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**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL
2004 FIRST SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT
PRIMARY 5EM1/EM2**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2: BOOKLET A
TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 2 hours

Name: _____ () Pr 5 ()

There are 30 questions in Booklet A.

Instructions:

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READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.


ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.

Section A: Graphic Stimulus (5x1 m = 5m)

Study the advertisement below and answer the questions that follow.

Singapore's GRAND SALE



The Widest selection



from \$1 OF \$2


LAST 2 DAYS!

house-ware, books & educational, stationery, fashion & leather bags, gifts, auto-accessories and **many more!**

Office & Stationary	Books & Education 	Health & Leisure	Kids & Family Care 	Made in Indonesia. National Product
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Singapore Expo. Hall 5

6-9 November 2003. 12 noon to 9.30 p.m



WIN

42" / 32" / 30" Plasma TV
Return air ticket for 2 to

Australia
Hong Kong
Thailand

To qualify for this Grand Draw, simply make a minimum purchase of \$20


Stage Activities

Q&A Cum Demo 2-3 pm
Hoola Hoop Contest (for contestants between 5-12 years old) cum Magic Show: 4-5 pm
Family Entertainment 7-8 pm

Best deal in town!

4 days only!
Free gifts!
Only at Super Mobile!

Personalised CD at just \$19.90



ORITE Digital Camera

3.0 pixels
Now only \$138

Exotic Art & Handicraft

from Malaysia, Philippines & Indonesia
Less 20%

Free Goodies Bag by Consumer Asia Pte Ltd. Daily while stock lasts

For each of the questions from 1 – 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). **Shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.**

1. The Singapore's Grand Sale will be held _____.
 - (1) in mid November 2003
 - (2) at the end of November 2003
 - (3) during the whole of November 2003
 - (4) at the beginning of November 2003

2. Shoppers can get free gifts from _____.
 - (1) Super Mobile and ORITE digital Camera
 - (2) Super Mobile and Consumer Asia Pte Ltd
 - (3) Exotic Arts & Handicraft and ORITE digital Camera
 - (4) Consumer Asia Pte Ltd and Exotic Arts & Handicraft.

3. Shoppers can get a discount of _____ at the Exotic Arts & Handicraft counter.
 - (1) 5%
 - (2) 10%
 - (3) 20%
 - (4) 50%

4. Which one of the following must a shopper purchase to qualify for the Grand Draw?
 - (1) one personalized CD
 - (2) one "ORITE" Digital Camera
 - (3) two books at \$5 each
 - (4) two straw baskets made in Indonesia at \$5.50 each

5. The "Hoola Hoop Contest" is organized mainly for _____.
 - (1) teenagers
 - (2) toddlers
 - (3) children
 - (4) adults

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Section B: Grammar Discrete (7 x 1m = 7m)

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

6. One of the students _____ absent last week.
- (1) was (2) were
(3) has been (4) have been
7. Mei Yin _____ to the old folk's home to do volunteer work every Sunday afternoon.
- (1) go (2) goes
(3) is gone (4) will go
8. While Mr Ho is driving along the expressway, he _____ a dead dog lying on the road.
- (1) spot (2) spots
(3) spotted (4) has spotting
9. Jane spends a lot of time practising on the piano _____ she can be a renowned concert pianist one day.
- (1) since (2) because
(3) so that (4) so as
10. Ismail and Maya put on their new clothes for Hari Raya Puasa and looked at _____ in the mirror happily.
- (1) themselves (2) yourself
(3) ourselves (4) herself
11. Neither Elaine nor her sisters _____ at home when the postman came.
- (1) is (2) was
(3) are (4) were
12. Shanon _____ his father's business when his father retired last year.
- (1) took up (2) took after
(3) took in (4) took over

Section C: Punctuation (3 x 1m = 3m)

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

A young man appeared suddenly beside the tower of cans and eyed me suspiciously.

"What do you want (13) he asked agitatedly.

I said I wondered how he happened to have so many cans.

He said (14) I found them." He then added that he was going to sell them. As we chatted more, I discovered that he used to be a truck driver in Gujarat but gave that up nine years ago to try his luck in the Bombay garage trade.

He explained that trash was after all this city(15) only inexhaustible resource.

13.

- (1) ["!"] inverted commas and exclamation mark
- (2) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas
- (3) ["?"] inverted commas and question mark
- (4) [?"] question mark and inverted commas

14.

