



**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL
2005 FIRST CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT
PRIMARY 5EM1/EM2**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2: BOOKLET A
TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 hour

Name: _____ () Pr 5 ()

There are a total of 78 questions - 35 MCQ and 43 open-ended questions.

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Section A: Graphic Stimulus (5x2 m = 10m)

Study the advertisement below and answer the questions that follow.

THE STRAITS TIMES OF TODAY. *Thursday 12 July 2005*

TV CHANNEL 28

- 3.25** **PM Opening**
- 3.30** **A Summer's Dream** (*Mandarin drama serial with English subtitles*)
- 5.30** **Cook with Yenny** (*Instructional*)
- 6.00** **The Adventures of Vegetables** (*Cartoon*)
- 6.30** **Game of Soccer** (*Game Show*)
- 7.00** **News at Seven**
- 7.30** **The Adventures of Molly** (*English drama serial/ Last Episode*)
- 8.30** **An Interview with Tennis Champions of the 90s**
(*Documentary*)
- 9.30** **Imperfect People** (*Comedy*)
- 10.00** **What's in Sports Today?**
- 10.30** **Post-Holiday Movie - Haunted House of Maryland**
Starring Joan Kevin
- 12.00** **Midnight News**
- 12.30** **AM Close**



Choose the correct answer and shade the appropriate ovals 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the optical answer sheet (OAS).

1. The TV Channel Guide is found in _____.
- (1) TV Channel 28
 - (2) The Strait's Times
 - (3) The Television Guide
 - (4) The Straits Times of Today
2. Viewers who do not know Chinese will be able to understand "A Summer's Dream" by following the _____.
- (1) actors
 - (2) subtitles
 - (3) instructions
 - (4) documentary
3. Which programme will end its run on 12 July 2005?
- (1) Game of Luck
 - (2) Imperfect People
 - (3) The Adventures of Molly
 - (4) An Interview with Tennis Champions of the 90s
4. People who need the latest update on sports can tune in to _____:-
- (1) News at Seven
 - (2) Game of Soccer
 - (3) What's in Sports Today
 - (4) An Interview with Tennis Champions of the 90s
5. The phrase "Post-Holiday" suggests that the movie is shown because _____.
- (1) it is a holiday
 - (2) a holiday is approaching
 - (3) the next day is a holiday
 - (4) the day before was a holiday

13. The boys divided the packet of sweets among _____ equally.
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| (1) himself | (2) ourselves |
| (3) yourselves | (4) themselves |
14. The family of dogs _____ wolves, foxes and wild dogs.
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| (1) include | (2) includes |
| (3) included | (4) is including |
15. The lawyer wants a written agreement _____ there is proof of what has been agreed verbally.
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| (1) and | (2) since |
| (3) unless | (4) so that |

Section C: Punctuation (5 x 1m = 5m)

Choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the appropriate ovals 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the optical answer sheet (OAS).

My brother Adam is a very naughty boy. He often irritates me. As we often got into arguments (16) mother had to put us into different rooms.

Once, when I was studying in my room, he walked in and said (17) Agnes, there's a phone call for you." Only when I put the receiver to my ear did I realise that he had put a piece of chewing gum on the earpiece.

Feeling extremely annoyed (18) I shouted, "How dare you (19) I walked towards the kitchen, stuck the chewing gum onto my hair and cried loudly, "Mom (20) Adam put a piece of chewing gum onto my hair!"

Adam was dumbfounded and looked at me in disbelief.

16. (1) [,] comma
(2) [-] hyphen
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [!] exclamation mark
17. (1) [,] comma
(2) ["] inverted commas
(3) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(4) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
18. (1) [:] colon
(2) [,] comma
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [!] exclamation mark
19. (1) [?] question mark
(2) [!] exclamation mark
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas
20. (1) [,] comma
(2) [-] hyphen
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [!] exclamation mark

Section D : Vocabulary (5 x 1m = 5m)

For each question from 21 to 25, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the appropriate ovals (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the optical answer sheet (OAS).

