



Anglo-Chinese School (Junior)/
Anglo-Chinese School (Primary)

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2011
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2 (BOOKLET A)
PRIMARY SIX

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Class: Primary 6 _____

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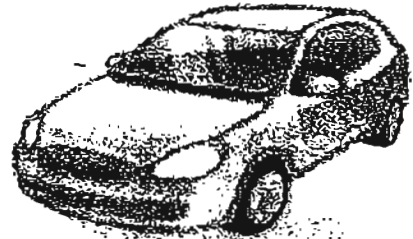
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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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Mid-point Megamall Shop and Win



Come down with your family and friends and you might just be the first ever lucky shopper to drive away a MBW car.

Spend \$50 or more on the same day of the draw and you will stand a chance to win a brand new MBW car in our first Shop and Win Lucky Draw. Simply obtain an entry form from the Customer Service Counter.

Fill in your particulars in the form. Attach your receipt as proof of purchase. Entries with incomplete particulars or with no receipt attached will not be accepted.

The first 30 shoppers to arrive at the mall will each receive a goody bag worth \$100.

Submit your entry form at the Atrium at Level 1.

Prizes to be won

Top Prize :
A brand new MBW car



Consolation Prizes :
Ten lucky winners will receive a \$200 Mid-Point Megamall shopping voucher each.

Twenty lucky winners will each receive a \$100 "Groom Your Car" voucher.

(Vouchers cannot be exchanged for cash.)

Shop and Win Lucky Draw

Venue: Atrium, Mid-point Megamall

Date : Saturday, 18 June 2011
Time : 7.00 p.m.

(Entry forms must be in the drop-in box by 6.30 p.m. Late entries will not be accepted.)
Winners must be present during the lucky draw.

Organised by: Mid-point Megamall

In conjunction with: Mid-point Megamall Anniversary Sale

Main Sponsor:

MBW

MBW Automobile Limited

Co-sponsors:

Groom Your Car

Groom Your Car Private Limited

The Feet Shop

The Feet Shop

For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The main purpose of this advertisement is to _____.
- (1) encourage shoppers to buy a new car at Mid-point Megamall
 - (2) encourage shoppers to participate in the Shop and Win Lucky Draw
 - (3) invite shoppers to share their driving experience with their family and friends
 - (4) inform shoppers on how to win a new car each in the Shop and Win Lucky Draw
2. The organiser of the Shop and Win Lucky Draw is _____.
- (1) The Feet Shop
 - (2) Mid-point Megamall
 - (3) MBW Automobile Limited
 - (4) Groom Your Car Automobile Limited
3. Visitors to the Mid-point Megamall _____.
- (1) will each receive a free goody bag worth \$100
 - (2) can come any time to participate in the lucky draw
 - (3) need not be present at the Atrium in order to win the prizes
 - (4) must spend at least \$50 in order to be eligible for the lucky draw
4. On that day, Mr Samy bought a bag worth \$70. If he wishes to take part in the lucky draw, he _____.
- (1) must first register at the Customer Service Counter
 - (2) can submit his entry form at the Atrium after 6.30 p.m
 - (3) needs to submit the entry form with the receipt attached to it
 - (4) needs to be one of the first 30 shoppers to arrive at the shopping mall
5. Which of the following statements is false?
- (1) Mid-point Megamall is the sole organiser of the lucky draw.
 - (2) There are three sponsors for the Shop and Win lucky draw.
 - (3) Consolation prizes are all sponsored by Groom Your Car Private Limited.
 - (4) MBW Automobile Limited is giving away one of its cars during the lucky draw.

For each question from 6 to 12, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(7 marks)

6. James, ~~together with his family~~, _____ at the park every morning.
- (1) jog
 - (2) jogs
 - (3) jogged
 - (4) jogging
7. The ~~puppy gave~~ your brother and his classmates a hard time, _____?
- (1) did he
 - (2) didn't it
 - (3) hadn't it
 - (4) didn't they
8. Jennifer wrote a letter of complaint _____ the salesgirl who was rude towards her.
- (1) for
 - (2) with
 - (3) over
 - (4) against
9. No matter how _____ research Joe did, he still could not complete the assignment.
- (1) few
 - (2) little
 - (3) many
 - (4) much
10. "Please ask Tommy _____ if you want to know more about the incident," Mandy told Peter.
- ~~(1)~~ myself
 - ~~(2)~~ himself
 - ~~(3)~~ yourself
 - ~~(4)~~ yourselves
11. _____ there be an emergency, please contact the principal immediately.
- (1) Would
 - (2) Should
 - (3) However
 - (4) Whenever
12. She could not bear to leave when she heard the little girl _____ loudly.
- (1) scream
 - (2) screams
 - (3) screamed
 - (4) has screamed

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(3 marks)

The moment Madam Salina stepped into her daughter's room, she had a rude shock.

