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Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.

* This paper consists of 11 pages altogether.

Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

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

1. The King's declaration was not well-received by his _____.

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|------------|----------------|
| 1) objects | 3) subjects |
| 2) things | 4) persons () |

2. While the mare watched their foals, the _____ grazed by the hills.

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|-------------|--------------|
| 1) fawn | 3) boar |
| 2) stallion | 4) drake () |

3. Leo took his sister's son, Eric, to the carnival. Eric, his _____, was delighted by his uncle's generosity.

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|-----------|---------------|
| 1) cousin | 3) son |
| 2) niece | 4) nephew () |

4. I find the other _____ of "The Frog Prince" more entertaining. The original story is too predictable.

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|------------|-------------|
| 1) version | 3) type |
| 2) kind | 4) tale () |

5. When you "scoff" at your food, it means that you _____
everything on your plate very quickly.

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|------------|---------------|-----|
| 1) keep in | 3) polish off | |
| 2) go over | 4) put out | () |

6. The _____ from that fairy tale decided to turn over a new leaf when the heroine spared his life. "No more slaying innocent villagers for me," he promised.

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|------------|-------------|-----|
| 1) victim | 3) casualty | |
| 2) villain | 4) culprit | () |

Grammar MCQ (6 X 1 mark)

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

7. There _____ a lot of food on the table but nobody wants to eat it.

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

8. Sharon told the girls to keep the secret to _____

- | | | |
|---------------|---------------|-----|
| 1) yourself | 3) herself | |
| 2) yourselves | 4) themselves | () |

9. "There isn't _____ truth in what she is saying. Everything has been made up," said Rita.

~~2)~~ any

~~3)~~ much

~~2)~~ some

~~4)~~ many

()

10. Gary bought the cheap black _____ chair from a furniture dealer.

1) hard

3) old

2) unusual

4) wooden

()

11. It is a hot day. The sun _____ brightly.

1) shine

3) shines

2) is shining

4) was shining

()

12. Jessie lives in _____ semi-detached house at _____ end of Holland Road.

~~2)~~ a..... an

~~3)~~ a..... the

~~4)~~ the..... an

~~4)~~ the..... a

()

Vocabulary Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word given in the box and write its letter (A to K) in each blank. The letters "I" and "O" have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) reluctantly	(B) dairy	(C) grains	(D) poultry	(E) willingly
(F) denied	(G) benefits	(H) nutritious	(J) balanced	(K) admitted
(L) nutrients	(M) sources	(N) beans	(P) vegetables	(Q) dairy

Becky was awakened by the doorbell. She (13) _____ dragged herself out of bed and let her sister in.

Her sister, Victoria, walked in with bags of groceries. Becky took one of the bags and searched in it. She found cereals and oats. "What, more (14) _____? I want waffles and pancakes," she groaned. Her sister smiled. "These are (15) _____, they keep you healthy. Let's try to cut down on cheese and eggs too," Victoria suggested.

"But (16) _____ products are my favourite!"

Becky looked into another bag. "Are those crackers and chocolates?" she asked, hopeful. "No, it's chicken and duck," Victoria continued, "And since I am baby-sitting you this weekend, I'll put you on a (17) _____ diet. No candy for lunch or instant noodle for dinner. Just lean meat and vegetables. You will see the (18) _____ of this diet in no time," her sister promised.

"I'm doomed. Just make sure it's chicken or duck. I prefer (19) _____ to red meats, actually," (20) _____ Becky, as they began to store the groceries in the kitchen cabinets.

Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

Read the poem carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) he (B) she (C) it (D) they (E) him (F) I

The Tongue Sticker- Outer by Shel Silverstein

They say that once in Zanzibar,

A boy stuck out his tongue so far,

(21) _____ reached the heavens and touched the star,

Which burned him rather badly.

(22) _____ wasn't there but they say that *lout**,

Now keeps his tongue inside his mouth,

But if they ask (23) _____ to stick it out...

I think (24) _____ will do it gladly.

**lout- clumsy, ill-mannered person*

Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

Read the conversation between Ravi and the doctor carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) isn't it	(B) don't you	(C) doesn't it
(D) was it	(E) aren't they	(F) can you

Doctor : Hello, Ravi. What's the matter with you?

Ravi : I fell down the stairs while playing along the corridor.
My arms are bruised and swollen, (25) _____?
Could they be broken?

Doctor : Oh dear. I must first take a photograph of the bones
in your arms to see if any of them are broken.

Ravi : You must be kidding. You can't do that, (26) _____?
My bones are under my skin!

Doctor : This X-ray machine can take photographs through your
skin. The X-rays can also go through wood, cloth or stone.

Ravi : That sounds like a lot of pain, (27) _____?

Doctor : No, not at all.

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Doctor : Well, Ravi, here are your X-ray films. The experience wasn't
that bad, (28) _____?

