



Anglo-Chinese School (Primary)

P4 ENGLISH LANGUAGE 2007

END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION

PAPER 2 - BOOKLET A

Name: _____ () Class: Primary 4 _____

Date: 29 October 2007

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Section A: Graphic Stimulus (5 x 1 mark each = 5 marks)

Study the advertisement below and then answer the questions that follow it.



Climbing enthusiasts, here's your chance to scale new heights of excitement. Join us for an introductory course on ice climbing at Southeast Asia's first artificial ice-climbing wall right here in Singapore.

Professional trainers will show you the correct techniques and the right equipment to use.

Date: 1 Dec 2007 (Sat)
Time: 9am to 1 pm (Session 1)
2pm to 6 pm (Session 2)
Venue: SAFRA Adventures Sports Centre
@ SAFRA Yishun Country Club
Fees: \$30 per person
(inclusive of a T-shirt)
Registration: Limited to 50 participants

- o All equipment will be provided for use.
- o The course is open to anyone who is physically fit and above 16 years old.
- o Sessions will be allocated by the organiser on a first-come-first-served basis.



This event is organised by:



Singapore Sports Council

For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. Choose the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The organiser of this event is _____
 - (1) The New Paper
 - (2) Singapore Sports Council
 - (3) SAFRA Yishun Country Club
 - (4) SAFRA Adventures Sports Centre

2. The course can only be attended by _____
 - (1) professional climbers
 - (2) people who read newspapers
 - (3) healthy people who are above 16 years old
 - (4) members of the SAFRA Yishun Country Club

3. Participants who are selected to attend the course will be informed through _____
 - (1) a fax
 - (2) a letter
 - (3) an email
 - (4) a phone call

4. All participants will get to keep _____
 - (1) a T-shirt
 - (2) a goodie bag
 - (3) a discount coupon
 - (4) the climbing equipment

5. Those who wish to attend the course must _____
 - (1) contact *The New Paper*
 - (2) register through the Internet
 - (3) go to SAFRA Yishun Country Club personally
 - (4) fill up the coupon found in *The New Paper*

Section B: Grammar (10 x 1 mark each = 10 marks)

For each question from 6 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. There _____ a man with two children in that room right now.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were
7. The old woman made the boy _____ with fright when she told him the scary story.
- (1) shiver
 - (2) shivers
 - (3) shivered
 - (4) shivering
8. Julius showed me the office building _____ his father works.
- (1) which
 - (2) whom
 - (3) where
 - (4) whose
9. The residents heard the news about the earthquake _____ the radio.
- (1) at
 - (2) in
 - (3) over
 - (4) from
10. Mrs Lee knew that Mark and I had made the cookies _____.
- (1) myself
 - (2) himself
 - (3) ourselves
 - (4) themselves

11. As the pupils _____ well in the examination, the teacher rewarded them.
- (1) would do
 - (2) had done
 - (3) have done
 - (4) were doing
12. In many parts of the world, deer _____ hunted and killed for their meat.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were
13. Many people turned up for the auditions but only _____ were selected to take part in the finals.
- (1) all
 - (2) few
 - (3) most
 - (4) some
14. Before we _____ persuade him to calm down, he had already stormed out of the house.
- (1) must
 - (2) might
 - (3) could
 - (4) would
15. Shane would not stop working _____ he was very sick. He really wanted to finish the project.
- (1) despite
 - (2) because
 - (3) although
 - (4) whenever

Section C: Vocabulary (10 x 1 mark each = 10 marks)

For each question from 16 to 25, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. The thunderstorm was so strong that it caused the ship to _____.

