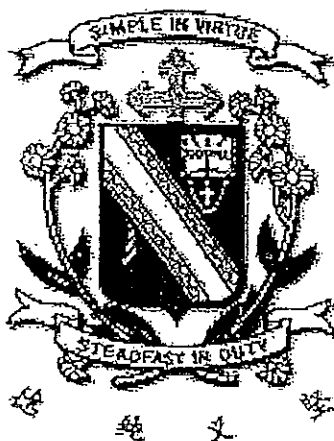


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## CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



Primary 3

Semestral Assessment 1

6 May 2013

English Language

Paper 1

Duration of Paper: 50 min

1 question

20 marks

**Instructions to Candidates:**

Do not turn over the page until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Parent's Signature:

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Write a composition of at least 100 words about the day your mother was angry.

The pictures, not arranged in sequence, are provided to help you think about this topic. Your composition should be based on **one, two** or **all** of these pictures.

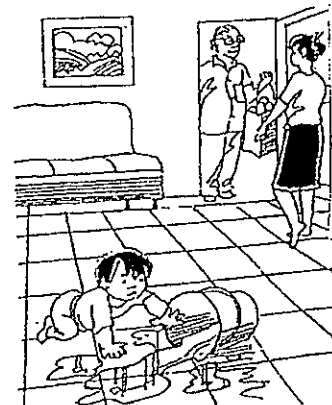
Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

- What were you and the baby doing while Mother was mopping the floor?
- Why did Mother leave the pail of water unattended?
- Why did you not watch the baby?
- How did you feel after the incident?

You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.

#### Helping Words:

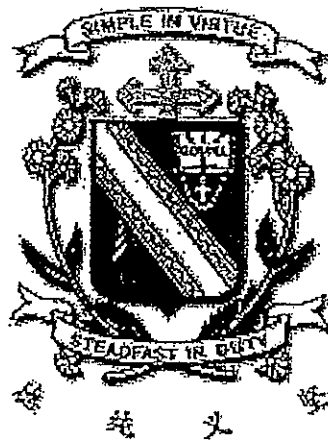
- mopping
- pail of water
- crawled
- overturned
- playing
- regretted
- apologised
- promised



Name : \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

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

## CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



Primary 3

Semestral Assessment 1

10 May 2013

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 30 min

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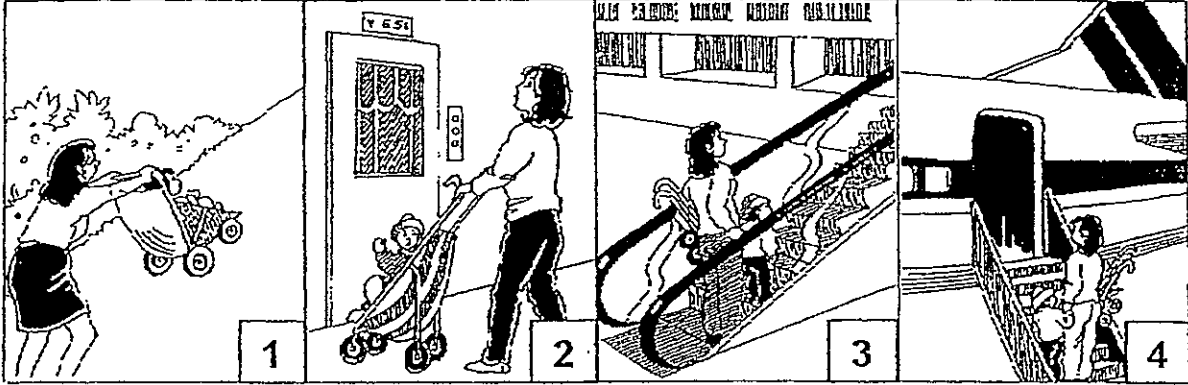
Answer all questions on the Optical Answer Sheet.

