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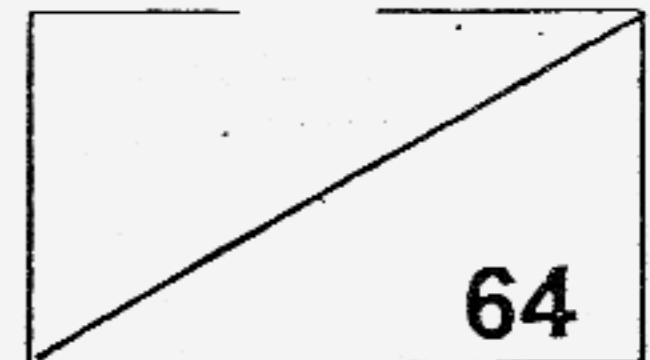
**Primary 4**

**Semestral Assessment 2 – 2006**

**English Language**

**PAPER 2**

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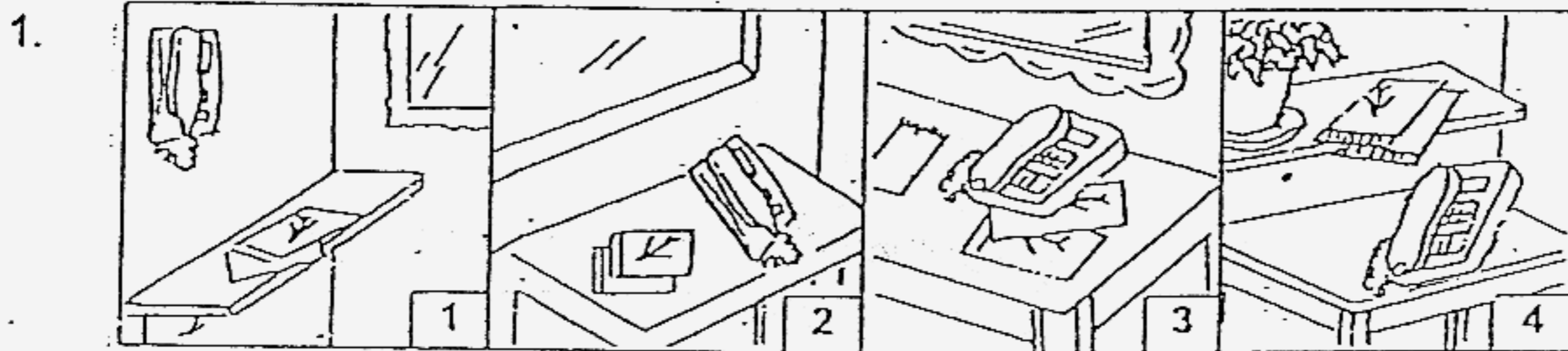
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Part 1

Section A – Picture Matching (4 x 1 mark)

Look at the set of pictures. Listen carefully to your teacher and choose the picture that describes what has been read. Then choose the correct answer, (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.



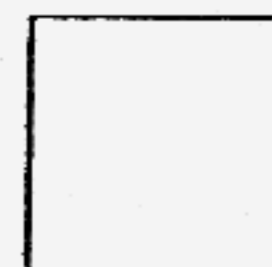
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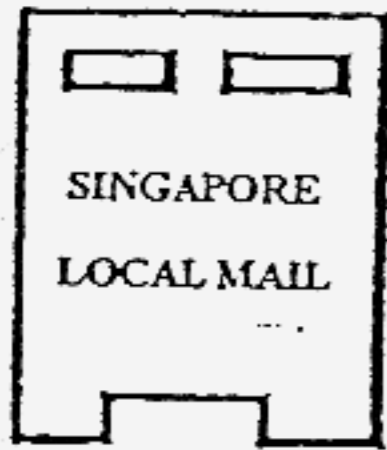
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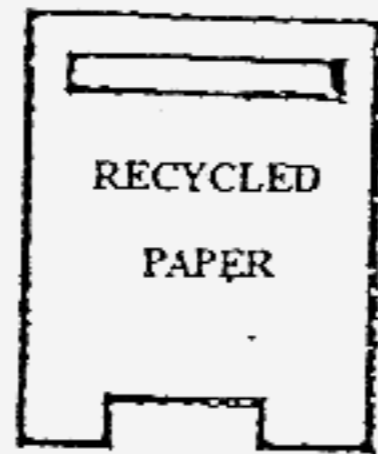
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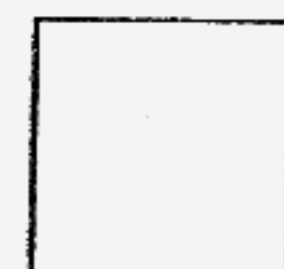