"What a terrible mess this room is in (13) she gasped in exasperation. "Didn't I tell you to clean your bedroom before I returned home, Mariam?"

Mariam looked at her mother in utter disbelief. She did not intend to do the chore.

"Mother," she protested in an unhappy tone (14) "why do I have to do it? Auntie Hazel can do that for me. After all, she is our domestic helper."

Looking at Mariam sternly, Madam Salina replied, "You actually think I will ask her to clean up your mess, young lady (15)

Mariam frowned. She knew there was no point arguing with her mother and nodded quietly.

- 13 (1) [,] comma and inverted commas
(2) [.] full-stop and inverted commas
(3) [?] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!] exclamation mark and inverted commas
- 14 (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full-stop
(3) [:] colon
(4) [-] dash
- 15 (1) [.] full-stop
(2) [?] question mark
(3) [.] full-stop and inverted commas
(4) [?] question mark and inverted commas

For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

- 16 Aunt Agatha is going to Australia soon and we are here to _____ her farewell before she leaves for the airport.
- (1) bid
 - (2) wave
 - (3) shake
 - (4) indicate
- 17 Dr Raj and his team will be going for a scientific _____ to the southern parts of the Amazon forests to gather some rare species of plants and insects.
- (1) cruise
 - (2) excursion
 - (3) campaign
 - (4) expedition
- 18 This group of illegal foreign workers will be _____ to their own country next week.
- (1) exiled
 - (2) migrated
 - (3) repatriated
 - (4) transmitted
- 19 The Federal Investigation Bureau _____ the evidence found at the scene of the murder to determine the cause of death.
- (1) probed
 - (2) surveyed
 - (3) monitored
 - (4) scrutinised
- 20 I do not think that the robbers entered the house through the front door as the lock had not been _____.
- (1) triggered off
 - (2) knocked into
 - (3) broken down
 - (4) tampered with

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words.
Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

Wakeboarding is a combination of surfing, skateboarding, snowboarding and waterskiing.

A wakeboard looks like a fat snowboard with a pair of bindings (21) attached to it. During competitions, wakeboarders do (22) exciting acrobatic stunts in the air and on the water. These tricks are (23) spectacular — some athletes go as high as 25 feet in the air while doing a somersault.

Recreational wakeboarders cover all age ranges and skill levels but the (24) experts are the teens and those in the early 20's. Wakeboarding's (25) relaxed style and attitude is similar to the skateboarding crowd but a little more upscale simply because the sport requires more than a board or blades — it requires a boat to propel them across the water.

- 21 (1) added
(2) inclined
(3) affiliated
(4) connected
- 22 (1) hectic
(2) thrilling
(3) enthusiastic
(4) melodramatic
- 23 (1) legendary
(2) breathtaking
(3) exaggerated
(4) conspicuous
- 24 (1) novices
(2) amateurs
(3) apprentices
(4) professionals
- 25 (1) careless
(2) laid-back
(3) indifferent
(4) unassuming

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow it:

After vaguely imagining that she heard a faint hiss from behind the overlapping layers of shrubs, Mala inched closer to Darwan. As if by pure instinct of self-preservation, her little arms moved to circle around one of his.

"Dar...wan," she swallowed with discomfort. "I think there is something out there."

The leader of the group carried on his vigorous discussions with the older boys, pretending not to have heard her. His little sister was imagining things again, like she always had been: reserved, timid and pampered. He should have turned her down when she pleaded to follow. He should not have allowed himself that moment of weakness and consented.

"I think we should be somewhere over here," Jarhan pointed as he turned the badly crumpled map to orientate himself. "If we move southward from here, we should be able to reach the river in about an hour."

"And the river would lead us home," Darwan finished the sentence. "We just need to figure out which way is South." The rest nodded in agreement while one made his way to the front.

"Does this help?" the young boy offered with uncertainty. "That retired sailor from the west village gave it to me. He said before that it points north forever."

Darwan's eyes shone with renewed hope as he received the worn-out looking item. He brushed the layer of mud and dirt over its cover and shook it a little. Seeing that the other boys had huddled over it with enthusiasm, he nudged his way out of the small crowd. "Move aside, I need the light from the moon."

