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TAO NAN SCHOOL

PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH LANGUAGE CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT ONE - 2004

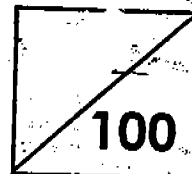
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Section A (5 marks)

Study the following text and then answer questions 1 to 5.

total defence day art competition 2004

Theme: "One People, One Nation,
One Singapore"
on-the-spot art competition

1st PRIZE
\$200 book voucher
(individual)
3 years free SDC
membership for school

2nd PRIZE
\$150 book voucher
(individual)
2 years free SDC
membership for school

3rd PRIZE
\$100 book voucher
(individual)
1 year free SDC
membership for school



Singapore Discovery Centre (SDC)
510 Upper Jurong Road
Singapore 638365
Tel: 6792 6188
Web: www.sdc.com.sg

Event Date: 7 February 2004
Venue: Singapore Discovery Centre
Age Group: Category A (4-6 years old)
Category B (7-9 years old)
Category C (10-12 years old)
Category D (13-16 years old)

Registration Fee:

\$10 per participant
(includes a goodie bag, drawing
paper, SDC admission, light
refreshments, discount vouchers – all
items will be given on 7 February 2004)

Register early
and get this
T-shirt free



Supported by:



Life Art Society

Registration forms are available at the general office of all primary and secondary schools.
Closing date for registration: 24 January 2004

For each question from 1 to 5, 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.

1. On the day of the competition, participants will be given _____
 - (1) stationery
 - (2) gift vouchers
 - (3) packed lunch
 - (4) drawing paper

2. If you register well before the event, you may get _____
 - (1) a discount
 - (2) a free T-shirt
 - (3) a goodie bag
 - (4) an admission ticket

3. Those interested in participating can pick up registration forms from _____
 - (1) their school
 - (2) the Life Art Society
 - (3) the Singapore Discovery Centre
 - (4) the Singapore Civil Defence Force

4. A participant must complete his or her art piece _____
 - (1) at home and submit it to the Singapore Discovery Centre on 7 February 2004
 - (2) at the Singapore Discovery Centre on the day of the competition
 - (3) in school and submit it to the general office of their school
 - (4) in school and submit it to the Singapore Discovery Centre on the day of the competition

5. Which of the following statements is **true**?
 - (1) Participants need not pay for admission into the SDC.
 - (2) The competition is open to all members of the public.
 - (3) The art competition is an event to celebrate Total Defence Day.
 - (4) Winner of the top prize gets 3 years free SDC membership for himself or herself.

Section B (7 marks)

For each question from 6 to 12, 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. "Have you _____ the chores that I told you to do?" Mrs Tan asked her son.
- (1) do
 - (2) did
 - (3) does
 - (4) done
7. That is the woman _____ handbag was snatched away by the thief.
- (1) who
 - (2) which
 - (3) whom
 - (4) whose
8. Neither Jack nor his sisters _____ vanilla ice cream since they were young.
- (1) enjoy
 - (2) enjoys
 - (3) has enjoyed
 - (4) have enjoyed
9. Ali was taking a shower when the doorbell _____.
- (1) ring
 - (2) rings
 - (3) rang
 - (4) rung
10. All the pupils except Jill _____ to the exhibition a week from now.
- (1) went
 - (2) will go
 - (3) has gone
 - (4) have gone

11. _____ the rain stops, all of us will not be able to have a picnic at the beach.

- (1) Since
- (2) Unless
- (3) When
- (4) Although

12. On hearing the fire alarm, the pupils walked briskly _____ the corridor to reach the staircase.

- (1) in
- (2) by
- (3) along
- (4) throughout

Section C (3 marks)

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

During an English lesson, a student kept coughing and sniffing. The teacher tried to ignore it at first, but soon his patience ran out. "How annoying (13) the teacher raised his voice (14). Have you got a handkerchief?" "Oh yes, sir," the student replied (15) "But I don't lend it to teachers."

