



CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION (2008)  
PRIMARY FOUR  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

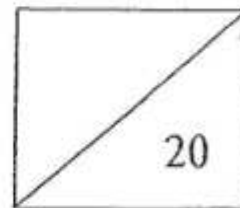
COMPOSITION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (      )

Class: Primary Four \_\_\_\_\_

50 minutes

20 marks



INSTRUCTIONS:

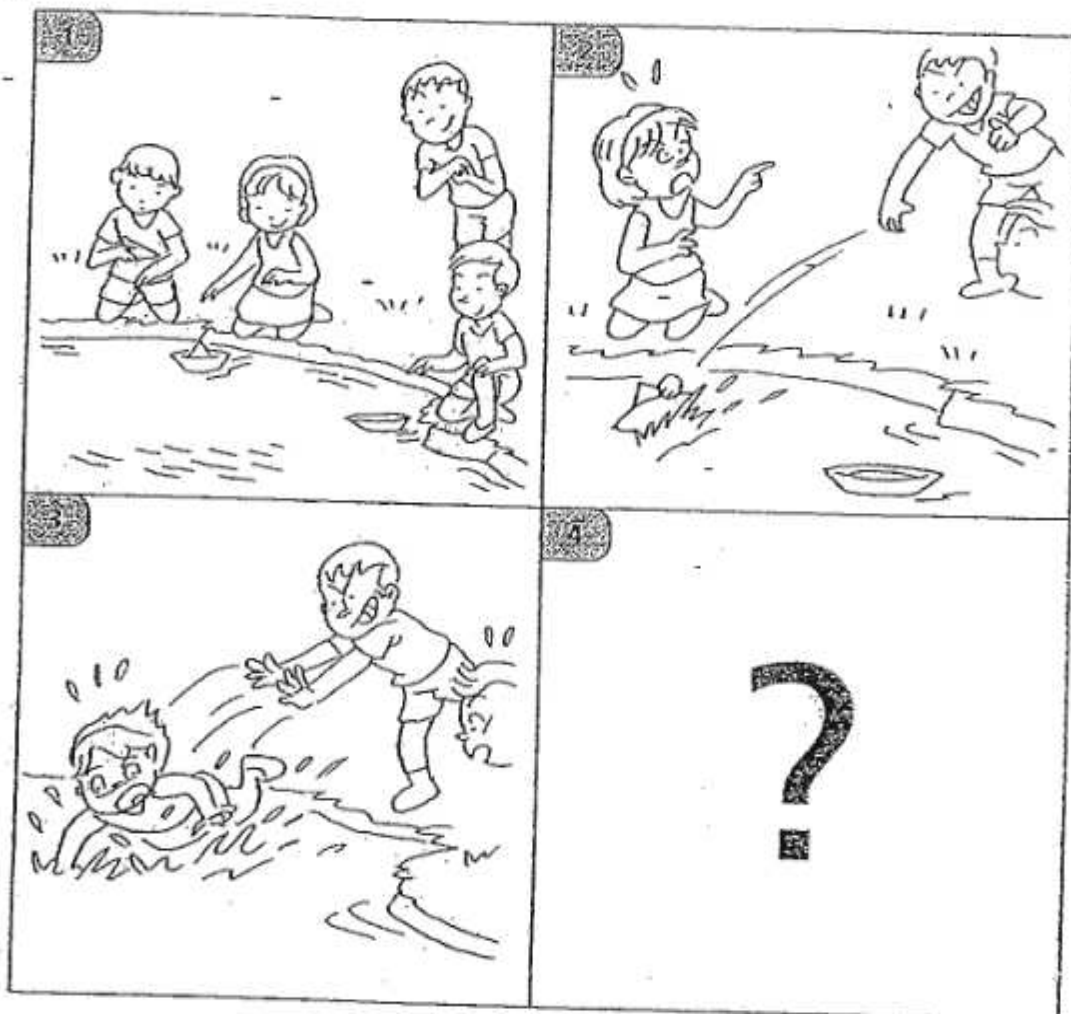
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There are 2 questions. Answer only ONE of them.

Question 1

Write a story based on the pictures below. Give the story your own ending. You may use the words and phrases in the box. Write a composition of at least 120 words.



clear sky	park	playing
bully	stone	pond
struggled	frightened	grateful

Question 2

You were taking your little brother out to a shopping mall nearby. You bumped into an old friend and started talking to him. When you turned around, you realised that your little brother was no longer there. He was nowhere to be seen.

Based on the above situation, write a composition of at least 120 words.

