

PEI CHUN PUBLIC SCHOOL
CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1, 2012
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 1 (WRITING)
PRIMARY 6

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary 6 ()

Subject Teacher: _____

Date: 27 February 2012

1 hour 10 minutes

55 Marks

Instructions:

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
2. There are two parts to this paper: Part 1 and Part 2.
Answer two questions: one from Part 1 and one from Part 2.

Part 1: Situational Writing (15 marks)

Imagine that you are Benny. You have a cousin who is going to transfer to your school in March. She would not be able to attend your school's Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) Fair which will be held in February.

(1)

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES FAIR

Janet may want to join me.
She plays volleyball well.

Remind Janet of the hectic
schedule. I should know as
I am an active member!



Volleyball Club

- Training conducted thrice a week
- Excellent performance at zonal and national schools volleyball championships
- Group Study Programme (GSP) for pupils who have difficulty coping with their studies

Dance Club

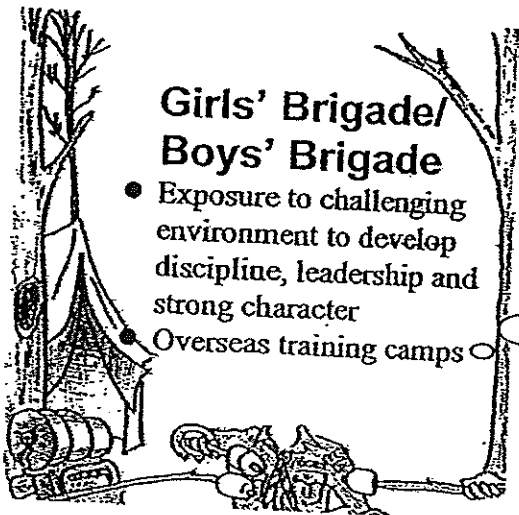
- Newly set up
- Modern dance and hip-hop
- Training conducted at Toa Payoh Community Dance Studio



Janet stays too far from
Toa Payoh.

Girls' Brigade/ Boys' Brigade

- Exposure to challenging environment to develop discipline, leadership and strong character
- Overseas training camps



Perfect for
Janet - she
loves going
overseas.



To sign up for a CCA, please submit the completed application form to the General Office.

Your Task

Imagine you are Benny.

Write an email to your cousin, Janet. Inform her of the popular CCAs in your school.

You should refer to the given picture and details on page 1 for your email.

In your email, include the following information:

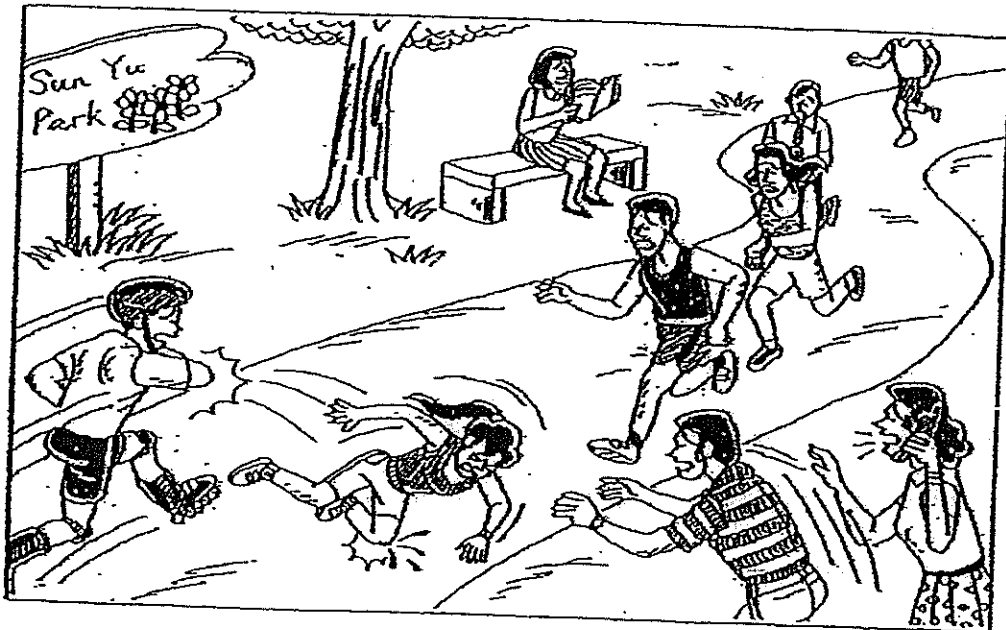
- the CCA that you are currently in
- the two CCAs that you are recommending to her
- the reasons for recommending to her the CCAs
- information about the nature of the training schedule of the Volleyball Club
- how to sign up for the CCA of her choice

