



**AI TONG SCHOOL
2006**

SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT TWO

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2

PRIMARY 3

BOOKLET A

DURATION : 1hr 30 min
DATE : 26 October 2006

INSTRUCTIONS

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

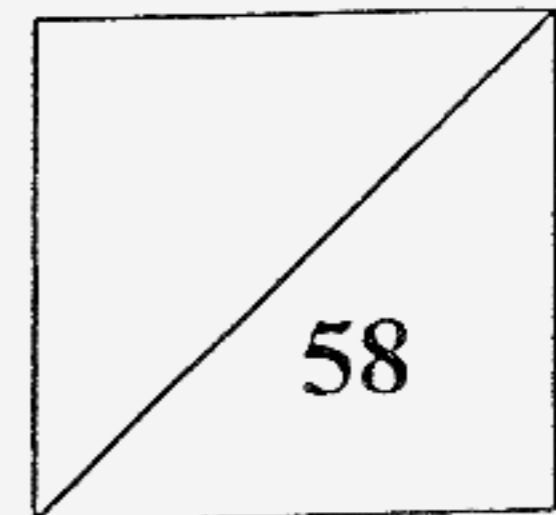
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Section A: Grammar MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer for each question and shade its number 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the OAS provided.

1. Kelvin was late for school _____ he did not wake up on time.

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| (1) because | (2) if |
| (3) although | (4) until |

2. Do you _____ the dress which your mother bought?

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

3. She was very thankful _____ the stranger for saving her brother.

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| (1) for | (2) with |
| (3) to | (4) of |

4. Although Kristie looks pretty in the photo, she is even _____ in person.

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| (1) pretty | (2) prettier |
| (3) prettiest | (4) as pretty |

5. Yesterday, my friends and I went to _____ a football match.

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| (1) watched | (2) watches |
| (3) watching | (4) watch |

6. When I got home, all _____ drawers were ransacked.

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| (1) his | (2) my |
| (3) her | (4) mine |

Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer for each question and shade its number 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the OAS provided.

7. The vultures were _____ to the smell of the dead animals.

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| (1) pulled | (2) captivated |
| (3) attracted | (4) fascinated |

8. John felt _____ when he lost his balance and fell during the performance.

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| (1) offended | (2) embarrassed |
| (3) uncomfortable | (4) shy |

9. The mouse gave a squeak and _____ into its hole.

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| (1) slithered | (2) sneaked |
| (3) scampered | (4) sprinted |

10. The kidnappers _____ to kill the rich man if the ransom was not paid.

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| (1) admitted | (2) demanded |
| (3) struggled | (4) threatened |

11. The frightened puppy went to a corner and began to _____ pitifully.

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| (1) weep | (2) whine |
| (3) sob | (4) growl |

12. When the jeep broke down, the hunter decided to _____ through the jungle instead of waiting for help to arrive.

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| (1) cross | (2) wade |
| (3) trek | (4) stroll |

Section C : Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Choose the most suitable answer for each question and shade its number 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the OAS provided.

My family and I drove to Malacca in Uncle Willie's new car. Uncle Willie had suggested the trip to treat us to some special food. It was a pleasant drive. The Causeway *linking* Singapore to Malaysia was quite clear of traffic that evening.

Soon we arrived at a restaurant. The restaurant was already crowded with people even though there were many tables. We chose a table outside, in front of the restaurant instead. It was a pleasant location since the evening was cool and breezy.

Uncle Willie ordered the dishes through a rather fat waiter who was dressed in singlet and shorts. As I listened to Uncle Willie's order, my stomach began to churn. We were going to eat deer meat with green peppers, tiger's tail soup, grilled crocodile meat and turtle soup. To top it all, each of us would be having a small serving of steamed python, and eel cubes steamed in ginger sauce.

I looked helplessly at my mother, but she was too *delighted* to notice that my eyes were half-closed and my face had turned green!