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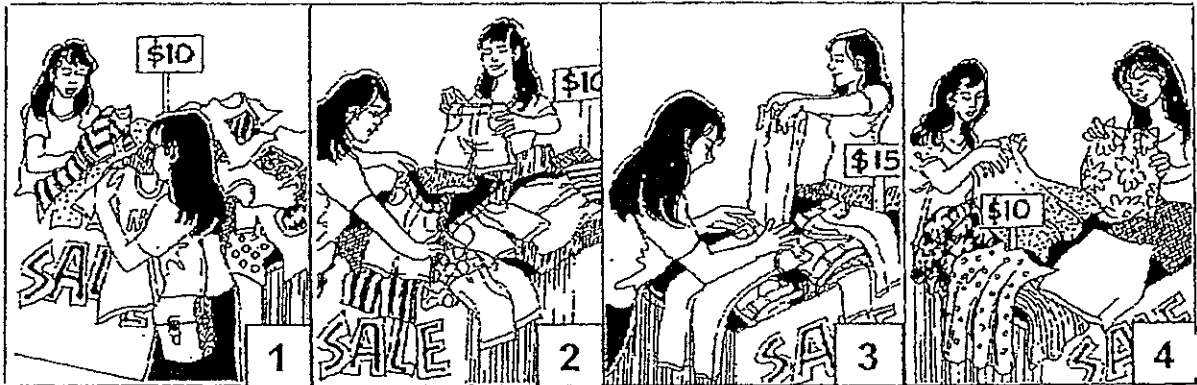
**Section A: Listening Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1 mark)**

Look at the set of pictures. Listen carefully to your teacher. Choose the picture that best describes the statement read and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

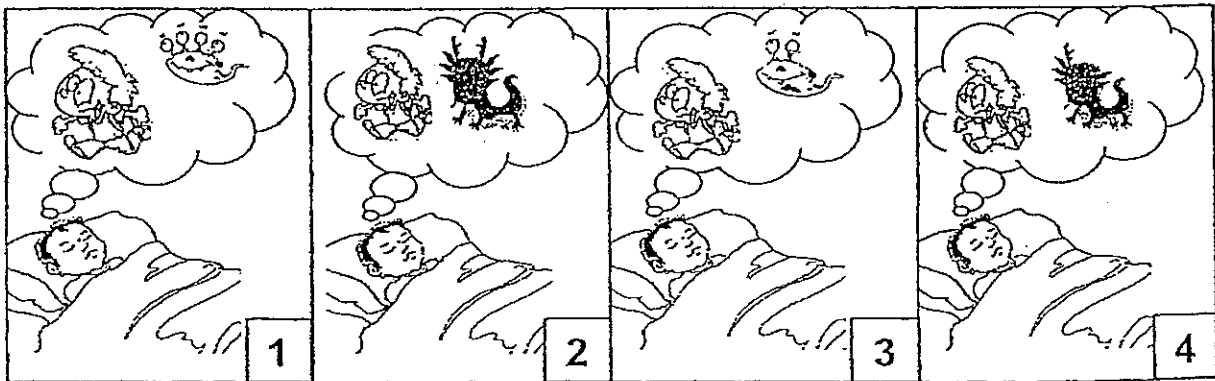
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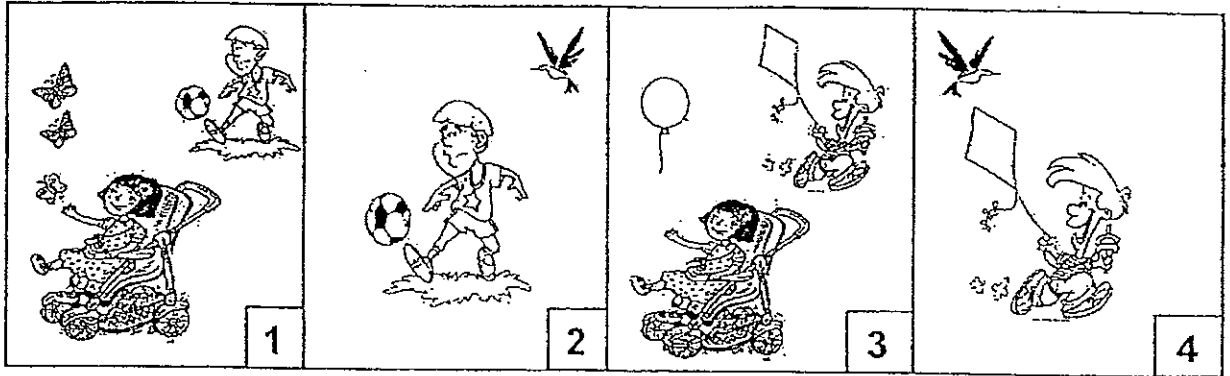
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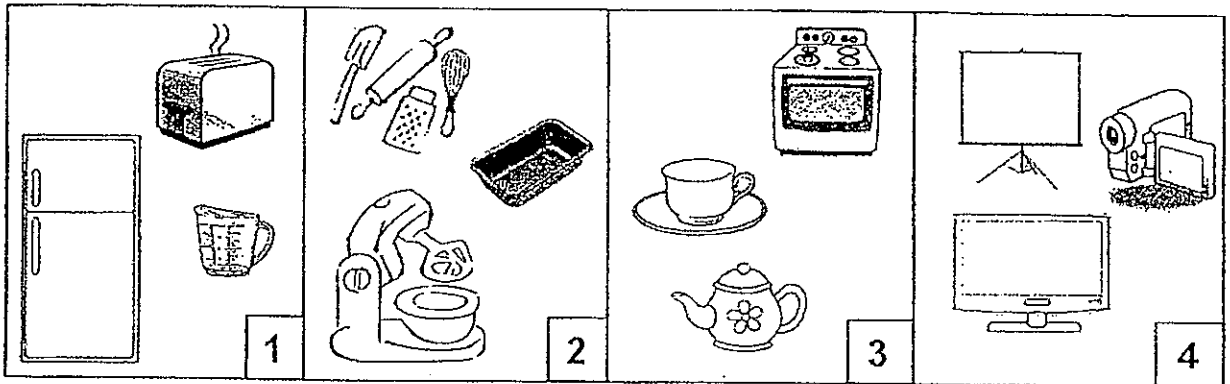
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**Section B: Vocabulary Multiple-Choice Questions (10 x 1 mark)**