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**Section B – Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)**

Choose the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

5. Jonathan's writing is \_\_\_\_\_. Mrs Heng cannot make out any of the words.
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| (1) illegal    | (2) illegible |
| (3) illiterate | (4) illogical |
- ( )
6. The children were given a \_\_\_\_\_ each in appreciation of their participation in the games carnival.
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| (1) prize | (2) reward |
| (3) bonus | (4) token  |
- ( )
7. Terry Fox was a/an \_\_\_\_\_ man who did not give up pursuing his dreams despite his disability.
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| (1) ambitious  | (2) obstinate |
| (3) determined | (4) stubborn  |
- ( )
8. To awake my brother who was dozing off, I \_\_\_\_\_ him with my elbow.
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|-------------|--------------|
| (1) nudged  | (2) grabbed  |
| (3) punched | (4) squeezed |
- ( )
9. Betsy \_\_\_\_\_ the invitation politely as she had a lot of work to do.
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|--------------|--------------|
| (1) rejected | (2) defied   |
| (3) refused  | (4) declined |
- ( )
10. A large amount of earth and rocks fell down the cliff after a/an \_\_\_\_\_ in Malaysia last December.
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|---------------|----------------|
| (1) blizzard  | (2) earthquake |
| (3) landslide | (4) sandstorm  |
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Section C – Grammar MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

11. Everyone, including Kevin and John, \_\_\_\_\_ to the library every Tuesday.

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| (1) go   | (2) goes | ( ) |
| (3) gone | (4) went | ( ) |

12. Jane prefers watching television at home \_\_\_\_\_ shopping during the weekends.

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| (1) to   | (2) not  | ( ) |
| (3) from | (4) than | ( ) |

13. Mdm Toh wanted you to finish your project by today, \_\_\_\_\_ she?

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|-------------|------------|-----|
| (1) wasn't  | (2) hadn't | ( ) |
| (3) doesn't | (4) didn't | ( ) |

14. Mrs Lee's tight schedule does not allow her to \_\_\_\_\_ time \_\_\_\_\_ from work.

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|-------------------|-------------------|-----|
| (1) take .... on  | (2) take .... up  | ( ) |
| (3) take .... off | (4) take .... out | ( ) |

15. Salmon \_\_\_\_\_ in the ocean but they spawn in freshwater rivers.

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| (1) live       | (2) lived      | ( ) |
| (3) are living | (4) have lived | ( ) |