- (1) overdo
- (2) overturn
- (3) overthrow
- (4) overcrowd

17. When Louis tried to avoid hitting a cyclist on the road, his van _____ out of control.

- (1) swished
- (2) swerved
- (3) switched
- (4) swivelled

18. The explorers decided to _____ their plans to climb up the mountain due to a shortage of food and water.

- (1) avoid
- (2) abstain
- (3) abandon
- (4) anticipate

19. When a fire broke out, most of the workers lost their lives and only two _____.

- (1) revived
- (2) rescued
- (3) survived
- (4) sustained

20. The old building in the city will be _____ and a new one will replace it.

- (1) dredged
- (2) disposed
- (3) damaged
- (4) demolished

21. My brother _____ for some candles in the darkness of his bedroom.
- (1) groped
 - (2) gripped
 - (3) swayed
 - (4) swooped
22. Under pressure from his friends to hurry, Anthony made his decision _____.
- (1) boldly
 - (2) hastily
 - (3) merrily
 - (4) wearily
23. I watched a _____ about penguins and their habitat.
- (1) drama
 - (2) thriller
 - (3) comedy
 - (4) documentary
24. My father was in a hurry and _____ through his bag impatiently to find the car keys.
- (1) sifted
 - (2) peered
 - (3) scanned
 - (4) rummaged
25. The men kidnapped the boy and demanded a _____ from his parents.
- (1) reward
 - (2) fortune
 - (3) ransom
 - (4) windfall

Section D: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks each = 10 marks)

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow it.

“Are you Miss Thomson?” the hotel staff asked as I got out of the taxi.

“Yes, I am.”

“Mr Smith is already here. He’s been here for over an hour, madam.”

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It was almost nine o’clock as I made my way to the lobby of the hotel. A man was waiting for me there. He was seated on a sofa and had his back to me. He **shuffled his feet** on the carpeted floor and looked at his watch repeatedly. When he saw me, he did not look too pleased.

“Is this all you have?” he asked, as he stared at me intently.

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He was obviously referring to my baggage which weighed well over fifteen kilograms. I dragged it along as best as I could although my hands were red and sore. He quickly got up from his seat and signalled to me to hand the baggage to him. Instantly, he relieved me of my **burden** and I heaved a sigh of relief.

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“How far is Clara’s house from this hotel?” I asked as he shut the door of the taxi.

“Fifty kilometres from here,” he replied. “We’ll be there by ten o’clock tonight.” He gave the taxi driver the directions and we were off to Clara’s.

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The journey seemed like eternity. Strangely enough, I could not sleep even though I was tired. It was not Mr Smith’s temperament that disturbed me. My thoughts were on Clara. What was she like and would it be easy to teach her and discipline her? The only thing I knew about her was that she had been orphaned at the tender age of five. Since then, she had never uttered a word to anyone.

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I hoped Clara would take to me. It was my first assignment. I could not fail. I must not. I was prepared to do whatever I could to change that poor girl’s life.

For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

26. In line 8, Mr Smith "shuffled his feet" because he was _____
- (1) punctual
 - (2) impatient
 - (3) exhausted
 - (4) enthusiastic
27. Mr Smith was displeased with Miss Thomson because she had _____
- (1) kept him waiting
 - (2) red and sore hands
 - (3) just one piece of baggage
 - (4) no idea how far they would travel
28. The word "burden" in line 14 refers to _____
- (1) Miss Thomson's tired hands
 - (2) the journey to Clara's house
 - (3) Mr Smith's unhappiness towards Miss Thomson
 - (4) the difficulty Miss Thomson had with her baggage
29. Miss Thomson could not sleep because she _____
- (1) was too exhausted
 - (2) was angry with Mr Smith
 - (3) was taking a long journey
 - (4) could not wait to meet Clara
30. Miss Thomson was determined to help Clara because she _____
- (1) could not sleep well
 - (2) wanted to do it for Mr Smith
 - (3) felt sympathetic towards Clara
 - (4) was forced by Mr Smith to help



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Paper	Maximum Marks	Marks Obtained
1. Composition	30	
2. Language Use & Comprehension	85	
2.1 OAS (Booklet A)	35	
2.2 Grammar Cloze	6	
2.3 Vocabulary Cloze	7	
2.4 Editing (SPG)	7	
2.5 Synthesis & Transformation	6	
2.6 Comprehension Cloze	10	
2.7 Comprehension	14	
3. Listening Comprehension	15	
4. Oral Communication	20	
Total	150	