You may reorder the points. You should write in complete sentences.

Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

There are 2 questions in Part 2.
Answer only one of them.

- (2) Write a story based on the picture below. Your story should be at least 150 words long.



You must make use of the points below in your story :

- how the accident happened
- how the man on roller-blades reacted
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

- (3) You were celebrating your birthday at a restaurant. Suddenly, there was a loud scream.

Based on the above situation, write a story of at least 150 words.

You must make use of the points below in your story:

- what you did
- what happened next
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

END OF PAPER

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PAPER 2: LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION
PRIMARY 6

BOOKLET A

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary 6 ()

Subject Teacher: _____

Date: 27 February 2012

Total Time for Booklets A & B: 1 hour 50 minutes

Instructions:

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all the questions.

Section A: Graphic Stimulus Comprehension (5 x 1 mark)
Study the advertisement below and then answer questions 1 to 5.



Bakery Tour

By Breadcrumbs

- Children of a wide range of ages learn to make bread the healthy way!
- The bakery tour applies to many areas of the school curriculum including:
 - Health Education
 - Science

Outline:

- Tour of the production facility
- Hands-on baking class
- Question and Answer Session with our bakers

Details:

Primary

- For Primary 1-6 (Ages 7-12)
- \$10 per pupil
- Class size of fewer than 30 pupils will incur an additional administrative fee of \$50.

Secondary

- For Secondary 1-5 (Ages 13-17)
- \$15 per pupil
- Class size of fewer than 30 pupils will incur an additional administrative fee of \$50.

Reward children with gift certificates!

The perfect gift for the budding young pastry chef or bread baker!

Buy the certificates online at

www.breadcrumbs.com.sg

* Important Allergy Policy

Children who have severe allergic reaction to nuts, wheat, gluten, milk products and eggs are not allowed to attend the excursion.

Children who have mild allergies and wish to attend the excursion have to sign an indemnity form.

How to book:

Call our training department to book a bakery tour at 63339999, or email training@breadcrumbs.com.sg.

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 provided.

1. The main aim of the brochure is to _____.
- (1) introduce children to baking
 - (2) sell the gift certificates to young chefs ()
 - (3) inform children of the allergy policy
 - (4) promote the bakery tour
2. Mrs Goh needs to pay \$ _____ for bringing 30 children from her Primary 1 class for the tour.
- (1) 10
 - (2) 50
 - (3) 300
 - (4) 350 ()
3. The tour is targeted at ~~children of~~ _____
pupils.
- (1) ages 7 to 12
 - (2) ages 13 to 17
 - (3) ages 7 to 17
 - (4) all ages ()
4. Which one of the following will not be achieved in the tour?
- (1) making bread
 - (2) meeting Breadcrumb's bakers
 - (3) visiting the production facility
 - (4) attending a health education lesson ()
5. There are _____ ways to book a bakery tour.
- (1) 1
 - (2) 2
 - (3) 3 ()
 - (4) 4

Section B: Grammar (7 x 1 mark)

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 corresponding oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. George said that the books were taken by Aminah, _____ ? ()
- (1) did he
 - (2) didn't he
 - (3) has he
 - (4) hasn't he
7. He will arrange the trip _____ you tell him to. ()
- (1) if
 - (2) but
 - (3) unless
 - (4) although
8. You have to be keep _____ with technology, otherwise you will have trouble using the latest gadgets. ()
- (1) on
 - (2) up
 - (3) out
 - (4) away
9. Neither the boys nor their sister _____ horror movies before. ()
- (1) watch
 - (2) watches
 - (3) has watched
 - (4) have watched
10. He _____ for his missing daughter for years when he saw her on the streets one day. ()
- (1) search
 - (2) searched
 - (3) have been searching
 - (4) had been searching

11. Peihua added _____ salt to the omelette.

- (1) few
- (2) many
- (3) some
- (4) any

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12. Without the help of her colleagues, Miss Tan completed the project _____.

