

*Anglo-Chinese School*  
*(Junior)*

SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 (2006)  
PRIMARY 3  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PAPER 1

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Class : P 3 . ( )

Date : 25th April 2006

50 minutes

20 marks

**INSTRUCTIONS TO PUPILS**

**DO NOT TURN OVER THE BOOKLET UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.**

There are 2 questions in this booklet.

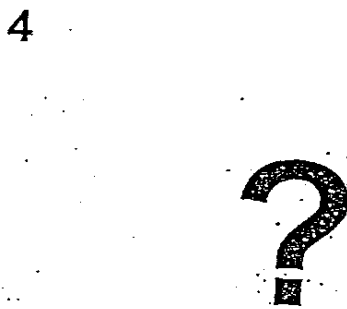
Answer **ONLY ONE** question.

**This question paper consists of 3 printed pages. (Inclusive of cover page)**

There are two questions. Read both questions carefully.  
Answer only ONE question and write its answer (1 or 2) on your writing paper.

Question 1

Look carefully at the pictures given below.  
Write a composition of at least 100 words based on the pictures. You may use the helping words in the box below.



arrived    behaved suspiciously    distracted    stole  
escaped    shouted for help    airport terminal    waited

Question 2

Look carefully at the pictures given below.  
Write a composition of at least 100 words based on the pictures. You may use the helping words in the box below.

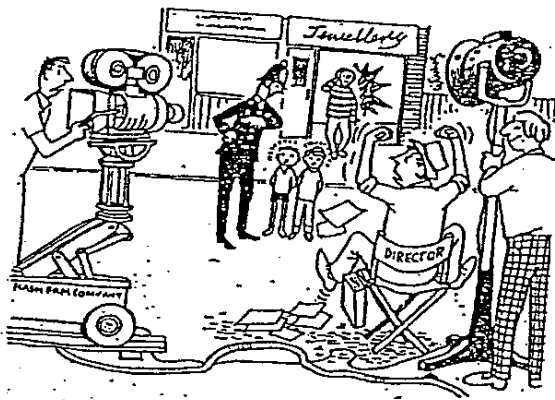
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jewellery shop

smashed through

burglar

filming

chased

jumped

struggled

embarrassed

ANGLO-CHINESE SCHOOL (JUNIOR)

SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 - 2006  
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Name : \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Class : P 3 . ( )

Date : 8<sup>th</sup> MAY 2006

BOOKLET A

28 Questions

32 Marks

Total Time For Booklet A and B : 1 hour <sup>30</sup>~~15~~ minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1 Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.
- 2 Follow all instructions carefully.
- 3 Answer all questions.

**Part 1: Vocabulary (15 marks)**

For each question from 1 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. Mr Chan \_\_\_\_\_ the boys for turning up late for Physical Education lesson.
  - (1) released
  - (2) reminded
  - (3) dismissed
  - (4) reprimanded
  
2. No one knew what a computer was until Charles Babbage \_\_\_\_\_ the world's first computer in 1833.
  - (1) invented
  - (2) changed
  - (3) developed
  - (4) discovered
  
3. Lionel always pays attention and behaves well in class. He is a \_\_\_\_\_ pupil.
  - (1) model
  - (2) shining
  - (3) branded
  - (4) standard
  
4. The new hotel is designed by a famous \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (1) builder
  - (2) architect
  - (3) engineer
  - (4) technician

5. Have you received the \_\_\_\_\_ to Zul's birthday party?
- (1) offer
  - (2) order
  - (3) request
  - (4) invitation
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ applauded when the famous musician played his piece.
- (1) audience
  - (2) spectators
  - (3) announcers
  - (4) competitors
7. Rabbit \_\_\_\_\_ for his life when Lion wanted to eat him up.
- (1) asked
  - (2) pleaded
  - (3) reasoned
  - (4) demanded
8. Ali expressed his \_\_\_\_\_ when he learned that Bala's pet hamster had died.
- (1) gratitude
  - (2) jealousy
  - (3) sympathy
  - (4) bitterness
9. My brother was wet from head to toe when he came home because he was caught in a \_\_\_\_\_ without an umbrella.
- (1) breeze
  - (2) blizzard
  - (3) downpour
  - (4) sandstorm

10. My sister danced so \_\_\_\_\_ at the dance competition that she received compliments from the judges.

- (1) lazily
- (2) briskly
- (3) clumsily
- (4) gracefully

11. "Go to the non-fiction section if you want books on \_\_\_\_\_," said the librarian to Lulu.

