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Class : Primary 6 \_\_\_\_\_

## CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



Primary 6

Preliminary Examination

21 August 2017

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

28 questions

28 marks

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For each question from 1 to 10, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.  
(10 marks)

- 1 The children came \_\_\_\_\_ an interesting article in the magazine.
- (1) into
  - (2) over
  - (3) across
  - (4) through
- 2 "Don't hesitate to approach me \_\_\_\_\_ you need any clarification," the tour guide said with a smile.
- (1) will
  - (2) shall
  - (3) would
  - (4) should
- 3 Emma said that she \_\_\_\_\_ cycling to school for many years before she started taking public transport.
- (1) is
  - (2) has been
  - (3) had been
  - (4) have been
- 4 "Karen is a dear friend of \_\_\_\_\_," Mr and Mrs Chen announced to their guests.
- (1) us
  - (2) our
  - (3) ours
  - (4) ourselves
- 5 Beth has recovered faster than her brother from the illness, \_\_\_\_\_ she?
- (1) didn't
  - (2) hasn't
  - (3) hadn't
  - (4) haven't

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6 Julia and her cousins went to the cinema yesterday. They \_\_\_\_\_ ten minutes before the start of the movie.

- (1) arrive
- (2) arrived
- (3) had arrived
- (4) were arriving

7 When Joan accepted an overseas assignment, \_\_\_\_\_ did she know that she would be away for many years.

- (1) little
- (2) rarely
- (3) hardly
- (4) scarcely

8 The school organised a talk \_\_\_\_\_ response to a rise in the number of bullying cases.

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

9 The rivalry \_\_\_\_\_ the three siblings was intense as each was vying for a place in the national team.

- (1) with
- (2) from
- (3) among
- (4) between

10 A number of my friends \_\_\_\_\_ at the concert last month.

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

For each question from 11 to 15, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

11 The job of the police is to arrest people who \_\_\_\_\_ crimes.

- (1) solve
- (2) expose
- (3) commit
- (4) witness

12 Mr Chin \_\_\_\_\_ his children's broken toys by putting them in the recycling bin.

- (1) rejected
- (2) expelled
- (3) discarded
- (4) eliminated

13 The football kicked by Ahmad was \_\_\_\_\_ by Ronaldo.

- (1) interfered
- (2) interjected
- (3) interrupted
- (4) intercepted

14 The explorers pitched their tents and \_\_\_\_\_ for the night.

- (1) turned in
- (2) turned off
- (3) turned out
- (4) turned back

15 The camper became more \_\_\_\_\_ as a result of having to handle many challenges by herself.

- (1) self-reliant
- (2) self-centred
- (3) self-contained
- (4) self-sacrificing

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For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s).  
Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

"Whoever gives me the finest gift will inherit my kingdom," an old king announced. Two young princes, Richard and John, stepped forward. They had heard about a splendid golden shield in a neighbouring city and were anxious to get it. On the way to that city, Richard was attacked by robbers who made off with all his money. John sped past on his horse and bought the golden shield.

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On the way back, John was waved down by a poor sick old man who begged for a ride home.

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"Not now!" shouted John as he spurred his horse, and left without a backward glance.

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"I'll help you," said Richard who had witnessed the exchange, "just lean on me." After a slow climb up the hill, the old man thanked Richard and handed him an apple which he called a 'fineapple'.

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At the palace, the king said, "The golden shield is indeed magnificent. But this is the finest gift!" he declared, holding up the 'fineapple', "for the giver stopped to help me when I was disguised as a poor sick old man."

