

PRIMARY SCHOOLS FINAL EXAMINATIONS 2000

Educational Assessment Unit - Education Division

YEAR 6

ENGLISH (READING)

Time: 20 minutes

Name: _____

Class: _____

Underline the correct word or group of words in the following:

1. Lara (like, likes, liking, love, loving) horses.
2. I'm glad you're (ear, fear, hair, hear, here).
3. (What, Which, Whose, Who, Who's) is the young lady?
4. We (are, have, has, were, can) all seen that film.
5. John tried to jump (over, below, against, in, under) the gate.
6. My uncle's children are my (nephews, aunts, cousins, sons, nieces).
7. Fiona made that dress (itself, himself, oneself, herself, hers).
8. They all went to Sliema (with, on, by, in, at) foot.
9. It was good of her to help, (wasn't, isn't, doesn't, don't, is) it?
10. We're very (pond, pound, fond, found, friends) of Jack.
11. The dog is not mine. It's (Peters, Peter's, Peter, Petes, Pete).
12. Sports keeps us (healthy, fat, sick, weak, week).
13. Please do not enter the private (exit, entrance, door, building, stairs).
14. The stationer sold all the (cakes, ties, shirts, hats, envelopes).
15. I wonder what George (want, won't, wand, wants, pond).
16. I did not speak to her again (until, once, in, over, up), supper time.

17. A millennium is a period of a (million, ten, fifty, thousand, five) years.
18. "It's going to be a cold day," (ask, told, said, order, asks) Kim.
19. My sister bought a new (fur, pair, pear, air, fair) of shoes.
20. We have (much, lot, many, plenty, very) of food for this week.
21. The party was so (boring, fun, good, exciting, lovely) that we left before it came to an end.
22. Lions are (friendly, timid, tame, domestic, fierce) animals.
23. Don't (account, court, count, cart, curt) your chickens before they are hatched.
24. These shoes are (dear, most cheap, cheaper, least, cheap) than those.
25. He's always (punctual, punch, puncture, pouch, pink,) for school.
26. I'm (true, thirty, thirsty, threw, three). I need a drink.
27. The match was spectacular. Spectacular means (colourful, impressive, for spectators, spectacles).
28. The boys hurled pebbles into the sea. Hurled means (dropped, put, picked, threw forcefully).
29. The president was given a warm welcome. A warm welcome means (warm water, a good drink, a hot meal, greeted warmly).
30. Venice is a unique city. Unique means (antique, equal, perfect, the only one of its kind).

(30 x 1/2=15 marks)

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ENGLISH (WRITTEN)

Time: 1h 30min

Name: _____

Class: _____

A. Write the correct word from the anagram to form a sentence. One word has been done for you.

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_____ _____ _____ _____ interesting _____.

(5 x 1=5

marks)

B. Change the underlined word or words with one word which has the same meaning.

e.g. John (He) is a very good boy.

1. Mary and I (_____) have many friends.
2. The Eiffel Tower (_____) is in Paris.
3. The twins (_____) play tennis every Saturday.
4. My sister (_____) helps the old lady (_____) with the shopping.

(5 x 1=5 marks).

C. **Change into the Negative.** e.g. *Mum drives a big car.*

Mum does not drive a big car.

1. Ben plays well. _____ .

2. We like sweets. _____ .

3. The helicopter landed in a nearby field. _____

_____ .

4. I will give you some money. _____ .

5. They have seen something new. _____

_____ .

(5 x 2=10 marks)

D. **Complete the question.**

e.g. *When are you visiting the dentist? My appointment is soon.*

1. _____ your pet? It's in the cage.

2. _____ they leaving? They are leaving now.

3. _____ will you be away? I'll be away for
two

days.

4. _____ that smart lady? She's Ben's mother.

5. _____ do you visit your grandma? I see her

every day.

(5 x 2=10 marks)

E. Turn to the Past Tense. The first one has been done for you.

Dan and Frida live (lived) in a clean little house. Their parents love (_____) them dearly and they have (_____) many friends. Yet, very often, the children feel (_____) unhappy because they keep (_____) wanting more of everything.

So one day, they ask (_____) an old lady what spell they can (_____) use to make them happy. The old woman tells (_____) them to count their blessings and be thankful.

The children decide (_____) to take her advice. They soon find (_____) out how well off they are (_____).

F. Read the following passage carefully.

Yes, I really did! - I did actually see tears rolling down dad's sad face on the day Lovely fled through our kitchen window. I myself didn't shed a single tear, not because I wasn't fond of Lovely – after all it was mine – but because I didn't believe he wouldn't return home to us at the end of the day.

Lovely was certainly mine. Oh, no! It wasn't given to me on my birthday, as very often happens. I remember I once wanted a pet very badly, and having told my parents, I was allowed to run to the corner pet shop on my own and choose any creature I fancied. I had hardly stepped inside the shop when Lovely caught my eye. It was hovering over its cage quite near the shop entrance. Perhaps I was admiring its courage or its lovely colours. I only know that although other creatures were making their presence felt with their barking or mewling or chirping, I had already settled on Lovely. I readily emptied my pocket, and while I stood fingering the coins, I felt something settling on my right shoulder. It was Lovely! How cute! So it seemed we had both liked each other. I was soon carrying Lovely home with me.

Although I had bought Lovely with my own money, it belonged to everyone at home. Everyone saw to it that Lovely had enough seed and water at all times. Everyone talked to Lovely until it answered back with its cheerful chirping. It was no surprise that everyone was quiet on the day of Lovely's flight from home. We hardly exchanged words on that miserable day. My heart sank as I held the dark cloth we used to cover Lovely's cage with at bedtime.

“Tweet, tweet!”..... That was music to my ears! I turned quickly around. -- All my worries were over.

Underline the correct answer in questions 1 - 4

1. Lovely was a (cat, bird, hamster, dog).
2. The pet shop was (very far away, in the village square, in the next town, quite close).
3. The writer settled on Lovely means that the writer (decided to buy Lovely, sat on Lovely, put Lovely on a seat, decided to sell Lovely).
4. The opposite of entrance is (exist, exit, extra, enter).
(4 x 1=4 marks)

Now answer the following questions in your own words.

5. Mention two creatures that were for sale at the pet shop.

(2marks)

6. Write out the short sentence in the passage that shows that the writer could not believe his eyes when he saw his father crying.
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(2marks)

7. While at the pet shop, what had made the writer realise that Lovely was attracted to him?

(2marks)

8. Why did the writer say that Lovely belonged to everyone at home?

(3marks)

9. How did the writer and other members of his family show their sorrow at Lovely's flight from home?

(4marks)

10. In the last paragraph, the writer said, "That was music to my ears!" Explain why.

(3marks)