Suddenly, a sharp shriek cut the silence of the night and everyone jumped.

"Mala!" Darwan rolled his eyes with frustration. "Will you just stop being such a baby?"

"There is something there!" In tears, the girl pointed with indignant desperation. "Look! Over there!"

"Oh please, Mala..." Then, he stopped as he spotted for a brief moment where a single bush in the distance moved. Everyone fell speechless when another part rustled, followed almost immediately by another, and another. They were surrounded!

"RUN!" Darwan roared, grabbing the little hand next to him.

The group darted through the dark forest, not knowing where they were heading; not caring about the continuous feeling of pain, their skins brutally pierced by twisted branches and cutting rocks.

Every time Darwan turned, he was dismayed to see that they were still being pursued. The constant myriad of moving shadows, the ravenous gnashing of teeth and the frenzied stirring of the leaves and dirt behind them confirmed that. Worse, it was... no... they were gaining speed, they wanted food, they wanted...them.

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

26 Mala held on to Darwan's arm because _____.

- (1) he was her brother
- (2) she thought she saw something
- (3) she wanted to preserve something
- (4) she felt threatened by her surroundings

27 The boys were having a discussion because they _____.

- (1) wanted to move South
- (2) wanted to reach a decision
- (3) were voting Darwan to be their leader
- (4) wanted to know more about the crumpled map

28 Darwan regretted his decision during his moment of weakness because he _____.

- (1) pretended not to have heard her.
- (2) felt that Mala was irritating and timid
- (3) allowed Mala to follow his group into the forest
- (4) wanted to carry on his discussion with the older boys

29 In the passage, the phrase "worn-out looking item" in line 16 refers to _____.

- (1) a map
- (2) a compass
- (3) an oil lamp
- (4) a treasure chest

30 The word "dismayed" in line 31 means _____.

- (1) saddened
- (2) frightened
- (3) surprised
- (4) demoralised



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PRIMARY SIX

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary 6 ____

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This question paper consists of 10 printed pages.
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4. Answer all questions.

	Marking Scheme	Notes
1. Composition	55	
2. Language Use & Comprehension	95	
2.1 OAS (Booklet A)	30	
2.2 Grammar Cloze	10	
2.3 Editing (Spelling & Grammar)	10	
2.4 Comprehension Cloze	15	
2.5 Synthesis & Transformation	10	
2.6 Comprehension	20	
3. Listening Comprehension	20	
4. Oral Communication	30	
Total	200	

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

(10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) all	(B) but	(G) if	(K) or	(N) when
(B) after	(E) by	(H) lit	(L) the	(P) whether
(C) because	(F) from	(J) of	(M) to	(Q) would

Three days ago, I sat through the entire confrontation between China and Singapore on television (TV). At stake – bragging rights to the title (31) _____ the world's best women's ping-pong team. You know (32) _____ score - Singapore won.

There were many nail-biting moments, especially in the first singles match when Feng Tianwei seemed bemused (33) _____ the clever strokeplay of her China opponent, Ding Ning. Predictably, some folks here have turned party-poopers, saying the victory is hollow (34) _____ the Singapore team consists of China imports.

Are these criticisms fair? If you had caught the TV telecast of the match you would have seen great sportswomen, (35) _____ they are imports or foreigners, at play. You (36) _____ have seen that, in the cauldron of intense competition, it is other attributes that come to the forefront, not so much the name of the country at the back of their shirts (37) _____ the wonderful talents, the steely resolve and the mental strength. Feng showed us that (38) _____ the long days and nights spent honing our craft and skills, in the sports hall, classroom or office, are worth (39) _____. She proved that your identity card – stating whether you are Singaporean (40) _____ mainland Chinese – does not automatically bring you fame or riches.

You still have to go out and do battle.

Adapted from The Sunday Times by Loh Keng Fatt

For each word in **bold**, write the correct spelling of the word in the box. For each underlined word, write the correct grammatical form of the word in the box. (10 marks)

The iconic Lau Pa Sat comes alive as hungry office staff march towards the food centre

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_____ during lunch hours. However, regular patrons **interviewed** paint a different picture of the food

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_____ centre late at night. They say that it is not uncommon to find rodents scurried along the ground

at night.