Adapted from 'The Fine Fresh Fineapple' by Maggie Murphy

- 16 (1) shiny  
(2) bright  
(3) expensive  
(4) magnificent

- 17 (1) took  
(2) stole  
(3) grabbed  
(4) escaped

- 18 (1) noticed  
(2) greeted  
(3) stopped  
(4) acknowledged

- 19 (1) fled  
(2) departed  
(3) withdrew  
(4) retreated

- 20 (1) felt  
(2) seen  
(3) sensed  
(4) disapproved

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Study this flyer carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

# Are you ready for a Kate Town Holiday?

## HIGHLIGHTS!

## ABOUT KATE TOWN



**Visitor Centre**  
Get all the maps  
and information  
you need here!

Kate Town is a favourite destination for all types of travellers and well-liked by locals. With the family-friendly culture, safe environment and wide range of activities organised by the Kate Town Visitor Centre, it has come to be known as a superb destination for a family getaway during school holidays.

**Kate Museum**  
Learn about  
Kate Town's  
enthraling  
history!

The streets of Kate Town are lined with quaint little shops selling unusual gifts and toys that visitors of all ages will be intrigued by. Unique cafes not only serve delicious food, but also charm visitors with their themed decor.

**Waffles Place**  
Savour the  
best waffles,  
and ice cream  
Kate Town has  
to offer!

**LOL Cafe**  
Treat yourself  
to hot snacks  
and drinks  
while watching  
comedies!

Whether you love animals, cartoon characters, toys or comics, you will find a cafe that suits your taste. Exploring the narrow streets on foot is definitely an interesting and enjoyable option to consider if the children are up for it.

**Puzzle Shop**  
Challenge  
yourself to  
the most  
intriguing  
puzzles!

Conveniently located and served by an extensive public transport network, Kate Town would also make an ideal base for short trips to other towns.

**Souvenir Shop**  
Get some mementoes  
for yourself and your  
loved ones!

**Kate Park**  
Take a break  
and enjoy the  
scenery!

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By purchasing a Kate Town Souvenir Card, visitors can take advantage of **free bus** travel and **free** admission to Kate Museum! Many shops and cafes also offer discounts to card holders!



### Annual Children's Festival at Kate Town

- 🎟 Starts on the first Friday of December and lasts for 10 days
- 🎟 Free performances at the town centre from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. daily
- 🎟 Details of other performances and tickets available at [www.ktcf.com](http://www.ktcf.com)
- 🎟 Pop-up stores serving drinks and delicious local fare open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. during festival
- 🎟 Lucky draws will be conducted every hour with lots of attractive prizes to be won

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For each of the questions from 21 to 28, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make a choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet

(8 marks)

- 21 What is the main aim of the flyer?
- (1) to attract visitors to Kate Town
  - (2) to advertise some shops and cafes
  - (3) to encourage visitors to buy the Kate Town Souvenir Card
  - (4) to provide information about the Children's Festival at Kate Town
- 22 The cafes in Kate Town are unique because they \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) screen movies
  - (2) have themed decor
  - (3) allow visitors to bring pets
  - (4) sell unusual gifts and toys
- 23 Melvin wants to buy gifts, then have an ice cream. Which two places should he visit?
- (1) Visitor Centre and LOL Cafe
  - (2) LOL Cafe and Souvenir Shop
  - (3) Waffles Place and Visitor Centre
  - (4) Souvenir Shop and Waffles Place
- 24 Look at the section "About Kate Town" (page 8). What does "it" in the last line of the second paragraph refer to?
- (1) finding a suitable cafe
  - (2) enjoying different activities
  - (3) exploring the streets by walking
  - (4) taking short trips to other towns
- 25 Is Kate Town easily accessible, and why?
- (1) Yes, because it is rich in history.
  - (2) No, because the streets are narrow.
  - (3) No, because travelling on foot is a better option.
  - (4) Yes, because many public transport options are available.

