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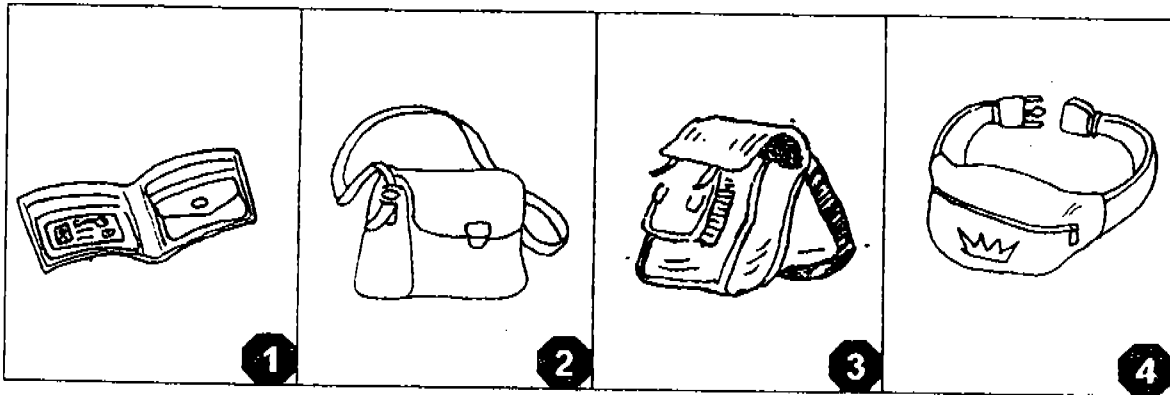
BOOKLET A

DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOKLET UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.
FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.
ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.

