

**Primary Three
English Language
Continual Assessment Two**

Questions 1 to 15 carry one mark each.

For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and write it in the space provided.

1. Mulan, was the young girl who _____ herself as a man and went to fight in a war in China

- (1) cast
- (2) changed
- (3) disguised
- (4) turned

2. The police commended Mr. Lim for his _____ in capturing the two bank robbers.

- (1) action
- (2) cowardice
- (3) bravery
- (4) work

3. When Mei Ling heard a _____ on the streets below her flat; she saw a crowd of people fighting in front of the coffee shop.

- (1) clash
- (2) commotion
- (3) confusion
- (4) roar

4. The boy _____ and could hardly speak properly, when the king stood before him.

- (1) gossiped
- (2) stammered
- (3) shouted
- (4) talked

5. Some animals camouflaged themselves to blend in with their surroundings to prevent attacks from their _____.

- (1) captives
- (2) captors
- (3) predators
- (4) preys

6. The _____ peasant boy had married a princess. The villagers could hardly believe what they had heard. It was a pauper turned rich story.

- (1) lonely
- (2) poor
- (3) quiet
- (4) unhappy

7. Madam Fatimah has decided to put up _____ at her balcony windows so that her children will not fall off the balcony.

- (1) bamboo blinds
- (2) curtains
- (3) partitions
- (4) window grilles

8. The residents of the _____ enjoy common facilities like the swimming pool, the tennis and squash courts and the mini-gymnasium.

- (1) bungalow
- (2) cabin
- (3) condominium
- (4) hut

9. Mr. Lee talks proudly about himself whenever he is drunk. He says he has five Olympic-sized swimming pools in his house. He is a _____ person.

- (1) boastful
- (2) humble
- (3) jealous
- (4) thoughtful

10. The pupils were able to understand the lesson better when the teacher further explained and _____ with diagrams.

- (1) elaborated
- (2) expressed
- (3) showed
- (4) stated

11. The frightened squirrels _____ into their holes in the trees on seeing their enemies.

- (1) cruised
- (2) loped
- (3) scurried
- (4) slithered

12. When I was at the zoo, I saw the peacock _____ across the field, displaying its colourful feathers.

- (1) lumber
- (2) strut
- (3) trot
- (4) waddle

13. David's dog has given birth to a _____ of puppies. One of the four puppies has a white patch on its black nose.

- (1) brood
- (2) bunch
- (3) gaggle
- (4) litter

14. The bride's father has to give a _____ of one hundred cows to the bridegroom's family.

- (1) dowry
- (2) present
- (3) prize
- (4) treasure

15. The residents in my block are _____. They dispose their rubbish properly.

- (1) careful
- (2) clever
- (3) considerate
- (4) proud

Questions 16-25 carry 1 mark each

Choose the correct answer for each of the following questions. Write its number in the brackets provided.

16. When the police arrived at the scene, the robbers ran _____ in different directions.

- (1) from
- (2) since
- (3) off
- (4) of

17. "I feel funny sitting _____ two girls," Tim said looking at Sarah on his left and Meimei on his right.

- (1) between
- (2) among
- (3) with
- (4) on

18. Susan cried bitterly _____ hearing the terrible news that her brother was killed in an accident.

- (1) into
- (2) till
- (3) upon
- (4) until

19. William spent _____ of his pocket money on books.

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

20. After he _____ his dog for a walk, he went home to take his dinner.

- (1) take
- (2) takes
- (3) is taking
- (4) had taken

21. This photograph reminds me of _____ incident which happened many years ago.

- (1) a
- (2) any
- (3) an
- (4) some

22. "Stop playing and get _____ with your homework," Ali's mother commanded.

- (1) start
- (2) starts
- (3) started
- (4) starting

23. Kok Ping _____ his lunch and is washing the dishes now.

- (1) has finished
- (2) is finished
- (3) is finishing
- (4) was finishing

24. Mr. Lim _____ an additional two kilometres yesterday morning.

- (1) jog
- (2) jogs
- (3) jogged
- (4) jogging

25. Gopal has a headache because the drilling machine is making too _____ noise.

- (1) many
- (2) much
- (3) plenty
- (4) some

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30

A Postcard From Indonesia

Dear Helen,

Hi there! I'm enjoying myself very much in Indonesia. It is a very beautiful country. There are many high mountains with rushing rivers and waterfalls. At the moment, I'm staying in a hotel in Bali. Bali is an enchanting place with beautiful scenery. I can't wait to show you the photographs I've taken of the fantastic scenery. The next place I'm going to is an ancient temple near the sea. I'll write to you again when I get there and tell you what it is like. I have taken some photographs of the people in Bali in their traditional costumes. I had fun trying to learn their traditional Balinese dance too.

