

Methodist Girls' School (Primary)
Primary 3 End-of-the-Year Examination 2007

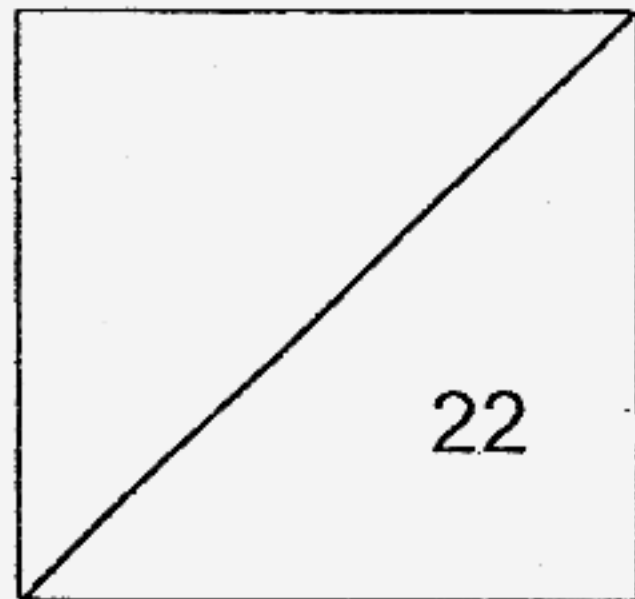
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER
PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE AND COMPREHENSION)
BOOKLET A

Name: _____ ()

Class: P 3 . _____

Date: 3 October 2007

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions on the OAS sheet by shading each bubble with a 2B pencil.

This booklet consists of 5 pages.

Vocabulary (MCQ) (6 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

1. The _____ of sailors were happy to come on shore after a month at sea.
(1) crew
(2) choir
(3) company
(4) congregation ()

2. Father is going to take us on a holiday to Thailand. He has brought home some _____ from a travel fair for the family to plan our trip.
(1) reports
(2) manuals
(3) brochures
(4) programmes ()

3. The girls were proud of Edna as she _____ her strong opponent in arm-wrestling.
(1) defeated
(2) deceived
(3) defended
(4) destroyed ()

4. My father buys the daily newspaper from a _____.
(1) newsman
(2) newsagent
(3) newscaster
(4) newsreader ()

5. My sister ran as _____ as a hare in the race and she emerged first.
(1) swiftly
(2) clumsily
(3) gracefully
(4) awkwardly ()

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6. The police _____ the two passers-by who had witnessed the traffic accident.

- (1) interfered
- (2) interrupted
- (3) intercepted
- (4) interviewed

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Grammar (MCQ) (6 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

7. All but Linda _____ going to the party this Sunday.

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

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8. A cockroach flew onto her book _____ she was reading it.

- (1) after
- (2) since
- (3) while
- (4) before

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9. Farmer Brown's hens _____ eggs every morning. The eggs are then sent to the market in the afternoon.

- (1) lay
- (2) laid
- (3) lays
- (4) laying

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10. The pupils were to read the passage silently to _____ while waiting for their turn outside the examination room.

- (1) oneself
- (2) yourself
- (3) yourselves
- (4) themselves

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11. I do not want _____ durians as the smell is too strong for me.

- (1) any
- (2) much
- (3) some
- (4) several

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12. My dog will _____ beside me whenever I go jogging.

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

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Graphic Stimulus (10 marks)

Study the following advertisement carefully and answer Questions 13-17.