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Section E: Grammar Cloze (6 x 1 mark each = 6 marks)

There are 6 blanks, numbered 31 to 36, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to M) in the blank. The letter (I) has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

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|--------|----------|---------|-------------|
| (A) a | (D) away | (G) in | (K) to |
| (B) an | (E) by | (H) of | (L) with |
| (C) at | (F) from | (J) out | (M) without |

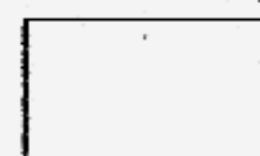
Thanks to modern technology, there is now a way to find out if people are telling the truth: **The Liebuster**. Do not be taken in _____ the fact that it looks like an ordinary watch. It is far more than that. In addition

_____ telling the time, it buzzes when it detects a lie.

This miracle of modern technology is one of the most accurate lie-detectors ever made. By means _____ high-tech microchips, it measures the stress in people's voices. Nobody will ever get _____ with lying if you use it in any situation.

The bigger the lie, the louder the buzz. Nobody can do _____ one. So hurry now, while stocks last, and buy your personal LIEBUSTER at _____ amazingly low price. B-zzz!

Adapted from *The Liebuster: The Modern Electronic Miracle!* by Robert O'Neill



Section F: Vocabulary Cloze (7 x 1 mark each = 7 marks)

There are 7 blanks, numbered 37 to 43, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. **Write its letter (A to M) in the blank.** The letter (I) has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

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| (A) appetite | (D) every | (G) likes | (K) sensitive |
| (B) bouquet | (E) fond | (H) nutritious | (L) supply |
| (C) consists | (F) includes | (J) sensible | (M) typical |
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To find out more about an elephant's diet, an elephant keeper was interviewed. She looks after Naf Naf, an elephant, at the Paris Zoo.

"What does Naf Naf eat on a _____ day? She has a good
(37)

_____ and breakfast _____ of a kilogram of dog
(38) (39)

biscuits mixed with 750g of dried horse food with extra hay, apples and carrots.

Zoo food is always _____!"
(40)

"In the morning, I will deliver a _____ of branches to
(41)

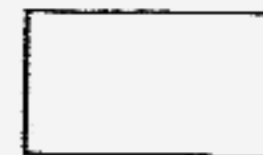
Naf Naf. Since she is particularly _____ of cherry and apple, she
(42)

will get four big bundles of those as well. It is also important that Naf Naf has her

snacks in between meals. Some visitors to the zoo are not very

_____ and will feed her things that make her ill."
(43)

Adapted from *An elephant's diet* by David Foll & Anne Kelly



Section G: Editing (7 x 1 mark each = 7 marks)

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. A wrong or missing punctuation mark is denoted by a circle. Put the correct punctuation mark or word (in terms of usage, spelling and form) in each of the boxes.

A 72-year-old widow, Mrs Lye, pleaded guilty yesterday to causing

(44)

unecesary ~~suffering~~ to the dogs that she kept in her small three-room house.

(45)

The court was told that Mrs Lye's neighbours ~~repetedley~~ complained to her for more than six months about the conditions in which the dogs were kept. The

(46)

dogs often barked all night long. Despite these complainis, she refused to do anything about the problem. Finally, one of her neighbours called the police.

The police got in touch with the SPCA, which sent one of their inspectors to call on Mrs Lye. "I don't have that many pets," claimed the widow. "I look after

(47)

them well ○"

(48)

At first, she tries to prevent the inspector from entering her house. However, he insisted on seeing the dogs for himself and found all forty of them in a bad state.

The lawyer defending Mrs Lye said, "My client is a lonely old woman

(49)

which companjõns were her dogs. She was afraid that if she let them out

(50)

of the house, something bad would happen to them. ○

Section H: Synthesis and Transformation (3 x 2 mark each = 6 marks)

For each of the questions 51 to 53, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the given sentence(s).