Must go now. I'll write again soon. Take care!

Love from Janice

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Questions 26-30 carry 2 marks each

Choose the correct answer for each of the following questions. Write its number in the brackets provided

26. The postcard is from _____.

- (1) Helen to Janice
- (2) Janice to Helen
- (3) Janice to Mrs. Tan
- (4) Helen to Mrs. Tan

27. Janice was in _____ when she wrote the postcard.

- (1) Java
- (2) Johor
- (3) Malaysia
- (4) Indonesia

28. Janice wrote the postcard _____.

- (1) at a hotel in Bali
- (2) at a hotel near a river
- (3) at a hotel near a waterfall
- (4) at the ancient temple near the sea

29. According to Janice, she thinks that Bali is a very _____ country.

- (1) ancient
- (2) crowded
- (3) beautiful
- (4) traditional

30. Janice says that there are many _____ in Indonesia.

- (1) rivers, hills and mountains
- (2) rivers, waterfalls and lakes
- (3) rivers, lakes and mountains
- (4) rivers, waterfall and mountains

From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter in the blank. (1 mark each)
EACH WORD CAN ONLY BE USED ONCE

(A) sensitive	(D) poison	(G) needle	(J) hole
(B) frightening	(E) acid	(H) sting	
(C) painful	(F) wound	(I) pimples	

Have you been stung by a bee? If you have, you will know that the sting is quite (31)_____. It is advisable to pull out the (32)_____ right away once you are stung by a bee. If you do this, less (33)_____ will enter the wound. Most people get a swelling. Applying a little lotion on the (34)_____ will stop the swelling.

However, there are some people who are very (35)_____ to bee stings. They might get rashes around the eyes and lips or a rash all over the body.

(A) fit	(D) guard	(G) care	(J) gamble
(B) drink	(E) left	(H) anxious	
(C) machine	(F) retired	(I) strength	

Uncle Wai is fifty-two years old. He has been working as a security (36)_____ in a factory in Jurong since he (37)_____ from the Police Force seven years ago.

Although Uncle Wai is old, he takes (38)_____ of his health and does not smoke or (39)_____. To keep himself (40)_____, he jogs every morning. He also goes swimming on his day off.

(A) has	(C) grow	(E) belong
(B) have	(D) grows	(F) belongs

A hamster is a mammal. It (41)_____ to the rodent family. It has large incisor teeth that (42)_____ continuously. So, it (43)_____ to gnaw all the times to prevent the teeth from overgrowing. A hamster is a nice pet to keep.

(A) and	(B) if	(C) or	(D) so
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Mrs. Tan was angry with her son, Peter for being rude to her. She said angrily, "Peter, work hard (44)_____ you will fail in the examination." Peter apologized to his mother, "I am sorry (45)_____ I have hurt you. I will work hard (46)_____ pass my examination." Mrs. Tan felt much better after hearing his words.

(A) is	(C) tap	(E) show	(G) wear
(B) was	(D) tapped	(F) showed	(H) wore

Everyone cheered and clapped for Kelvin, who was dressed as a magician. He (47)_____ a top hat and a black cloak.

Kelvin took off his hat. He (48)_____ everyone that it (49)_____ empty. Then he covered it with a piece of cloth and (50)_____ it gently. When he removed the cloth, out popped a rabbit!

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 51 to 55 (10 marks)

There was a legend to explain why the owl lives by night and sleeps by day. One day, all the birds gathered to decide which of them should be appointed as the King of the Birds. They agreed to hold a contest and the one who could fly the highest would be appointed as the King. Before the competition, the smallest of the birds crept underneath the wings of an eagle. When the race began, the eagle soared high above all the others. The small crafty bird then came out of his hiding place and flew high above the eagle.

All the birds were angry at the way this small bird had cheated and they decided to punish him for his trickery. However, before they could catch him, he flew into a tiny hole in the ground where none of the other birds could follow him.

The owl was appointed to keep watch on the hole and to capture him when he came out of the hole. After a while, the owl grew sleepy. The moment he closed his eyes to sleep, the small bird escaped.

As a result, the owl was disgraced. To avoid being embarrassed, the owl thus hid himself during the day and only came out at night. This way, he would not be seen by anyone.

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES

51. What does the phrase “owl lives by night” mean?

52. Why did the small bird hide under the wings of an eagle?

53. What does the word “trickery” tells us about the small bird?

54. When did the small bird escape?

55. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as the word “ashamed”?

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