

ANGLO-CHINESE SCHOOL (JUNIOR)



SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2 - 2012
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 3

Name : _____ ()

Class : P 3 . ()

Date : 23 October 2012

BOOKLET A

20 Questions

25 Marks

Total Time For Booklet A and B : 1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1 Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.
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Part 1 : Vocabulary-(6 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. Miss Chang _____ her pupils to get their consent forms signed and returned the following week.
 - (1) excused
 - (2) reminded
 - (3) controlled
 - (4) threatened

2. The _____ had to extract Jim's tooth as it was badly decayed.
 - (1) doctor
 - (2) dentist
 - (3) teacher
 - (4) surgeon

3. That monkey over there likes to _____ what the zookeeper does.
 - (1) initiate
 - (2) imitate
 - (3) impress
 - (4) intimidate

4. The teacher told John to stop _____ to himself and to speak up clearly during the presentation of his project work.
 - (1) groaning
 - (2) humming
 - (3) mumbling
 - (4) chattering

5. The waiter _____ us to an empty table as soon as we entered the restaurant.
 - (1) shone
 - (2) shifted
 - (3) shoved
 - (4) showed

6. The _____ from the dirty beggar was so bad that nobody wanted to go near him.
 - (1) scent
 - (2) aroma
 - (3) stench
 - (4) fragrance

Part 2 : Grammar (8 marks)

Choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet.

7. Looks are deceiving. You should not judge a book _____ its cover.
- (1) to
 - (2) by
 - (3) with
 - (4) from
8. The boys were overjoyed when Mr Tong told them that _____ could play in the field.
- (1) he
 - (2) she
 - (3) you
 - (4) they
9. Mark's handwriting is the _____ in the class. He is often praised by his teachers for his excellent penmanship.
- (1) neat
 - (2) neater
 - (3) neatest
 - (4) most neat
10. Mr Lim and his son _____ around the park every week.
- (1) jog
 - (2) jogs
 - (3) jogged
 - (4) are jogging
11. Joe was unable to compete in the race _____ he had injured his ankle the day before.
- (1) so
 - (2) as
 - (3) but
 - (4) although

12. The firemen fought bravely to _____ the fire.

- (1) put in
- (2) put off
- (3) put out
- (4) put down

13. The stray dogs helped _____ to the leftovers at the hawker centre.

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

14. The athlete put in _____ effort to get to where he is today. He would not be able to win the gold medal in the Olympics without the hard work.

- (1) few
- (2) little
- (3) many
- (4) a lot of

Part 3 : Punctuation (1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet.

15. Sharon asked her mother sweetly, "Can I play with the mobile phone []"

- (1) [,] comma
- (2) [.] full-stop
- (3) [?] question mark
- (4) [!] exclamation mark

Part 4 : Comprehension MCQ (10 marks)

Read the passage below carefully and answer questions 16 to 20.

Ken's mother walked into his room to wake him. Before she could do that, he woke up with a fright saying, "Oh no! I am going to be late for work." He jumped out of his bed and accidentally knocked his leg against the table beside his bed causing the table lamp to drop on the floor and shatter to pieces. He quickly cleared up the mess and washed up. He then dashed out of his house.

When Ken came out from the lift, he saw his bus approaching the bus stop and started to sprint towards it. The bus sped off when he was about to reach the bus stop. He waited impatiently for the next bus to come. Luck was not on his side. The next bus arrived after ten minutes but it was packed to the brim. Ken could not get on to the bus. Groaning in despair, he decided to take a taxi instead.

He was relieved as he managed to hop into a taxi within minutes. When he finally arrived at his workplace, he was shocked to discover that he did not have his wallet. The taxi driver demanded the taxi fare and Ken had no money on him. The taxi driver thought that Ken was trying to get a free ride and he was furious. He did not want to listen to Ken's explanation and they got into a big argument at the side of the road.

The situation became tense and Ken was feeling very frustrated. Just then, he spotted his colleague, Mark, getting out of a car. He immediately ran over and asked Mark to help him out. Mark nodded and took out some money from his wallet. The taxi driver finally got his fare and drove off grumpily. Ken was relieved that his unlucky day finally came to an end. Little did he know that he had dropped his wallet while running after the bus!

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.

16. Ken woke up with a fright because _____.
- (1) he had a nightmare
 - (2) the table lamp dropped
 - (3) his mother tried to wake him
 - (4) he overslept and woke up late
17. Ken wanted to _____ to work at first.
- (1) run
 - (2) take a taxi
 - (3) take a bus
 - (4) wait for Mark to drive him
18. The taxi driver was _____ when Ken had no money to pay the fare.
- (1) angry
 - (2) happy
 - (3) shocked
 - (4) understanding
19. Mark helped Ken by _____.
- (1) scolding the taxi driver
 - (2) giving his wallet to the taxi driver
 - (3) persuading the taxi driver to give Ken a free ride
 - (4) lending some money to Ken to pay the taxi driver
20. Ken did not pay the taxi driver because he _____.
- (1) wanted to get a free ride
 - (2) left his wallet at his workplace
 - (3) was in a bad mood and wanted an argument
 - (4) had dropped his wallet and had no money on him

End of Booklet A



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Parent's Signature

BOOKLET B

18 Questions

25 Marks

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Booklet	Component	Possible Marks	Marks Obtained
A		25	
B	Grammar Cloze 1	4	
	Grammar Cloze 2	4	
	Editing for Spelling & Grammar	3	
	Synthesis and Transformation	4	
	Comprehension OE	10	
	Total		25

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Part 5: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the boxes and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

Each word can be used **only once**.