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

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Section C: Punctuation (3 x 1 mark)

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.

At the word "stolen", the whole class sat up as though they had been electrocuted. I looked at my partner (13) Tim, who wanted to be a plain-clothes policeman when he grew up. He perked up. The Colorado beetle was gone!

"Excuse me, Sir," said Tim (14) but shouldn't we go on looking, in case it's already laid some of those five hundred eggs?"

Professor Jumbo smiled. "I think it would be rather a waste of time. This specimen has never laid an egg and never will. You see (15) it happens to be a gentleman," he replied.

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

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14. (1) [, .] comma
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(4) [. "] full stop and inverted commas

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15. (1) [-] hyphen
(2) [:] colon
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [,] comma

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Section D: Vocabulary (5 x 1 mark)

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 on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. She questioned the _____ of the claims made by the advertiser and said, "It's totally ridiculous. There's no truth to it at all."
1) veracity
2) vibrancy
3) variety
4) vagrancy
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17. During the Youth Olympics 2010, Channel U provided extensive _____ of the mega event. It was the channel everyone tuned in to for the latest update on any sporting event.
(1) verdict
(2) coverage
(3) network
(4) transmission
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18. Mr Roganatham was told to get to the point and not to: _____
(1) tighten his belt
(2) put all his eggs in one basket
(3) put his best foot forward
(4) beat about the bush
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19. Intrepid passengers _____ a terrorist's attempt to hijack a Turkish Airlines flight from Oslo to Istanbul.
(1) devastated
(2) defused
(3) foiled
(4) forbore
()
20. He had a slim chance of recovery as he was not _____ well to the medical treatment.
(1) reciprocating
(2) relating
(3) responding
(4) reaching

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Section E : Vocabulary Cloze MCO (5 x 1mark)

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.

Ted had always been fascinated by the severe extremes of hot and cold coming together in one land. He had to see it for himself. (21)

In August 1984, he left his home in Lancashire, England, on his own maiden journey that would take him right across Iceland. He set himself the demanding task of going on foot so he could experience the land at close quarters. (22) (23)

Nearly all his journeys were across windswept moors and steep, rugged spurs of twisted rock covered in ice and snow. (24)

When Ted set out from Seydisfjordur, it was autumn. The land was cold and comfortless. Only hardy people and their animals live in this sort of climate. (25)

Adapted from *Icelandic Moonscape* by Rick Wilson

21. (1) acrid
(2) lurid
(3) genteel
(4) harsh ()
22. (1) ardent
(2) solo
(3) inaugural
(4) dastardly ()
23. (1) challenge
(2) errand
(3) operation
(4) pursuit ()

24. (1) slithery
(2) craggy
(3) derelict
(4) odorous ()
25. (1) bleak
(2) benevolent
(3) blessed
(4) besieged ()

Section F: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Jayla Steward had a serious telephone issue. However, unlike most people, she did something about it. The brand new ten-million-dollar San Remo Hotel opened nearby and had acquired almost the same telephone number as Jayla.