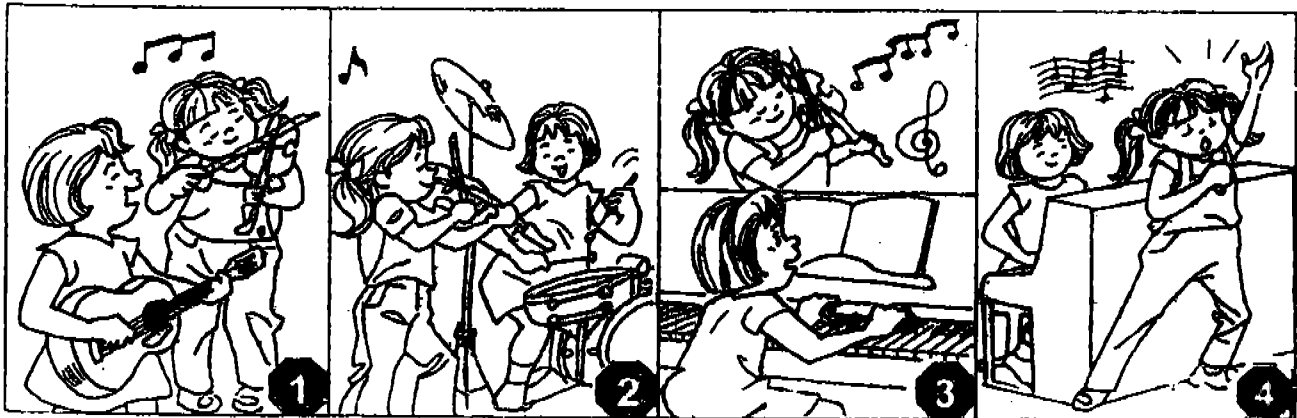
Section A (4 x 1m)
Picture Matching

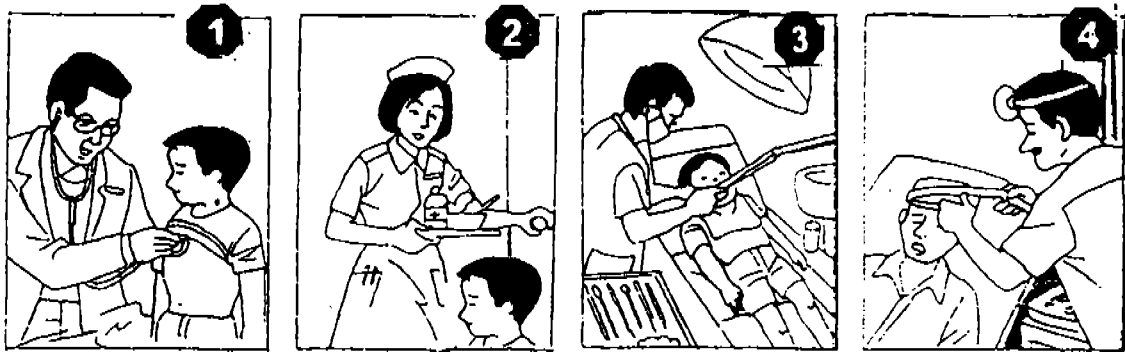
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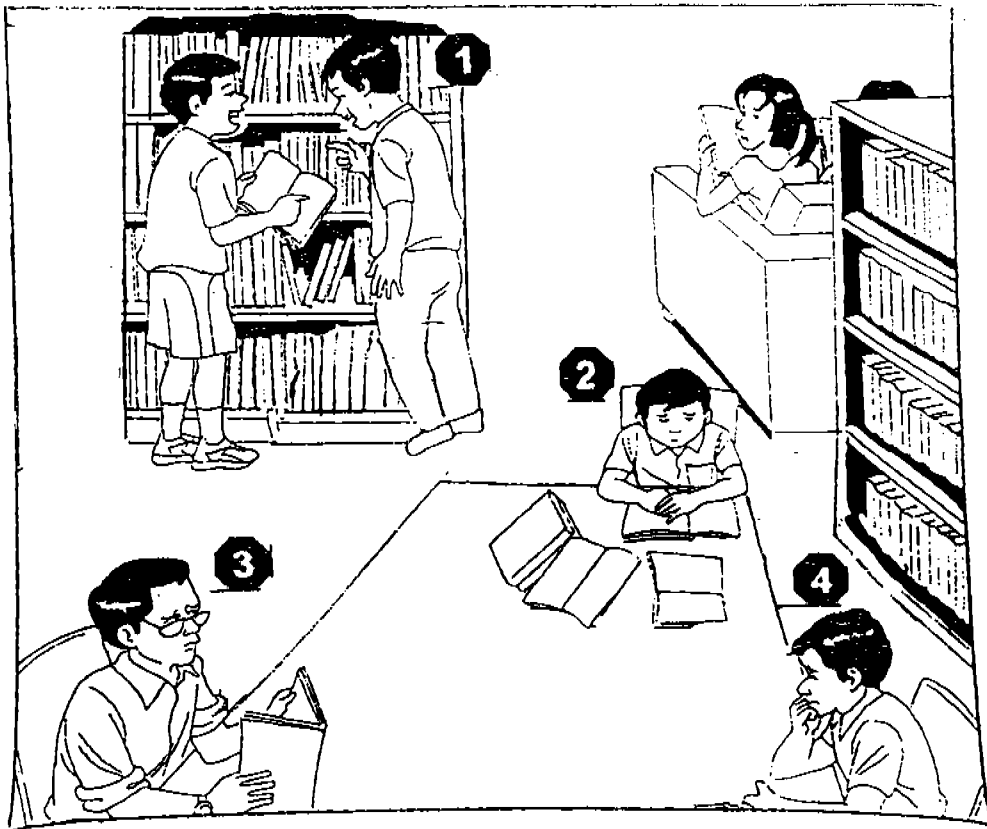
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Listen carefully to the teacher. Choose the part of the picture that describes the teacher's statement. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

4.



Study the following advertisement and then answer questions 5 to 9.