In your composition, make use of the points below:

- How you felt at that moment
- What you and your friend did
- What happened in the end

You may re-order the points. You may also include other relevant points.

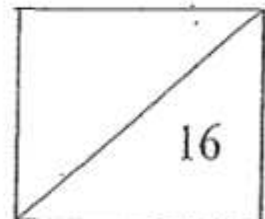


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LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (       )

Class: Pri 4 \_\_\_\_\_



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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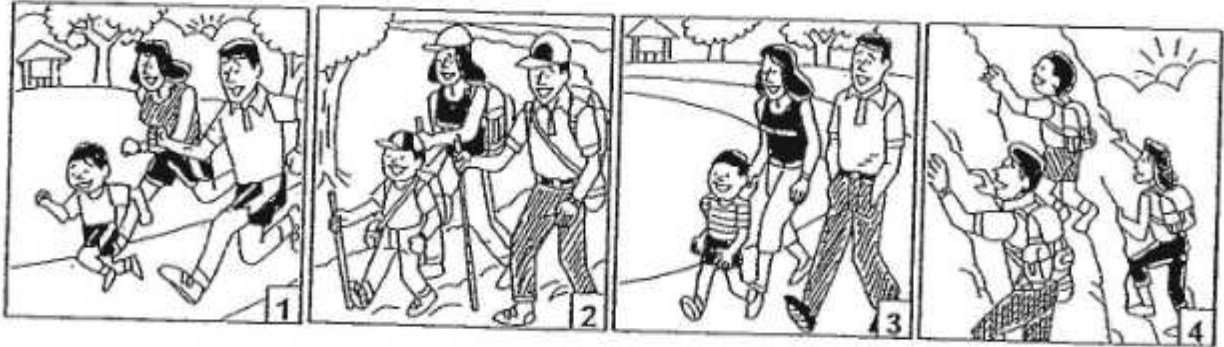
Answer all questions.

This booklet consists of 3 printed pages excluding the cover page.

**Part 1 – Picture Matching (4 marks)**

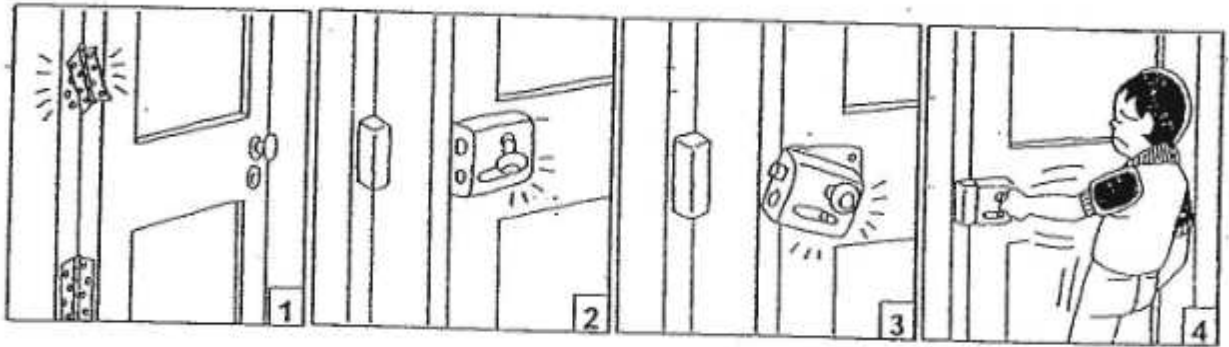
Listen carefully and choose the picture which matches the statement/s that is going to be read to you. Write the number 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets.