51. Jasmine does not enjoy music lessons. Jasmine's friends do not enjoy music lessons.

Neither _____

52. The Chingay Parade was cancelled. It was raining heavily.

Since _____

53. Tony likes cycling. He likes rollerblading even more.

Tony prefers _____



Section I: Comprehension Cloze (10 x 1 mark each = 10 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

It used to be a science-fiction fantasy that one day computers would rule the world. Some people thought it was impossible to prevent these man-made machines from _____ more powerful than their creators. Hence, they wanted to _____ the development of more advanced computers.

Scientists were warned not to _____ over our future to machines. However, the fact is computers can only do _____ we ask them to do. We can get them to process complicated operations, but they are not capable of commanding us to do anything in _____

Today, we expect computers to help us live at a faster _____ of life. The following examples illustrate how we have come to _____ on computers in our daily lives. Computers allow business people to keep in _____ with developments around the world. They enable doctors to diagnose an _____ more accurately. They let thousands of aircraft fly safely through crowded skies without bumping into other planes. In fact, it is _____ to imagine any part of life where computers do not play an important role.

Section J: Comprehension (7 x 2 marks each = 14 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 64 to 70.

It was already a quarter past nine as Mary hurried into the big block of offices where she was going to work. Her bus had crawled through the dense city traffic, making her a few minutes late for her very first job. As Mary quickened her pace, she resolved to leave home earlier the next day.

Once inside the building, she had to wait again. This time it was for the lift to take her up to the sixth floor. When she finally reached the door marked 'King's Holding Private Limited', she knocked rather nervously and waited. There was no reply. She listened hard and could hear voices talking behind the door. Mustering up her courage, she opened the door and went in.

Although it was the same office she had come to during her interview with Mr King two weeks before, somehow it looked quite different that morning. All the employees were standing about, chatting and eating. At the far end of the room, a man must have just told a funny story for there was a loud burst of laughter just as Mary entered. For a moment, she thought that they were laughing at her.

Then one of the men looked at his watch and clapped his hands twice. Immediately, they all went to their desks and within seconds, everyone was busy working. Mary was taken aback for a while. Eventually, she went up to the man who was sitting at the desk nearest to her and explained that this was her first day in the office.

Hardly looking up from his work, the man told her to take a seat near him as Mr King would arrive any moment soon. Mary would find out later that he always arrived promptly in the office at 9:35 a.m. That was why his staff knew precisely when to start work.

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Adapted from text by Donn Byrne (Longman, 1986)

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

64. Give two reasons to explain why Mary resolved to leave home for work earlier the next day.

65. Whose voices could Mary hear when she was standing outside the office of *King's Holding Private Limited*?

66. Explain clearly whether Mary had been to the office before.

67. Explain clearly how the office looked different on the morning that Mary reported for work.

68. Why did the man clap his hands?



69. From Paragraph 3, quote the sentence that suggests that Mary was uncomfortable among her new colleagues.

70. Who does 'he' refer to in line ?

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Primary 4 English SA2 Exam (2007)*Answer Keys*

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
2	3	2	1	4	1	1	3	3	3
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
2	2	4	3	32	2	2	3	3	4
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
1	2	4	4	3	2	1	4	4	3
Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
E	K	H	D	M	B	M	A	C	H

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|-----------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|
| 41. L | 46. complaints | 54. becoming | 59. pace |
| 42. E | 47. . | 55. stop | 60. depend |
| 43. J | 48. tried | 56. hand | 61. touch |
| 44. unnecessary | 49. whose | 57. what | 62. illness |
| 45. repeatedly | 50. " | 58. return | 63. hard |

51. Neither Jasmine nor her friends enjoy music lessons.
 52. Since it was raining heavily, the Chingay Parade was cancelled.
 53. Tony prefers rollerblading to cycling.
 64. She wanted to avoid the traffic jam and arrive of time for work.
 65. She heard the voices of her new colleges.
 66. Mary has in the office for a job interview.
 67. People were talking and fating and standing about instead of working.
 68. He wanted remain his colleagues that Mr King is coming.
 69. The sentence is "For a moment, she thought that they were laughing at her."
 70. It refers to Mr King.