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- 26 Look at what the lady is saying (page 9). Why is the first letter of each word of "Kate Town Souvenir Card" in capital letters?
- (1) It is to draw attention to the card.
  - (2) It is to enhance the design of the card.
  - (3) It is to highlight the importance of the words.
  - (4) It is to show that the words are used as a name.
- 27 Ivy wants to experience the Children's Festival at Kate Town. Which of the following should Ivy be advised not to do?
- (1) Visit [www.ktcf.com](http://www.ktcf.com) to get some information.
  - (2) Schedule her visit to Kate Town on 30 November.
  - (3) Try the food at the pop-up stores during the festival.
  - (4) Go to the town centre between 3 p.m. and 9 p.m. during the festival.
- 28 Which of the following statements is not true?
- (1) Maps are available at the Visitor Centre.
  - (2) Admission to Kate Museum is free for all visitors.
  - (3) Visitors who attend the Children's Festival at Kate Town may win prizes.
  - (4) Visitors with the Kate Town Souvenir Card pay less at some shops and cafes.

END OF BOOKLET A

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## CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



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Paper 2 Booklet B

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

52 questions

67 marks

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Booklet A	28
Booklet B	67
Total	95

*This booklet consists of 10 printed pages and 1 blank page.*

There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, 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) among	(D) could	(G) of	(K) their	(N) was
(B) but	(E) his	(H) own	(L) those	(P) with
(C) by	(F) in	(J) that	(M) to	(Q) would

Vincent van Gogh hardly sold any paintings in his lifetime. Today, \_\_\_\_\_ (29)

paintings fetch record prices and are well-known all over the world. He was born in Holland in 1853 \_\_\_\_\_ a Dutch pastor. During the 1870s, he worked for art dealers in London and \_\_\_\_\_ (30)

Paris, visiting art museums and exhibitions whenever he \_\_\_\_\_ (31)

In 1876, he decided to follow \_\_\_\_\_ his father's footsteps and train as a pastor. In \_\_\_\_\_ (32)

the winter of 1878, van Gogh \_\_\_\_\_ sent as a trainee missionary to work in the mining \_\_\_\_\_ (33)

district in Belgium. There he lived in extreme poverty and became closely involved with the lives \_\_\_\_\_ the miners and their families. It was during \_\_\_\_\_ period that he began \_\_\_\_\_ (34) (35)

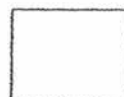
sketching the sad figures of the miners. He painted simple, ordinary working people in \_\_\_\_\_ natural working environment. \_\_\_\_\_ (36)

In 1888, van Gogh moved to France and began painting \_\_\_\_\_ another artist, \_\_\_\_\_ (37)

Paul Gauguin. However, they had many conflicts. Their frequent quarrels resulted in van Gogh slashing his \_\_\_\_\_ left ear in a fit of anger. By 1889, van Gogh had become mentally ill \_\_\_\_\_ (38)

and was finally admitted to a mental asylum. In spite of his lack of success when he was alive, van Gogh's legacy lives on in the world of art.

Adapted from 'Famous Artists' by Jillian Powell



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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

There are only ten female pilots flying Air Asia's fleet in Thailand. Chananpom Rosja must

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be the most famous to them all as she also holds the Miss Thailand/Universe 2005 crown. While

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there has been a siknifikant rise of women in other fields such as law, medicine and engineering,

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female pilots in the aviation industry were still under-represented.

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"Everyone has an equal opotuneiee to succeed. Women working in a male-dominated

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industry should never used their gender as an excuse not to succeed. Espiering female pilots must

have the passion to fly and be aware of the responsibilities and challenges in store for them," says

Chananpom.

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Sitting in the pilot's seat does come with her fair share of challenges. There are issues such

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as steer the aircraft through turbulence and bad weather, hectic work skeduels and handling

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difficult passengers. There are also the long-haul flights when can take a pilot away from home for

several days. There have been times when Chananpom had to miss important birthdays and

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anerversirees as well as bonding time with her family and close friends.

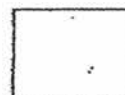
(50)

"These are part and parcel of the job. I feel blessed being able to pursue a karear that I

love," says the lanky pilot. Chananpom admits she has her share of suitors but has remained

single.

