

**Primary Three
English Language
Continual Assessment One**

A. Grammar

**Choose the correct answer and write its number in the box provided.
(10 x 1 mark = 10 marks)**

1. Did you know that there _____ 365 days in a year?

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

2. _____ picture on the wall over there was painted by my grandfather.

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

3. _____ your soup carefully as it is hot!

- (1) Eat
- (2) Chew
- (3) Drink
- (4) Gobble

4. Vicky is only 15 years old but she looks _____ than her 17-year-old sister.

- (1) old
- (2) older
- (3) oldest
- (4) as old as

5. Although Tom has a cold, he can still _____ as fast as Joe during P.E. lesson.

- (1) run
- (2) ran
- (3) runs
- (4) running

6. We _____ clear the tables in the canteen after we have eaten our meals.

- (1) must
- (2) might
- (3) must not
- (4) might not

7. Many people _____ to collect stamps.

- (1) like
- (2) likes
- (3) liked
- (4) liking

8. The children _____ playing soccer in the field every Sunday.

- (1) enjoy
- (2) enjoys
- (3) enjoyed
- (4) enjoying

9. Does Anna _____ a slice of chocolate cake for tea?

- (1) want
- (2) wants
- (3) wanted
- (4) wanting

10. Don't walk _____ a ladder! Some people believe you will get bad luck.

- (1) next
- (2) over
- (3) under
- (4) beside

For Questions 11 to 15, fill in the each blank with the correct form of verb given in the bracket. (5 x 1 mark = 5 marks)

Emperor Penguins (11)_____ (live) near the Cold South Pole. They (12) _____ (be) the biggest penguins in the world. Each female (13)_____ (lay) one egg in mid winter and then (14)_____ (go) back to sea. The male stays and incubates the egg for about 60 days. The female returns only when the egg (15)_____ (hatch).

For Questions 16 to 20, fill in the each blank with the words given in the box. Use each word only ONCE (5 x 1 mark = 5 marks)

in	on	to
for	from	towards

Sam was walking home one day when he heard a faint sound coming (16)_____ the bushes nearby. He walked (17) _____ the bushes and saw a little kitten. The kitten was hungry and mewed pitifully. Sam felt sorry (18) _____ it. He carried the kitten (19) _____ his arms and brought it home.

“May I please keep the kitten, Mother?” Sam asked

“Yes, dear. You may, “she replies. Let it sleep (20) _____ the cushion over there.”

B. Vocabulary

Choose the correct answer and write its number in the box provided.

(10 x 1 mark = 10 marks)

21. Don's worry, my dog is _____. He won't bite you.

- (1) wild
- (2) tame
- (3) fierce
- (4) ferocious

22. Mark was _____ he could not see the magic show because he had chicken pox.

- (1) glad
- (2) happy
- (3) upset
- (4) relieved

23. "You must _____ my instructions carefully," Mrs. Goh told her class.

- (1) do
- (2) carry
- (3) follow
- (4) listen

24. Dan penned his thoughts and feelings in his _____

- (1) list
- (2) menu
- (3) album
- (4) diary

25. My mother made a _____ of items to buy at the supermarket.

- (1) list
- (2) label
- (3) receipt
- (4) journal

26. Mei enjoys writing to Martha, her new _____ in Australia.

- (1) pen pal
- (2) visitor
- (3) tourist
- (4) foreigner

27. Tom takes along time to type on the keyboard. He is as slow as a _____

- (1) bee
- (2) bear
- (3) hare
- (4) tortoise

28. Pat's favourite _____ is collecting matchboxes from different hotels.

- (1) game
- (2) sport
- (3) hobby
- (4) habit

29. Andy is not popular in class because he is _____.

- (1) kind
- (2) proud
- (3) helpful
- (4) friendly

30. Sometimes, my cousin and I _____ stamps with each other.

- (1) copy
- (2) replace
- (3) transfer
- (4) exchange

For Questions 31 to 34, fill in the each blank with the words given in the box. Use each word only ONCE (4 x 1 mark = 4 marks)

red	dull	easy	cute
great	cuter	boring	enjoyable

Nick: Hi, what are you doing?

Chris: I am folding a paper elephant.

Nick: Is it (31) _____ to learn?

Chris: Oh, yes and it's (32) _____ too. Here, let me show you.

Nick: I want to use a piece of (33) _____ paper as it is my favourite colour.

Chris: We'll fold a cat next. It looks (34) _____ than the elephant.

For Questions 35 to 38, fill in the each blank with the words given in the box. Use each word only ONCE (4 x 1 mark = 4 marks)

kind	better	best	mean
praised	teased	helped	together

Raj is my (35)_____ friend in class. We do fun things (36)_____ such as cycling, fishing and roller-blading. Once, when I was (37)_____ by two naughty boys, he told them not to be (38)_____ to me. I am lucky to have a friend like Raj.

For Questions 39 to 40, fill in the each blank with the correct simile given in the box. Use each simile only ONCE (2 x 1 mark = 2 marks)

as black as coal
as happy as a king
as graceful as a swan
as cool as a cucumber

39. Anna loves to dance. Her mother says that when she dances, she is _____.

40. Sid's wallet was stolen from his bag. He was so angry that hi face was _____.

C. Comprehension

Passage 1

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct answer and write the number in the box provided.

(2 x 2 marks = 4 marks)

Ben was excited. Today was his school's sports day. He would be taking part in the 80-metre and 200-metre running events.

Ben went to school early. He wanted to do some warm-ups before the race. The other competitors were already in school when he arrived.

"Everyone is very serious about winning. Well, I have trained hard and I will do my best," thought Ben. He remembered his mother telling him that as long as he did his best, he was a winner!

Ben ran as fast as he could. He did not win any medals and was disappointed.

"Ben, to me, you are a winner," his mother said proudly. "You can try again next year".

41. Ben went to school early to _____.

- (1) race
- (2) exercise
- (3) do push-ups
- (4) do warm-ups

42. Ben was still a winner because he _____.

- (1) ran fast
- (2) trained hard
- (3) did his best
- (4) did warm-ups

Passage 2

Read the passage carefully. Answer the following questions in complete sentences. (3 x 2 marks = 6 marks)

Singapore does not have many forests. Therefore, it may come as a surprise that our country provides different habitats for many birds such as mynah, pigeon, sparrow and crow.

The Jurong Bird Park is such one habitat. It is home to 8,000 birds. Many free flying birds use Jurong Bird Park as their breeding grounds because the numerous lakes and lush vegetation provide them with food, shelter and cover from predators.

Some very common free flying birds are the egrets. They are migratory visitors that have come to breed in our warm climate. The favourite spot of these egrets are the trees alongside the Flamingo Lake. The big trees allow them to build their nest and nurture their young. The bushes in the Park offer them an abundance of food in the form of insects.

Hérons, the famous fish hunters, are also a common sight in the Park. The lakes at the Park have a good offering of fish, which are a delight to these birds. They are often observed standing near the water, waiting patiently to stab their prey with their beaks.

The sight of these free flying birds delights the eyes and soothes the mind. They are indeed a bonus to one's visit

43. What attracts free flying bird to Jurong Bird Park?

44. What do egrets and herons feed on?

45. Why is the sight of free flying birds a bonus to one's visits?

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