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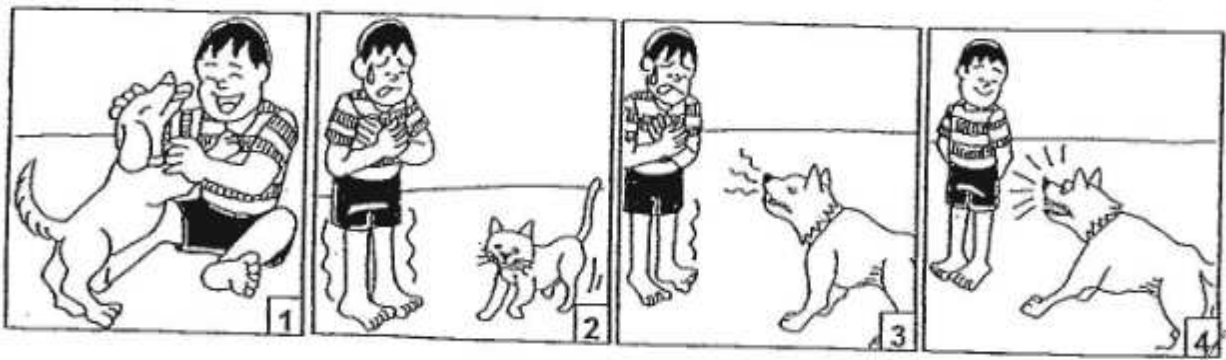
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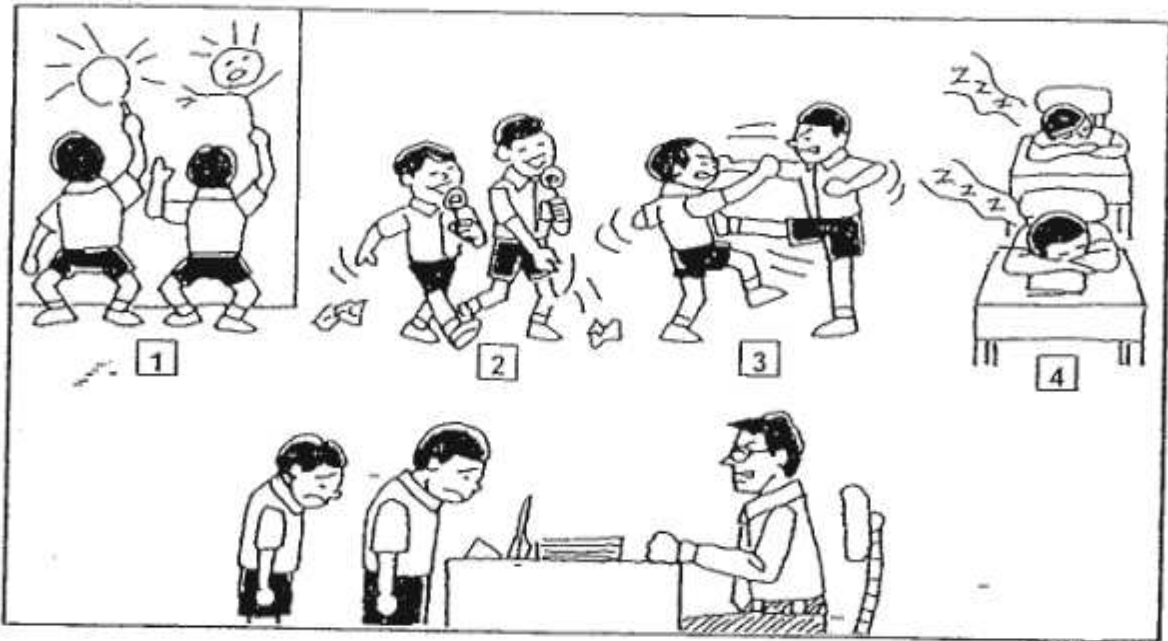
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**Part 2 – Note-taking & Dictation**

Questions 5 to 10 is a note-taking test. (6 marks)

Question 11 is a dictation test.

Your school has organised a workshop on "How to take care of your pet". Your class form teacher has asked you to take down some information about the workshop.

Each blank from questions 5 to 10 should be filled with one word or phrase. As you listen, fill in the blanks with the information given.

5.	Target group	:	_____
6.	Dates of workshop	:	_____
7.	You will learn about animal _____		
	at the Singapore Zoological Gardens.		
8.	Cost of workshop before 22nd May	:	\$ _____
9.	Maximum number of participants	:	_____
10.	Price inclusive of	:	_____, guided tours, lunch and entrance fees.





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PAPER 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (      )

Class: Primary Four \_\_\_\_\_

40 QUESTIONS

48 MARKS

TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLET: 1 HOUR 15 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS:

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Follow all instructions carefully.  
Answer all the questions.

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Section A – Grammar MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

1. Kieran and I followed the recipe and baked the cake \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (1) myself
  - (2) himself
  - (3) ourselves
  - (4) themselves
  
2. Dad said, "We \_\_\_\_\_ to watch a movie at the cinema now."
  - (1) go
  - (2) went
  - (3) is going
  - (4) are going
  
3. Last week, my father \_\_\_\_\_ from his business trip in London.
  - (1) return
  - (2) returned
  - (3) has returned
  - (4) will be returning
  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ grapes over there are from the vineyards of France.
  - (1) This
  - (2) That
  - (3) These
  - (4) Those
  
