



RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT (1)

2004

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Name : _____ Class: P3 _____ Index No: _____

10 May 2004

ENGLISH

Att: 1 h 15 min

Your Score Out of 48 marks		
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Section A

Grammar (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

1. _____ girls playing over there are from the next class.

- (1) These
- (2) Those
- (3) That
- (4) This ()

2. These erasers are _____ than those I bought last week.

- (1) cheap
- (2) cheapest
- (3) cheaply
- (4) cheaper ()

3. One of the boys _____ Mandarin very well.

- (1) speak
- (2) speaks
- (3) speaking
- (4) spoken ()

4. John and his brother hurt themselves while they _____ soccer this morning.

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

5. "Can I ask a favour _____ you?" asked Meina

- (1) for
- (2) from
- (3) of
- (4) to

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6. I was doing my homework when you _____.

- (1) calls
- (2) were calling
- (3) called
- (4) had called

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SECTION B

Vocabulary (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

7. The seminar was not well conducted as the speaker kept _____ to his notes.

- (1) reversing
- (2) rehearsing
- (3) referring
- (4) recalling

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8. Watching a soccer game is now a popular _____ in many parts of the world.

- (1) occupation
- (2) promotion
- (3) practice
- (4) pastime

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9. There are many species of _____ in the Sungei Buloh Nature Park.

(1) forests

(2) pets

(3) nature

(4) wildlife

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10. Rules help us to behave and keep _____ in the classroom.

(1) order

(2) proper

(3) cool

(4) calm

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11. Vivian was _____ when she heard that she was successful in her job application.

(1) elongated

(2) elated

(3) evasive

(4) entertained

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12. Jonathan has _____ with his pen pal for five years. They would like to meet up with each other one day.

(1) co-ordinated

(2) corresponded

(3) co-operated

(4) coincided

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SECTION C

Vocabulary Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to M) in each blank. The letter 'l' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

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|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| (A) close | (B) filled | (C) grant |
| (D) gratefully | (E) injection | (F) listened |
| (G) open | (H) plumb | (J) proudly |
| (K) rebel | (L) recognised | (M) recover |

Tammy woke up slowly. She _____ (Q13) for the familiar sounds of her mother making breakfast, but there were only the new and different sounds of a hospital. Tammy sighed. She had hoped that yesterday was just a bad dream. It was even more real when Nurse Siti came in to give her an _____ (Q14).

"Getting shots is part of being in the hospital," the _____ (Q15) nurse said briskly. "You'll get used to it."

"I just want to _____ (Q16) as soon as possible so that I can go home," Tammy said unhappily.

That afternoon, her best friend, Amy came to visit her. She smiled as she held something behind her back and told her to _____ (Q17) her eyes.

Then, Amy put some pieces of paper and a pair of scissors on the bed. "Now you can look," she said. "I've figured out a way for you to get well," she said _____ (Q18). "Remember an old story about the crane? It's

supposed to live for a thousand years. If a sick person folds one thousand paper cranes, the gods will _____ (Q19) her wish and make her healthy again."

She handed the crane to Tammy. "Here's your first one." Tammy's eyes _____ (Q20) with tears. How kind of Amy to bring a good luck charm. "Thank you, Amy," she whispered. "I'll never part with it."

Section D

Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

Read the passages carefully. Choose the correct word from the word given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

Passage 1

(A) he	(B) I	(C) it	(D) she
(E) they	(F) we	(G) you	

My best friend and I were shopping when (Q. 21) _____ met our teacher, Miss Lee. (Q. 22) _____ was shopping for a birthday gift for her father. "(Q. 23) _____ likes to cook. Maybe I should buy him a cookbook. Would the both of you like to help me choose?" asked Miss Lee. All three of us went into a bookshop. Not long after, Miss Lee exclaimed, "Look! I found the cookbook! I'm sure my dad will like the recipes in (Q. 24) _____ . What do you all think?"

Passage 2

(A) sang	(B) had sung	(C) sing	(D) is singing
(E) sings	(F) singing	(G) singing	

Jenny is my classmate. She (Q. 25) _____ very well. Every weekend, she would gather with her friends for a (Q. 26) _____ session. Once a month, she would go to the old folks home to (Q. 27) _____ with the elderly. Last year, she won the first prize in a Talentime Competition. Every one who was there to lend her a support and to cheer her on ~~were~~^{was} mesmerized by her clear crystal voice as she (Q. 28) _____ the song 'Reflection'.