Statistics provided by the National Environment Agency (NEA) show that the number of

rat enclaves found in Singapore has increased. No fewer than 1,687 areas have been found with rats by

(43)

_____ the **authorities** this year. Furthermore, more building owners have also been fined for attracting

(44)

_____ rodents because of poor **maintainense** or uncleared rubbish. Pest control firms say the problem lies

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_____ with many food establishments which do not follow the regulations in the hope of save costs.

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_____ They also pin the blame in more construction activities fuelled by a **resurgent** economy.

(47)

_____ Part of the problem at Lau Pa Sat is that construction projects surrounding it driving

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_____ rats out of their nests. Hence, the food centre becomes a prime target whom the rats hunt for

(49)

[Redacted]

food. The NEA is concerned about this as rats can ~~kontaminiert~~ **contaminate** food with their droppings, urine

(50)

[Redacted]

and ~~fur~~ **faeces**. The agency states that it would be an ~~emberasing~~ **embarrassing** sight if rats should continue to flood the food centre especially with tourists visiting the area regularly.

Adapted from *The Sunday Times* by Amresh Gunasingham

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

Skunks are actually nice little stinkers. When they are happy, they smell just fine.

However, they do not like being pushed (51) _____ and they do not like anything bigger than they are. When skunks feel threatened, they have a not-so-secret weapon and they are not (52) _____ to use it.

Let's say you are walking through the woods and you find yourself in a face-off with a skunk. Since you are a lot bigger than a skunk, the skunk naturally (53) _____ threatened. The skunk stamps the ground with its tail. Its (54) _____ may chatter. Then the skunk (55) _____ on to phase two, raising its bushy tail, but the tip is still limp. What do you do?

Still too terrified to move? When the tip of the tail stiffens, you have got your (56) _____ warning. The trick is to move away (57) _____ that happens. Now you are in real (58) _____. Armed with enough ammunition for four or five shots, the skunk lets loose an oily golden liquid. That oily, noxious fluid is so strong (59) _____ it can make you sick to your stomach and cause temporary blindness if it gets in your (60) _____. Skunks, except baby ones, have perfect aim. Fortunately, the skunk will not be able to 'skunk' anyone else anytime (61) _____. It takes between one (62) _____ ten days to recharge.

Most animals figure out early on that any meeting with a skunk is basically a no-win (63) _____. The biggest, meanest bear that (64) _____ face-to-face with a skunk will get out of the way fast. The exception (65) _____ this rule of animal behaviour is the dog, which just never seems to learn its lesson. What do you expect from something that drinks from the toilet bowl?

Adapted from *Skunks: Sweet by Smelly* by Joy Masoff

For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66 I did my homework. Then, I watched my favourite television programme.

_____ after I

67 I left for school in a hurry. I did not remember to wake my father up.

Without _____

68 Rose has not received the news. Her sisters have not received the news either.

Neither _____ nor

69 Ken was careless. He lost all his money.

As a result _____

70 The security guard told the children, "Do not play in this area."

The security guard told the children _____

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

(20 marks)

<p>Derrick woke up early that morning. Grudgingly, he got ready to leave the house. The one hour science lesson in school with Mrs Tan was not going to make a difference to his science grades, he thought. Unlike mathematics, science was not exactly his cup of tea.</p>	
<p>"Have you made any new friends yet, Derrick?" Mrs Carter watched her son stuffing schoolbooks into his bulging backpack.</p>	5
<p>Not again, Derrick thought. He hesitated, reluctant to answer his mother's query. Without meeting his mother's gaze, Derrick finally mumbled, "Ah...yes, there's one."</p>	
<p>"Oh, good!" said his mother. "What's his name?"</p>	
<p>Again, Derrick paused before answering.</p>	
<p>"Hmmm...Bing," he muttered at last. Swinging his backpack, he made a dash for the front door before his mother could question him further.</p>	10
<p>When Derrick reached the lift lobby, the lift doors were already open, waiting for him.</p>	
<p>"Good morning, Bing," he said as he entered the lift. "Ground floor, please."</p>	
<p>The doors of the lift closed with a musical "bing!" as if on cue and Derrick began his regular morning journey down from the eleventh floor.</p>	15
<p>It had been four months since Derrick and his family moved to this new neighbourhood, beginning a time of misery and loneliness for the twelve-year-old. He choked every time his classmates tried to make conversations with him. However, he had told his mother the truth when he said he had made one friend.</p>	
<p>He had always noticed that whenever he used the lift, it was always there, waiting for him, with the doors wide open, just as they were today. Even more amazingly, the lift always took him directly to the ground floor, without stopping for other passengers or requiring the push of a button. Derrick had come to feel a real friendship for the helpful lift and he was no longer unhappy as he went to and from school each day.</p>	20
<p>Today, the lift was just passing the third floor when it shuddered and jerked to a sudden stop. The doors remained closed and the button lights went dark. Derrick began to panic. His eyes darted from the floor buttons, to the ceiling, to the floor. He was about to shout when suddenly the lift jerked to life again. It began to descend once more and the lighted buttons went from 2 to 1. At the ground floor, Derrick heard the familiar "bing!" and the doors wheezed open. Still greatly frightened, Derrick dashed out of the lift and onto the void deck. He stared wildly at the lift he had once considered his friend. He felt betrayed.</p>	25 30
<p>"How could you do this to me?" he said to himself softly. It made him sad to think about it. He was trudging down the pavement towards the direction of the school when the second terrifying event of the morning took place. A tremendously loud sound shook the air and sent his heart pounding again. About five metres ahead of him, a massive air conditioning unit had fallen to the ground. The pavement beneath the huge unit was smashed into tiny pieces. Derrick shuddered as he imagined what would have happened to</p>	35