21. I had to _____ the length of the trousers as it was too long.
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| (1) sew | (2) altar |
| (3) alter | (4) mend |
22. The girl's poem was _____ from the poetry competition because her sister had written it.
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| (1) expelled | (2) rejected |
| (3) discarded | (4) disqualified |
23. The _____ donated generously to the tsunami victims.
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| (1) philosopher | (2) pharmacist |
| (3) philanthropist | (4) philanderer |
24. Alice's mother _____ her from cycling along the road because it is very dangerous.
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| (1) stops | (2) dismisses |
| (3) forbids | (4) discourages |
25. To get some attention, the wilful girl threw a tantrum and _____ tore her new clothes.
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| (1) forcefully | (2) carelessly |
| (3) intentionally | (4) accidentally |

Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1m = 5m)

For each question from 26 to 30, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

The Chingay procession is held (26) annually to celebrate the Chinese New Year. Although it is held during the lunar new year, other races participate in the celebrations too.

In 1990, the Chingay celebration was held during the day for the first time. The stretch of Orchard Road was (27) gaily decorated with colourful red lanterns to (28) commemorate the Chinese traditions.

When I arrived at Orchard Road, both sides of the road were already lined with people. However, I managed to get a vantage-point in front of Wisma Atria Shopping Centre. Punctually at seven o'clock, the Chinese acrobats performed their (29) feats to the tune of the drumbeats. This was followed by the traditional Chinese dance accompanied by Chinese music. The spectators were pleasantly surprised to see Indian and Malay items in this year's celebrations. The celebration was truly a Singapore cultural mosaic. The spectators showed their appreciation after each item with their warm and (30) spontaneous applause.

When the crowd began to disperse after the final item, I lingered a while longer as I was still in a festive mood. Finally, I walked away from the place feeling tired but happy as I had thoroughly enjoyed the Chingay procession.

(An Extract from, "SAP Cloze and Comprehension Passages for Primary")

26 (1) once a year
(2) once in a month
(3) once in two years
(4) once every six months

27 (1) warmly
(2) brightly
(3) excitedly
(4) interestingly

28 (1) keep
(2) justify
(3) admire
(4) observe

29. (1) job
(2) acts
(3) efforts
(4) movements

30. (1) loud
(2) noisy
(3) continuous
(4) unprompted

Section F: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2m = 10m)

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Mountains have inspired many people through the years with their majestic appearance. One such source of inspiration is Mount Everest, which lies on the frontier between Nepal and Tibet, at the Eastern end of the mountain range known as the Himalayas. Mount Everest is the highest mountain in the world. Its height was first measured by British surveyors in 1852 and named in honour of Sir George Everest who was the Surveyor General in India at the time of its discovery.

Very little was known of the mountain for a very long time as the people of Nepal and Tibet kept very much to themselves and did not welcome visitors from other countries. It was not until the end of World War I that plans were made to form expeditions to climb Mount Everest.

In 1920, the Tibetan government finally permitted a British expedition to enter their country and draw maps of Mount Everest. They decided, after careful deliberation that the best time to climb Mount Everest was in spring, when there would be a short break between the cold winter wind and the summer snows. Another problem they needed to overcome was the lack of oxygen as one climbed higher.

In 1953, New Zealander Sir Edmund Hilary and the Nepalese Sherpa Tenzing Norgay reached the summit of Mount Everest. They were the eighth expedition to make the daring attempt and the first men to climb it.

Since the first memorable conquest, many other climbers, both men and women had stood on top of Mount Everest. The first woman to scale the peak was Junko Tabei, a Japanese. In 1975, Reinhold Messner and Peter Habelar became the first men to make the entire climb without the aid of oxygen breathing apparatus.

For each question from 31 to 35, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the appropriate ovals, 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the optical answer sheet (OAS).