8 Sizzling Deals

Valid till 30 June 2004

Enjoy 1 for 1 dining and up to 50% off exclusively with UOB Credit Card at acclaimed restaurants in Singapore

Exquisite Mediterranean, French, Chinese, Thai and Local Cuisine



Locate UOB Dining Privileges with the latest SMS service from LocoGuru. SMS 'UOB Dining' to LocoGuru at 9024 1111 for dining offers around you.

Olive Tree

1 for 1 dinner buffet bill

The Wine Place

Complimentary bottle of champagne with every bottle of red wine purchased

Phoenix Café

Dinner Buffet : 1 for 1. Limited to 2
Complimentary dinner buffets per card
Complimentary soft drinks for all with at least 3 paying adults
Lunch Buffet : 1 dines free with 2 paying adults; 20% off total bill

Savior

Lunch : 10% off total bill
Dinner : 1 for 1 set menu : \$100 off complimentary dining with minimum \$100 order from ala carte dinner menu

Si Chuan Restaurant

30% off total ala carte food bill
Not valid for lunch at UOB Plaza
Not valid for buffet : 20% off total food bill

Dragon Restaurant

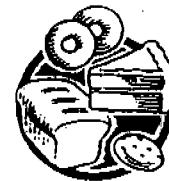
30% off ala carte food

Hua Yuen Restaurant

30% off ala carte food
20% off total food bill

Marriot Café

25% off buffet bill
Excluding alcoholic drinks



Extra!
Spend at least \$250 on your UOB Credit Card when you dine at the above outlets and get a free ticket to the musical "Mama Mia"
This offer is valid till 25 June 2004



For each question from 5 to 9, 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.

5. There are _____ food outlets that serve buffets.

- (1) 8
- (2) 5
- (3) 4
- (4) 3

6. The _____ made the deals "sizzling".

- (1) exquisite cuisines
- (2) exciting promotion
- (3) special SMS-service
- (4) different food outlets

7. Anne brought her parents and twin sisters for dinner at Phoenix Café. She used her UOB credit card to pay. Which of the following dining privileges will the family receive if they all had dinner buffet?

- (1) Two of them get to dine free.
- (2) Three of them get to dine free.
- (3) They will enjoy 20% off their dining bill.
- (4) They will receive a \$100 discount on their dining bill.

8. If Siva charged \$300 to his UOB credit card when he dined at The Wine Place, he would receive a _____.

- (1) bottle of red wine
- (2) \$250 cash voucher
- (3) free admission to the performance "Mama Mia!"
- (4) free ala carte meal at any of the food outlets

9. Which of the following statements is **true**?

- (1) All the dining privileges will end by 30 June 2004.
- (2) All the participating outlets have offers on beverages.
- (3) A card member can find out how to use LocoGuru by sending an SMS.
- (4) UOB credit card members get to enjoy offers on food at all renowned restaurants in Singapore.

Section C (6 x 1 m)

Vocabulary

For each question from 10 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.

10. Mr Jaafar _____ serious head injuries in the car accident.

- (1) obtained
- (2) sustained
- (3) developed
- (4) experienced

11. Willy and Peter had just quarrelled. Thus, when Willy was told to join Peter's Innovation Project Group, he did it _____.

- (1) mutually
- (2) regretfully
- (3) reluctantly
- (4) menacingly

12. His headache was so _____ that he had to be hospitalised.

- (1) fatal
- (2) harsh
- (3) severe
- (4) violent

13. The match was _____ to a later date because of foul weather.

- (1) hastened
- (2) cancelled
- (3) continued
- (4) postponed

14. Meng Choo was told not to _____ the secret about the hidden treasure chest to everyone in class.

- (1) unveil
- (2) dilute
- (3) betray
- (4) divulge

15. Mr Simon Crown obtained a _____ for his new invention. With that, no one is allowed to copy his idea.

- (1) permit
- (2) patent
- (3) consent
- (4) copyright

Section D (7 x 1m)

Grammar

For each question from 16 to 22, 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. _____ you have a valid passport, you are not allowed to enter the country.