- (1) [."] full stop and inverted commas
- (2) [,"] comma and inverted commas
- (3) [:"] colon and inverted commas
- (4) ["] inverted commas

15.

- (1) [-] dash
- (2) [,] comma
- (3) ['s] apostrophe 's'
- (4) [s'] 's' apostrophe

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

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

16. Doctor Chen _____ some medication for Liming who was suffering from flu.

- (1) injected
- (2) dispensed
- (3) prescribed
- (4) diagnosed

17. Many Chinese believe that red is a/an _____ colour.

- (1) wealthy
- (2) cheerful
- (3) auspicious
- (4) prosperous

18. Having drunk too much at the party, the man drove his car _____.

- (1) slowly
- (2) recklessly
- (3) cautiously
- (4) responsibly

19. Smoking in shopping malls is _____ to protect the health of non-smokers.

- (1) pardoned
- (2) punished
- (3) prohibited
- (4) prevented

20. Our school won a _____ victory in the finals of the inter-school basketball competition.

- ~~(1)~~ cyclonic
- ~~(2)~~ volcanic
- (3) landslide
- ~~(4)~~ earthquake

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

For each question from 21 to 25, 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).

It was a (21) quiet night. Everyone was in the living room enjoying the television programme when Jane, my youngest sister, came in to (22) say to everyone that our pet cat, Mittens, had just delivered (23) four adorable kittens. We were thrilled and (24) walked quickly to her basket. We had been (25) looking forward to the arrival of her kittens. As we saw Mittens nursing her young, Jane and I were already thinking of names for them.

21.

- (1) cool
- (2) serene
- (3) gentle
- (4) moonlit

22.

- (1) mention
- (2) proclaim
- (3) announce
- (4) broadcast

23.

- (1) a herd of
- (2) a litter of
- (3) a brood of
- (4) a school of

24.

- (1) ambled
- (2) dashed
- (3) strolled
- (4) lumbered

25.

- (1) waiting
- (2) guessing
- (3) hesitating
- (4) anticipating

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Section F: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1m = 5m)

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Asthma is a chronic inflammation of the airways. People with asthma have breathing difficulties.

During an asthma attack, the lining of the airways becomes swollen. Muscles surrounding the airways tighten. As a result, the inside of the airways becomes narrower. The airways may also be blocked with mucus. Thus, air cannot move freely in and out of the lungs.

Asthma triggers cause asthma attacks. Some common asthma triggers are allergens, air pollution, respiratory infections, weather extremes, emotional stress and exercise.

Early diagnosis of asthma is important. The main symptoms of asthma are coughing, gasping for air, tightness in the chest and mucus in the throat. These symptoms may be ongoing, or they may appear suddenly. Asthma can be difficult to diagnose because it resembles other respiratory diseases.

Asthma is serious. It affects millions of people over the world. In Singapore schools, teachers have special instructions on what to do when pupils have asthma attacks.

Asthma cannot be cured, but it can be controlled. With proper treatment, people with asthma can be as active as they would like to be.

For each question 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

26. From the passage, we know that _____.

- (1) there is a cure for asthma
- (2) all human beings suffer from asthma
- (3) asthma is common all over the world
- (4) asthma is a scarce respiratory disease

27. In paragraph 4, another word for **'diagnose'** is _____.
- (1) identify
 - (2) treat
 - (3) check
 - (4) control
28. Which one of the following is **not** a symptom of asthma?
- (1) coughing
 - (2) gasping for air
 - (3) mucus in the nose
 - (4) tightness in the chest
29. Which one of the following statements is **false**?
- (1) Over-exercising can cause **asthma** attacks.
 - (2) People with asthma cannot be active.
 - (3) Airways are the affected areas during an asthma attack.
 - (4) Difficulty in breathing comes **with** asthma.
30. Which one of the following titles **best** summarizes the main idea of the passage?
- (1) Asthma Attacks
 - (2) Asthma Treatment
 - (3) Breathing Difficulties
 - (4) Respiratory Diseases

END OF BOOKLET A



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PAPER 2: BOOKLET B
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Name: _____ () Pr 5 ()

There are 50 questions in Booklet B.

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

In the following passage, there are 10 blanks numbered 31 to 40. 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) could	B) Who's	C) Whose	D) So	E) out
F) the	G) too	H) a	J) up	K) down
L) to	M) Although	N) should	P) more	Q) in

Jenny had been in bed for hours. She could not sleep. She had (31) _____ much excitement in the day. The moon was shining brightly. Outside, the breeze stirred and she (32) _____ hear the leaves rustling. She sat (33) _____ suddenly. She had heard (34) _____ noise as if someone was walking around in her room.

