

Primary 3 English Language End-of-Year Examination – 2004

Name : _____ () Date : 29 October 2004

Class : P 3 _____ Duration : 1h 30min

Parent's Signature : _____ Marks : _____ / 50

Section A : Vocabulary (8 X 1 mark)

Part 1

Choose the most suitable answer for each of the following questions and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

1. The oral examiners could see that Sally was nervous because she kept _____ when she spoke.

- 1) choking
- 2) gasping
- 3) chattering
- 4) stammering

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2. All motorists on the road must slow down and keep to the left when they hear the _____ of ambulance sirens.

- 1) wailing
- 2) singing
- 3) hooting
- 4) squeaking

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3. The police acted on a _____ from a resident about a noisy party in the neighbourhood.

- 1) clue
- 2) hint
- 3) warning
- 4) complaint

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4. The robber and his _____ escaped in a red sports car.

- 1) agent
- 2) colleague
- 3) companion
- 4) accomplice

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5. We could not see the parade as our view was _____ by a high wall.

- 1) reserved
- 2) obstructed
- 3) prohibited
- 4) interrupted

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Part 2

Choose the most suitable answer to replace the underlined word(s).

6. Johan raised his hands in victory after completing the marathon in record time.

- 1) ecstasy
- 2) triumph
- 3) happiness
- 4) excitement

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7. The hikers drank rain water and ate wild berries to stay alive when they were lost in the jungle.

- 1) grow
- 2) survive
- 3) recover
- 4) energise

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8. The game has been put off until a later date because of the heavy rain.

- 1) adjusted
- 2) cancelled
- 3) postponed
- 4) suspended

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Section B : Grammar (10 X 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer for each of the following questions and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

9. Mrs Ching ^{woke} ~~wake~~ up to find that her husband _____ the car to the workshop.

- 1) drive
- 2) drove
- 3) had driven
- 4) have driven

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10. Tim has not been studying. _____ he pulls up his socks, he will not do well in the examinations.

- 1) So
- 2) When
- 3) Unless
- 4) Although

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11. ^{Can} ~~Can~~ your tutor _____ me to solve this problem?" asked Jill.

- 1) help
- 2) helps
- 3) helping
- 4) helped

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12. Mr Wong said, "I am proud of the class. All the boys built the beautiful lanterns by _____."

- 1) myself
- 2) himself
- 3) yourselves
- 4) themselves

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13. Joyce's pet cat has ^{been lost} ~~been lost~~ _____ Saturday morning.

- 1) by
- 2) for
- 3) after
- 4) since

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14. The boy told the policeman about the man _____ had been loitering along the corridor last night.

- 1) who
- 2) whom
- 3) which
- 4) whose

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15. The noisy pupils were shocked when the teacher suddenly walked _____ the classroom.

- 1) at
- 2) by
- 3) into
- 4) before

16. ~~All the people~~ Many people _____ ~~disappointed~~ disappointed because there was a blackout.

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

17. Look at the swimmers! They _____ in the pool since 6 p.m.

- 1) are practising
- 2) were practising
- 3) will be practising
- 4) have been practising

18. "Is your uncle _____ to the library with us?" asked Kate.

- 1) go
- 2) gone
- 3) goes
- 4) going

Section C : Editing (5 X 1 mark)

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. A wrong or missing punctuation mark is indicated by a circle. Put the correct punctuation mark or word in each box.

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A family was robbed by three men with knifs early yesterday

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morning (,) Mr Ahmad, the police inspector, said the robbers had

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entered the house at about 4 a.m. and cuts the telephone lines. Although

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there was a burgler alarm in the house, it did not go off. The robbers steal

a Rolex watch, a mobile phone and some money.

Section D: Grammar Cloze (6 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to K) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) in	(B) that	(C) under	(D) of
(E) who	(F) away	(G) to	(H) off
(J) down	(K) which		

It was Sunday night in Athens. A huge banner was unfurled during the closing ceremony (24) _____ the Olympic Games saying "Welcome to Beijing".

That is four years (25) _____ but the Chinese are ready for the August 8, 2008 Olympic Games. At the moment, they are busy determining (26) _____ sports offer the best golden opportunities. Already, 30 sports venues are (27) _____ construction, including the planned 100 000-seat "Bird's Nest" National Stadium.

Next month, an enormous clock will be placed in Tiananmen Square, counting (28) _____ the days, hours and minutes to the 2008 opening ceremony. It is crystal clear (29) _____ China takes its responsibility of being the Olympic host seriously. They believe that sports can bring joy, happiness and even encouragement to the people.

Adapted from Streets September 1, 2004

Section E : Vocabulary Cloze (6 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to K) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) skilled	(B) recipes	(E) best	(D) novels
(F) love	(P) attended	(G) awarded	(H) enrolled
(J) dashed	(K) famous		

Vineet Bhatia makes no bones about his ambition. He wants to be the (30) _____ Indian chef in the whole world. In 2001, he was the first Indian chef ever to be (31) _____ a Michelin star from France's gourmet directory.