- (1) If
- (2) As
- (3) Unless
- (4) Except

17. Mrs Jacob went to the market this morning, _____ she?

- (1) isn't
- (2) can't
- (3) hasn't
- (4) didn't

18. Some of the students _____ loudly when the principal came in.

- (1) talk
- (2) are talking
- (3) have talked
- (4) were talking

19. After _____ effort, Samad managed to pull the bottle cap out.

- (1) more
- (2) much
- (3) many
- (4) some

20. _____ Ai Choo _____ Ai Hua likes basketball. They prefer netball.

- (1) Either...or
- (2) Both...and
- (3) Neither...nor
- (4) Not only...but

21. _____ of the contestants has to write a poem about their favourite pet.

- (1) All
- (2) Both
- (3) Each
- (4) Some

22. Mr Raj saw a man _____ into his neighbour's flat as he was about to weed the garden.

- (1) broke
- (2) break
- (3) breaks
- (4) broken

Section E (5 x 2m)

Comprehension MCQ

Read the passage below and answer questions 23 to 27.

Many people who like to read detective stories have heard of Sherlock Holmes but not Sir Arthur Conan Doyle because he was the writer behind all the exploits of Sherlock Holmes, a famous detective. Doyle named Sherlock Holmes after an American author. Doyle was born in Scotland in 1859. He was the son of an artist. 5

When he was in school, **Doyle was quite rebellious** and did not relish the thought of attending school. However, he enjoyed reading adventure stories as much as he liked telling them. Consequently, he was popular as a storyteller among his peers. He studied medicine when he was in the university. After his graduation, he worked as a doctor in various places. 10
Then two years after his marriage, his first Sherlock Holmes story was published. Sherlock Holmes was modelled on Doyle's professor in the university who was very good at judging a person's occupation and character by his appearance. The other main character in the Sherlock Holmes story, Dr Watson, had a similar personality as Doyle himself. 15

Several years later, Doyle gave up practising medicine so that he could concentrate on his writing. Besides writing detective stories, Doyle also wrote historic novels.

Adapted from *The Author Of Sherlock Holmes*

For each question from 23 to 27, 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.

23. Sherlock Holmes was _____.

- (1) the son of an artist
- (2) an American author
- (3) a character created by Doyle
- (4) a famous detective who lived in Scotland

24. As a school boy, Doyle _____.

- (1) loved narrating stories
- (2) wrote adventure stories
- (3) displayed a talent for writing
- (4) enjoyed reading historic stories

25. "**Doyle was quite rebellious**" (line 6) showed that he was a rather _____ boy.

- (1) distressed
- (2) dishonest
- (3) disobedient
- (4) disorganised

26. Dr Watson was _____.

- (1) a good judge of character
- (2) Doyle's professor at the university
- (3) created to closely resemble Doyle himself
- (4) the only character in the Sherlock Holmes story

27. According to the passage, Doyle eventually _____.

- (1) became a professor
- (2) changed his profession
- (3) wrote only detective stories
- (4) became a judge of story book characters

BOOKLET B

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Section F (6 x 1m)

Comprehension Cloze

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

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) illustrate	(B) position	(C) prove	(D) muffled
(E) hoax	(F) forgery	(G) bated	(H) wound
(J) flew	(K) injury	(L) split	(M) composure

A large restless crowd of doctors and students were chanting for Morton in a tiny operating theatre. They had come to the Massachusetts General Hospital to see if William Morton, a local dentist, could (28) _____ his ridiculous claim to be able to make surgery painless. However, Morton was fifteen minutes late. Was it all a (29) _____? At that instant, the doors (30) _____ open and in a burst, William Morton came in breathless and carrying a glass of strange chemical called ether. "Your patient is ready," Dr Warren said, as the panting Morton tried to regain his (31) _____. The doctor then followed Morton's instructions. The audience waited with (32) _____ breath as Dr Warren completed the operation and sewed up the patient's (33) _____. He had successfully used the new invention to banish pain during the operation!