THE MARINE PALACE HOTEL

SINGAPORE

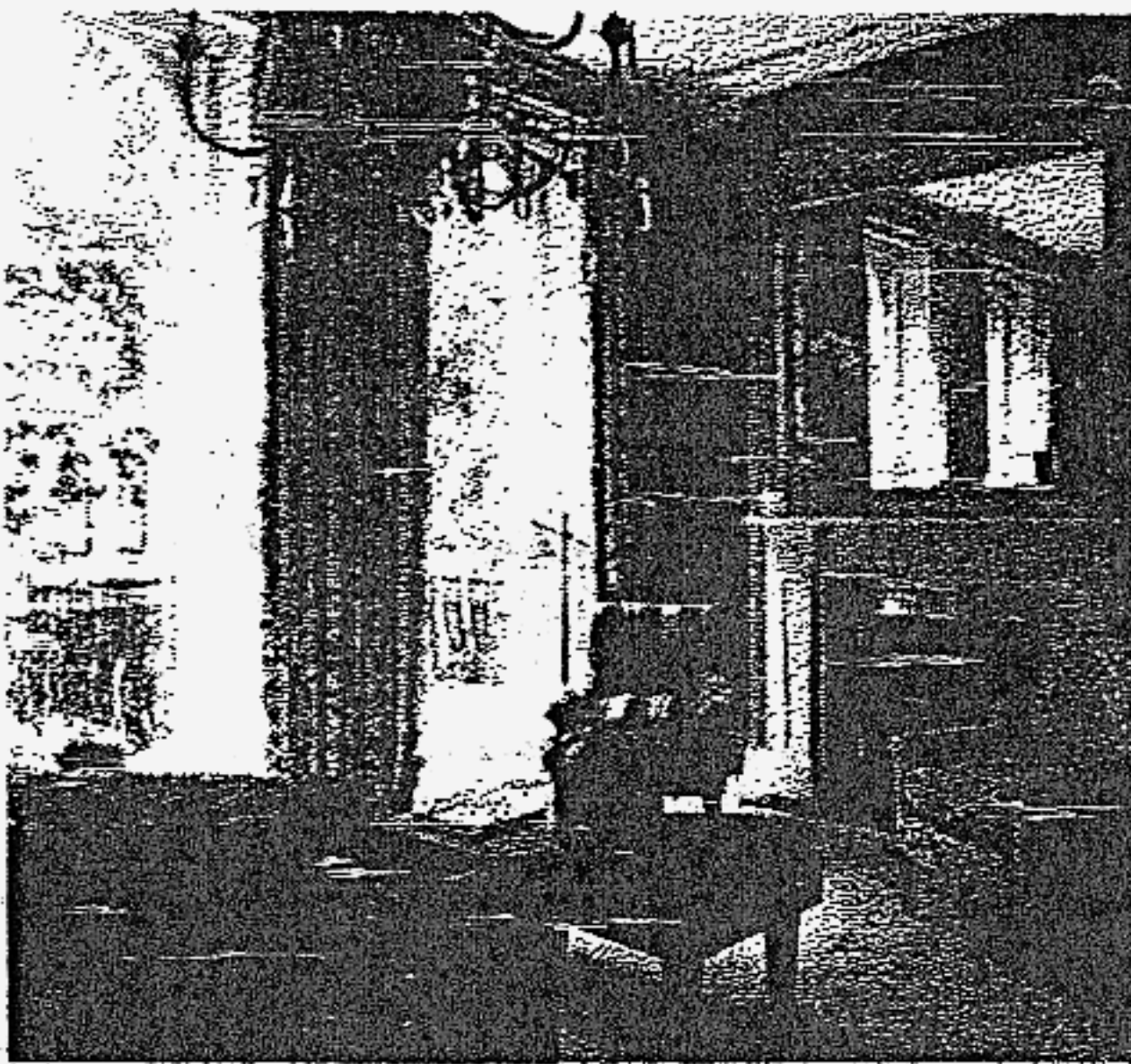
STAY AT MARINE PALACE

Experience the grand life of palace living and let our warm and friendly crew wait on you. Be enchanted by rare palace antiques and marine creatures. Enjoy the beautiful scenes of underwater world on wall murals.

Catch a breathtaking ride on our free open-top shuttle bus for a city tour and visit one of Asia's best butterfly park and zoo all within walking distance from the hotel.