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. Mr Tan is a strong man with bulging \_\_\_\_\_ on his arms.
- (1) hairs
  - (2) joints
  - (3) bones
  - (4) muscles
7. A popular \_\_\_\_\_ of musicians will be performing in Singapore this June.
- (1) band
  - (2) army
  - (3) swarm
  - (4) school
8. Max \_\_\_\_\_ his hand on the broken catch when he tried to open the gate.
- (1) slipped
  - (2) scalded
  - (3) scrubbed
  - (4) scratched
9. Naf has been selected to join the track and field school team because he runs fast like \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) snow
  - (2) a leaf
  - (3) thunder
  - (4) the wind

10. Jon bought a \_\_\_\_\_ of milk from the supermarket.

- (1) tub
- (2) bowl
- (3) glass
- (4) carton

11. Molly stood up \_\_\_\_\_ to the school bully to stop him from hurting the little girl.

- (1) amiably
- (2) fearlessly
- (3) carelessly
- (4) cautiously

12. Diana's parents managed to \_\_\_\_\_ out the truth from her.

- (1) ferret
- (2) shake
- (3) fidget
- (4) screen

13. The farmer \_\_\_\_\_ the snake with his hoe to check if it was dead.

- (1) patted
- (2) probed
- (3) pinched
- (4) prodded

14. Rita's attempt at making brownies \_\_\_\_\_ well. Her friends had second helpings of her brownies.

- (1) turned in
- (2) turned on
- (3) turned up
- (4) turned out

15. Mdm Wong is a \_\_\_\_\_ . Her husband passed away last year.

- (1) widow
- (2) spinster
- (3) widower
- (4) bachelor



**Section C: Grammar Multiple-Choice Questions (10 x 1 mark)**

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. My skirt is too loose. I need a belt to hold it \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) in
  - (2) up
  - (3) out
  - (4) down
17. Jack dropped his apple on the floor \_\_\_\_\_ I gave him some cookies.
- (1) as
  - (2) so
  - (3) but
  - (4) while
18. As it was raining heavily, Fiona took shelter \_\_\_\_\_ the overhead bridge.
- (1) under
  - (2) above
  - (3) around
  - (4) behind
19. Ben plans to \_\_\_\_\_ in West Coast Park this weekend.
- (1) cycle
  - (2) cycles
  - (3) cycled
  - (4) cycling

20. "Look! \_\_\_\_\_ birds on the roof are building a nest," pointed Father.