Comprehension Cloze (5 X 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable answers.

Once there was a man who loved to sing. He sang everywhere he went. His (29) _____ sounded worse, much worse than the cat's! However, no one dared to tell (30) _____ that. This man had a wife who loved to nag. She nagged at everyone and everything.

One day, the man grew (31) _____ of her nagging that he begged for her to stop.

"Spare me that! I'll do anything if you could just stop nagging. I promise!" He was on his hands and (32) _____.

"I'll stop if you'll stop singing," she said. The man thought for a while. "How about a compromise? I will only sing in the shower and you can (33) _____ at anyone but me." The woman agreed.

Comprehension MCQ (5 X 1 mark)

Read the following passage carefully and answer Q 34 to Q 38.

Long ago in India, there lived a king and a queen. They were very pleased when their first son was born. They called the boy Siddharta. " Now I have a son to rule over my kingdom after I die," the king said.

Siddharta grew up to be a strong boy. One of his favourite pastimes was deer hunting with his friends. However once, when he and his friends had caught a deer, Siddharta saw how frightened the animal was so he decided to set it free. He was concerned that the deer might be hurt because of their fun.

In another incident, Siddharta was playing in the royal garden with his cousin, Devadatta, when a flock of wild swans flew overhead. Devadatta quickly picked up his bow and took aim at the birds. The arrow hit one of the swans directly on its great white wings. The swan could not fly on any more and it fell to the ground among the roses in the garden. There it lay quiet and still with its white wing spotted with blood. The arrow was still embedded in its wing.

Siddharta ran to the wounded bird. The swan was frightened so it snapped its beak and flapped its uninjured wing. Siddharta did not mind. He gently lifted the swan onto his lap and stroked it gently with his left hand while with his right, he carefully pulled out the arrow. He poured honey onto the wound and covered it with makeshift bandages of leaves to keep it cool.

34. Siddharta was _____

- 1) a king in India
- 2) a prince in India
- 3) the king's favourite child
- 4) the king's youngest child

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35. Siddharta set the deer free _____

- 1) for fun
- 2) so as not to hurt it
- 3) as he was frightened
- 4) so he could go on hunting

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36. Siddharta was _____ when a flock of wild swans flew overhead.

- 1) hunting for deer
- 2) playing with his cousin
- 3) playing with his friends
- 4) cleaning his bow and arrow

()

37. Siddharta carefully pulled out the arrow so that _____

- 1) he could use it again
- 2) he could treat its wound
- 3) the swan would not be in pain
- 4) the leaves would keep it cool

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38. It can be seen from the passage that Siddharta was a _____ boy.

- 1) curious
- 2) encouraging
- 3) enthusiastic
- 4) compassionate

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Comprehension (Open-Ended) (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

I wanted to stay behind, at the foot of the hill but Ashley was still on her feet. I watched her, eyes narrowing. Everyone else, by that time, had half the road on their track pants, muddy streaks on their untidy hair and red hot sweaty faces.

However, Ashley looked no different from what she always did in school. On top of that, she was eager to climb right to the summit. So naturally, I had to as well.

Everyone not yet crippled, heaved themselves along after the teacher. Unlike us, Ashley walked energetically. She was not even panting. It must be those sandwiches and swimming sessions she always had after school.

When we got to the top, the view was not all that marvellous, at least in my opinion. Anyway, I did not have the strength to take in much of it. I sank down groaning, just like the rest.

Ashley was the only one walking all over the hilltop taking pictures of the view. She caught sight of me and came forward to offer an unopened bottle of mineral water. I pretended not to hear her and turned away from it, still panting.

Adapted from "Hating Allison Ashley" by Robin Klein

39. What was the author's first plan when they reached the foot of the hill?

40. What two reasons did the author provide for Ashley's ability to complete the hike so effortlessly?

41. Why do you think that the author claimed that "the view wasn't all that marvelous" at the top?

42. In paragraph 5, what does "it" refer to?

43. Did the author accept the offer of the drink? How do you know?

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2) 2 29) voice
3) 4 30) him
4) 1 31) tired
5) 3 32) knees
6) 2 33) nag
7) 1 34) 2
8) 4 35) 2
9) 1 36) 2
10) 4 37) 2
11) 2 38) 4
12) 3 39) His first plan was to rest when they
 reached the foot of the hill.
13) A
14) C 40) The two reasons were she ate sandwiches
 and went swimming lessons after school.
15) H 41) He did not have enough strength to take
 in much of it.
16) Q
17) J 42) The 'it" refers to the bottle of mineral
 water Ashley offered the author.
18) G 43) No, she did not. The author pretended not
 to hear Ashley and she also turned away
19) D from the bottle of water Ashley offered.
20) K
21) C
22) F
23) E
24) A
25) E
26) F
27) C