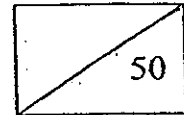


HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
2010 SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION TWO
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY FOUR



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SECTION A: VOCABULARY (5 x 1 mark)

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

1. The tired farmer sighed _____ as he continued with his work laboriously.

- (1) extremely
- (2) merrily
- (3) steadily
- (4) wearily

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2. Spain emerged the _____ in the 2010 World Cup finals after beating Netherlands one zero.

- (1) champion
- (2) conqueror
- (3) successor
- (4) survivor

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3. Templeton was telling the class a joke when he felt so _____ that he burst into laughter uncontrollably.

- (1) ashamed
- (2) delighted
- (3) frightened
- (4) tickled

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4. "Don't touch the Science apparatus without my permission!"
Mrs Tan _____ her students.

- (1) asked
- (2) begged
- (3) said
- (4) warned

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5. Endangered animals are _____ by law so do not hunt them.

- (1) restricted
- (2) reserved
- (3) protected
- (4) prohibited

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SECTION B: Grammar (6 x 1 mark)

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

6. The Milo drink is too sweet. It has too _____
sweetened milk in it.

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

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7. Mr Arable was cleaning the horse's hoof when he saw two
people _____ the stable.

- (1) enter
- (2) enters
- (3) entered
- (4) were entering

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8. Fern told the animals at the barn, "Make _____ as
comfortable as you can."

- (1) herself
- (2) itself
- (3) themselves
- (4) yourselves

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9. As the pupils had waited patiently in line for so long, the organisers decided that the tickets would be _____.

- (1) their
- (2) theirs
- (3) them
- (4) they

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10. _____ grapes here are not for sale. Please do not touch them.

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

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11. The Old-Green-Grasshopper announced that he _____ to play a tune for James' birthday the next day.

- (1) goes
- (2) went
- (3) is going
- (4) was going

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SECTION C: Comprehension Multiple-Choice Questions (4 x 2 marks)
Read the following passage and select the best answer for each question.
Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the
brackets provided. Then shade your answers on the OAS given.

In the middle of April 1920, a passenger train set off from Johore to Perak in Malaysia. As the line was quite new, the driver expected a peaceful journey. However, there was a surprise in store for him. When the train was scarcely five kilometres from its destination, the driver noticed a herd of elephants ahead of him. Some of them were near the railway line but the driver thought the noise of the train would disturb them and drive them away.

He was not quite right. Although some of the elephants went away, a huge bull lumbered towards the oncoming train. The driver guessed that the bull was the leader of the herd, and he stared at it anxiously.

"I wonder if the bull thinks the train is an enemy going to attack the herd," he said to the supervisor beside him.

He had hardly finished speaking when the bull suddenly charged at the train. With a tremendous crash, it hurled itself against the engine. The force of the crash pushed the engine off the track, throwing the driver and the supervisor into a bush. The weight of the train killed the elephant instantly and hurled it aside onto the grass patch nearby. After a while, the train came safely to a halt.

The passengers looked out in alarm. Neither the driver nor the supervisor was injured. They joined the passengers who had alighted from the train to look at the dead elephant.

12 The train heading for Malaysia was carrying _____.

- (1) a huge bull
- (2) only one driver
- (3) many passengers
- (4) a herd of elephants

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13. When the driver started his journey, he anticipated _____.

- (1) having an exciting ride
- (2) having a peaceful journey
- (3) that there would be trouble
- (4) that he would meet a herd of elephants

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14 The train driver thought that the bull crashed into the train because it _____.

- (1) did not see the train
- (2) was irritated by the noise
- (3) was trying to protect its herd
- (4) did not consider the train its enemy

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15. When the bull crashed into the train, _____.

- (1) the bull was thrown off the track
- (2) only the driver was seriously injured
- (3) only the passengers escaped unhurt
- (4) the driver and the supervisor were injured

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SECTION D: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully and fill in each blank with an appropriate word.

Captain Morel gave orders for the sails to be adjusted to carry them away from the rocks. However, when they set off towards the south, they soon (16) _____ that they were moving again towards some jagged rocks. Unable to steer the ship away in (17) _____, it crashed into the rocks. The damage was so great that an order to (18) _____ the ship was given. A lifeboat was lowered for the seamen to escape from the (19) _____ ship. Just after midnight, the ship went under water and only thirty-two of the one hundred people on (20) _____ the ship survived. All the survivors had for food was a barrel of ship's biscuits. They finally reached Batavia on 10th January, to tell their story of the disaster.