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

21. While he was walking home from school, Ahmad \_\_\_\_\_ an injured kitten.

- (1) see
- (2) saw
- (3) sees
- (4) seeing

22. Marla did not \_\_\_\_\_ her bed this morning as she was in a hurry.

- (1) make
- (2) made
- (3) makes
- (4) making

23. Mother decided not to buy the dress as there were \_\_\_\_\_ people in the queue.

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

24. Grandmother reminded Lisa and me to behave \_\_\_\_\_ while she went to the store.

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

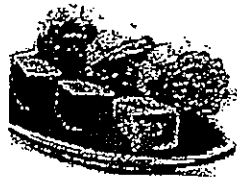
25. We \_\_\_\_\_ return the library books if we do not want to be fined.

- (1) will
- (2) can
- (3) must
- (4) might

Section D: Visual Text Comprehension (5 x 1 mark)

Study the advertisement carefully and answer questions 26 to 30.

# MID-AUTUMN FAMILY ADVENTURE



**VENUE** : [REDACTED]

**DATE** : Saturday 27 September 2013

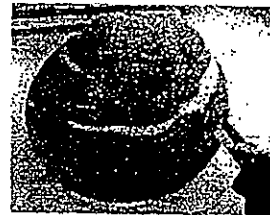
**TIME** : 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.

**TICKETS** : \$20 (Adult) | \$10 (Child, below 12 years old)

*Tickets available at Visitors' Centre at Sun Moon Lake Garden from 1 September 2013  
[Early Bird Special: 10% discount for tickets purchased before 20 September 2013]*

## PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS at Jade Pavilion

- Mid-Autumn Family Treasure Hunt Challenge\*
- 'Fastest Pomelo Peeling' Competition\*



## SPECIAL PERFORMANCES at Coral Pavilion

- Balloon Sculpting by Wacky Balloon Sculptures
- 'Wow' Magic Show by Mr Sumo Jie



### **Delightful Refreshments!**

*Delicious mooncakes by Finewood Hotel*

*Old English Tea and Lemon Fusion Tea by Masego Tea Company*

For more information, visit [www.sunmoonlakegarden.com.sg](http://www.sunmoonlakegarden.com.sg)

\*Registration Required : Call Megan Ann at 1800-260-3001

Limited places! • Call early to avoid disappointment!

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

26. The Mid-Autumn Family Adventure will be held at \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) Jade Pavilion
- (2) Finewood Hotel
- (3) Masego Tea Company
- (4) Sun Moon Lake Garden

27. Who is providing the beverages on that day?

- (1) Megan Ann
- (2) Mr Sumo Jic
- (3) Masego Tea Company
- (4) Wacky Balloon Sculptures

28. To enjoy the Early Bird Special, I should buy my tickets \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) on 16 September 2013
- (2) on 20 September 2013
- (3) on 26 September 2013
- (4) on 27 September 2013

29. Sumei and her mother enjoy looking for hidden items using clues. Which of the following should they take part in?

- (1) 'Wow' Magic Show by Mr Sumo Jic
- (2) 'Fastest Pomelo Peeling' Competition
- (3) Mid-Autumn Family Treasure Hunt Challenge
- (4) Balloon Sculpting by Wacky Balloon Sculptures

30. To sign up for the activities, I need to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) visit the website
- (2) contact Megan Ann
- (3) go to Finewood Hotel
- (4) register at the Sun Moon Lake Garden

**Section E: Comprehension Multiple-Choice Questions (5 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 31 to 35.

Jody McGrath sighed and leaned back in her bunk, letting her pen and diary fall into her lap. She had just finished writing about the latest dolphin sighting. It was exciting to see the dolphins swimming so freely in the sea from their boat. How she had wished that she could touch them!