- (1) facts
- (2) fables
- (3) fantasy
- (4) fairy tales

12. Anne \_\_\_\_\_ the host for the wonderful party before she left for home.

- (1) pleased
- (2) greeted
- (3) thanked
- (4) welcomed

Choose the most suitable word to replace the underlined word(s) and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

13. C.S.Lewis is the writer of "The Chronicles of Narnia."  
(1) illustrator  
(2) publisher  
(3) editor  
(4) author
14. Everyone in school likes Tom because he is polite.  
(1) generous  
(2) courteous  
(3) courageous  
(4) kind-hearted
15. Cindy was happy upon hearing that she had won the first prize in a lucky draw.  
(1) delighted  
(2) depressed  
(3) discouraged  
(4) disappointed



**Part 2: Grammar (8 marks)**

For each question from 16 to 23, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. Ron is tall. He is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the twins.
- (1) tall
  - (2) taller
  - (3) tallest
  - (4) more taller
17. My father loves to drive. He \_\_\_\_\_ three sports cars in the garage.
- (1) has
  - (2) have
  - (3) hasn't
  - (4) haven't
18. "Do you know \_\_\_\_\_ to get to Tampines Mall?" Raj asked.  
"No, I don't know the way," James replied.
- (1) how
  - (2) what
  - (3) when
  - (4) where
19. "The dancers are practising hard for the concert. They \_\_\_\_\_ put on a good performance," promised the manager.
- (1) will
  - (2) shall
  - (3) has
  - (4) have

20. Miss Bee will be happy to know that her class did very well \_\_\_\_\_ the English Test.
- (1) in
  - (2) on
  - (3) over
  - (4) through
21. My sister and I are baking a cake today \_\_\_\_\_ it is our mother's birthday.
- (1) but
  - (2) and
  - (3) so that
  - (4) because
22. A platypus is a mammal \_\_\_\_\_ lays eggs.
- (1) who
  - (2) when
  - (3) which
  - (4) whose
23. Keith has the \_\_\_\_\_ stickers among his friends.
- (1) most
  - (2) more
  - (3) much
  - (4) many

**Part 3: Comprehension (10 marks)**

Read the passage below carefully and answer questions 24 to 28.

One day, a farmer went to a village market place to buy a donkey. After he had examined all the donkeys for sale, he chose one. He then placed a rope around its neck, tied it behind his cart and began his journey home.

Soon afterwards, the farmer was nodding sleepily as he rode his cart. Seeing this, two mischievous boys slipped up to the new donkey. One removed the rope from the donkey's neck and placed it around his own; the other quietly took the donkey back to the market place, where he obtained a good price for it.

The farmer did not wake up until he arrived at the door of his own stable. He turned to look at his new donkey. To his horror, the donkey had disappeared and in its place was a boy with the rope around his neck.

"What is this?" exclaimed the farmer. "Where is my new donkey?"

The boy was ashamed. "I was your new donkey. I have always been a stubborn and disobedient boy. A magician had changed me into a donkey."

Still shaking his head in disbelief, the farmer told the boy to behave himself and he let the boy go. Since he needed a new donkey, the farmer rode back to the market place. There, to his surprise, he found the same donkey waiting to be sold. Walking to the beast, he whispered in its ear, "You naughty boy! Won't you ever learn your lesson?"

For each question from 24 to 28, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

24. The farmer was \_\_\_\_\_ when his donkey was stolen.

- (1) at the market place
- (2) at the door of his stable
- (3) on his way to the market
- (4) on his way back to his farm

25. The two boys decided to steal the donkey when they noticed the farmer was \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) arriving at his home
- (2) looking at the donkey
- (3) falling asleep on his cart
- (4) tying the donkey to the cart

26. The boys stole the donkey so that they could \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) sell it for money
- (2) have it for their own use
- (3) play a trick on the farmer
- (4) teach the farmer a lesson

27. The farmer advised the boy to \_\_\_\_\_ before he let him go.

- (1) stay at home
- (2) stay out of trouble
- (3) remain as a donkey
- (4) keep away from the magician

28. The farmer was tricked into believing that the boy was \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) turned into a donkey
- (2) a magician in disguise
- (3) going home to his mother
- (4) selling the donkey for a good price

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Part 4: Vocabulary Cloze (5 marks)

Read the passage carefully and fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

It is quiet in the woods. The sun has (29) \_\_\_\_\_ and most of the animals are preparing to go to sleep. However, the nocturnal animals are (30) \_\_\_\_\_. They wait for the night to (31) \_\_\_\_\_ so that they can come out and prey on other animals. Snowy, the owl, is one of them. As soon as it is (32) \_\_\_\_\_, she leaves her nest and flies into the fields to get herself and her owlets a huge, juicy rat for supper! Her two large, lively eyes (33) \_\_\_\_\_ in the night as she looks around for food.

"Got it!" and off she flies home.



Part 5: Punctuation (2 marks)

For questions 34 - 35, choose the correct punctuation mark(s) for each sentence. Write the number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. Use each answer only once.

(1) Its	(2) ."
(3) ?"	(4) It's

34. "How did you know that the masked man is Mr Lee \_\_\_\_\_ the police officer asked Sharon. ( )

35. \_\_\_\_\_ a beautiful day. Ali wants to go out and play. ( )

Part 6: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (5 marks)

Each of the underlined words has either a Spelling or Grammar error. Put the correct spelling or form of the underlined word in each of the boxes.