Facilities:

<i>Meeting Rooms</i>	<i>Fitness Centre</i>	<i>Spa villa</i>
<i>Internet Access</i>	<i>Sauna / Jacuzzi</i>	<i>Nail care</i>
<i>Laundry Room</i>	<i>Swimming pool</i>	<i>Tennis court</i>



FROM ONLY
S\$198 ++
PER ROOM PER NIGHT

YOUR STAY INCLUDES:
One night in Deluxe room
Buffet breakfast for 2
15% discount on food only
valid till 31 December 2007

Early Bird Bonus:
*Buy a 2-night stay and enjoy
your 3rd Night FREE
book before 31 October 2007*

FOR RESERVATIONS

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Singapore Toll Free

(03)2345 9876
Kuala Lumpur

(852)2551 3441
Hong Kong

Internet reservation: www.marinepalacehotel.com.sg

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Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

13. The advertisement is meant to promote _____.
- (1) room stay in the hotel
 - (2) the zoo near the hotel
 - (3) marine life in the hotel
 - (4) the butterfly park near the hotel ()
14. Which of the following are features in the hotel?
- (1) Antiques and wall murals
 - (2) Zoo and marine creatures
 - (3) Antiques and a butterfly park
 - (4) Marine creatures and a butterfly park ()
15. You are a hotel guest and you would like to have your clothes washed. You would use the _____.
- (1) jacuzzi
 - (2) spa villa
 - (3) laundry room
 - (4) swimming pool ()
16. The reward for making a booking before 31 October 2007 is a free _____.
- (1) one night stay
 - (2) visit to the zoo
 - (3) shuttle bus ride
 - (4) buffet breakfast ()
17. You are in Hong Kong and would like to make a reservation at the Marine Palace Hotel in Singapore. Which of the following is **NOT** an option for making reservations at the hotel?
- (1) make an internet booking
 - (2) call the Singapore toll free line
 - (3) go to the Singapore hotel directly
 - (4) call the hotel reservation line in Hong Kong ()

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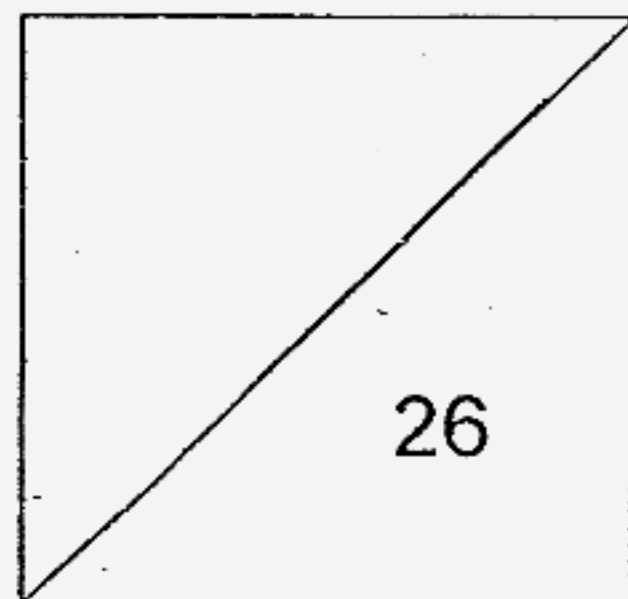
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER
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BOOKLET B

Name: _____ ()

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Date: 3 October 2007

Marks:



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
Follow all instructions carefully.
Answer all questions in this booklet.

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Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank. USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY.

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| (A) am digging | (B) dig | (C) dug |
| (D) is digging | (E) was digging | (F) were digging |
| (G) will dig | | |

There was once an old miser, Mr Thomas, who buried his bag of gold coins in his backyard. Early every morning, he would go to the spot and _____(Q1) up the hiding place to make sure that his gold coins were still ~~there~~.

His behaviour caught the attention of his neighbour, Mr John. "That old miser _____(Q2) in his backyard again! He must be hiding something," thought Mr John as he peeped over the wall to have a look. Mr John was delighted when he saw the treasure as Mr Thomas _____(Q3) it up. That night, Mr John came, _____(Q4) up the bag of gold coins and carried it home.

The next morning, all Mr Thomas could see was a big hole in his backyard and he was furious that someone had stolen his gold coins!

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Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank. USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY.

(A) around	(B) at	(C) below	(D) between
(E) in	(F) of	(G) on	

It was my birthday last Sunday. Mother cooked a lovely meal and baked a beautiful cake for me. It was chocolate-flavoured and had a layer of fresh cream _____ (Q5) top. Cherries were arranged _____ (Q6) a circle _____ (Q7) the cake. There was also a thin layer of cream with blueberries _____ (Q8) the two layers of chocolate cake.