13. (1) [?] question mark
(2) [!] exclamation mark
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas
14. (1) [, "] comma and close inverted commas
(2) [. "] full stop and close inverted commas
(3) [. "] full stop and open inverted commas
(4) [, "] comma and open inverted commas
15. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [,] comma
(3) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [, "] comma and inverted commas

Section D (5 marks)

For each question from 16 to 20, 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 police released the suspect as he had an _____. The suspect's friends claimed that he was with them when the crime took place.
- (1) alibi
 - (2) excuse
 - (3) explanation
 - (4) appointment
17. The _____ from the rubbish dump was so strong that all the residents complained to the town council.
- (1) scent
 - (2) stench
 - (3) aroma
 - (4) fragrance
18. The artist was complimented for her _____ piece of art work that was unusual and one of its kind.
- (1) odd
 - (2) weird
 - (3) unique
 - (4) strange
19. Devi is _____ about the results of her medical examination as she had not been well for many weeks.
- (1) anxious
 - (2) cautious
 - (3) confused
 - (4) sceptical
20. Ahmad broke his leg during a game of soccer with his friends. _____, he had to spend three months in a wheelchair.
- (1) Gradually
 - (2) Ultimately
 - (3) Eventually
 - (4) Consequently

Section E (5 marks)

For each question from 21 to 25 on page 9, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

The farm next to ours is owned by Mr and Mrs Gregg. The Greggs have two children, Philip and William. At times, I go over to their farm to play with the boys.

(21)

The Greggs love to go hunting. Every Saturday morning, they would take their guns and go off into the woods to look for animals and birds to shoot.

I cannot stand hunting. It does not seem right to me that men and boys should kill animals just for the fun they get out of it. I used to try to stop Philip and William from doing it. Every time I went over to their farm I would do my best to talk them out of it but they would only laugh.

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(24)

One Saturday morning, I saw the boys coming out of the woods with their father carrying a dead deer. I was so shocked that I started crying. It was a most disturbing sight.

(25)

21. (1) Rarely
(2) Usually
(3) Regularly
(4) Occasionally
22. (1) Logical
(2) suitable
(3) accurate
(4) acceptable
23. (1) halt
(2) disallow
(3) prevent
(4) prohibit
24. (1) cajole them
(2) dissuade them
(3) motivate them
(4) disappoint them
25. (1) alarmed
(2) annoyed
(3) dejected
(4) exasperated

Section F (10 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

"I can't wait! I can't wait," cried ten-year-old Alula Greenberg-White, hugging herself in expectation. It was 9 a.m. outside a large bookshop in North London and Alula was at the head of a queue of 100 excited children and parents. They peered through the windows at stacks of a 640-page novel, eyes searching for Joanne Kathleen Rowling, the renowned author whose books are sold in bookshops round the globe. 5

"I'm really not a morning person," admitted Rowling as she flexed her fingers in preparation for another marathon signing of *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*. Rowling has enchanted children so much with her imagination and such a vivid cast that the first four stories in the series have remained at the top of the best-seller lists. They have sold an astonishing 41 million copies. 10

In this digital age when it is said that children do not care for the printed word, Rowling has turned more children on to reading than any living author. With a film of the first book in production and a range of Harry Potter products sold in shops, Rowling is one of the most well-known people on the planet. Rowling is believed to be the first author ever to occupy the top three slots on The New York Times best-seller list. 15

"Magic has a universal appeal. I don't believe in it in the way that I describe in my books, but I'd love it to be real," she said. "The starting point for the whole of Harry Potter's world is 'What if it were real?' And I work from there." She has never had an audience in mind. "I started writing these books for me, but I really like my readers. They are very likeable people." She glanced at the queue outside, which was about 300 strong. 20

"Children are a writer's dream. They are not interested in sales figures. They want to know why the set of connected events works in a certain way. They know the books back to front and talk about the characters as though they are living, mutual friends of ours." 25

Adapted from J.K. Rowling: *The Wizard Behind Harry Potter* by Tim Bouquet

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. Alula **'can't wait'** (Line 1) because she was _____.
- (1) in a hurry to leave
 - (2) the first in the queue
 - (3) eager to meet a famous writer
 - (4) excited about meeting other readers
27. Which of the following is **not** evident of Rowling's success?
- (1) Her books are sold worldwide.
 - (2) Her ability to write a 640-page novel.
 - (3) Long queues are formed to buy her book.
 - (4) 41 million copies of her book have been sold.
28. In Lines 13-14, the phrase **children do not care for the printed word** means that children do not _____.
- (1) enjoy reading
 - (2) like printed books
 - (3) know how to read
 - (4) take good care of books
29. When Rowling starts writing, she aims to entertain _____.
- (1) herself
 - (2) children
 - (3) all her readers
 - (4) The New York Times
30. Why does Rowling prefer young readers?
- (1) They buy most of her books.
 - (2) They believe in the plot of her stories.
 - (3) They queue up to get her autograph.
 - (4) They recognise characters as their friends.