(A) he	(C) him	(E) it
(B) her	(D) his	(F) they

The sky was darkening. It was going to be a still, starless night. Down below, street lamps quietly flickered on. On the twelfth floor of an apartment block on Phoenix Road, Tony was trying to complete (21) _____ homework.

There were books strewn everywhere – on the bookshelves, on his desk and even on the floor. (22) _____ were all school textbooks and study guides.

Tony sighed. He stared at the homework in front of (23) _____. The work was so difficult and boring! Leaning back in his chair, Tony looked around the room. Something caught his eye.

A bright and colourful picture book stood on the far end of one bookshelf. Next to (24) _____ was an enormous box of colouring materials. They were gifts he had received for his birthday three weeks ago.

Adapted from *The Magic Paintbrush* by B. Seward

Sub-total:

Part 6: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Darren, a young man, always keeps his flat very clean. Whenever he (25) [spot / spots] a mouse scurrying on the floor, he will think of ways to catch it.

One of the ways (26) [is / are] a simple contraption. He uses a little bit of chocolate as bait to lure the mouse to the trap. This is not always successful.

He also uses another trap which is more complicated. It has a ramp leading up some toilet roll tubes. These (27) [form / forms] a tunnel. Again, he places little bits of chocolate along the way. At the last toilet roll tube, he leaves a bigger chunk. When a mouse (28) [pause / pauses] to munch on the chocolate, it will tumble into a bucket of water below.

Sub-total:

Part 7 : Editing for Spelling and Grammar (3 marks)

Read the passage carefully. The words with spelling errors are in bold and the words with grammatical errors are underlined. Write the correct spelling or form in each box.

The Chinese had been drinking tea for hundreds of years before everyone else

(29)

did. According to a well-known tale, Emperor Shen was relaxing in his beautiful garden

one day. He was waiting for a pot of water to boil when suddenly a strong gust of wind

(30)

blew. The leaves from a nearby camellia bush fluttering in the wind and landed in the

hot water. This was how the art of tea drinking was born.

The camellia plant is native to China and thrives in the hilly regions that receive

plenty of rain. Chinese tea lovers would gather at gardens or by the lakes to enjoy the

(31)

diffirant flavours of soothing tea. The tea plant made its way to Japan much later. Tea

finally appeared in England in 1657.

Sub-total:

Part 8: Synthesis and Transformation (4 marks)

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).

32. Thomas ordered a sandwich for lunch. He also ordered a salad for lunch.

_____ and

33. Annie likes the new dress. Her mother has bought it for her.

_____ which

Sub-total:

Part 9: Comprehension Open - Ended (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 34 to 38.

One rainy day, while Mom was out visiting her sister, Dad decided to take us to a movie. After lunch, we put on our raincoats, took a large umbrella, and walked to the movie theatre which was not far away.

On our way, my three-year-old brother, Ben, jumped into every puddle and got the bottom of his pants wet. Dad took him to the toilet and stuffed some paper towels up each pant leg. Ben complained at first. After Dad bought him a big box of popcorn, he forgot all about his stuffed pants.

We quickly found our seats before the lights dimmed. Dad had chosen the movie "A Bear's Life". I reminded Ben to sit quietly during the movie. At first I wondered why the people in front of us were turning around. Then I realised that Ben had started throwing popcorn. When I told Dad about it, he tapped Ben's leg and warned him that the popcorn would be taken away.

Just at that moment, the first bear appeared on the screen. Ben sat still and watched. After a while, I forgot all about him and concentrated on the movie. It was much better than I thought it would be. Soon I was out of popcorn and turned to ask Ben for some of his. I was shocked to see he was gone!

"Hey, Dad," I whispered urgently. "Ben isn't in his seat!"

"I'll go and find him," Dad replied anxiously. Just then, Ben popped out from below an empty seat in the first row asking where the bears were!

Write your answers in complete sentences.

34. How did the writer and his family get to the movie theatre?

35. Why did Dad stuff paper towels up each leg of Ben's pants?

36. Why did the people sitting in front of the writer's family turn around?

37. When did the writer know that Ben was missing?

38. Which **sentence** in the fourth paragraph tells us that the writer thought the movie was not really interesting at first?

End of Booklet B

Sub-total:

ANSWER SHEET

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Semestral Assessment (2) 2012
Primary 3 - English

Part 1: Vocabulary

1. (2)	2. (2)	3. (2)	4. (3)	5. (4)	6. (3)
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Part 2: Grammar

7. (2)	8. (4)	9. (3)	10. (1)	11. (2)	12. (3)	13. (4)	14. (4)
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Part 3: Punctuation

15. (3)

Part 4: Comprehension MCQ

16. (4)	17. (3)	18. (1)	19. (4)	20. (4)
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Part 5: Grammar Cloze

21. D	22. F	23. C	24. E
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Part 6: Grammar Cloze 2

25. spots	26. is	27. form	28. pauses
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Part 7: Editing for Spelling and Grammar

29. beautiful	30. fluttered	31. different
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Part 8: Synthesis and Transformation

32	Thomas ordered a sandwich and a salad for lunch.
33	Annie likes the new dress which mother has bought for her.

Part 9: Comprehension Open-Ended

34	Q: How did the writer and his family get to the movie theatre?
	A: They walked to the movie theatre.
35	Q: Why did Dad stuff paper towels up each leg of Ben's pants?
	A: He did so because Ben jumped into every puddle and got his pants wet.

36	Q: Why did the people sitting in front of the writer's family turn around?
	A: They turned around because Ben had been throwing popcorn.
37	Q: When did the writer know that Ben was missing?
	A: The writer knew that Ben was missing when the writer was out of popcorn and wanted to ask Ben for some of his.
38	Q: Which sentence in the fourth paragraph tells us that the writer thought the movie was not really interesting at first?
	A: The sentence is "It was much better than I thought it would be".