From the moment the hotel opened, Jayla was besieged by calls not for her. Since she had the same telephone number for years, she felt that she had a case to persuade the hotel management to change its number. Naturally, the management refused, claiming that it could not change its stationery. The phone company was not helpful, either. A number was a number, and just because a customer was getting someone else's calls 24 hours a day did not make it responsible. 5

After her pleas fell on deaf ears, Jayla decided to take matters into her own hands. At 9 o'clock, the telephone rang. Someone from Memphis was calling the hotel and asked for a room for the following Tuesday. Jayla said, "No problem. How many nights?" A few hours later, a secretary wanted a suite with two bedrooms for a week. Emboldened, Jayla said the Presidential Suite on the tenth floor was available for \$600 a night. The secretary said that she would take it and asked if the hotel wanted a deposit. "No, that won't be necessary," Jayla said, "we trust you." The next day was a busy one for Jayla. In the morning, she booked an electric appliance manufacturers' convention for the Memorial Day weekend, a college prom and a reunion of the 82nd Airborne veterans from World War II. She turned on her answering machine during lunchtime so that she could watch the O.J. Simpson trial, but her biggest challenge came in the afternoon when a mother called to book a ballroom for her daughter's wedding in June. Jayla assured the woman that it would be no problem and asked if she would be providing the flowers or she wanted the hotel to take care of it. The mother said that she would prefer the hotel to handle the floral arrangements. Then the question of valet parking came up. Once again Jayla was helpful. "There's no charge for valet parking, but we always recommend that the client tips the drivers." 10 15 20 25

Within a few months, the San Remo Hotel was a disaster area. People kept showing up for weddings and parties and were all told there were no such events. Jayla had her final revenge when she read in the local paper that the hotel might go bankrupt. Her phone rang, and an executive from Marriott said, "We're prepared to offer you \$200,000 for the hotel." Jayla replied, "We'll take it, but only if you change the telephone number." 30

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.

26. Which word best describes how Jayla feel about the telephone issue?
- (1) worried ()
 - (2) frustrated
 - (3) depressed
 - (4) ecstatic

27. Which of the following is true?
- (1) The phone company was irresponsible.
 - (2) The hotel had the same telephone number as Jayla.
 - (3) Jayla did not want to be the one changing her number. ()
 - (4) Jayla decided to be kind and assisted the hotel in taking bookings.

28. In line 21, 'it' refers to the _____.
- (1) valet parking
 - (2) floral arrangements
 - (3) reservation of the ballroom ()
 - (4) O.J. Simpson trial

29. How did Jayla take matters into her own hands?
- (1) She persuaded a secretary to take a suite.
 - (2) She organised a college prom in the hotel.
 - (3) She turned on her answering machine to avoid the calls.
 - (4) She assured a mother that her daughter's wedding would be taken care of. ()

30. Based on the passage, how can we best describe Jayla?
- (1) helpful
 - (2) genuine
 - (3) remorseful
 - (4) innovative ()

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PAPER 2: LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION
PRIMARY 6

BOOKLET B

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary 6 ()

Subject Teacher: _____

Date: 27 February 2012

Parent's Signature: _____

Paper	Marks obtained	Maximum marks for each paper
Paper 1 (Situational Writing)		15
Paper 1 (Continuous Writing)		40
Paper 2 Booklet A (Language Use and Comprehension)		30
Paper 2 Booklet B (Language Use and Comprehension)		41
Paper 2 Booklet K		24
Total marks for all papers		150

Section G: Grammar Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

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 letter (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

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|-----------|---------|----------|----------|-----------|
| (A) as | (D) by | (G) like | (K) over | (N) than |
| (B) among | (E) for | (H) of | (L) to | (P) while |
| (C) but | (F) in | (J) on | (M) too | (Q) with |
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The eggs we eat mostly come from hens. In the past, it was usual for hens to lay eggs _____ the same colour as themselves. This is not always true today because of modern cross-breeding methods.

(31)

Eggs are indispensable to diets of people _____ active lifestyles.

(32)

Compared with meat, eggs contain much more protein _____ their price.

(33)

On almost all chicken farms, hens are kept inside all the time, often in a battery.

_____ battery production, the farmer has a large hen-house with rows and rows

(34)

of small cages inside. Battery production has generated controversy _____ advocates for animal welfare and animal rights. _____ legislative measures have

(35)

been implemented in certain countries to limit the size of cages and the number of hens in

(36)

them, there is pressure to push for alternatives _____ the battery cage system.

