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**AI TONG SCHOOL
2005**

**SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT TWO
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2
PRIMARY 4**

DURATION ; 1hr 30 min

DATE : 24th OCTOBER 2005

INSTRUCTIONS

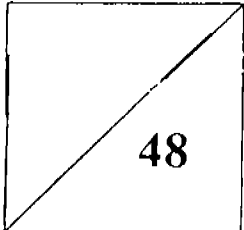
**Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.
Follow all instructions.
Answer all questions.**

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Parent's Signature : _____

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Marks : 

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Part 1: Multiple Choice Questions
Section A : Vocabulary (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. Mr Lim has _____ after teaching in the school for forty years.
 - 1) retired
 - 2) resumed
 - 3) responded
 - 4) recommenced

2. Mira works diligently so as to _____ her ambition of becoming a surgeon.
 - 1) raise
 - 2) catch
 - 3) obtain
 - 4) achieve

3. My father _____ his hot coffee slowly as he read the newspaper at breakfast.
 - 1) sipped
 - 2) gulped
 - 3) gobbled
 - 4) swallowed

4. The young girl's family was _____ when they heard of her tragic death.
 - 1) dejected
 - 2) deprived
 - 3) depressed
 - 4) devastated

5. The government built a _____ to commemorate the heroes and heroines who died in the war.
 - 1) sculpture
 - 2) cathedral
 - 3) skyscraper
 - 4) monument

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on him. _____ accidentally spilled hot soup

- 1) porter
- 2) caterer
- 3) waiter
- 4) attendant

Section B: Grammar (6 x 1 mark)

7. Mary asked the teacher, "_____ I be excused for a while?"
- 1) May
 - 2) Will
 - 3) Might
 - 4) Should
8. My mum left her office at four o'clock _____ she could reach home to cook the special dishes for my father's birthday.
- 1) so as
 - 2) so that
 - 3) whether
 - 4) because
9. Much of the food _____ wasted at the birthday party last night.
- 1) is
 - 2) are
 - 3) was
 - 4) were
10. Sean uses the telephone for _____ hours every evening.
- 1) less
 - 2) much
 - 3) many
 - 4) a little
11. I don't have to look at the words because I know the passage _____ heart.
- 1) at
 - 2) in
 - 3) for
 - 4) by

12. The police cordoned off the area _____ the boy was hit by the lorry.

- 1) when
- 2) where
- 3) whenever
- 4) wherever

Section C : Comprehension (5x2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Food refers to nutritious food which is good for our health and not junk food. Eating wisely can help to fight diseases.

Vitamin A is good for the eyes. The lack of it can lead to 'night-blindness'. Carrots, liver, milk, jackfruits, lean meat, yellow-flesh bananas and eggs are examples of food and fruits that are rich in Vitamin A.

Unpolished rice is very rich in Vitamin B. A deficiency in this vitamin will lead to a disease called beri-beri.

Vitamin C is said to be a woman's vitamin. It is good for the complexion. Most fruits and green vegetables are rich in it. Guavas have a high content of this vitamin. Tomatoes, green peppers, oranges, lemons and most citrus fruits are rich in this vitamin. The lack of this vitamin leads to a disease called scurvy.

The sun's ultra-violet rays can help our skin to make Vitamin D. It is good for our bones and teeth. Rickets is the disease that causes malfunctioning of the bones in children. Fish, lean meat, eggs and milk are some examples of food rich in Vitamin D.

Choose the correct answer and shade its number 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the OAS provided.

13. Eating wisely means eating food that _____

- 1) causes diseases
- 2) has vitamins and minerals
- 3) is considered as junk food
- 4) is expensive and well-known

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14. Eating guavas can help to _____.

- 1) heal your headache
- 2) enhance bone growth
- 3) improve one's complexion
- 4) cure a disease called beri-beri

15. A deficiency in Vitamin E would result in a disease known as _____.

- 1) scurvy
- 2) rickets
- 3) beri-beri
- 4) night-blindness

16. Citrus fruits are fruits that contain lots of _____.

- 1) Vitamin D
- 2) Vitamin C
- 3) Vitamin A
- 4) Vitamin B

17. Rickets is the disease which causes _____.

- 1) teeth to decay
- 2) pimples to appear
- 3) cancer to develop in the skin
- 4) bones to stop functioning properly

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Part 2 : Open-ended Questions

Section D : Vocabulary Cloze (8x1 mark)

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

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) swallow	(B) several	(C) red	(D) blue
(E) quickly	(F) throwing	(G) properly	(H) consume
(X) choking	(K) gullet	(L) stomach	(M) windpipe

Andy joined a 'Hamburger Eating Contest'. He had to (18) _____ as many hamburgers as possible within half an hour.