Her twin brothers, Sean and Jimmy, had been especially troublesome the whole day. She had come down to her cabin to have some quiet moments. Now that she had brought her diary up to date, she did not know what to do. She thought of taking a nap. Suddenly, the image of her best friend, Lindsay, came to mind. The thought gave her a pang of loneliness. Oh, how she missed the good old times back in Fort Lauderdale with Lindsay. Jody blinked away the unexpected tears in her eyes. 5 10

The doorbell rang. Jody ran towards the door and winced when she saw the silhouette of someone outside. She dreaded opening the door, not wanting anyone to see her red eyes. Wiping away her tears, she opened the door.

Outside, there stood a tall and slim figure of a young girl. She had her back to Jody. "Hello," Jody greeted cautiously. The girl turned to face her and without haste, Jody lunged towards her, giving her a deep and long embrace! "Lindsay!" she cried. It was definitely a day full of surprise and excitement! 15

*Adapted from Dolphin Diaries by Ben M. Baglio*

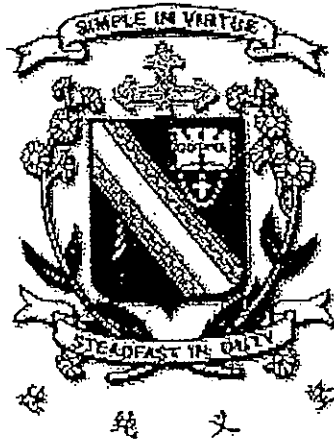
Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

31. Jody was writing about \_\_\_\_\_ the dolphins in her diary.
- (1) seeing
  - (2) feeding
  - (3) meeting
  - (4) touching
32. Jody felt lonely as she missed her \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) twin
  - (2) sister
  - (3) friend
  - (4) brothers
33. Jody was unwilling to open the door because she \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) wanted to sleep
  - (2) was too tired to open it
  - (3) thought her brothers had come to bother her
  - (4) did not want anyone to know she was crying
34. The word 'cautiously' in line 16 means \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) sadly
  - (2) warily
  - (3) eagerly
  - (4) happily
35. Which one of following statements is true?
- (1) Jody was sleeping in her cabin.
  - (2) Jody had a swim with the dolphins.
  - (3) Jody enjoys her twin brothers' company.
  - (4) Jody was surprised but happy to see Lindsay.

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

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

## CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)



Primary 3

Semestral Assessment 1

10 May 2013

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet B

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 30 min

**Instructions to Candidates:**

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.  
Follow all instructions carefully.  
Answer all questions.

Booklet A	35
Booklet B	30
Total	65

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*This booklet consists of 7 printed pages.*



Section F: Note-taking (5 x 1 mark)

Listen carefully to your teacher. Each blank from Q36 to Q40 should be filled with **one word or a short phrase**. As you listen, fill in the blanks with the information given.

Dora's Holiday

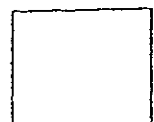
Q36. Name of class teacher: Mrs \_\_\_\_\_

Q37. Holiday month: \_\_\_\_\_

Q38. Name of farm: \_\_\_\_\_

Q39. The biggest animal at the pet farm: \_\_\_\_\_

Q40. Cost of food to feed the animals: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



Section G: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully. Choose the correct answer from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

Use each word only once.

(A) boxes	(C) houses	(E) read	(G) scenery
(B) group	(D) place	(F) rooms	(H) team

Buckingham Palace is the Queen's main home. It has about 600 (41) \_\_\_\_\_, most of them very large. It is a good place to receive important visitors from abroad. There are enough people on the staff to make a football (42) \_\_\_\_\_. They can be called the Royal Household Football Club!

The Palace receives so many letters every day that it has its own post office! The Queen keeps her daily posts in big (43) \_\_\_\_\_. These include government papers for her to (44) \_\_\_\_\_ and sign. She enjoys reading personal letters from ordinary people too.

The Queen prefers country life where she can ride horses and walk her dogs. Every summer, the whole royal family takes a holiday at Balmoral, their private home in Scotland. Their holiday home overlooks the mountain. The (45) \_\_\_\_\_ is breath-taking. At Balmoral, the Queen enjoys picnics spread out on the well-tended lawn with her family.