5. The coffee is very bitter. It has too \_\_\_\_\_ sugar in it.
  - (1) few
  - (2) little
  - (3) much
  - (4) many
  
6. After his lesson yesterday, Mr. Lim \_\_\_\_\_ surprised when his pupils sang him a birthday song.
  - (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were

Section B – Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

7. When Sally saw a stranger in her house, she was \_\_\_\_\_ and trembled in fear.
- (1) annoyed
  - (2) ashamed
  - (3) frightened
  - (4) disappointed
8. Mr. Xavier called the \_\_\_\_\_ to repair the leaking water pipes.
- (1) plumber
  - (2) carpenter
  - (3) mechanic
  - (4) electrician
9. Jackson was about to call his mother when he \_\_\_\_\_ that his handphone was missing.
- (1) realised
  - (2) believed
  - (3) guessed
  - (4) understood
10. A \_\_\_\_\_ dispenses medicine prescribed by the doctor.
- (1) nurse
  - (2) surgeon
  - (3) pharmacist
  - (4) paediatrician
11. Adam was advised by the surgeon to \_\_\_\_\_ from eating and drinking for at least twelve hours before his operation.
- (1) contain
  - (2) abstain
  - (3) restrain
  - (4) constrain
12. Alex and Annabelle met up to \_\_\_\_\_ out their differences.
- (1) iron
  - (2) pour
  - (3) copy
  - (4) flush

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

Read the advertisement carefully and answer the questions that follow.  
Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.



# Holiday Fiesta!



*Spend your September Holidays wisely!      Sign up for one of the courses listed below!*

For more information, call 63371234.

Discovery Hub, Merchant Centre, 8 Kingsley Street, Singapore 763823  
Discovery Hub members enjoy a 20% discount!

Academic Courses	Duration	Day	Fee
Exploring Science	2 hours	Monday	\$60
Creative Writing	3 hours	Tuesday	\$75
Abacus	2 hours	Sunday	\$65
Enrichment Courses	Duration	Day	Fee
Pottery	2 hours	Thursday	\$40
Violin	3 hours	Wednesday	\$90
Be a Magician!	2 hours	Friday	\$30

▲ All classes will begin at 10 a.m.  
▲ Please register at the Discovery Hub Office by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2008.  
▲ Transport to Discovery Hub is provided at \$8 per trip.  
▲ Lessons are only applicable to primary school children.

13. The courses advertised are organised by \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) Discovery Hub
- (2) Kingsley Street
- (3) Holiday Fiesta
- (4) Kingsley Centre

14. The Abacus course is conducted on \_\_\_\_\_ during the September school holidays.
- (1) Monday
  - (2) Wednesday
  - (3) Friday
  - (4) Sunday
15. Johnson can only spend \$30. He can sign up for the \_\_\_\_\_ course.
- (1) Pottery
  - (2) Be a Magician!
  - (3) Creative Writing
  - (4) Exploring Science
16. The latest date to enrol for the courses is on \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) 30 August 2008
  - (2) 31 August 2008
  - (3) 29 September 2008
  - (4) 30 September 2008
17. Which of the following statements is true?
- (1) All the courses end at 10 a.m.
  - (2) Every child is entitled to a 20% discount.
  - (3) Transport is not provided by Discovery Hub.
  - (4) Only primary school pupils can enrol for the courses.

Section D – Grammar Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank. Use each word ONCE only.

<del>(A)</del> he	<del>(B)</del> I	<del>(C)</del> me	<del>(D)</del> our
<del>(E)</del> she	<del>(F)</del> us	<del>(G)</del> we	<del>(H)</del> you

Hi Joshua,

The softball team has won the Inter-School Competition! (18) \_\_\_\_\_ felt extremely happy. Our hard work has finally paid off. (19) \_\_\_\_\_ should have been here with us. Our coach, Mr. Lim, is very proud of us. (20) \_\_\_\_\_ gave all of us a pat on (21) \_\_\_\_\_ backs for a job well done. Next year, it will be a great challenge for (22) \_\_\_\_\_ to retain our title.

Your friend,

Jacob

Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank. Use each word ONCE only.

<del>(A)</del> above	<del>(B)</del> age	<del>(C)</del> attempt	<del>(D)</del> emerged
<del>(E)</del> endangered	<del>(F)</del> formed	<del>(G)</del> found	<del>(H)</del> submerged

The pink dolphins live in the Amazon rainforest. They are usually born grey and become pink with (23) \_\_\_\_\_. They are found in streams and main rivers of the Orinoco River systems in South America. Dolphins can stay (24) \_\_\_\_\_ for up to fifteen minutes. In fact, dolphins usually hunt for their food up to 6 feet below the water surface.