I ate one big slice of my birthday cake and it was simply delicious. I thanked Mother for baking such a lovely birthday cake.

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Vocabulary Cloze (4 marks)

Read the newspaper report carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank. USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY.

(A) bracelets (B) camera (C) car (D) editors
(E) hats (F) licence (G) masks (H) police

A ROBBERY IN BROAD DAYLIGHT!

A robbery occurred at Ruby Shopping Centre at 11.30a.m. yesterday morning. A jewellery shop was robbed of \$100 000 worth of gold necklaces and _____ (Q9).

The shopowner, Mr Tan, told the _____ (Q10) that there were four men involved. They wore _____ (Q11) to cover their faces and carried guns.

They spent five minutes in the shop and escaped in a black van with the _____ (Q12) plate F – GV 6321F. Witnesses, please call 999 to help the police in the investigation.

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Vocabulary Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank. USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY.

(A) astronaut (B) astronomer (C) plane (D) radio
(E) shuttle (F) training (G) written (H) work

Sally Kristen Ride was the first American woman in space. Dr Ride's first trip into space was aboard NASA's space _____ (Q13) Challenger in 1983.

When she was in her twenties, Dr Ride applied to be an _____ (Q14) at NASA. She was accepted in 1977 and began NASA's extensive _____ (Q15), which included parachuting, gravity and weightlessness training, water survival training, radio communications and navigation. Her earthbound job was to relay _____ (Q16) messages from the shuttle crew to the mission control back in NASA.

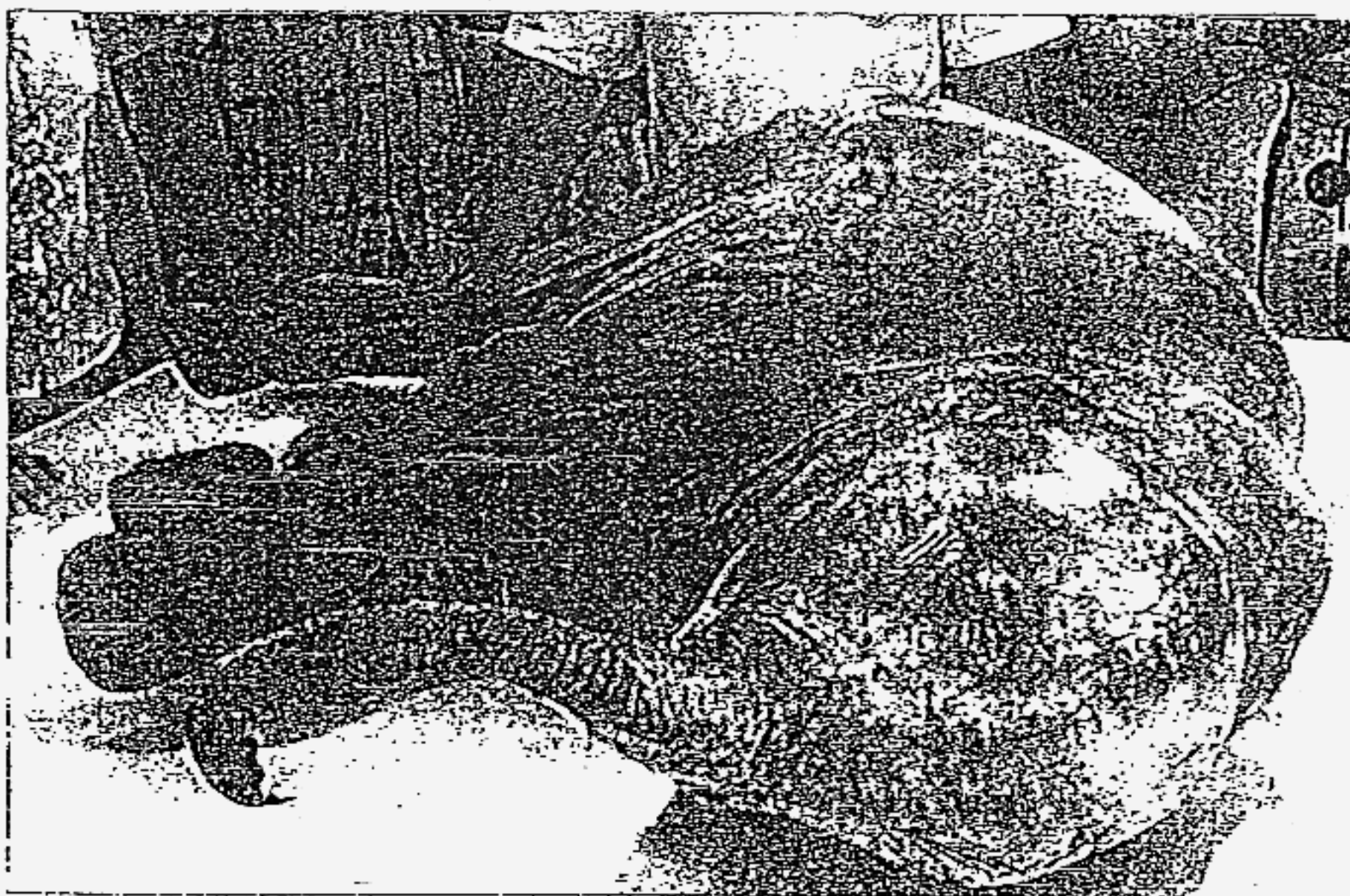
Dr Ride retired from the space programme in 1987. She is now a professor of physics at the University of California, San Diego.