Born and raised in Mumbai, his culinary journey started at age 16 when his dreams of becoming a pilot were (32) _____ after a flying school ruled that he was too short. He (33) _____ in a catering school instead, much to his family's dismay. After only a year, he became (34) _____ at cooking and has not looked back ever since.

Now at the age of 36, this hardworking chef has a restaurant and published his own (35) _____ in a cookbook. "The best thing about cooking is the freedom to create," he says.

Adapted from The Sunday Times September 5, 2004

Section F: (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Jackie Fang must be the only person in town who employs an Indonesian maid just to look after her rabbits. But then again, the greengrocer owns twenty-nine rabbits. This number includes another three that she adopted after they were abandoned by previous owners.

The brood of rabbits plus three humans, the other being Miss Fang's tenant, live in a Choa Chu Kang flat. The rabbits are allowed to roam freely within the bedrooms, living rooms and study.

Miss Fang, 40, spends more than \$1000 a month on food and medical expenses for her furry pets, as well as the maid's salary.

The ~~costs~~ costs are split with tenant, Yanni Tan, a secretary and fellow rabbit lover.

The rabbits live on a diet of hay and green leafy vegetables. Each visit to the vet when a rabbit gets sick costs about \$80. Miss Fang readily admits that she would be richer if not for such expenses. But then again, life would just not be the same.

"I've no regrets," says the soft-spoken woman. "I don't mind the expenses incurred. They give me joy when I'm down. They deserve a great life. I will never abandon them. Neither would I give them away – not even to people who love them."

Adapted from The Sunday Times February 29, 2004

36. Jackie Fang's main purpose of engaging a servant is to _____.

- 1) tend to her rabbits
- 2) help her tenant look after the rabbits
- 3) clean her Choa Chu Kang apartment
- 4) make sure that her rabbits move freely in the house ()

37. At this moment, Jackie Fang has a total of _____ rabbits living with her.

- 1) 26
- 2) 29
- 3) 32
- 4) 35 ()

38. Which of the following sentences is TRUE about Jackie Fang?

- 1) She sells fruits and vegetables.
- 2) She donates her rabbits to animal lovers.
- 3) She spends \$1000 a month on her maid and rabbits.
- 4) She shares the cost of the apartment with Yanni Tan. ()

39. The best title for the article is "_____".

- 1) The life of Jackie Fang
- 2) Taking care of rabbits
- 3) Rabbits are lovable animals
- 4) Jackie Fang and her furry companions ()

40. Which one of the statements below gives the reader an idea of how comforting rabbits are to Jackie Fang?

- 1) I've no regrets.
- 2) They deserve a great life.
- 3) They give me joy when I'm down.
- 4) I don't mind the expenses incurred. ()

Section G: Comprehension – Open-ended (5 X 2 marks)

Read the following passage. Then answer the questions that follow.

The man who invented Chupa Chups lollipops has died. Bernat died at his home in Spain on December 13, 2003 at the age of 80. However, nothing was mentioned of Salvador Dali, the great Spanish artist, who created the floral logo on the wrapper.

When asked about his invention, the BBC reported that Bernat once said, "I looked at the array of sweets available and I was surprised that there were none made for children. How could that be when they are our main consumers? Children got their hands dirty after eating and that caused problems for their mothers. This is why I had the idea of putting lollipops on sticks."

Today, the privately owned Chupa Chups Group makes four billion lollipops a year. They are marketed in 70 countries worldwide. The brand is also famous for its porcupine-like displays strategically placed near cash registers in shops and supermarkets.

There are now more than forty flavours of Chupa Chups for customer's selection. Traditional flavours like cola and chocolate appeal more to children than the more exotic ones like plum and mango.

Adapted from The Straits Times January 4, 2004

41. Who ~~created~~ Chupa Chups ?

42. What ~~is~~ the design on the Chupa Chups wrapper?

43. "How could that be when they are our main consumers?" Who ~~does~~ 'they' refer to?

44. Why ~~are~~ lollipops of Chupa Chups brand known in many parts of the world?

45. Which sentence in the passage tells us that customers have a wide selection when it comes to buying Chupa Chups?

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- 2) 1
- 3) 4
- 4) 4
- 5) 2
- 6) 2
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- 8) 3
- 9) 3
- 10) 3
- 11) 1
- 12) 4
- 13) 4
- 14) 1
- 15) 3
- 16) 4
- 17) 4
- 18) 4
- 19) knives
- 20) .
- 21) cut
- 22) burglar
- 23) stole
- 24) D
- 25) F
- 26) K
- 27) C
- 28) J
- 29) B
- 30) C
- 31) G
- 32) J
- 33) H
- 34) A
- 35) B
- 36) 1
- 37) 3
- 38) 1
- 39) 4
- 40) 3
- 41) Enric Bernat created Chupa Chups.
- 42) The design on the Chupa Chups wrapper is a floral logo.
- 43) The word 'they' refers to the children.
- 44) It is because today, the privately owned Chupa Chups group makes four billion lollipops a year and they are marketed in 170 countries worldwide.
- 45) The sentence is "There are now more than forty flavours of Chupa Chups for customers to select from".