Section G (10 marks)

There are 10 blank, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

(A) some	(D) in	(G) by	(K) the	(N) when
(B) while	(E) from	(H) since	(L) where	(P) though
(C) before	(F) off	(J) of	(M) than	(Q) out

A Country Mouse invited a Town Mouse to pay him a visit for a meal. As they were eating, the Town Mouse said to his friend, "You live such a simple life here (31) _____ in my house, I am surrounded by every luxury. Tomorrow, come to my place (32) _____ you can have a sumptuous lunch. I will prepare a full spread (33) _____ delicacies for you!"

Upon the Country Mouse's arrival, the Town Mouse placed (34) _____ his friend a wonderful feast. The Country Mouse expressed his delight at (35) _____ sight of such good food. As they were about to eat, someone opened a door and they had to scamper (36) _____ to a hiding place.

When all was quiet, they came out of hiding to continue with their meal. They had scarcely begun to eat again when someone entered to take something (37) _____ of a cupboard. This time, the Country Mouse got more frightened (38) _____ before. So he whispered to his friend, "(39) _____ you have prepared for me a feast, I must leave you to enjoy it (40) _____ yourself. You see, I prefer to eat in peace than in constant fear."

Section H (10 marks)

Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word, for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

An eagle had made her nest at the top of an oak tree. Meanwhile, a

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cat, having found a **convinant** hole, moved into the middle of the trunk and

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a wild sow taken shelter in a hollow at its foot.

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The cat **craffeeli** designed a plan to take advantage of the

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situation. She climbed to the nest of the eagle and said, "Misfortune were

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about to strike. The wild sow, whom you see digging up the earth daily, wish

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to uproot the oak tree so that she may **seeze** our families as food for her

young."

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Then she creep down to the home of the sow and said, "Your

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children are in danger because the eagle will **snacht** them as soon as you go

in search for food. After that, the cat hid in her home in the day, feigning to

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be afraid. However, when night came, she sneaking went out to obtain

food.

As the eagle was still on the branches, the sow did not dare to

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go out of her home. Eventually, both families **pearished**. The cat and her

hungry litter of kittens had ample provision for the next couple of days.

Section I (15 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

On the second day of the Lunar New Year, a taxi driver accidentally drove his taxi into a condominium swimming pool. Fortunately, the taxi driver can now (51) _____ a sigh of relief.

Driver Ling Hong Lim, 55, will not have to (52) _____ any penalty for the freak accident. In fact, he will not get any demerit points and is free to (53) _____ passengers again. His company, CityCab, has made an (54) _____ into the matter and the verdict is that he is not (55) _____ and no action will be (56) _____ against him.

Actually, Mr Ling was supposed to (57) _____ up two passengers at Kentish Lodge in Oxford Road. However, he drove (58) _____ past the entrance for about 50m. His taxi then (59) _____ into the swimming pool which he had (60) _____ for a puddle. The taxi driver got out by climbing into the back seat and pushing a door open.

CityCab's decision has taken into consideration the (61) _____ visibility caused by the heavy downpour (62) _____ day and the absence of barriers to prevent people from driving their vehicle into the swimming pool. The three potted plants that had been (63) _____ as a barricade to the pool were removed during recent renovation works.

The taxi was later (64) _____ out of the pool by a huge crane and towed to a workshop the next day. The taxi was slightly damaged. Luckily, no life was (65) _____ in this accident. This is indeed a most unusual accident.

Section J (10 marks)

For each of the questions 66 to 70, 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).

66. The teenagers were hungry. They gobbled up their hamburgers.

_____ because _____

67. "I'm taking part in the singing contest," said Sulin.