"(35) _____ that?" she called out, her heart thumping. It was not her imagination. Once more she heard the movement of feet on the wooden floor. She was all the (36) _____ afraid because it was bright enough for her to have seen any intruder. (37) _____ she stared very hard, all she could make (38) _____ were the familiar shapes of the furniture.

She thought of ghosts. Her heart was (39) _____ her mouth. Jenny was sure that she had heard footsteps. Her hand shook as she groped in the dark to find (40) _____ switch near her bedside.

(An extract, adapted from *Steps to Comprehension*)

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Section H: Spelling and Grammar (10 x 1m = 10m)

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

Muthu had come to Singapore on a short business trip. He rented a room in a small hotel at Waterloo Street. That night some relatives of (41) hers visited him. They had dinner at a nearby (42) **restorent**. After dinner, they (43) drink and talked heartily till late that night.

It was almost midnight when Muthu returned to his hotel. As he hurried (44) across the dimly-lit lane, a man brushed past him and dashed off. Muthu wondered what time it was. He flipped up his sleeve to look at the time, (45) and his watch was not there. The man must have (46) **took** his watch! Quickly he ran after the man and caught hold of him. Muthu demanded (47) **fiersly** for his watch. The (48) **frighenned** man gave him the watch.

When Muthu reached his hotel room, he switched on the light. He gasped when he saw his watch on the table. He took out the other watch from his pocket and (49) **rellised** that it was not his. "Oh God," he said, "I'm the thief and not that man!"

The next day, Muthu (50) **sirrended** the man's watch to the police.

(An extract /adapted from *English Revision Exercises*)

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Section I: Synthesis/Transformation (5 x 2m = 10m)

For each of the questions 51 to 55, 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.

51. I enjoy cycling. I like swimming better. (I prefer)
52. Ali was scolded by his father. He returned home at midnight yesterday. (.....for.....)
53. "Does Doris need my help in the class project?" Meimei wondered. (Meimei wondered)
54. Kumar is diligent. His sister is also diligent. (Both.....)
55. Deciduous forests have four seasons. Tropical forests do not have four seasons. (Unlike.....)

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Section J: Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1m = 15m)

In the following passage, there are 10 blanks numbered 56 to 70. Fill in each blank with a suitable word. Write your answers in the Answer Sheet.

The school track and field meet was due in two months' time. (56)_____ the captain of the school's athletics team, Weilun (57)_____ very hard each day. He would start without warming up and continue (58)_____ much rest. Weilun's friends were very (59)_____ about him. Although his friends had warned him that he was not giving his body enough rest, Weilun (60)_____ them. He carried on with the training (61)_____ he wanted to win the trophy for his (62)_____.

Two months passed. On the day of the (63)_____, as Weilun was on his way to school, he suddenly (64)_____ giddy and feverish. To the horror of everyone, Weilun (65)_____ while crossing the road outside his school.

When he woke up, he realised that he was lying on a bed in the (66)_____. His parents were looking at him with concerned faces. A doctor came to his bed and spoke to him sternly, "You are very (67)_____ to be alive. Do you know that over-exercising and not giving your body enough rest is very bad for your (68)_____? If there had been a car when you fainted on the road, you would have (69)_____ your life."

Weilun nodded his head sheepishly. After this incident, Weilun would always ensure that he had (70)_____ rest after his training sessions.

(An extract /adapted from *Accelerated Learning*)

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Section K: Comprehension (10 x 2m = 20m)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions.

Mr Seah Yam Keng moved out of Kampung Lorong Buang Kok fifteen years ago but he never gave up his house and still visits his former neighbours every day. He is one of the ten Chinese families with homes there. The other eighteen families are Malays. The kampong hit the headlines two weeks ago when it was flooded.

He spends a few hours at his wooden kampung house because he enjoys being surrounded by nature and animals. He also likes the fact that everyone there is trustworthy. "I can leave my car unlocked here and no one goes near it. However, at my flat in Hougang, thieves forced open the locks and stole my three bicycles," lamented Mr Seah.

The only amenities in the kampung are a provision shop selling dried goods and a small mosque. About a ten-minute walk away are a petrol station and a bus stop. You can see chickens and roosters, stray cats and even some wild rabbits scurrying in the grass. Most of the zinc-roofed wooden houses have compounds lined with potted plants. Broken furniture, punctured bicycle tyres and even a rusty motorcycle decorate vacant plots of land.