Adapted from 'Queen of the skies' by Sheela Chandran



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Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

The video game Angry Birds has become something of a global obsession. Angry Birds now appear on T-shirts, bags and stickers. All this makes you wonder \_\_\_\_\_ real birds can get angry. (51)

Ornithologists, \_\_\_\_\_ are experts in the study of birds, think so. When birds get angry, anyone near them are in \_\_\_\_\_ of being attacked. Birds may get angry when they feel that their nests or chicks are being threatened. For example, the kingfisher is known for its aggressive \_\_\_\_\_ if it sees intruders in its breeding territory. It has been observed chasing away other birds that come too \_\_\_\_\_. (52) (53) (54) (55)

Bird attacks do often come with warnings. These creatures first show their irritation in a number of \_\_\_\_\_. They may flash their brightly-coloured feathers to warn intruders to keep \_\_\_\_\_. Sometimes, they may crouch into an attack position or fluff their feathers and \_\_\_\_\_ their wings to appear larger and scarier. It is \_\_\_\_\_ all these displays are ignored that they lunge and start attacking their intruders. (56) (57) (58) (59)

Sometimes, birds see themselves reflected in glass windows and mirrors. They mistakenly think that their reflections are other \_\_\_\_\_ threatening their territory and begin to attack them. Obviously, the 'intruders' refuse to back \_\_\_\_\_. These are battles that have to end in a draw. (60) (61)

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Recent research has also shown that birds like crows can \_\_\_\_\_ grudges for a  
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long time. They seem to remember the faces of people who have harmed them \_\_\_\_\_  
(63)  
Even months later, coming face \_\_\_\_\_ face with those same people can agitate the  
(64)  
crows.

So, the next time you go out for a walk, \_\_\_\_\_ a lookout for birds and watch  
(65)  
them closely. If you see a bird that is showing signs of being upset, it is best to keep calm and move  
away slowly.

*Adapted from 'Yes, birds can get angry' by Shameen Idicullaby*

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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 "You have to remove the screws carefully," the technician told me.

The technician told me that \_\_\_\_\_

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67 Kelly did not run away. She stood her ground against the bully.

Instead of \_\_\_\_\_

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68 As soon as my mother saw the snake, she screamed.

\_\_\_\_\_ the moment

\_\_\_\_\_

69 Lisa can play the piano. No other pupil can do so.

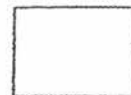
The only pupil \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

70 The chef was responsible for preparing delicious food.

Preparing \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



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Read this passage and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

Ah Seng limped painfully past the shopfronts. Glancing down, he noticed that the right leg of his pants had been stained red. It was pure luck that he had managed to escape from the armed security guard at the jewellery store. He had been driven to desperation to commit the armed robbery with his gang as his parents needed money for their medical expenses. "At least now I don't have to share the spoils with them," Ah Seng thought, tightening his grip on the loot he had managed to slip away with in the commotion. 5

A dizzy spell hit Ah Seng. Tripping over the bars of a stationary rickshaw, he landed face down on the road. His right leg exploded with pain. Suppressing a scream, Ah Seng tried to get back on his feet. He hugged the black bag tightly to his chest. Darkness overcame him. 10

Ah Seng opened his eyes and saw a wrinkled old face in front of him. He looked around. He was lying on a bed in a clinic. Remembering his bag, Ah Seng searched frantically around him.

"Are you looking for this?" The old man picked up the bag from behind his stool. Ah Seng snatched it back. 15

"Thanks. It contains everything my father left me before he died," Ah Seng said.

"So it must have been your father who robbed the jewellery store last night," the old man mocked. "I am not interested in selling you out to the police. In fact, I can treat you if you wish. I am worried that you will bleed to death from the bullet in your leg." 20

Ah Seng raised an eyebrow. "And how much would your treatment cost?"