31. In which mountain range is Mount Everest located?
It is located _____.

- (1) in the Himalayas
- (2) between Nepal and Tibet
- (3) on the frontier in Nepal and Tibet
- (4) on the highest mountain in the world

32. For a long period of time, the Himalayas was little known because _____.

- (1) of World War I
- (2) Sir George Everest had not discovered it yet
- (3) the people of Nepal and Tibet disliked visitors
- (4) the Nepalese and Tibetans kept out visitors from other countries

33. Why was spring the best time to climb Mount Everest?

- (1) It does not snow in spring.
- (2) There was no lack in the oxygen supply.
- (3) It was between the seasons of summer and winter.
- (4) The weather was good as it was neither too windy nor snowy.

34. How many failed attempts were made before the first successful climb?
_____ failed attempts were made.

- (1) Zero
- (2) Nine
- (3) Eight
- (4) Seven

35. What made the climb by Reinhold Messner and Peter Habelar different from the rest?

- (1) They reached the summit in one attempt.
- (2) They were the first couple to reach the summit.
- (3) They were the only ones to reach the summit in 1975.
- (4) They reached the summit without the use of oxygen apparatus.

END OF BOOKLET A



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Section G: Grammar Cloze (10 X 1m = 10m)

In the following passage, there are 10 blanks numbered 36 to 45. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the answer sheet provided. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

A) when	B) with	C) up	D) In	E) away
F) By	G) into	H) towards	J) beside	K) after
L) on	M) out	N) from	P) at	Q) some

It was a sunny afternoon. Mark was cycling to his best friend's house (36) _____ he heard someone screaming for help. He looked up and saw an old woman struggling (37) _____ a rough-looking teenager. The teenager was trying to grab the old woman's handbag. The old woman was holding (38) _____ to it tightly.

(39) _____ the midst of the struggle, the strap of the handbag snapped. The teenager grabbed the handbag and dashed (40) _____. The old woman ran (41) _____ him, shouting at the top of her voice. Mark quickly rode his bicycle (42) _____ the teenager to prevent him from escaping.

The teenager did not see Mark and ran (43) _____ the bicycle and fell. The handbag flew (44) _____ of his hands and landed near a rubbish bin (45) _____ distance away. The old woman soon caught up. She thanked Mark and praised him for his bravery.

Section H: Spelling and Grammar (11 x 1m = 11m)

Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

A shipping tragedy happened in the year 1912. It was the sinking of the ocean liner, The Titanic. It has been considered the (46) worse shipping (47) **desastor** ever to have happened. The Titanic, the longest and most (48) **laxurous** ocean liner (49) on that time, set sail on her maiden voyage from Southampton, England in 1912. She was heading for New York carrying about two thousand (50) **pasingers** who (51) thinks the ship was unsinkable.

But one night, a huge iceberg tore a hole measuring ninety metres through the hull and (52) floods five compartments. Water began to (53) **ghush** into the ship. Lifeboats were lowered but there were not enough for everyone. Many men stayed behind to face their fate.

Three hours later, those in the lifeboats looked back and saw the back end of the ship (54) **rizing** out of the sea. The entire ship soon (55) **desapearred**, taking (56) off it about one thousand lives.

Section I: Synthesis/Transformation (6 x 2m = 12m)

For each of the questions 57 to 62, 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 meaning of the given sentence(s). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

57. Patricia is my good friend. Angela is my good friend.

Both _____

58. The goat is very weak. It can hardly stand up on its own.

The goat is so weak _____

59. I enjoy singing. I like dancing better.

I prefer _____

60. Aminah could play the piano in spite of her blindness.

Although _____

61. The dog was a poodle. It was lost yesterday.

_____ which _____

62. Father has been working late. Father has not finished his work.

_____ and _____

Section J: Comprehension Cloze (10 x 1m = 10m)

In the following passage, there are 10 blanks numbered 63 to 72. Fill in each blank with a suitable word. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

With disguises over their faces and guns in their hands, Roger and his accomplices had boldly entered the home of a wealthy businessman and demanded cash and valuables from his family. It was another of their numerous (63) _____. This time, they had got away with fifty thousand dollars. The loot was shared equally among themselves in the getaway car before they went their (64) _____ ways.