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Comprehension (Open-ended) (10 marks)

Read the following newspaper report carefully.

PERFECTLY PRESERVED BABY MAMMOTH FOUND



Female baby woolly mammoth

In Northern Russia, the body of a female baby woolly mammoth has been discovered. Scientists think it is about 10,000 years old.

It is so well-preserved that it looks as if it died only a few days ago. The animal weighs 50 kilogrammes and is 1.3 metres tall.

The baby mammoth or calf was discovered by Yuri Khudi, a reindeer herder. He alerted the scientists at the nearby town of Salekhard. The baby mammoth has been nicknamed Lyuba after Mr Khudi's wife.

Northern Russia is very cold so the surface of the ground is normally frozen solid throughout the year. This is known as permafrost. It was this permafrost that has preserved Lyuba for the last 10,000 years.

Scientists do not yet know what killed Lyuba but they hope to find out. What happened to all the mammoths is still a mystery.

Lyuba is especially interesting as it died about the time at which scientists believe woolly mammoths became extinct.

There are three reasons people believed could have killed the mammoths. Some think they all died from a new type of disease. Others believe there was a sudden change in the Earth's climate. This meant that their food source - grass and other plants disappeared. Gradually, they starved to death.

The most popular reason is that they were killed by humans for their meat. Eventually, humans overhunted them and the woolly mammoths died out.

Lyuba will now be sent to Japan so the Japanese scientists can examine all the baby mammoth's internal organs. Then it will go back to St Petersburg in Russia to be studied. Eventually Lyuba will be put on display in Salekhard, the place it was found.

(Adapted from www.newsademic.com dated 19 July 2007)

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Answer the following questions. Write your answers in complete sentences.

Q17. Where was the baby mammoth found?

Q18. What is permafrost?

Q19. When did mammoths become extinct?

Q20. State two reasons why mammoths died out.

Q21. Why is Lyuba being sent to Japan now?

End of Booklet B

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Primary 3 English SA2 Exam (2007)*Answer Keys*

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
1	3	1	2	1	4	2	3	1	4
Q11	12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17			
1	1	1	1	3	1	3			

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| 1. B | 6. F | 11. G | 16. D |
| 2. D | 7. A | 12. F | |
| 3. E | 8. D | 13. E | |
| 4. C | 9. A | 14. A | |
| 5. G | 10. H | 15. F | |

17. The baby mammoth was found in Northern Russia, near by the town of Salekhard.
18. Permafrost means the surface of the ground is normally frozen solid through out the year.
19. Mammoths because extinct 10000 years ago.
20. The first reason is because mammoths were killed by humans for their meat. The second reason is there was a sudden change in Earth's climate and they starved to death.
21. Lyuba is being sent to Japan now so that the Japanese scientists can examine the baby mammoth's internal organs.