13. The family was on their way to Malacca to _____ .

- (1) visit their relatives
- (2) have a short holiday
- (3) have a special dinner
- (4) enjoy a pleasant drive

14. After hearing Uncle Willie's orders, the writer _____.

- (1) did not feel comfortable
- (2) felt sad and disappointed
- (3) became excited and hungry
- (4) had a headache and stomachache

15. The word "linking" in line 3 may be replaced by the word _____.

- (1) sticking
- (2) fixing
- (3) attaching
- (4) joining

16. The writer's mother was delighted because _____.

- (1) there was no traffic jam
- (2) it was a cool evening
- (3) Uncle Willie bought a new car
- (4) she was looking forward to eat the special food.

17. Which one of these statements is true?

- (1) The writer's mother drove to Malacca.
- (2) The restaurant was very small but crowded with people.
- (3) The writer felt sick thinking about Uncle Willie's choice of food.
- (4) The special food chosen by Uncle Willie made everybody happy.

BOOKLET B

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Section D: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

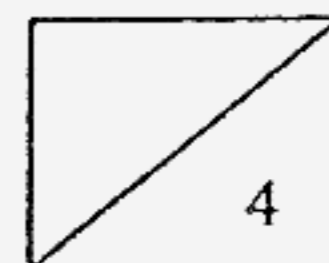
Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letters (A to H) in each blank.

Passage One

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) under	(B) by	(C) beyond	(D) about
(E) in	(F) at	(G) into	(H) behind

Long before the first European ever set foot in the East, explorers (18) _____ Europe were studying the possibility of discovering lands (19) _____ the West. However, most of them were not sure (20) _____ the success of such missions as, in those days, the earth was thought to be a vast piece of flat land. As a result, they feared that if they went off the edge of the world, they might fall (21) _____ a bottomless space and disappear forever.

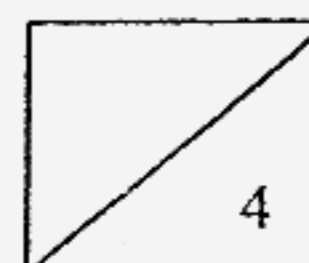


Passage Two

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) who	(B) what	(C) why	(D) where
(E) whose	(F) how	(G) which	(H) when

Last Sunday, I attended a workshop (22) _____ was organised by The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, S.P.C.A. The guest speaker, Miss Moss, (23) _____ was a tall and well-dressed lady, was my former neighbour. She talked about (24) _____ people should learn about animals before keeping them as pets. I felt very upset (25) _____ she told us how some owners abused their pets. Miss Moss also gave us a list of things we should do if we decided to have pets.



Section E : Vocabulary Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

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

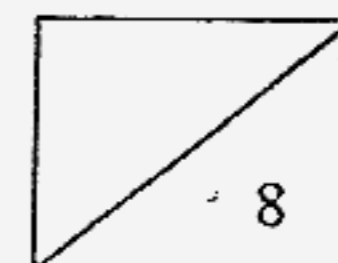
Passage One

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) equipment	(B) pretended	(C) take	(D) tiring
(E) hike	(F) trip	(G) lead	(H) spirits
(J) live	(K) hopes	(L) camp	(M) encouragement

Jane and her friends did something interesting during the December holidays. They went on a camping (26) _____ in the jungle. Being the oldest in the group, Jane was chosen to (27) _____ them.

At daybreak, they set out for the jungle with their (28) _____. The hike was long and (29) _____. Her younger friends were exhausted and their (30) _____ were low. Jane led them on with some singing and (31) _____. Finally, they came to a clearing by a stream. As it was nearly nightfall, they decided to (32) _____ there. Although most of them were experienced campers, they were scared because it was the first time they had ventured so deep into the jungle. Jane was scared too, but she (33) _____ to be brave.



Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with suitable words of your own.
(5 x 1 mark)

Passage Two

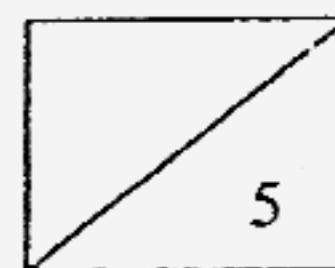
Ants live and work together in groups like human beings. There are thousands of different (34) _____ of ants in the world.

Ants live in very large ant cities or colonies (35) _____ the ground. A city is made (36) _____ of many tunnels or passageways.

Ants are useful to people for their tunnels (37) _____ to keep the soil loose.

As a result, air and water can reach the roots of plants and trees easily.

Some ants collect seeds to eat. Other ants (38) _____ and eat other insects and animals.



Section F : Synthesis/Transformation (5 x 2 marks)

For each of the items 39 to 43, rewrite the given sentences using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

39. Ahmad is a doctor at Changi Hospital. His father is also a doctor at Changi Hospital.

Both _____

40. Mrs Tan's pet was killed in an accident. Mrs Tan looked unhappy.

_____ because

41. He wanted to pass his piano examination. He practised day and night.

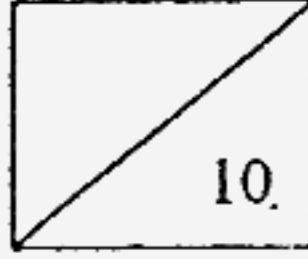
_____ so

42. The dishes look very delicious. I have no appetite for food now.

_____ but

43. Vanessa likes to watch movies. She also likes to read books.

_____ and



Section G : Comprehension Open-Ended (5 x 2 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions 44 to 48.

The television screen went blank and then all of a sudden, an image of a skull and a lighted cigarette appeared on the screen. A voice said, "Why puff your life away?" At that instant, I sat up on my chair, jolted by what I had seen. The cigarette on my lips dropped onto the floor immediately.

I was a heavy smoker. I would smoke one cigarette after another and light the new cigarette from the stub of the old. I was worried after the warning, so I decided to consult my doctor.

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"Why is smoking so deadly?" I asked the doctor when he attended to me.

"It can cause lung cancer and the cancer can spread to many other parts of the body, such as the mouth, throat, liver, gall bladder and kidneys," he replied without hesitation.

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The doctor also said that one of his patients, who was a habitual smoker, lost his leg because of poor blood circulation due to smoking.

I decided to give up chain-smoking as I knew it would be to my own benefit and my health would definitely improve.

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

44. How did the writer feel when he saw the skull with a lighted cigarette on television?

45. Why did the writer decide to see his doctor?

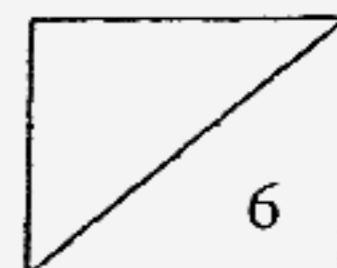
46. Which word in the passage tells us that the writer was smoking continuously?

47. Smoking can cause cancer to parts of our body. What are the four parts mentioned in the passage?

48. Why do you think the writer wanted to give up smoking?

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~ Have you checked your answers carefully? ~



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16) 4 17) 3 18) E 19) C 20) D
- 21) G 22) G 23) A 24) B 25) H
- 26) F 27) G 28) A 29) D 30) H
31) M 32) L 33) B
- 34) types 35) under 36) up 37) help 38) hunt

- Q39. Both Ahmad and his father are doctors at Changi Hospital.
Q40. Mrs. Tan looked unhappy because her pet was killed in an accident.
Q41. He wanted to pass his piano examination so he practiced day and night.
Q42. The dishes look very delicious but I have no appetite for food now.
Q43. Vanessa likes to watch movies and read books.
- Q44. He was shocked.
Q45. He was worried about his health.
Q46. The word is "*Chain-smoking*".
Q47. The four parts are mouth, throat, liver and gall bladder.
Q48. He wanted to improve his health.