him if he had been standing on that spot.

Then, like a light suddenly switched on in his head, the truth of the situation flashed upon him. "Bing!"

Feeling guilty, Derrick hurried back to the void deck where the lift was still waiting, its doors open in welcome.

"Thank you, Bing," Derrick muttered. Bing was a true friend, indeed.

Adapted from Mastering English Language by Rachel De Wolf-Swetnam

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 Why did Derrick get up early that morning?

72 Explain clearly why Derrick was "reluctant to answer his mother's query" (line 6).

73 Derrick made a dash for the front door (lines 10-11). What made him do that?

74 Quote a sentence in Paragraph 10 that tells you Derrick had difficulty making friends in school.

75 State two ways in which Bing showed to Derrick that it was helpful.

76 Explain fully why Derrick felt betrayed (line 31).

77 Which four-word phrase tells you that the air conditioning unit had fallen from a great height?

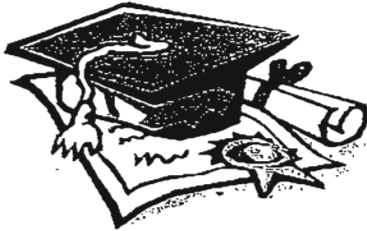
78 Explain clearly why Derrick shuddered right after the second terrifying incident (line 37).

79 What does the phrase "the truth of the situation" (line 39) refer to?

80 Explain fully why Derrick rushed back to the void deck (line 41).

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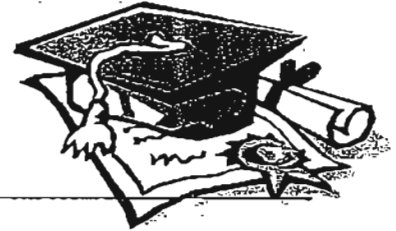


ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2011

**SCHOOL : ACS
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- 41)interviewed 42)scurrying 43)authorities 44)maintenance
 45)saving 46)on 47)drive 48)where 49)contaminate
 50)embarrassing 51)around 52)afraid 53)feels 54)teeth
 55)moves 56)last 57)when 58)danger 59)that
 60)eyes 61)soon 62)and 63)situation 64)comes 65)to
 66)I watched my favourite television programme after I had done my homework.
 67)Without remembering to wake my father up, I left for school in a hurry.
 68)Neither Rose nor her sisters have received the news.
 69)As a result of his carelessness Ken lost all his money.
 70)The security guard told the children not to play in that area.
 71)He had a one hour science lesson early in the morning in school with Mrs Tan.
 72)He was embarrassed that even after four months he still did not have any friends.
 73)Derrick did not want his mother to question him further.

74)He choked every time his classmates tried to make conversations with him.

75)Whenever Derrick used the lift, it was always there with the doors wide open and the lift took him directly to the ground floor without stopping for other passengers.

76)He though that the lift was his friend but it gave him a shock.

77)The four-word phrase is "Smashed into tiny pieces".

78)Derrick imagined what would have happened to him if he was standing at the spot where a massive air conditioning unit had fallen.

79)He realised that by stopping Bing had saved his left.

80)Derrick felt guilty for accusing the lift of not being a good friend but after the second terrifying incident, he knew the lift was a good friend and he wanted thank the lift.