At the start of the contest, he gobbled down (19) _____ hamburgers without chewing on them (20) _____. He tried to wash down his food by drinking water. Suddenly, his face turned (21) _____. He looked as if he was (22) _____ on the food. Probably, the food had gone into the (23) _____ rather than the (24) _____.

The organiser quickly sent someone to help him. He felt better after (25) _____ up the food.

Andy had learnt a lesson. He told himself not to take part in such a contest again.

Section E : Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

Read the passages carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

Passage 1

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

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| (A) written | (B) writing | (C) have been writing |
| (D) has been writing | (E) wrote | (F) write |

Last year, on a sunny Sunday, an excellent idea came to my mind as I was lazing on the beach. I started (26) _____ random thoughts in my journal after I (27) _____ the words "she sells seashells on the seashore". Then, I decided to rewrite it on a piece of paper and stuffed the (28) _____ note into a glass bottle before throwing it into the sea. I was hoping someone would pick it up and enjoy the tongue twister. Since then, I (29) _____ such tongue twisters and throwing them into the sea each time I come to the beach.

Passage 2

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

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| (A) of | (B) in | (C) into |
| (D) for | (E) at | (F) off |

Sheila was at the bus interchange when she noticed a man staring at her. She became suspicious (30) _____ him and quickly boarded the long-awaited bus. Unfortunately, the man boarded the bus too! She began to feel uneasy but was glad that she had reached her destination quickly. Hastily, she got (31) _____ the bus. To her shock, the man alighted at the same bus stop and was following her. She ran towards her house, shouting (32) _____ her parents. Her father came out of the house, gave a huge smile and welcomed the man (33) _____ their house. Sheila was puzzled but realised later that the man was actually her father's friend!

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

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Write your answers in complete sentences.

By the time he was seventeen, he had recorded over nine thousand different recipes, all of them original, all of them delicious.

But now, suddenly, his labours were interrupted by the tragic death of Aunt Glosspan. She was afflicted in the night by a violent seizure. Lexington, her nephew, who had rushed into her bedroom to see what all the noise was about, found her lying on her bed yelling and cussing and twisting herself up into all manner of complicated knots. Indeed, she was a terrible sight to behold and the agitated youth danced around her in his pyjamas, wringing his hands and wondering what on earth he should do. Finally, in an effort to cool her down, he fetched a bucket of water from the pond in the cow field and tipped it over her head. However, this only worsened her situation and the old lady expired within the hour.

“This is really too bad,” the poor boy said, pinching her several times to make sure that she was dead. “And how sudden! How quick and sudden! Why, only a few hours ago she seemed in the very best of spirits. She even took three large helpings of my most recent creation, devilled mushroom burgers, and told me how succulent they were.”

(Taken from 'The Best of Roald Dahl, page 273)

34. What caused the death of Aunt Glosspan? Which sentence in the passage tells you so?

35. What does the word 'agitated' mean in the passage?

36. What did the writer mean when he said "the old lady expired within the hour"?

37. How did Lexington know that his aunt had died?

38. How many characters were mentioned in the passage? List them.

Check Your Work!

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- 1) 1 28) A
2) 4 29) C
3) 1 30) A
4) 4 31) F
5) 4 32) D
6) 3 33) C
7) 1 34) The violent seizure caused the death of
8) 2 Aunt Glosspan. The sentence is "She was
9) 4 afflicted in the night by a violent
 seizure." tells me so.
10) 3 35) It means upset and did not know what to do.
11) 4 36) It meant that the old lady died some time
12) 2 during that hour.
13) 2 37) He pinched her several times and she did
 not respond.
14) 3 38) Two characters were mentioned in the
15) 3 passage. They were Lexington and Aunt
 Glosspan.
16) 2
17) 4
18) H
19) B
20) G
21) D
22) J
23) M
24) K
25) F
26) B
27) E

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END!