 19) _____ the giant turtles when they come out of the sea to lay their eggs in the sand.

These heavy turtles, weighing almost seven hundred kilograms each, drag themselves up the beach at night once a year during the egg-laying 20) _____. With their flippers, they dig deep holes in the sand and each can lay up to one hundred and fifty eggs. However, only one or two eventually survive till adulthood. The number of turtles nesting on the shores of Trengganu is 21) _____. Less than six hundred turtles showed up this year, while villagers reported numbers of more than a thousand a decade ago.

The problem stems from the fact that people want to make a sum of money from the turtles. They charge tourists 22) _____ fees to view the egg-laying. As the tourists are filled with 23) _____, they are unaware that the noise they make scare the turtles away from the beach. Sometimes, the turtles refuse to lay eggs when torches are shone on them by tourists. Some foolish tourists even attempt to sit on their shells and ride these animals up the beach.

There are also accidents caused by the 24) _____ behaviour of certain people. Turtles, which usually feed on jellyfish, sometimes eat plastic bags thrown in the sea and are often choked to death. Others get caught in nets thrown by careless fishermen.

Section E: Synthesis (3 x 2 marks)

For each item, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the conjunction given. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the given one(s).

25. We arrived at one o'clock this afternoon. We have been waiting for him.

_____ since

26. Tommy loves cooking. He dislikes washing the dishes.

_____ but

27. I am late for school. I will be punished.

Section F: Comprehension (5 × 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 28 to 32.

Below are further excerpts from Megan's diary, highlighting her visit to Paris, where John is undergoing medical treatment.

January 29

We finally arrived in Paris. The journey was really exhausting. We had to change planes twice and we spent five hours at the airport in London just waiting. Poor John was feeling extremely unwell. I was very tired myself. I was also airsick on the first plane ride. It was horrible. I threw up many times. On the second plane ride from England to France, my father got me some anti-airsickness pills. Thus, I managed to sleep throughout the entire flight. I was extremely groggy though, when we arrived at airport. 5

January 30

It is very cold in Paris now. There is some melted snow on the roads. The snow is dirty and the roads are muddy. We are living with a friend of Dr Charles, Ben. Ben is an extremely kind widower. His two grown-up children live in other parts of France. Ben speaks a little English. However, my mother speaks French, so she acts as our interpreter. 10

I slept through most of the day. Ben lives in a luxurious cottage outside the city with a beautiful garden. It is very cosy inside the cottage. My room is in the attic, which is just under the roof of the house. John sleeps with our parents in the guest bedroom on the ground floor. 15

January 31

We took John to see Dr Charles and the other two surgeons, Dr Jack and Dr Tim. John was elated to meet both the surgeons because the doctors entertained him with stories and songs.

After examining John, they informed us that they would have to operate on John as soon as they could. The surgery is scheduled for 3rd February. I am worried sick. Our parents decided that they would take us out to see the sights in Paris before the surgery. 20

February 1

We saw many impressive sights today but I was not in the mood to appreciate any of them. I tried my best not to appear depressed in front of John because he would hug me and tell me that he would be fine. That makes me want to cry even more. Our parents are also worried. They did not sleep a wink at all last night. 25

February 3

It is late now and the surgery is finally over. We received *excellent news!* I am bursting with excitement but tired out. I really need to get some rest after not sleeping for more than 24 hours. I can't wait for John to make a full recovery.

For questions 28 to 29, choose the most suitable answer and write its number in the brackets provided.

28. Why was the journey exhausting for Megan and her family?
(1) Paris was very far.
(2) John was feeling extremely unwell.
(3) Megan was airsick from the plane ride.
(4) They had to change planes and wait during the transit. ()
29. From the passage, the sight in Paris was very _____ on January 30.
(1) murky
(2) gloomy
(3) impressive
(4) picturesque ()

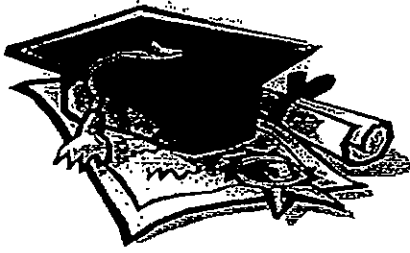
For questions 30 to 32, write your answers in the space provided. Your answers must be based on the information from the passage. All answers must be in complete sentences.

30. Which **word** in paragraph 3 has the same meaning as 'very expensive and comfortable'?

31. Why was the author unable to appreciate any of the beautiful sights of Paris?

32. What was the "excellent news" that the author received in line 27?





ANSWER SHEET

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TERM : CA1

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
4	3	2	3	2	1	J	F	D	B	A	H	4	3	1	2	4

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24
3	F	G	B	D	C	K

25) We have been waiting for him since we arrived at one o'clock this afternoon.

26) Tommy loves cooking but dislikes washing the dishes.

27) If I am late for school, I will be punished.

28) 4 29) 2

30) The word is "luxurious".

31) She was worried about John's condition.

32) It was the success of John's surgery.