Dear Aunty Sue,

(36)

You looked so beatiful on your wedding last Friday.

Uncle Ben must be so proud of you. Mum was all teary-eyed when you

(37)

(38)

are walking down the aisle with grandpa. By the way, Kitty has given birf to

(39)

three cute little kittens. Dad and Danny even buy a ~~bas~~ket and milk bottles for

them. I can hardly wait to show you the kittens. When are you coming back from

(40)

your holliday? Mum and Dad send their love to you and Uncle Ben. See you soon!

Lots of love from,

Eliza

Part 7: Grammar Cloze 1 (5 marks)

Read the following text carefully. Choose the correct word and write the LETTER (A to H) in the blank. Use each word ONCE only.

(A) around	(C) to	(E) before	(G) in
(B) at	(D) into	(F) after	(H) with

I am currently studying in Anglo-Chinese School (Junior).

This year, I go to school (41) \_\_\_\_\_ my brother who is in the same

school as I am. We leave our house (42) \_\_\_\_\_ 11.30 am and walk

(43) \_\_\_\_\_ the nearest bus stop. We alight at the bus stop in front of

Newton MRT Station and walk to Peck Hay Road which is just

(44) \_\_\_\_\_ the corner. We visit the washroom (45) \_\_\_\_\_

we make our way up to the hall. We then take our seats and begin silent reading.

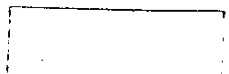


Part 8: Grammar Cloze 2 (5 marks)

Read the following text carefully. Choose the correct word and write the LETTER (A to H) in the blank. Use each word ONCE only.

(A) than	(C) and	(E) because	(G) have
(B) was	(D) but	(F) had	(H) then

Many years ago in Europe, wood (46) \_\_\_\_\_ a very popular building material. It was readily available (47) \_\_\_\_\_ easy to work with. Back then, oak was the most popular choice (48) \_\_\_\_\_ it is very strong and does not rot easily. As a result, many oak trees in the forest disappeared. People liked to use wood more (49) \_\_\_\_\_ glass. Glass was very expensive. In those days, only the rich could afford to (50) \_\_\_\_\_ glass windows. Nowadays, it is common to see houses with glass windows.



**Part 9: Comprehension Open-Ended (10 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the questions 51 to 55.**

Sea lions are friendly-looking animals. Their round faces and whiskers remind people of faces of small dogs. The almond shape of their eyes gives them a look of intelligence. Whether it is true or not, sea lions often look as though they are reflecting.

Sea lions behave like playful children. They push each other off the rocks. Like people, they often ride the crest of a wave. They let the wave carry them near the shore. Then they swim back out to ride some more waves.

Of course, sea lions do not have real toys. But they play with seaweed. They catch it in their mouths and toss it in the air.

If you have been to the zoo, you may have watched the sea lion shows. Sea lions can be taught many tricks. They can balance balls on their noses. They can jump through hoops. Their trainers reward them with fish when they perform the tricks. Sea lions often look very pleased with themselves when they perform. They love fish and they have grown to love applause. Have you ever clapped your hands for a sea lion performance?

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.  
Begin with a capital letter.

51. What features of the sea lions are similar to those of small dogs?

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52. Write down two ways by which sea lions can play without others.

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53. According to the passage, where can you get to watch sea lions perform?

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54. How can the audience make sea lions happy after a performance?

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55. Which sentence in the passage suggests that people are not sure if sea lions are always thinking?

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END OF PAPER -

Have you checked your work?

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**Answer Sheets**  
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| 1) 4       | 2) 1        | 3) 1          | 4) 2      | 5) 4      |
| 6) 1       | 7) 2        | 8) 3          | 9) 3      | 10) 4     |
| 11) 1      | 12) 3       | 13) 4         | 14) 2     | 15) 1     |
| 16) 2      | 17) 1       | 18) 1         | 19) 1     | 20) 1     |
| 21) 4      | 22) 3       | 23) 1         | 24) 4     | 25) 3     |
| 26) 1      | 27) 2       | 28) 1         |           |           |
| 29) set    | 30) awake   | 31) fall      | 32) night | 33) glow  |
| 34) 3      | 35) 4       | 36) beautiful | 37) were  | 38) birth |
| 39) bought | 40) holiday |               |           |           |
| 41) H      | 42) B       | 43) C         | 44) A     | 45) E     |
| 46) B      | 47) C       | 48) E         | 49) A     | 50) G     |

- Q51. Their round faces and whiskers are similar to those of small dog.  
Q52. They can ride the waves and play with seaweed.  
Q53. I can see it in the zoo.  
Q54. The audience can clap their hands  
Q55. The sentence is "*whether it is true or not. Sea lions often look as though they are reflecting*".