"It is up to you how much you want to pay. One thing though, you cannot stay here for too long. By the way, you can call me Wu," the old man said as he rummaged through his medicine cabinet. 25

Wu sorted out the herb packets in his basket. He chewed and spat the paste onto the wound. He started kneading the flesh around the wound. Wu gave a squeeze with one hand and pulled a small metallic object out of Ah Seng's leg. The pain was excruciating. Ah Seng fainted and was unconscious for several days.

When Ah Seng awakened, he unwound the cloth and looked at his calf. No pain at all! He got up to look for Wu. He was pleased that he could walk normally.

"Hey, Wu! I am all well now! How much do I owe you?" 30

"Not much. The herbs cost a dollar and fifty cents. If you can cover that, I would be grateful."

Ah Seng opened the bag and grabbed five gold necklaces. He pushed them over to Wu. The old man cracked a smile. Suddenly a loud crashing sound interrupted them. Seven burly men stood at the door. Ah Seng recognized them immediately. 35

"Ah Seng, my friend! I think you have taken something from us," the leader said with a menacing smirk. He kicked a nearby chair with force, causing it to overturn. The group of gangsters closed the distance between the two helpless men – one who had just recovered from injury and the other one who was quite advanced in age – and them. With only the two of them in the clinic, Ah Seng and Wu were outnumbered. 40

Weighing the odds, Ah Seng knew it was useless putting up a fight. He glanced around the clinic for an escape route for him and Wu.

NO CL. MAN :(

Adapted from '1927 Singapore' by Ian Tai Zhi Jian

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

71 Why were Ah Seng's pants stained red in paragraph 1? [1m]

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72 What caused Ah Seng to fall face down onto the road? [2m]

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73 Which three-word phrase from lines 14 to 20 tells you that Ah Seng was surprised by what the old man had said? [1m]

74 Which three of the following words correctly describe how Wu felt in lines 17 to 23? [3m]

concerned	<input type="checkbox"/>	interested	<input type="checkbox"/>
greedy	<input type="checkbox"/>	puzzled	<input type="checkbox"/>
helpful	<input type="checkbox"/>	sarcastic	<input type="checkbox"/>

75 Write 1, 2, and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred, based on information from lines 21 to 40. [1m]

- \_\_\_\_\_ Gangsters entered the clinic and created a ruckus.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ah Seng discovered that he was not limping anymore.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wu was looking for herbs in his medicine cabinet.

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76. Based on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is 'True' or 'False', then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/False	Reason
Wu thought that Ah Seng's father had robbed the jewellery store.		
Wu chewed the herbs because he was not feeling well.		
Ah Seng betrayed his gang.		

77. Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. The first one has been done for you. [3m]

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
them (line 39)	gangsters
wrinkled old face (line 11)	
metallic object (line 26)	
something (line 36)	

78. Why was Wu not keen to have Ah Seng stay for too long at his place (lines 21-22)? [2m]

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79 Explain clearly why the old man "cracked a smile" (line 34). [2m]

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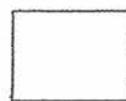
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80 Give two reasons why Ah Seng thought it was "useless" fighting against the gangsters (line 41). [2m]

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Booklet A

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Q2	4	Q6	2	Q10	4	Q14	1	Q18	3	Q22	2	Q26	4
Q3	3	Q7	1	Q11	3	Q15	1	Q19	2	Q23	4	Q27	2
Q4	3	Q8	1	Q12	3	Q16	4	Q20	2	Q24	3	Q28	2

Booklet B

Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
E	M	D	F	N	G	J	K	P	H

Q39	among	Q48	which	Q57	away
Q40	significant	Q49	anniversaries	Q58	spread
Q41	are	Q50	career	Q59	when
Q42	opportunity	Q51	if	Q60	birds
Q43	use	Q52	who	Q61	off
Q44	Aspiring	Q53	danger	Q62	hold
Q45	its	Q54	behaviour	Q63	before
Q46	steering	Q55	close	Q64	to
Q47	schedules	Q56	displays	Q65	keep

Q66 The technician told me that I had to remove the screws carefully.