These Amazon dolphins have relatives in other parts of the world. Their relative, the Pacific Humpback dolphin is (25) \_\_\_\_\_ in small populations off the coast of China, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam. Unfortunately, both species are (26) \_\_\_\_\_ due to thoughtless hunting.

In an (27) \_\_\_\_\_ to save these dolphins, the Pink Dolphin Appeal was launched in April 2003. The appeal hopes to raise public awareness of the dolphins' plight as they are struggling to survive.

*Adapted from: [http://www.dolphins-world.com/Pink\\_River\\_Dolphins.html](http://www.dolphins-world.com/Pink_River_Dolphins.html)*

Section F – Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Fill each blank with the most suitable word of your own.

Michael Phelps was born on 30<sup>th</sup> June 1985 in Baltimore, Maryland to Fred and Debbie Phelps. He started swimming at the age of seven. He excelled in (28) \_\_\_\_\_ and by the age of 10, he held the national record for his age group. Phelps' progress was swift and by (29) \_\_\_\_\_ 15, he had qualified for the 2000 Sydney Olympics.

At the Sydney Olympics, he aimed to win eight gold medals – a feat never achieved by any Olympian. After winning his first two gold medals, his dream was (30) \_\_\_\_\_ when he only managed to clinch the bronze medal in his third event. He left the Games with six gold medals and two bronze medals. He vowed to one day become the (31) \_\_\_\_\_ man to win eight gold medals at the Olympics.

On 18<sup>th</sup> August 2008, Michael Phelps won his eighth gold medal at the Beijing Olympic Games. This amazing feat will forever be (32) \_\_\_\_\_ in Olympic history. Winning eight gold medals was not all that he had accomplished. He had broken seven world records and an Olympic record on the way to becoming the greatest Olympian in the history of the Olympic Games.

*Adapted from: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michael\\_phelps](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michael_phelps)*

Section G – Sentence Synthesis and Transformation (3 x 2 marks)

For each of the items, rewrite the given sentences using the word/s provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the given ones.

33. The boys in Primary 5 enjoyed the National Education show. The girls in Primary 5 enjoyed the National Education show.

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34. I bought a pen. It is expensive.

\_\_\_\_\_ which

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35. Clement said, "I went to the library today."

Clement said that \_\_\_\_\_

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Section H – Comprehension Open-ended (5 x 2 marks)

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

<p>I went to my bedroom and slammed the door shut – not hard enough to get into trouble, but loud enough to give them the message. I did not want to move to Singapore.</p>	
<p>I was a girl happily living in the beautiful city of Melbourne. Australia was my home where I had always lived and where I wanted to grow up. I did not think it was fair that I had to move to another country just because Dad got a good job offer. Besides, I had just been selected for the state netball team.</p>	5
<p>I flopped down on my bed. I am not going. I had decided. I will stay in Melbourne with Nanny and Papa. I am sure my grandparents would be happy for me to live with them until my parents got this ridiculous idea about living overseas out of their systems. Besides, surely they would miss me so much that the two of them would return home after a week or two.</p>	10
<p>I rolled over so that I could see the moon through my window. I tried to imagine what Singapore would be like. I had to admit to myself that I really had no idea. I had never been out of Australia before. Apart from knowing that Singapore is near the equator from my Geography classes and would therefore be hot, I knew little else.</p>	15

*Adapted from: Life Turns Upside Down by Carolyn Goodwin*

36. Which country is the writer from?

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37. State one reason why the writer did not want to move to another country.

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38. Who would the writer live with if she did not follow her parents?

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39. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as the word "abroad"?

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40. What do you think the phrase "*out of their systems*" (line 12) means in the passage?

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# ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2008

SCHOOL : CATHOLIC HIGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUBJECT : PRIMARY 4 ENGLISH

TERM : SA 2

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
3	4	2	4	2	3	3	1	1	3	2	1	1	4	2	2	4

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27
G	H	A	D	F	B	H	G	E	C

- 28)swimming                      29)age                      30)ruined, dashed, shattered,  
destroyed, crushed
- 31)first                              32)etched, remembered, recorded, ingrained
- 33)The boys and girls in Primary 5 enjoyed the National Education show.
- 34)I bought a pen which is expensive.
- 35)Clement said that he had gone to the library that day.
- 36)The writer is from Australia.
- 37)Australia was her home where she had always lived where she wanted to grow up in.
- 38)The writer would would lived with her grandparents.
- 39)The word is "overseas."
- 40)It means to get rid of the idea of moving abroad.