The kampung doors are always open. If you are polite and do not try to pluck curry leaves, as some light-fingered 'outsiders' tend to do, you will be welcomed with a rose syrup drink. Sometimes, regular intruders, including students working on land conservation projects and TV crews shooting dramas, disturb the peace and quiet. They litter the place and take things without permission.

Housewife Sadiah Ahmad still visits her parents at the hut which they had built fifty years ago. "Every weekend, my eleven brothers and sisters with their spouses and our thirty children, will come and hold a barbecue here, grilling sotong and prawns on bricks, till 2 or 3 a.m.," she said.

The first resident to move into the kampung was 67-year-old Madam Fatimah Joned, who came here from Malacca when she was seventeen years old. She said, "My eight children have all moved out to live in flats and they asked me to live with them. I felt like a caged bird, so I came back to the kampung with my husband. My children telephone us every day and visit us every few days."

Madam Mariah moved to the kampung when she got married six years ago. She used to work as a counter salesgirl at Takashimaya. She loves the kampung life but she also makes sure she keeps up-to-date with the news. "We never miss the 8 p.m. news and I take my 4-year-old daughter and 5-year-old son out to Orchard Road, the library and playgrounds so they will be exposed to the modern world."

(An extract adapted from *Straits Times*, March 23, 2004)

For each question from numbers 71 to 80, write your answers in the Answer Sheet. ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. How many families are there with homes in Kampung Lorong Buang Kok altogether ?
72. How did people come to know about Kampung Lorong Buang Kok ?
73. According to Mr Seah, how is living in his wooden kampung house different from his flat in Hougang ?
74. Name the two common materials that are used to build the kampung houses in the news article.
75. Why are " light-fingered 'outsiders' " not welcomed at the kampung ?
76. Which phrase in paragraph 4 best describes life in the kampung ?
77. Based on the passage, identify one way which kampung life may be disturbed.
78. Among the people interviewed, who does not live in the kampung ?
79. According to Madam Mariah's account, what could be one disadvantage of living in the kampung ?
80. Based on the news article, why do you think a mosque is built in the kampung ?

END OF BOOKLET B

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| 1) 4 | 31) G | 62) team | 63) event | 64) felt | 65) fainted |
| 2) 2 | 32) A | 66) hospital | 67) lucky | 68) health | |
| 3) 3 | 33) J | 69) lost | 70) enough | | |
| 4) 2 | 34) H | 51) I prefer swimming to cycling. | | | |
| 5) 3 | 35) B | 52) Ali was scolded by his father for returning home at midnight yesterday. | | | |
| 6) 1 | 36) P | 53) Meimei wondered if Doris needed her help in the class project. | | | |
| 7) 2 | 37) M | 54) Both Kumar and his sister are diligent. | | | |
| 8) 2 | 38) E | 55) Unlike deciduous forests, tropical forests do not have four seasons. | | | |
| 9) 3 | 39) Q | | | | |
| 10) 1 | 40) F | 71) There are twenty-eight families who have homes in Kampung Lorong Buang Kok. | | | |
| 11) 4 | 41) his | | | | |
| 12) 4 | 42) restaurant | 72) They knew when it hit the headlines two weeks ago when it was flooded. | | | |
| 13) 4 | 43) drank | | | | |
| 14) 2 | 44) along | 73) He could leave his car unlocked in his wooden kampung and no one goes near it. However, at his flat in Hougang, thieves forced open the locks and stole his three bicycles. | | | |
| 15) 3 | 45) but | | | | |
| 16) 3 | 46) taken | | | | |
| 17) 3 | 47) fiercely | 74) They use wood and zinc to make their houses. | | | |
| 18) 2 | 48) frightened | 75) They pluck curry leaves and did not ask for permission. | | | |
| 19) 3 | 49) realised | | | | |
| 20) 3 | 50) surrendered | 76) The phrase is "peace and quiet". | | | |
| 21) 2 | 56) As | 77) T V crews shooting dramas disturb the peace and quietness. | | | |
| 22) 3 | 57) training | 78) Housewife Sadiyah Ahmad does not live in the kampung. | | | |
| 23) 2 | 58) without | | | | |
| 24) 2 | 59) concerned | 79) One may not exposed to modern world. | | | |
| 25) 4 | 60) ignored | 80) Other mosques are very far from the kampung. | | | |
| 26) 3 | 61) because | | | | |