Q67 Instead of running away, Kelly stood her ground against the bully.

Q68 My mother screamed the moment she saw the snake.

Q69 The only pupil who can play the piano is Lisa.

Q70 Preparing delicious food was the chef's responsibility.

Q71 He was bleeding in his leg.

Q72 Ah Seng had a dizzy spell and he tripped over the bars of a stationary rickshaw, caused him to fall face down on the road.

Q73 raised an eyebrow

Q74 concerned	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	interested	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Q75 3 Gangsters entered the clinic and created a ruckus.  
2 Ah Seng discovered that he was not limping anymore.  
1 Wu was looking for herbs in his medicine cabinet.

Q76

	True / False	Reason
Wu thought that Ah Seng's father had robbeded the jewellery store.	False	Wu knew that Ah Seng had robbed the jewellery store and he was being sarcastic when saying that Ah Seng's father had robbed the jewellery store.
Wu chewed the herbs because he was not feeling well.	False	Wu chewed the herbs to make it into a paste to put on Ah Seng's wound.
Ah Seng betrayed his gang.	True	True Ah Seng kept stolen jewellery himself.

Q77

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
them (line 39)	gangsters
wrinkled old face (line 11)	Wu
metallic object (line 26)	The bullet in Ah Seng's leg
something (line 36)	The bag of stolen jewellery

Q78 The police might find Ah Seng and also arrest Wu for helping a criminal.

Q79 Ah Seng gave Wu five gold necklaces and it was more than a dollar and fifty-cents which he asked for.

- Q80
- 1) Ah Seng and Wu were outnumbered by the gangsters.
  - 2) Ah Seng had just recovered from injury and Wu was advanced in age.

End

1. The first part of the test is a multiple choice section. It consists of 20 questions. The questions are based on the reading passage. The questions are of the following types: True/False/Not Given, Multiple Choice, and Matching. The questions are to be answered on the answer sheet.



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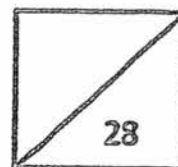
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## BOOKLET A

### Instructions to Pupils:

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2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 28 questions (Questions 1 to 28).
4. Answer ALL the questions and shade them in the correct ovals on the OAS provided.

\* This paper consists of 11 pages altogether (including the cover page)





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For each question from 1 to 10, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (10 marks)

1. The teacher, as well as her students, \_\_\_\_\_ overjoyed when the good news was announced earlier today.  
(1) is  
(2) are  
(3) was  
(4) were
  
2. Chris \_\_\_\_\_ his grandmother in hospital tomorrow evening.  
(1) had visited  
(2) was visiting  
(3) will be visiting  
(4) has been visiting
  
3. Jim rushed out of the classroom the moment he heard the bell \_\_\_\_\_.  
(1) ring  
(2) rang  
(3) rung  
(4) rings
  
4. The scientist proudly announced, "I did not receive any help and this discover was \_\_\_\_\_ alone."  
(1) my  
(2) me  
(3) mine  
(4) myself
  
5. There is no possibility of Ronald losing the race \_\_\_\_\_ he is disqualified.  
(1) if  
(2) as  
(3) since  
(4) unless

6. \_\_\_\_\_ Dion faced many setbacks along the way, he was not daunted.
- (1) However
  - (2) Although
  - (3) Therefore
  - (4) Nevertheless
7. Rajah checked the schedule to find out \_\_\_\_\_ the next train would depart from Woodlands Railway Station.
- (1) why
  - (2) how
  - (3) when
  - (4) where
8. The doctor has advised Mrs Lee to abstain from sugary beverages so she now adds \_\_\_\_\_ sugar to her drinks.
- (1) few
  - (2) less
  - (3) more
  - (4) much
9. Ellie asked, "You attended last night's concert, \_\_\_\_\_ you?"
- (1) didn't
  - (2) hadn't
  - (3) mustn't
  - (4) couldn't
10. None of Mdm Sofia's neighbours know anything about her because she \_\_\_\_\_ talks to them.
- (1) hardly
  - (2) always
  - (3) usually
  - (4) frequently