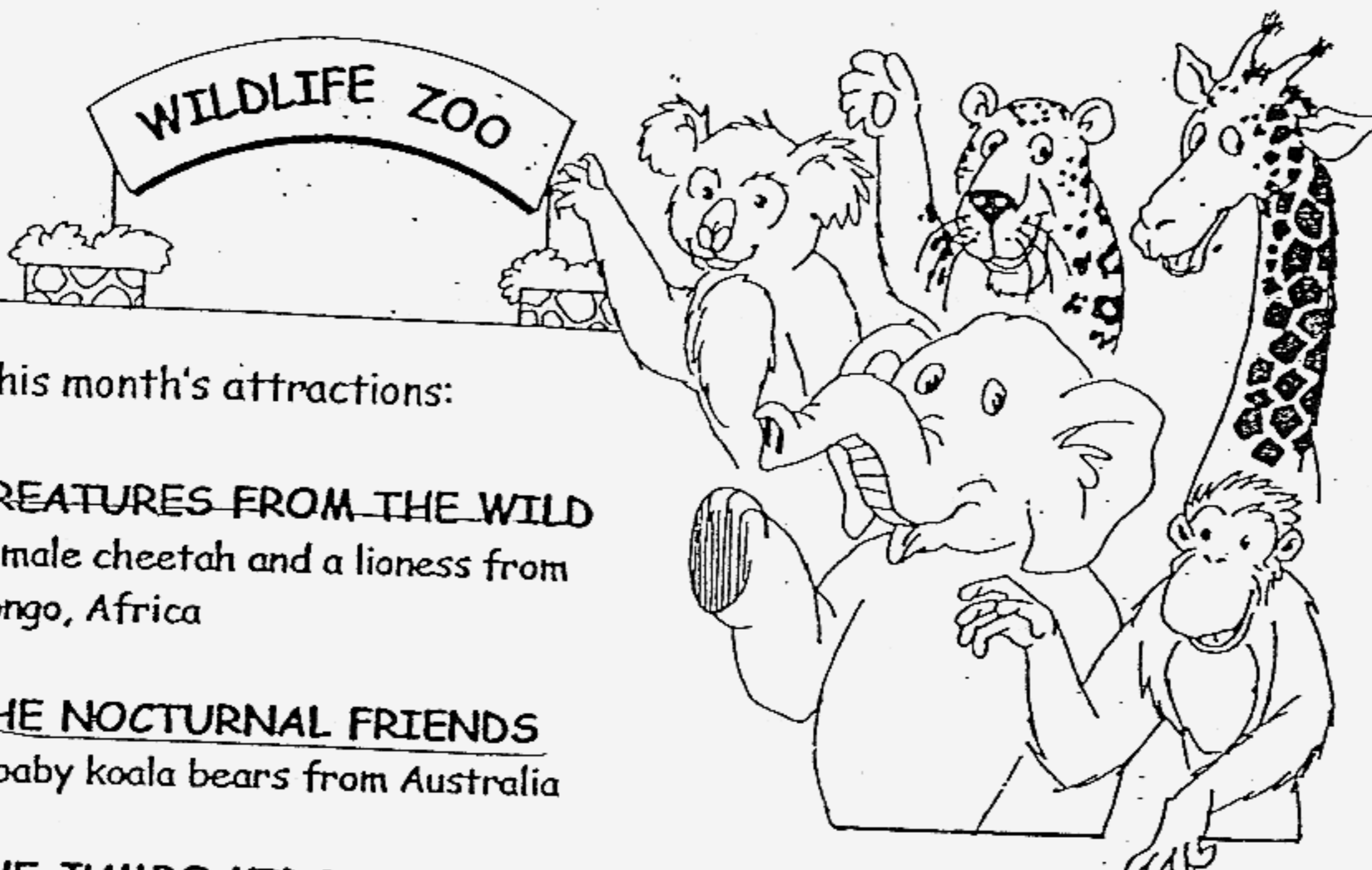
16. My grandmother had \_\_\_\_\_ my neighbour for a salesman when he came knocking on the door.

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| (1) mistake | (2) mistaken  | ( ) |
| (3) mistook | (4) mistaking | ( ) |



Section D – Graphic Stimulus (5 x 1 mark)

Study the advertisement carefully and answer the questions that follow.



The illustration shows a group of cartoon animals in front of a sign that says 'WILDLIFE ZOO'. The animals include a koala, a tiger, a giraffe, an elephant, and a monkey. The koala is holding the sign, the tiger is waving, the giraffe is looking to the right, the elephant is in the foreground, and the monkey is sitting next to it.

This month's attractions:

**CREATURES FROM THE WILD**  
A male cheetah and a lioness from Congo, Africa

**THE NOCTURNAL FRIENDS**  
2 baby koala bears from Australia

**THE JUMBO KIDS**  
3 baby elephants from Thailand

Everything you ever wished for is HERE at WILDLIFE's, SINGAPORE!

- greenery
- fresh air
- open space
- animals of all kinds

Special Promotions:

- 1) Bring a friend along and you could win one of these prizes in our lucky draw.
  - a \$50 voucher from Animal Kingdom Gift Store.
  - A \$100 dining voucher from Florida Café.
- 2) 15% discount for each group of 8 people.

Opening hours

Mon.- Fri	:	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat & Sun	:	9 a.m. - 6.30 p.m.
Public Holidays	:	Closed

Admission Fees

Adult	:	\$8.00
Child	:	\$3.50

(Free admission for children below 4)

Choose the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

17. The zoo is located in \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) Africa
- (2) Australia
- (3) Thailand
- (4) Singapore

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18. The zoo is open at \_\_\_\_\_.

- ~~(1)~~ 8 a.m. on Sunday
- ~~(2)~~ 10 a.m. on Monday
- ~~(3)~~ 7 p.m. on Saturday
- ~~(4)~~ 9 p.m. on Tuesday

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19. If you go to the zoo, you can enter a lucky draw if you \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) dine at Florida Cafe
- (2) bring a friend along
- (3) have a group of eight people
- (4) spend \$50 at Animal Kingdom Gift Store

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20. \_\_\_\_\_ is not one of the attractions of the zoo.

