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PAPER 2

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Section A: Vocabulary (15 marks)

For Questions 1 to 10, choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

1. Don's grandfather was annoyed and mumbled \_\_\_\_\_ that he could not find his pair of spectacles.

- (1) lazily
  - (2) grumpily
  - (3) patiently
  - (4) happily
- ( )

2. I heard an owl \_\_\_\_\_ noisily in the night.

- (1) hiss
  - (2) chatter
  - (3) hoot
  - (4) croak
- ( )

3. The fire \_\_\_\_\_ in the fireplace and keeps the room warm.

- (1) crackles
  - (2) flaps
  - (3) crunches
  - (4) splashes
- ( )

4. Rabbits live in \_\_\_\_\_ while hens are kept in coops.

- (1) dens
  - (2) stables
  - (3) lodges
  - (4) burrows
- ( )

5. The pupils observed a mother \_\_\_\_\_ and her babies playing in the water.

- (1) bat
- (2) squirrel
- (3) cow
- (4) hippopotamus ( )

6. The trunk of an elephant feels as \_\_\_\_\_ as the bark of a tree.

- (1) rough
- (2) thorny
- (3) scaly
- (4) slimy

7. A \_\_\_\_\_ is usually green and spiky. It needs little water and is found in deserts.

- (1) rose
- (2) cactus
- (3) rambutan
- (4) cabbage ( )

8. Ann was \_\_\_\_\_ when she waited for her turn at the dentist with her mother.

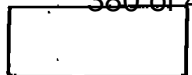
- (1) surprised
- (2) pleased
- (3) nervous
- (4) lonely ( )

9. The cook \_\_\_\_\_ off the skin of an apple before he cuts it.

- (1) peels
- (2) sprinkles
- (3) chops
- (4) slices ( )

10. Three blackbirds are resting on the top brown \_\_\_\_\_ of that tall tree.

- (1) petals
- (2) roots
- (3) trunks
- (4) branches ( )



For questions 11 to 15, fill in the blanks with the most suitable word provided in the box. Use each word once only.

through      behind      in      among      at      into

The old couple had just finished their lunch. Mr. Wong was dozing off (11) \_\_\_\_\_ his comfortable armchair. His wife was putting away the crockery (12) \_\_\_\_\_ the cupboard above the sink. All of a sudden, they heard a crash and flying (13) \_\_\_\_\_ their window was a black object. It landed (14) \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Wong's feet. Mrs Wong stood (15) \_\_\_\_\_ her husband and screamed. "I think it is a bomb!" she cried.

**Section B : Grammar (20 marks)**

For questions 16 to 25, choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

16. Every evening, taxi drivers clean their vehicles \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) ourselves                      (2) themselves  
(3) himself                        (4) yourself                      (      )
17. Look up to the sky! Are \_\_\_\_\_ kites or aeroplanes?
- (1) this                                (2) that  
(3) these                              (4) those                        (      )
18. These are the seven \_\_\_\_\_ black helmets.
- (1) policeman                      (2) policemen  
(3) policeman's                    (4) policemen's                (      )
19. The angry lion \_\_\_\_\_ when it is hungry.
- (1) roar                                (2) roars  
(3) roared                            (4) are roaring                (      )
20. There are \_\_\_\_\_ jars of honey on the shelf.
- (1) many                              (2) much  
(3) less                                (4) least                        (      )

21. The seeds of a papaya \_\_\_\_\_ small and black.  
(1) is (2) are  
(3) was (4) were ( )

22. John gobbled up his dinner and he \_\_\_\_\_ a stomachache when he went to bed.  
(1) has (2) have  
(3) had (4) Were having

23. While Sue \_\_\_\_\_ her teeth, the telephone rang.  
(1) brush (2) brushes  
(3) is brushing (4) was brushing

24. The children \_\_\_\_\_ letters with their new ballpoint pens.  
(1) write (2) writes  
(3) is writing (4) was writing

25. They saw \_\_\_\_\_ ox in the farm working hard in the hot sun.  
(1) a (2) an  
(3) any (4) some

For questions 26 to 30, fill in the blanks with the plural form of the words given. (5 marks)

26. Fresh cream on \_\_\_\_\_ is my favourite dessert. (strawberry)

27. Three \_\_\_\_\_ deliver letters every day. (postman)

28. The cat chased the timid \_\_\_\_\_ around the house. (mouse)

29. Tom washed his \_\_\_\_\_ before he went into the pool. (foot)

30. Our neighbour bought a sack of new \_\_\_\_\_. (potato)

For questions 31 to 35, re-arrange the words to form complete sentences. Begin each sentence with a capital letter and end with a full-stop. (5 marks)

31. ribbon a on car she each long tied

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32. arranges an sister album his stamps the in

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33. heads balance colourful those their clowns on balls

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34. fried busy egg the noodles chef some

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35. a uncle medicine of my spoonful takes

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**Section C: Vocabulary Cloze (5 marks)**

For questions 36 to 40, fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

It was the night before Christmas. Henry and his little brother put

(36) \_\_\_\_\_ their blue pyjamas before they climbed into bed.