For each question from 11 to 15, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (5 marks)

11. The car \_\_\_\_\_ to a halt when the driver suddenly pressed hard on the brakes.

- (1) shrieked
- (2) squealed
- (3) squeaked
- (4) screeched

12. The fans of the movie star were thrilled when he \_\_\_\_\_ with them before the opening of his new movie.

- (1) jostled
- (2) related
- (3) tussled
- (4) mingled

13. The authorities imposed new \_\_\_\_\_ to control littering in the neighbourhood.

- (1) directions
- (2) regulations
- (3) instructions
- (4) programmes

14. The onlookers were relieved when the firemen \_\_\_\_\_ the rescue.

- (1) blew out
- (2) pulled off
- (3) broke down
- (4) poured over

15. Simon was \_\_\_\_\_ with guilt after he copied his classmate's answers during the examination.

- (1) dominated
- (2) engrossed
- (3) astonished
- (4) overwhelmed

For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.  
(5 marks)

I was alone at home and about to go to bed when I saw a shadowy figure at my window. "Who's there?" I shouted.

I was shocked to see a lion's face at the window. It looked like the lion that had  
(16)  
escaped from the nearby zoo a few days before. I became very scared and ran to my  
(17)  
bed, pulling my blanket over my head. It was too dark to see anything. Then I heard  
footsteps. They were getting louder and louder.

Soon, the sounds of the footsteps faded. I tried to sleep but could not. My mind  
(18)  
was still filled with scary thoughts. After some time, I finally fell asleep.  
(19)

The next morning, I switched on the radio to listen to the news. I was relieved  
to learn that the lion had been caught and the situation was under control. The  
(20)  
newsreader provided details of how the zookeepers had managed to trap the lion in  
the early hours of the morning.

Adapted from <http://www.english-for-students.com/Home-Along.html>

16. (1) startled  
(2) worried  
(3) puzzled  
(4) outraged
17. (1) lost my head  
(2) turned a blind eye  
(3) picked up my ears  
(4) jumped out of my skin

18.  (1) ended  
 (2) shrank  
 (3) receded  
 (4) declined

19.  (1) flooded  
 (2) drowned  
 (3) overflowed  
 (4) submerged

20.  (1) contained  
 (2) dismissed  
 (3) terminated  
 (4) supervised

Visual Text Comprehension (8 marks)

Study this poster carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

# 52<sup>nd</sup> National Heritage Carnival

## Opening Ceremony

1st September 2017 at 10.00 a.m.

## Guest-of-Honour

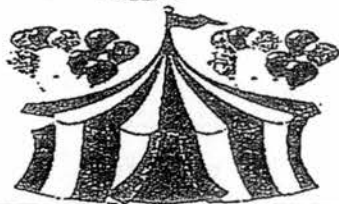
Mr See Keng Seng, Minister of Culture

Venue: Republic National Park

Time: 10:00 a.m - 9.00 p.m (weekdays)

10:00 a.m - 10:00 p.m (Saturdays and Sundays)

1st to 10th  
September 2017



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Daily Lucky Draws with two 32-inch televisions to be won each day.
- More than 100 carnival stalls.
- Concert by local and foreign artistes every night.

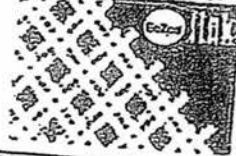
## TICKETS

\$2.00 per adult  
\$1.00 per child below the age of 13  
Free entry for children below 2 years old.  
Tickets can be purchased at all community clubs by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017.