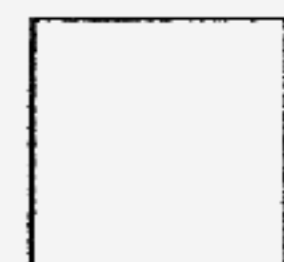
- (1) Wildlife's
- (2) The Jumbo Kids
- (3) The Nocturnal Friends
- (4) Creatures from the Wild

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21. For children below the age of four, \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) the charge is \$8
- (2) admission is free
- (3) the charge is \$3.50
- (4) a 15% discount will be given

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**Section E – Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.**

I am a dollar note. My full name and number is B/46 6008<sup>5</sup>69. Together with thousands of brothers and sisters, I left our Big House (the Mint) several years ago. Since then, I have had many exciting adventures.

I have been in and out of so many pockets, cash registers and drawers that I cannot remember exactly what happened each time.

However, I do remember that somebody once stole me and many other friends from our owner. There was a large crowd that day in the shopping centre. I saw a Christmas tree in almost every shop and office. There were lots of colourful decorations, and I heard carols being sung. We were picked from a pocket. Fortunately, a guard at the shopping centre caught the pickpocket and returned us to our master. Guess what happened next? My master gave me away to the guard in gratitude!

Another time, I suffered a lot of pain. My owner was buying a can of coke from a machine in the Jurong Bird Park. His arms were full with his camera, pieces of paper and shopping bag. Instead of putting me into his trouser pocket, he let me slip onto the grass instead. I was stepped upon by countless people before a little girl finally picked me up, flattened me out and dusted me. The next day, she gave me away to the tuckshop lady in school. She grabbed me so tightly in her grimy hands!

There was also a time when I found myself in a large hotel. It was so grand that I felt really worthless. The lady who took me there used me to tip the waiter. He took me home and handed me to his son.

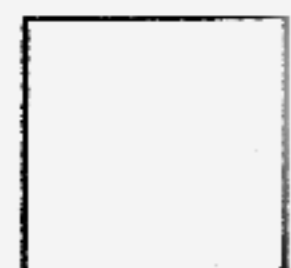
My new owner was a careless boy. He pushed me into his T-shirt pocket with half of me sticking out. I felt really hot but the good thing was, I got to see everything that was happening around!

Now, I am back in a bank. Am I home at last? I do not know. In fact, I do not know what will happen to me tomorrow. What a life!



Choose the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

22. B/46 600859 is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) a code
  - (2) a password
  - (3) somebody's name
  - (4) the serial number of a note ( )
23. We are told that B/46 600859 has been to the following places except a \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) hotel
  - (2) cinema
  - (3) school canteen
  - (4) shopping centre ( )
24. Which statement is true?
- (1) B/46 600859 was stolen by a large crowd.
  - (2) B/46 600859 returned to the Mint eventually.
  - (3) B/46 600859 suffered pain in his master's pocket.
  - (4) B/46 600859 was used to pay a tuckshop vendor. ( )
25. In the Jurong bird Park, the little girl picked B/46 600859 up and immediately \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) spent it
  - (2) dusted it
  - (3) gave it away
  - (4) kept it in her pocket ( )
26. The best word to replace "grimy" as it is used in the passage is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) ugly
  - (2) rough
  - (3) soiled
  - (4) wrinkled ( )



Part II

Section A – Vocabulary Cloze (6 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word in the box and write its letter (A to K) in the blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

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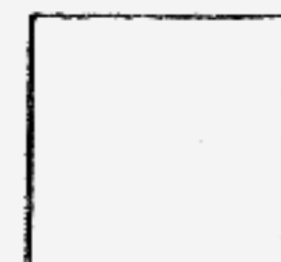
(A) appearance	(B) coma	(C) corpse	(D) dancing	(E) dead
(F) foul	(G) identity	(H) screaming	(J) sociable	(K) withdrawn

A severely decomposed body of a woman was found in a flat in Bukit Merah yesterday. Neighbours had noticed a (Q1) \_\_\_\_\_ smell coming from the fifth-floor flat in Block 123, Bukit Merah Avenue 7, but it was not until they noticed flies buzzing around that they called the police.

Officers who broke into the flat found the (Q2) \_\_\_\_\_, clothed in a T-shirt and underwear, lying face down in the bedroom. It is estimated that she had been (Q3) \_\_\_\_\_ for a week. As the body was highly decomposed, her (Q4) \_\_\_\_\_ could not be determined but neighbours said the flat had been occupied by an insurance agent in her 40s.