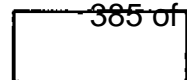
Suddenly, they had an (37) \_\_\_\_\_. They

(38) \_\_\_\_\_ to play a trick on Santa, the old gentleman with a

white beard. They (39) \_\_\_\_\_ a long string around the

Christmas tree and (40) \_\_\_\_\_ themselves behind the

curtains. The two mischievous boys wished they could see Santa's jolly red face!



## Section D: Comprehension (15 marks)

### Passage A

Read passage A carefully and answer questions 41 to 45. Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2 or 3) in the brackets provided.

Sam sat quietly by himself in a corner. He bowed his head low and did not move for at least fifteen minutes. Big drops of warm tears rolled slowly down his rosy cheeks. He was ashamed of himself and did not want anyone to see him crying. Surely, no one would expect a thirteen-year-old to cry! At the same time, he was praying. If only he could turn back the clock. If only he had listened to his mother. She often warned him about playing along the road.

As Sam sat there, he could not help but think over all the things that had happened that afternoon. He saw himself playfully kicking his football. He remembered it rolling into the path of a speeding car. His mother's voice was still ringing in his ear. He had felt her pushing him aside. Then he heard a crash and saw his mother lying on the road.

All Sam could do was wait. But for how long? Suddenly, he felt a hand on his shoulder. He turned around and heard the doctor say, "Son, your mother is fine. She is resting. You can see her now."

Sam smiled gratefully and whispered a little prayer of thanks.



41. Sam was feeling upset because \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) he could not play football
- (2) his mother was sick
- (3) he should have been more obedient

42. "His mother's voice was still ringing in his ear". This means \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) she was calling him on the telephone
- (2) Sam could still recall her words of warning
- (3) her voice was too loud and Sam's ear hurt ( )

43. Sam was alone and waiting. He was waiting for \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) news of his mother's condition
- (2) his father to touch his shoulder
- (3) the clock to turn back ( )

44. "Speeding" means the vehicle was \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) travelling slowly
- (2) moving too quickly
- (3) not going fast enough ( )

45. Sam smiled because \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) his mother was asleep
- (2) the doctor was friendly
- (3) he had received good news ( )

## Passage B

Read Passage B carefully and answer questions 46 to 48 in complete sentences.

Begin each sentence with a capital letter and end with a full-stop.

It was a bright and warm morning. The Tan family was all dressed up and ready to set off. Mr Tan started the engine of his new car as soon as they had settled in. Mrs Tan relaxed in the front seat. Fast asleep in her arms was their only son, baby Eddy. The twins chattered noisily and endlessly at the back. Their holiday had just begun.

The drive down the country road was pleasant and fun. As soon as they had arrived at the holiday bungalow, everyone dashed towards the beach. The sea looked warm and inviting. While their parents set up the picnic lunch, the eight-year-olds changed quickly into their swimsuits. Jenny's was blue and Mary's was pink. Some apples, ham sandwiches and a drink of lemonade was all they could manage. After an hour's rest, they rushed into the greenish waters.

A wonderful week of fun in the sun lay ahead of them. There were plans to go sailing and fishing in the deep waters. Building sandcastles and climbing trees were two other exciting activities. Their mother talked of delicious barbecues around a campfire. Only their father dreamt of lazing around. Napping, reading and listening to soft music was all he wanted. Oh, and a game of golf or two. It was a definite must for him.

46. How many children were there in Mr Tan's car?

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47. What two things did the twins do after lunch?

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48. Which activities did the girls plan to do on land?

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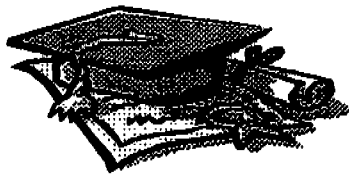
For questions 49 and 50, read the statements carefully. Circle True, if the statement is correct and circle False, if it is incorrect.

49. Mr and Mrs Tan's daughters talked all the way to their destination.

True    False

50. The twins' father was a lazy man. He loved to sleep, dream and did not even want to play golf.

True    False



# ANSWER SHEET

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- 1)2      2)3      3)1      4)4      5)4      6)1  
 7)2      8)3      9)1      10)4      11)in      12)into  
 13)through    14)among    15)behind    16)2      17)4      18)4  
 19)2      20)1      21)2      22)3      23)4      24)1  
 25)2      26)strawberries      27)postmen    28)mice      29)feet  
 30)potato

31)She tied a long ribbon on a car.

32)His sister arranges the stamps in an album.

33)Clowns balance those colourful balls on their heads.

34)The busy chef fried some egg noodles.

35)Uncle takes a spoonful of my medicine.

36)on      37)idea      38)plan      39)tie      40)hid

41)3      42)2      43)1      44)2      45)3

46)There were three children in Mr Tan's Car

47)They went swimming in the sea.

48)The girls planed to build sandcastles and climb trees.

49)True

50)True