Adapted from "The Germ of an Ideal"

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Section G (8 x1m)

Grammar Cloze

There are 8 blanks, numbered 34 to 41, 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 each blank. The letter (I) has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) as	(D) do	(G) does	(K) over
(B) which	(E) some	(H) for	(L) other
(C) few	(F) from	(J) there	(M) by

When Jessie Goh took a holiday in Yunnan in September, she went mountain trekking and soaked in views of the scenic region. Many have dubbed this place (34) _____ paradise on earth. However, in the ten days that she spent (35) _____ she was also put through (36) _____ hard labour. She and fifteen (37) _____ holidaymakers toiled to refurbish a Community Educational Centre (38) _____ the village's needy children.

Two-in-one adventure trips (39) _____ combine adventure travel with community work, are becoming trendy among Singaporeans like Ms Goh who (40) _____ not mind a "working" holiday. Ms Goh had helped to build a children's playground (41) _____ levelling off the land and then installing equipment like pull-up bars. Such projects encourage Singaporeans to participate in community work abroad.

Adapted from The Straits Times, 14 December 2004

Section H (4 x2m)

Synthesis and Transformation

For each of the questions 42 to 45, rewrite the given sentences using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the given ones.

42. Walt Disney created Mickey Mouse. He created other cartoon characters such as Dumbo and Bambi.

_____ and

_____.

43. Mr Lim trained his dog. The dog performed tricks.

_____ to

_____.

44. The serving plate did not break. Meng How dropped it.

_____ but

_____.

45. Lawrence likes to play soccer. Muthu likes to play soccer.

Both _____

_____.

Section I (5 x2m)

Read the passage below and answer questions 46 to 50.

Eliza had decided to keep Prince with her father's permission. She loved his company and would even talk to Prince as if he were a real human being. Eliza opened her heart to Prince and trusted him with her feelings and thoughts.

Prince would not play Fetch, a game which Prince would retrieve sticks for Eliza. All Prince wanted was to walk by Eliza's side. He wanted to tell her that he knew at last what he had been hunting for in his life. It was not the Chimera. It was Eliza. He had at last found someone he could communicate with and he wanted so badly to be around her. But what could he do since he was locked inside a dog's body? They were worlds apart. This was the sorrowful question that kept the dog prince awake all night. How he wished for the darkness to end so that he need not have to think such sad thoughts. It was at that moment that Prince met his challenge. It mysteriously appeared. A shimmering form at first, twisting and turning between the rocks. There was no mistake about it...the Chimera! The lion-headed beast went directly to where the goats slept. Prince, who was near the animals, growled. Boldly but slowly, the Chimera faced him with fierce, glowing eyes. Prince knew at once what those eyes told him, "I dare you to come to me."

Prince gulped. The beast was monstrous. She could tear out his heart effortlessly but he could not possibly let the monster take Eliza's flock. "Let her take my heart, then," Prince thought, "Yes, for Eliza, I will give my heart."

Adapted from "The Dog Prince"

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

46. How was Prince related to Eliza?

47. Describe the characteristics of the Chimera.

48. Why did Prince decide to fight with the Chimera?

49. When did the Chimera show up?

50. Which word in the passage shows that Prince was nervous when he saw the Chimera?

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- 28) C 42) Walt Disney created Mickey Mouse and other cartoon characters such as Dumbo and Bambi
- 29) E
- 30) L 43) Mr Lim trained his dog to perform trick.
- 31) M 44) Meng How dropped the serving plate but it did not break.
- 32) G
- 33) H 45) Both Lawrence and Muthu like to play soccer.
- 34) A
- 35) J 46) Prince was Eliza's dog
- 36) E 47) The Chimera was a lion-headed beast with fierce glowing eyes.
- 37) L
- 38) H 48) Prince did not want the Chimera to take Eliza's flock of goats.
- 39) B
- 40) D 49) The Chimera showed up at night.
- 41) M 50) It is "gulped".