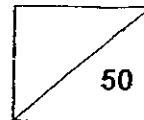


HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL  
2008 SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION ONE  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2  
PRIMARY 3



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Class: Primary 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Duration of Paper: 1h 15min

**Section A: Vocabulary (10 x 1 mark)**

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. Then shade your answers in the OAS given.

1. James referred to the \_\_\_\_\_ entitled 'The World of European Birds' to do his Science project.

- 1) atlas
- 2) dictionary
- 3) encyclopaedia
- 4) fiction

( )

2. \_\_\_\_\_ after the picture was painted, the artist died in a sailing accident.

- 1) Lately
- 2) Quickly
- 3) Shortly
- 4) Slowly

( )

3. Please \_\_\_\_\_ me to the doctor. I feel weak and feverish.

- 1) bring
- 2) fetch
- 3) send
- 4) take

( )

4. John collected some \_\_\_\_\_ from the travel agencies as he was planning a holiday for his family.

- 1) brochures
- 2) catalogues
- 3) postcards
- 4) posters

( )

5. Everyone \_\_\_\_\_ loudly when the dance performance ended.

They were pleased with it.

- 1) applauded
- 2) cried
- 3) jeered
- 4) jumped

( )

6. The driver stopped his truck in time, so it did not \_\_\_\_\_ into the boy.

- 1) hit
- 2) knock
- 3) tumble
- 4) topple

( )

7. Let me \_\_\_\_\_ the story 'Three Little Pigs' with you.

- 1) announce
- 2) say
- 3) share
- 4) tell

( )

8. My favourite aunt won the \_\_\_\_\_ for 'Best Supporting Actress' for her role in the show 'Happy Go Lucky'.

- 1) award
- 2) menu
- 3) present
- 4) reward

( )

9. Aesop fables teach us \_\_\_\_\_ which help to build our characters.

- 1) clues
- 2) morals
- 3) predictions
- 4) thoughts

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10. Please leave a \_\_\_\_\_ if the person you wish to speak to is not in.

- 1) call
- 2) conversation
- 3) letter
- 4) message

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**Section B: Grammar (10 x 1 mark)**

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. Then shade your answers in the OAS given.

11. Ali is a polite pupil. He \_\_\_\_\_ all teachers whenever he meets them.

- 1) greet
- 2) greets
- 3) greeted
- 4) greeting

( )

12. The scouts will be meeting \_\_\_\_\_ the ground floor of their school tomorrow morning.

- 1) at
- 2) in
- 3) of
- 4) under

( )

13. The princess was scared. "How \_\_\_\_\_ I ever find my way out of this forest?" she cried.

- 1) may
- 2) must
- 3) can
- 4) shall

( )

14. Muthu bought two tickets for the funfair \_\_\_\_\_ he wanted to go with his younger brother.

- 1) but
- 2) since
- 3) so
- 4) while

( )

15. "Look at this name card. Does it \_\_\_\_\_ an email address on it?"

asked Mary.

- 1) has
- 2) had
- 3) have
- 4) having

( )

16. "My son really enjoyed \_\_\_\_\_ at your pool. Thank you for inviting us," Mrs Lee said to Mary.

- 1) swim
- 2) swims
- 3) swam
- 4) swimming

( )

17. One of the boys \_\_\_\_\_ going to sing a song.

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

( )

18. \_\_\_\_\_ swimming pool are we going to?

- 1) What
- 2) Where
- 3) Which
- 4) Who

( )

19. Joseph thinks he is \_\_\_\_\_ than his brother.

- 1) cute
- 2) cuter
- 3) cutest
- 4) as cute as

( )

20. Mr Samy exchanged \_\_\_\_\_ words with his sons before leaving for work as he was in a hurry.

- 1) a few
- 2) a little
- 3) much
- 4) many

( )

**Section C: Comprehension (MCQ) 5 x 1 mark**

Read the following letter and answer the questions that follow.

3 Siam Road  
Singapore 117702

12<sup>th</sup> February 2008

Dear Molly,

Thank you for inviting us to your party at the zoo last Sunday. My brother and I had great fun taking elephant and pony rides. We also enjoyed eating the egg sandwiches you had made.

Remember the time when I told you that I had moved into my new house? Well, we will be holding a house-warming party next Saturday from 6 pm to 9 pm. Do come dressed up in your favourite costume as we are having a fancy dress contest. Three best dressed children will receive prizes! The prizes are very attractive. There are book vouchers, shopping vouchers and even a computer game set to be won! We will also be playing indoor games such as 'Musical Chairs' and 'Whacko'. I have also prepared a fabulous goody bag for you to take home as your present!

My father will take everyone home at the end of the party, so tell your parents not to worry. See you then.

Your cousin,  
Leela

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. Then shade your answers in the OAS given.

21. Leela lives in \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) England
- 2) France
- 3) Malaysia
- 4) Singapore

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22. Leela attended a party at \_\_\_\_\_ on Sunday.