A mobile phone to be given away every hour to a visitor chosen at random by our carnival mascot!



Show your EeZee Link Card at the entrance to receive a free umbrella (while stocks last).



## For more information

- Visit our official website at: [www.heritagecarnival17.org](http://www.heritagecarnival17.org)
- Call 65252525 or 65252526

Lucky Draw Coupon (cut out and place in the box at the Lucky Draw booth)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

NRIC Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

## Organised by:



National  
Community  
Association



People  
Organisation  
of Singapore



Singapore  
Grassroots  
Council

## Prizes sponsored by:



Sumsan Electronics



Superb Store

## CARNIVAL EVENTS

### Food and Refreshment Stalls

- 20 stalls brought to you by award-winning local hawker stalls selling your favourite local dishes.
- Dessert and drinks stalls set up by Singapore's most popular fast food outlets as voted by Singaporeans.

Half of the money collected will be donated to the following charities:

- Republic Community Chest
- Children's Welfare Home
- National Health Fund



### Game Stalls and Rides

- 25 carnival game stalls.
- Tram rides and water slides (for children below 13 years only).
- Mini trampoline & paintball (for ages 13 years and above only).

Purchase coupons for the games and rides at the carnival entrance.

Vote for your favourite game stall and stand a chance to win free coupons.



### Telematch (8 p.m. daily)

- Registration is required. Cut out the registration form below and bring it along on the day of the carnival.
- Form a team of 5 with your family members and friends (at least 2 members must be from the same family). Each participant must be at least 15 years old.
- Limited to the first 25 teams who register each evening.
- The winning team each evening will walk away with \$100 cash.



### Night Market (opens at 7 p.m. daily)

A wide variety of items on sale:

- Handmade art and crafts made by volunteers from over 20 charities.
- Used clothes, bags and footwear (in good condition) donated by the public.
- Second-hand books and magazines from as low as \$0.50 each.

If you are interested in setting up a stall, send an email with your name to:

[submit@market.com](mailto:submit@market.com).

The organisers will reply you within 3 days to confirm your participation.



### Telematch Registration Form

Name	Age	Contact Details (Email or Phone Number)
1)		
2)		
3)		
4)		
5)		



For each question from 21 to 28, choose the most appropriate option (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

21. According to the poster, tickets can be purchased \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) at any community club
- (2) on the opening day of the carnival
- (3) by calling the telephone numbers listed
- (4) by producing an EeZee Link Card at the entrance

22. Which one of the following statements is true?

- (1) The carnival is open for longer hours during the weekends.
- (2) Anyone who has an EeZee Link Card will receive a free umbrella.
- (3) Prizes for the lucky draw include television sets and mobile phones.
- (4) The Guest-of-Honour will be opening the concert on 1st September 2017.

23. Someone who visits the official website will be able to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) set up a stall at the Night Market
- (2) download the lucky draw coupon
- (3) obtain free tickets for the carnival
- (4) gather more information about the carnival

24. Which one of the following is a sponsor of the prizes for the event?

- (1) Superb Store
- (2) Singapore Grassroots Council
- (3) National Community Association
- (4) People Organisation of Singapore

25. The food and refreshment stalls \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) offer a variety of food and drinks
- (2) allow voting of the favourite food
- (3) are run by world-famous hawkers
- (4) will donate the money collected to three charities

26. All visitors who want to play the games and take the rides \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) can hop onto the trams
- (2) must be at least 13 years of age
- (3) will receive free coupons after voting
- (4) need to buy coupons before taking part

27. To participate in the telematch, a team needs to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) consist of a group made up of five friends
- (2) email the registration form to the organisers
- (3) register the members' names, ages and contact details
- (4) submit a completed registration form latest by 1st September

28. Which of the following items are not sold at the night market?

- (1) New magazines
- (2) Second-hand shoes
- (3) Handmade handicrafts
- (4) Dresses donated by the public

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