Roger was unable to sleep peacefully whenever he carried out a robbery. That night was no exception. While (65) _____ awake in bed, the telephone rang. Suspecting something bad had happened, Roger answered nervously. One of his accomplices had been arrested. Hastily, Roger collected as many personal (66) _____ as he could carry with him and (67) _____ his home, knowing only too well that the police would be knocking on his door at any moment.

For several weeks, Roger had to go into (68) _____, avoiding all encounters with the police. Sitting on a bench one day, (69) _____ tired and hungry, he sadly thought about the miserable life his crimes had brought him. Finally, he made up his mind to (70) _____ to the police, realising that it was only a (71) _____ of time before he would be caught. He stood up and (72) _____ for the nearest police station. He was glad that the dreadful life he had been leading for the past few weeks would soon end.

Section K: Comprehension (6 x 2m = 12m)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions.

Alan's mother had noticed that her son was rather careless with his wallet. He kept his pocket money, identity card, his student's bus pass and his library card all in his wallet. His mother told him that if those important cards were lost, it would be very inconvenient to get them replaced. Alan promised his mother that he would be very careful with his wallet.

Usually after school, Alan frequented his school field, the community centre and the library where there were no crowds, and where pickpockets were unlikely to operate. But one school holiday, Alan accompanied his cousin to a shopping centre. Alan was glad to be able to accompany his cousin to the shopping centre as he had saved thirty dollars in his wallet to buy his favourite basketball jersey.

When they reached the shopping centre, it was very crowded. Both of them decided to do some window-shopping first. A while later, Alan decided that he needed to visit the toilet. As he was walking towards the toilet, five teenagers suddenly surrounded him and pressed tightly around him.

"Hey, you guys! I can't breathe!" he cried, but they paid no attention to him. After a few steps, the teenagers started running away. This aroused Alan's suspicions and he quickly felt for his wallet. It was not there! Alan quickly ran after the teenagers, but to no avail. The teenagers ran away too quickly and besides, the big crowd of shoppers hampered Alan. Alan then went to the information counter and reported what had happened.

Alan soon went home and related the whole incident to his mother. She ordered him to go at once to the police station to make a report. But Alan replied, "Not necessary, Mother. Actually, I only lost my thirty dollars. I put my money in one wallet and my important cards in another, which I kept in my front pocket."

(An Extract /Adapted from PET Primary English Tests)

For each question from 73 to 78, write your answers in the Answer Sheet. ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

73. What caused Alan's mother to advise him to take care of his wallet?

74. What great difficulty would the loss of Alan's wallet lead to?

75. Why was Alan not faced with pickpockets on normal school days?

76. Why was Alan glad to accompany his cousin to the shopping centre?

77. Which sentence in the passage indicates that Alan was unsuccessful in his attempt to stop the teenagers?

78. Why do you think Alan did not want to report the incident to the police?

END OF BOOKLET B

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Exam Solutions

Answer Sheets

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

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| 41 | K | 46 | worst | 51 | thought | 56 | with | | |
| 42 | H | 47 | disaster | 52 | flooded | | | | |
| 43 | G | 48 | luxurious | 53 | gush | | | | |
| 44 | M | 49 | at | 54 | rising | | | | |
| 45 | Q | 50 | passengers | 55 | disappeared | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 63 | robberies | 64 | separate | 65 | lying | 66 | belongings | 67 | left |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 68 | hiding | 69 | feeling | 70 | surrender | 71 | matter | 72 | headed |

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 59. I prefer dancing to singing.
 60. Although Aminah was blind, she could play the piano.
 61. The dog, which was lost yesterday, was a poodle.
 62. Father has not finished his work and has been working late.
73. She had noticed that Alan was rather careless with his wallet.
 74. Replacing those important cards would be very inconvenient.
 75. The places that Alan visited on normal school days were not crowded.
 76. He had saved enough money to buy his favourite basketball jersey.
 77. The sentence is "Alan quickly ran after the teenagers but to no avail."
 78. I think Alan did not want to report the incident to the police as he might get laughed at, and it is not very necessary since he still has all important cards and only \$50 were lost in the incident.