- 1) Leela's house
- 2) Molly's house
- 3) the park
- 4) the zoo

(     )

23. What kind of party is Leela having?

- 1) birthday party
- 2) farewell party
- 3) house-warming party
- 4) fancy dress party

(     )

24. What will each child bring home at the end of the party?

- 1) book voucher
- 2) computer game set
- 3) shopping voucher
- 4) goody bag

(     )

25. Which one of the words below has the same meaning as 'fabulous'?

- 1) wonderful
- 2) simple
- 3) huge
- 4) cheap

(     )

**Section D: Vocabulary Cloze ( 5 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage below. Choose the most suitable word from the box and fill in the blanks. Use each word once only.

blood	smiled	whispered	mouth	courage
throat	perspiration	moaned	blinked	excited

Terrence walked shyly into the classroom. Miss Lim, his form teacher,

26) \_\_\_\_\_ at him warmly and said cheerfully, "Class, I want you to meet a new student. Please tell the class a little about yourself, Terrence."

"Yes...., Miss Lim," Terrence 27) \_\_\_\_\_. He rubbed his sweaty palms together and tried to clear his 28) \_\_\_\_\_. Suddenly, his face turned as red as a tomato and 29) \_\_\_\_\_ trickled down his forehead.

Finally, Terrence gathered his 30) \_\_\_\_\_ and said, "I am from Ipoh in Malaysia. I hope to make friends with all of you." Everyone cheered and clapped loudly.





Section E: Grammar Cloze (10x 1 mark)

Part I: Read the passage below. Choose the most suitable word from the box and fill in the blanks. Use each word once only.

<del>collect</del>	<del>collects</del>	<del>collected</del>	<del>collecting</del>	<del>had collected</del>
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My best friend, Sue, loves to collect fridge magnets. She enjoys

31) \_\_\_\_\_ fridge magnets of all shapes and sizes. She

32) \_\_\_\_\_ her first fridge magnet when she was seven. As her

family members often travel for business, she managed to <sup>33</sup> ~~34~~ \_\_\_\_\_

fridge magnets from all over the world! I hope she <sup>34</sup> ~~36~~ \_\_\_\_\_ enough

of them to enter the Guinness Book of Records one day. Last Sunday when we

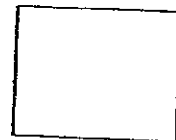
met up, she told me she <sup>35</sup> ~~38~~ \_\_\_\_\_ two thousand and ten fridge

magnets. I wished her the best of luck!



Part II: Read the following passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable words.

Who says kids cannot cook? If they 36) \_\_\_\_\_ instructions given to them closely, you will be surprised that they can. First, get everyone to 37) \_\_\_\_\_ a paper cap and put on an apron. Next, make sure everyone 38) \_\_\_\_\_ his or her hands and wears a pair of plastic gloves. Before 39) \_\_\_\_\_ the cooking lesson, set some rules that the kids must follow. After introducing the ingredients and explaining the steps to cooking the dish, 40) \_\_\_\_\_ the kids try out while you stand and watch by the side. You can then look forward to tasting their cooking!



**Section F: Comprehension Open-ended (5 x 2 marks)**

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Fourteen-year-old Charlie was a very responsible boy. He had to be both father and mother to his six siblings.

The story of Charlie's family was a sad one. Charlie's mother died recently after an illness. His father who was jobless went to Thailand to look for work. He managed to send some money home to pay for the bills and his children's food.

Meanwhile, Charlie had to cook and wash for his family. He had to prepare meals for his three younger brothers who were attending school near their little house. When his siblings fell sick, he had to look after them too.

Charlie's sad story was reported in Sunshine Times, a local newspaper. After reading the newspaper article, many generous people contributed food, medicine and money to the family. Life for Charlie and his family improved tremendously after that.

41) Why was Charlie extraordinary?

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42) How many sisters did Charlie have?

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43) What did Charlie's father do to show his care to his children?

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44) How did the people get to know about Charlie's sad story?

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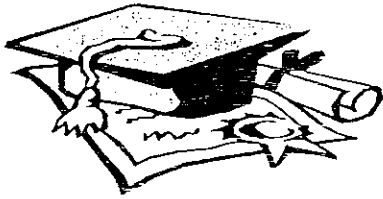
45) Which word in the passage has the same meaning as 'greatly'?

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End of Paper

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# ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2008

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Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25
3	2	1	4	4	3	4	1

26)smiled      27)whispered      28)throat      29)perspiration

30)courage      31)collecting      32)collected      33)collect

34)collects      35)had collected      36)follow      37)weal

38)washes      39)starting      40)let

41)Charlie life was extraordinary because he had to be both father and mother to his six siblings.

42)Charlie had three sister.

43)Charlie's father send some money home to pay the bills and his children's food to show his care to his children.

44)The people got to know about Charlie's sad story from Sunshine Times.

45)The word is 'tremendously.'