According to a report in Sunshine Daily, the woman used to be friendly, but had become (Q5) \_\_\_\_\_ in the past few years. She had been heard talking to herself. Neighbours said they had even heard her (Q6) \_\_\_\_\_ and shouting while alone in her flat—that she had been cheated of money.

Police have classified the case as unnatural death. They are still investigating.



**Section B – Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)**

**Read the passage carefully. Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.**

It was the annual ice-skating championships. Leena and Reena had been (Q7)\_\_\_\_\_ since the end of last year. They had been waiting for this opportunity to outshine their opponents and were (Q8)\_\_\_\_\_ of winning the gold medal.

Leena and Reena were (Q9)\_\_\_\_\_ to the tunes. They smiled and waved as they glided around the rink gracefully. They moved slowly at first but increased their pace as the (Q10)\_\_\_\_\_ quickened its beat. Leena and Reena's parents watched anxiously and held their (Q11)\_\_\_\_\_. They applauded loudly for their great moves! Even their opponents cheered for them.



Section C – Comprehension (5 x 2 mark)

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

A thirty-nine-year-old fisherman was attacked by a shark off Coral Light House last Sunday. Kadif, a father of three, lost his left arm during the attack and is now recovering at the Tuas Hospital.

Kadif had gone into the water at eight that morning to check a fault in the propeller of his fishing vessel. After being in the water for about twenty minutes, he swam to the side of the vessel to climb back on board. As he was pulling himself up with his right arm and feet, a four-metre shark suddenly attacked him and ripped off his left arm. Kadif said, "It happened so fast that it was a few seconds before I realised that my arm was no longer there!" He was in excruciating pain. He continued, "I saw the shark coming at me again. shouted desperately for help and I clung tightly to a rope attached to the boat. It would have been the end of me if I had fallen into the water."

The ten other members of the fishing vessel managed to haul him into the vessel as the shark lunged for a second time. They then radioed the marine police for help. A police patrol boat arrived about fifteen minutes later to take him back to shore and a waiting ambulance whisked him off to the hospital.

Kadif is worried about his future as fishing is a job which requires two hands. Fishing has been his occupation for the last twelve years. The incident was a terrible blow to him but he counts himself lucky to have survived.

Answer the following questions. Write your answers in complete sentences.

Q12. Where did the attack take place?

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Q13. Why did Kadif go into the water that fateful day?

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Q14. What happened to Kadif when he was climbing up the fishing vessel?

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Q15. How did Kadif try to save himself?

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Q16. Which sentence tells us that it is impossible for Kadif to continue fishing after the incident?

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**Section D – Note-Taking and Dictation (12 marks)**

**Q17 – Q22 is a note-taking test (6 x 1 mark)**

Each blank in Q17 to Q22 should be filled with **ONE** word. As you listen, fill in the blanks with the information given.

**How to Make Mixed Berry Pie**

- Q17. \_\_\_\_\_ types of berries are needed.
- Q18. Preheat the oven to \_\_\_\_\_ degrees Celsius.
- Q19. ~~Mixed~~ the berries with cornstarch, almond extract and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Q20. Trim the edge of the crust, leaving \_\_\_\_\_ inch overhang.
- Q21. Pierce the top crust with a \_\_\_\_\_ to allow steam to escape.
- Q22. Bake it for \_\_\_\_\_ minutes.

**Q23 is a dictation test. (6 marks)**

Take down the journal entry in Q28 in full as you listen to it being read out.

Q23.

**Journal**

**I have always enjoyed eating cakes and puffs. I love it so much that I decided to learn how to bake them myself.**

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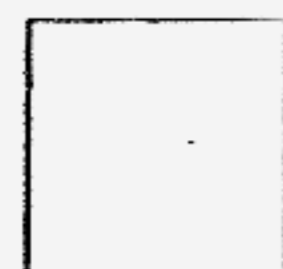
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9	4	14-3	19-2	24-4	

1	F	6-H	7- practising
2	C		8- confident
3	E		9- dressed
4	G		10- music
5	K		11- breaths

- 12 The attack took place off Coral Light House.
- 13 He went there to check a fault in the propeller of his fishing vessel.
- 14 A four-metre shark attacked him and ripped off his left arm.
- 15 Kadif shouted desperately for help and clung tightly to a rope attached to the boat.
- 16 The sentence is 'Kadif is worried about his future as fishing is a job which requires two hands.'