SECTION E: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

(A) Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) her	(B) him	(C) his
(D) it	(E) its	(F) their

Suddenly, the dinosaur turned towards Shaun's direction and stared at him. (21) _____ red and sharp teeth sent shivers down his spine. Sniffing the air, the creature salivated. The girls started screaming (22) _____ heads off. Carefully, Shaun took ^{Shaun} off ^{out} a black rectangular object from his pocket. The creature looked fiercely at him. The tense audience looked on intently. Suddenly, the dinosaur pounced on Shaun, snatched (23) _____ camera and started taking photographs of (24) _____. The audience burst into laughter. The students and the dinosaur then bowed to the appreciative audience.



(B) Read the passage carefully and fill in each blank with an appropriate word.

Singapore celebrates the arrival of the Youth Olympic Flame this evening at the National University of Singapore (NUS) sports field in a ceremony officiated by President SR Nathan.

The Flame arrived (25) _____ Singapore, concluding the international journey which started from Greece on July 23. It travelled to Berlin, Dakar, Mexico City, Auckland and Seoul (26) _____ arriving here.

The Singapore torch relay begins tomorrow starting (27) _____ CHIJ Toa Payoh Secondary School and ending over at the Float@Marina Bay. Over the next seven days (excluding August 9), Singapore will glow with the YOG spirit as 2,400 torch-bearers run (28) _____ the flame in a relay through Housing Board estates, parks and schools throughout the island. It is anticipated that there will be much fanfare and excitement at every stop.



SECTION F : Editing(4 x 1 mark)

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in the boxes provided.

He was conscious of soft voices which grew increasingly louder as he

(29)

regained consciousness. His eyes flickered open but everything were still a blur.

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His body seem to be floating although he realised that he was firmly strabbed to

the fable.

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As his vision slowly cleared, his eyes fokused on the object immediately above

him. It was a face, the face of an elderly man.



SECTION G : SYNTHESIS (2 x 2 marks)

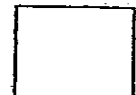
Join these sentences with the given connector.

33. Muthu prefers watching *Toy Story 3* to *Shrek 3*.

_____ would rather

34. North Korea did not enter the semi-finals at the 2010 World Cup. South Korea also did not enter the semi-finals at the 2010 World Cup.

Neither _____ nor



SECTION H: Comprehension Open-Ended Questions (5 x 2 marks)

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

Have you ever had an experience like this? You have a strange feeling that something is going to happen and it does happen.

Some years ago, a ten-year-old boy in West Germany was suddenly gripped by a feeling of terror. While his mother was preparing dinner, he rushed up to her and cried, "Mummy, Mummy, get out of the kitchen quickly! Something terrible is going to happen." Fortunately, his mother took him seriously. She picked up her three-year-old daughter and together with her son, dashed out of the house. Seconds later, the whole house was wrecked by a gas explosion.

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Was it just chance? Or was there more to it than that? Did the little boy actually receive some kind of warning before the accident? People call this sixth sense or ESP (extra – sensory – perception). What it really means is that a person with this sixth sense can see or know something that does not come to him through the five known senses – hearing, taste, touch, sight and smell.

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Not all scientists believe in ESP. Many think that human beings and animals are able to know about the world around them only through the natural powers of the five senses. However, a few scientists disagree with this thinking. They believe that it is possible for some people to know what is going to happen and to read what is in the minds of others without the use of senses. They are sure that ESP is present, even though they cannot prove it to the world.

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Write your answers in complete sentences.

35. What was the boy's mother doing in the kitchen?

36. What happened to the house?

37. Which phrase in the passage best shows that the boy was very frightened?

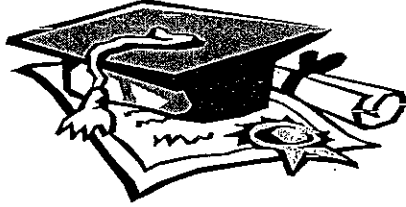
38. How are people with a sixth sense different?

39. Which sentence in the passage shows that some scientists believe very strongly in the presence of the sixth sense?

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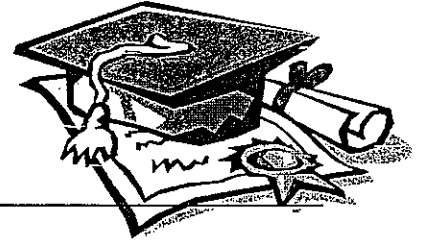


ANSWER SHEET

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