*Adapted from Queen Elizabeth I: Monarch of Our Times by Sarah Barton-Wood*



**Section H: Grammar Cloze (5 x 1 mark)**

Read the following passage carefully. Choose the correct answer from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

**Use each word only once.**

(A) and	(C) in	(E) off	(G) out
(B) for	(D) of	(F) on	(H) some

Mrs Sim's class is going to learn how to make cinnamon toasts. The atmosphere in her class is full (46) \_\_\_\_\_ excitement. The ingredients needed are caster sugar, cinnamon, thick slices of bread and softened butter.

Mrs Sim pins up the instructions to make the cinnamon toasts on the board. They are the steps (47) \_\_\_\_\_ her pupils to follow. First, they put the sugar into a small jar. After that, they add in (48) \_\_\_\_\_ of the cinnamon and stir until all the ingredients are well-mixed. Then, they put the thick slices of bread (49) \_\_\_\_\_ the toaster and toast them until they turn golden.

Next, they spread butter evenly on the golden toasted bread with a butter knife. Finally, they sprinkle cinnamon and sugar (50) \_\_\_\_\_ the buttered toasts. The sweet cinnamon toasts are now ready to be eaten.

*Adapted from Kids' Cookbook: Step-by-Step. Learn To Cook The Easy Way (Bay Books)*



Section I: Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully. Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Darkness falls over a small village of the Maasai people in Kenya, Africa. Inside a pen, called a *boma*, the cows settle down for the night. The villagers get ready to sleep, too. Soon, all is (51)\_\_\_\_\_. Suddenly, a twig snaps. The cows quickly raise their heads. They twitch their ears and flare their nostrils. Something is lurking outside their (52)\_\_\_\_\_.

A female lion has ripped a gap in the fence wall and squeezes through the gap. The (53)\_\_\_\_\_ cows run helter skelter. They moo in fear. The sleeping village is awakened by the noise. The sleepy villagers run to save their livestock. They chase the lion away. They are too late. One cow is (54)\_\_\_\_\_. The villagers put poison on the dead cow, hoping the lioness comes back and eats the poisoned cow.

Poisoning the predators is how the villagers protect their (55)\_\_\_\_\_. In the Maasai culture, cows, sheep and goats are like money. These animals are the sign of the people's wealth and pride.

*Adapted from Living With Lions by Joe Levit*



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

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 56 to 60.

Many people play and watch sports because they find them interesting.

Have you ever thought of how sports came about?

In ancient Rome, many of the ruling class citizens had slaves to work for them. Hence, they had one hundred days of public holidays. The Romans enjoyed hunting. They also went to circuses to watch chariot races and battles between gladiators and wild animals. Such activities were their sports.

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Sports often developed as part of religious ceremonies. In ancient Greece, the great sports gatherings, including the Olympic Games, were all connected with religious festivals as the Olympics was held to honour the god, Zeus.

Many sports also began to develop when people had to create their own entertainment. To make their own sports equipment, people made bows and arrows, poles, boats and stilts from trees. These then developed into sports such as archery, pole vaulting and canoeing.

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Who would have thought the various sports today had such interesting yet different beginnings?

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*Adapted from Walt Disney's Sport Goofy Encyclopedia: Ancient and Folk Sports*

Answer the following questions. Write your answers in complete sentences.

56. Why do people play and watch sports?

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57. What did the Romans do on public holidays?

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58. Who does the word 'they' in line 5 refer to?

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59. Which word in paragraph three means 'to show respect and admire'?

60. In paragraph four, how did people create their own entertainment?

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# ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2013

SCHOOL : CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL

SUBJECT : PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

TERM : SA1

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3	2	3	4	3	1	3	2	1	3	4	2	4

Section B

Q36 – Q40) No Answer

Q41) F

Q42) H

Q43) A

Q44) E

Q45) G

Q46) D

Q47) B

Q48) H

Q49) C

Q50) F

Q51) calm/peaceful/silent

Q52) enclosure

Q53) intended

Q54) dead

Q55) livestock

Q56) They find them interesting

Q57) The Romans would hunt and go to circuses to watch chariot races and battles between gladiators and wild animals

Q58) It refers to the Romans

Q59) honour

Q60) They created their own entertainment by making their own equipment