(37)

The taste of the eggs will be affected _____ the feed given to the hens.

(38)

Some people feel that eggs produced from the free range method produces superior eggs in

terms of flavour. _____ opposed to the pelleted food that hens are fed with in

(39)

batteries, hens that run free feed _____ a variety of food like grass and insects.

(40)

Hence, their eggs are comparatively more flavourful.

Section H: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (10 x 1 mark)

Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

(41)

Aliens have been a part of popular culture long before the novel *E.T.* was writing and

(42)

long since its debut in theatres. Our **fasy**nation with creatures from other planets is reflected

(43)

in books, movies, and television. It is also evidence in our efforts to find life elsewhere in

the universe.

(44)

However, it seems these extraterrestrials do not just remained in the movies. Some

pranksters pull the wool over the eyes of susceptible believers and create hoaxes about alien

(45)

sightings. A hoax is when someone **delibe**ratly misleads people about what he or she has

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(47)

seen. Some hoaxes have been very **sucessfull** with many people **be**leaving in them until they

are proven wrong.

In 1938, a radio play version of the science-fiction book *War of the Worlds* caused

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penick in the United States. The radio play narrated by Orson Welles, had been written and

(49)

performed to sound like a real news broadcast about an invaded from Mars. Thousands of

(50)

people thought they were really in the attack of Martians.

Section I: Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1 mark)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Deserts cover more than one fifth of the Earth's land. Far from being barren wastelands, they are biologically rich habitats with a wide _____ of animals and plants that have adapted to the harsh _____ there. Some deserts are among the planet's remaining areas of total wilderness. Yet more than one billion people, one-sixth of the Earth's population, actually live in desert regions.

Desert _____ have adaptations to help them keep cool and use less water. Camels, for example, can go for days without food and water. Many desert animals are nocturnal, coming out to hunt only when the brutal _____ has descended. Some animals spend much of their time underground. _____ to their very special adaptations, desert animals are extremely _____ to introduced predators and changes to their habitat.

Desert plants may have to go _____ fresh water for years at a time. Some plants have adapted to the arid climate by growing long roots that tap _____ from deep underground. Other plants, such as cacti, have special _____ of storing and

conserving water. Many desert plants can _____ to be hundreds of years old.
(60)

Some of the world's semi-arid regions are turning into deserts at an _____
(61)
rate. This process, known as "desertification," is not _____ by drought, but
(62)
usually arises from the demands of human populations that settle on the semi-arid lands to
_____ crops and graze animals. The pounding of the soil by the hooves of
(63)
livestock may degrade the soil and encourage erosion by wind and water.

Global warming also threatens to change the ecology of deserts. Higher
_____ may produce an increasing number of wildfires that _____
(64) (65)
desert landscapes by removing slow-growing trees and shrubs and replacing them with
fast-growing grasses. This threat places unique wildlife and cultures in peril.

Adapted from *The National Geographic*

Section J: Synthesis and Transformation (3 x 2 marks)

For each of the questions 66 to 68, 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).

66. Holly has not gone back to visit her hometown for three years.

_____ since _____

67. I talked to the boy just now. The boy was very rude.

_____ whom _____

68. The movie was very exciting. The audience was riveted to the screen.

_____ so _____

69. Refer to Booklet K.

70. Refer to Booklet K.

Go on to Section J and Section K in Booklet K.

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4)	4	9)	3	14)	3	19)	3	24)	2	29)	4
5)	2	10)	4	15)	4	20)	3	25)	1	30)	4

31)	H	33)	E	35)	B	37)	K	39)	L
32)	Q	34)	F	36)	A	38)	D	40)	J

41)	written	46)	successful
42)	fascination	47)	believing
43)	evident	48)	panic
44)	remain	49)	invasion
45)	deliberately	50)	under

51)	variety	56)	susceptible	61)	alarming
52)	enviroment	57)	without	62)	caused
53)	animals	58)	water	63)	grow
54)	sun	59)	means	64)	temperatures
55)	Due	60)	live	65)	changes

- 66) It has been three years since Holly went back to visit her hometown.
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