Section E

Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

When Andrew told the girls that there were three green men, Lisa narrowed her eyes in disbelief.

"We didn't want to scare you off or anything," said Tom, "but that was the field they came down in." He pointed over the garden fence.

"We just thought we ought to warn you as you are going to spend the night out here," Andrew said.

"Scared? We are not going to be bothered by just three little green men! Besides, they may not be real! Am I right, Pippa?" asked Lisa.

Pippa chewed nervously on her bottom lip. She was at a ^{loss}lost for words. She had never been as keen as Lisa at the idea of camping out in the garden. But they had to do it because Lisa had said so. It was a dare.

Andrew and Tom had done it last night, just to prove that there was nothing to it. Now it was the girls' turn. Lisa added on, "Come on, Pippa. Everything is going to be okay. The boys were just cooking up stories to try to scare us. How can there be an old spaceship with little green men in it anyway?"

"That's what you think," said Tom.

Pippa swallowed. "Did you s-say your uncle s-saw it?"

"Yup," Andrew nodded. "He was driving home one night and he saw it come down and those little green men got out."

Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

29. Lisa felt _____ when she heard about the green men from Andrew.

- (1) suspicious
- (2) nervous
- (3) terrified
- (4) angry

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30. Pippa and Lisa had planned to _____.

- (1) visit Andrew's house.
- (2) explore the garden.
- (3) camp out in the garden.
- (4) find the old spaceship.

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31. A dare is to _____.

- (1) make someone promise not to tell anyone what you told them
- (2) tell someone that you cannot do it.
- (3) plan for an exciting adventure.
- (4) do something dangerous to prove that you are brave.

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32. _____ had camped out in the garden the night before.

- (1) Andrew and his uncle
- (2) Andrew and Tom
- (3) Tom and his father
- (4) Andrew, Tom and Andrew's uncle

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33. _____ saw the little green men.

- (1) Andrew
- (2) Tom
- (3) Andrew's uncle
- (4) Tom's uncle

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SECTION F

Comprehension (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Write your answers in complete sentences.

Mr. Raja wanted to show the Primary Three pupils in his class how plants grow under different conditions. Using good soil, he planted a bean in the first pot and put it outside the classroom under the sun. He watered it every day. He planted a bean in the second pot. Then, he placed it next to the first pot but he did not water it at all. He planted a bean in the third pot. He placed this pot in the class cupboard and watered it every day.

Ten days later, he took out the pots and placed them on his desk in a row. He labelled all the three pots. The first said, "This bean has been exposed to sunlight and has been watered every day." The second said, "This bean has been exposed to sunlight but it has not been given any water." The third label said, "This bean has been watered every day but it was placed in the cupboard where it did not receive any light."

"Great!" he said to himself. "All the beans look different. When the pupils come to school tomorrow, they can see what plants need in order to grow well."

On the following day, he had a surprise. All the plants looked the same. Just then, the school cleaner, Aunt Poh, approached Mr. Raja and said, "I read the labels on the pots. I have watered all the plants and exposed them to sunlight. They are all growing well now. I hope you are pleased with them."

Answer the following questions. Write your answers in complete sentences.

34. What was Mr. Raja's occupation?

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35. What did Mr. Raja want to do?

36. Based on the passage, name two conditions that plants need in order to grow well.

37. What had Aunt Poh done?

38. Which sentence in the passage tells us that Aunt Poh was proud of her actions?

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2.	4	14) E	22) D
3.	2	15) H	23) A
4.	4	16) M	24) C
5.	3	17) A	25) E
6.	3	18) J	26) F
7.	3	19) C	27) C
8.	4	20) B	28) A
9.	4		29) 1
10.	1		30) 3
11.	2		31) 4
12.	2		32) 2
			33) 3

34) He was a teacher

35) Mr Raja wants to show his primary Three class how plants grow into different conditions.

36) plants need Sunlight and water in order to grow well

37) Aunt poh had watered all the plants and exposed them to Sunlight.

38) I hope you are pleased with them"