Sulin said _____

68. A cheetah is very similar to a leopard. The cheetah has a black "tear" line below the eye.

_____ which _____

69. Tom and his friends will not go to Orchard Road. It is raining cats and dogs.

Since _____

70. Ali asked, "Kenny, must I carry this bag home?"

Section K (20 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

The echidna, known as the spiny anteater, resembles the hedgehog and the porcupine. This is due to the sharp spines that cover it. The echidna is actually a very special mammal. It is one of the two, the other being the platypus, in the monotreme family which are mammals that lay eggs and produce milk for their young.

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The echidna lives in Australia and New Guinea. It is a highly adaptable creature, surviving a range of temperatures and habitats. It uses its snout to "sniff" out ant and termite nests, after which it tears into these nests with its sharp claws and their snouts. Once the insects are exposed, the echidnas' long, fast and sticky tongues aid them in devouring these insects.

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When threatened, the echidna either runs away, curls up into a ball of radiating spines or digs below the surface of the soil while remaining horizontal to disappear like a sinking ship. Cars usually kill hundreds of echidnas every year. Dingoes, foxes and snakes also pose a threat to the echidnas. Unfortunately, bushfires and droughts are natural enemies too.

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During the mating season, both sexes give off a pungent odour and this helps the male echidna to find the female echidna. Trains of up to ten males may follow a mature female and the males compete for the female by engaging in head-to-head pushing and bumping contests.

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After mating, the female echidna digs a burrow and develops a temporary pouch in which one soft leathery-shelled egg is laid. The egg hatches ten days after being laid and the young echidna, known as a puggle, suckles for the next eight to twelve weeks. Once the puggle develops spines and is too prickly to be carried in the pouch, the mother leaves it in the burrow but continues to care for it. This will continue for about six months before the puggle emerges from the burrow to forage for food and to learn how to survive in its habitat.

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. How is the echidna similar to the hedgehog and the porcupine?

72. How are the other animals in the monotreme family different from the platypus and the echidna?

73. Name two different ways in which the sharp claws of the echidna help it to survive.
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74. In line 10, what does "them" refer to ?
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75. How does curling up into a ball protect the echidna from harm ?
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76. Which two unavoidable calamities can threaten the survival of the echidna ?
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77. Which two-word phrase has the same meaning as "strong scent" ?
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78. What can you tell about a male echidna which is able to mate with a female ?
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79. How does a female echidna prepare itself for motherhood ?
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80. Why does the puggle need to leave its burrow after about six months ?
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- 2) 2
- 3) 1
- 4) 2
- 5) 3
- 6) 4
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- 9) 3
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- 19) 1
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- 26) 3
- 27) 2
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- 34) C
- 35) K
- 36) F
- 37) Q
- 38) M
- 39) P
- 40) G
- 41) convenient
- 42) took
- 43) craftily
- 44) is
- 45) wishes
- 46) seize
- 47) crept
- 48) snatch
- 49) sneakily
- 50) perished
- 51) heave
- 52) pay
- 53) ferry
- 54) investigation
- 55) guilty
- 56) taken
- 57) pick
- 58) straight
- 59) plunged
- 60) mistaken
- 61) poor
- 62) that
- 63) used
- 64) pulled
- 65) lost
- 66) The teenagers gobbled up their hamburgers because they were hungry.
- 67) Sulin said that she taking part in the singing contest.
- 68) A cheetah, which is very similar to a leopard, has a black "tear" line below the eye.
- 69) Since it is raining cats and dogs, Tom and his friends will not go to Orchard Road.
- 70) Ali asked if he had to carry that bag home.
- 71) The echidna is covered by sharp spines, just like the hedgehog and the porcupine.
- 72) The other animals in the monotreme family give birth to their young while the platypus and the echidna lays eggs and produces milk for their young.
- 73) It helps to tear ant and termite nests down and dig into the soil to escape when threatened.
- 74) It refers to the echidnas.
- 75) It exposes its sharp spines and this will frighten the enemy.
- 76) Bushfires and droughts threaten the survival of the echidnas.
- 77) It is "pungent odour".
- 78) It is strong and must have won the head-to-head pushing and bumping contests with the other males.
- 79) It digs a burrow and develops a temporary pouch in which the egg is laid.
- 80) It needs to forage for food