

**Primary Five
English Language
Semestral Assessment One**

Read the advertisement carefully and then answer question 1 to 5.

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Questions 1 to 5 carry one mark each.

For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and write it in the space provided.

1. E & R is the name of a _____.

- (1) bakery
- (2) lounge
- (3) plaza
- (4) restaurant

2. Customers can _____ when they enter E & R.

- (1) enjoy free soup
- (2) eat and be entertained
- (3) buy bread and ice-cream
- (4) see all the main courses

3. The advertisement claimed that all the prices are _____.

- (1) fair
- (2) logical
- (3) negotiable
- (4) standardised

4. If Linda ordered curry chicken for lunch, she could have a free choice of _____.

- (1) cakes and fruits
- (2) local or western food
- (3) soup or fried noodles
- (4) music and video shows

5. Which of the following statement is true?

- (1) E & R is open throughout the day.
- (2) The prices of all main courses are different.
- (3) The offer is valid for a limited period only.
- (4) Customers can eat. Dance and listen to music.

Questions 6-25 carry 1 mark each

Choose the correct answer for each of the following questions. Write its number in the brackets provided.

6. Unless everybody in the different groups _____ to participate, the teacher will not submit the entry forms.

- (1) agree
- (2) agrees
- (3) would agree
- (4) have agreed

7. I need to go to Tuas because all the heavy machine _____ moved there recently.

- (1) will be
- (2) has been
- (3) have been
- (4) are being

8. If I _____ you, I would accept his apology.

- (1) am
- (2) was
- (3) were
- (4) have

9. "Hooray! Mrs Tan will let you and _____ decorate the room!" Ali said excitedly.

- (1) I
- (2) me
- (3) us
- (4) we

10. Last week, Muthu swam twelve laps as usual. He, unlike his family members, _____ in keeping fit.

- (1) believe
- (2) believes
- (3) do believe
- (4) will believe

11. Not all of us _____ by surprise when Ravi showed up at the concert.

- (1) is taken
- (2) was taken
- (3) were taken
- (4) have been taken

12. The pythons _____ when they slid into the water pipes.

- (1) catch
- (2) caught
- (3) are caught
- (4) were caught

13. They will continue to fight unless somebody _____ them.

- (1) stops
- (2) will stop
- (3) has stopped
- (4) is stopping

14. My parents _____ their holidays when my sister twisted her ankle.

- (1) called in
- (2) called up
- (3) called off
- (4) called away

15. Mr Brown is the beekeeper _____ honey was voted the best in Australia.

- (1) who
- (2) whom
- (3) whose
- (4) where

16. When Tom realized he had passed with flying colours, he could neither eat _____ sleep.

- (1) or
- (2) but
- (3) and
- (4) nor

17. The organizer told the reporter, "All but the ballerina _____ ready to be interviewed. Please go to the lounge now. She'll be with you shortly."

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

18. He was so engrossed _____ reading that he missed the bus.

- (1) at
- (2) by
- (3) in
- (4) on

19. Granny may go for a jog. If she _____ that, I'll let you know.

- (1) do
- (2) does
- (3) done
- (4) has been doing

20. Ting Ting did not feel well _____ she decided to take a rest.

- (1) as
- (2) so
- (3) for
- (4) because

21. The chef _____ a special dish because he wanted to impress the millionaire.

- (1) created
- (2) formed
- (3) fashioned
- (4) shaped

22. The farmers were unaware that poaching was _____ in the nature reserves.

- (1) excluded
- (2) outlawed
- (3) prohibited
- (4) refused

23. The line underneath the old man's eyes _____ whenever he smiled.

- (1) creased
- (2) crinkled
- (3) folded
- (4) knitted

24. The robber's plea for a lighter sentence was _____ by the judge.

- (1) banished
- (2) censured
- (3) denied
- (4) ejected

25. A state of _____ was declared because of the recent earthquakes and the outbreak of cholera.

- (1) destruction
- (2) danger
- (3) emergency
- (4) urgency

Questions 26 to 30 carry 1 mark each

Choose the most suitable word(s) to replace the underlined word(s)

26. The scouts left the campsite without realizing that a log was still burning smoking without a flame.

- (1) crackling
- (2) radiating
- (3) smoking
- (4) smouldering

27. It took the rescuers fifteen minutes to pump air into the dingy.

- (1) engorge
- (2) expand
- (3) inflate
- (4) inhale

28. With deforestation, the rich resources of food which the animals had always depended on were severely reduced.

- (1) compressed
- (2) depleted
- (3) eliminated
- (4) wasted

29. Siew Ling has carelessly left out Jack's name from the order form.

- (1) erased
- (2) ignored
- (3) omitted
- (4) removed

30. The quagga and the Tasmanian wolf are animals that are no longer living.

- (1) absent
- (2) endangered
- (3) extinct
- (4) unavailable

Read the passage below and answer questions 31 to 35

Eating options are pretty limited if you decide to take a bite after walking your dog. Dogs are not welcome at cafes and fast food centres throughout the island.

Fortunately, Urban Pooch – Singapore’s first dog café cum pet shop has come to the rescue. Although it opened its doors only a few months ago, it is already patronized by a steady stream of regulars coming to eat or stock up pet supplies.

Two separate human and dog menus are offered at the café. The human menu offers typical café-fare with a full range of drinks, sandwiches, finger food and even a dinner spread. Prices are reasonable. It costs \$9.90 for a full dinner comprising yummy mushroom soup and a generous portion of fish and chips.

The dog menu also boasts a wide selection of soup, main course and desserts. At first glance, the dog menu appears similar to those for human consumption. However, the chef explained that despite being home-made with quality human food, the dog food comes without salt, sugar or preservatives found in the human food. For those watching their budgets, the dog dinner set costs \$3.50 only.

Urban Pooch’s pet shop next door offers a full range of dog food and treats. Those shopping for pet accessories can also buy local and imported dog clothes and jewellery. For pooches wanting to look their best, Urban Pooch also offers dog grooming packages priced from \$50.00.

For drivers planning to bring their dogs to Urban Pooch, the good news is that there is ample parking space outside the café cum pet shop.

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Questions 31-35 carry 2 marks each

Choose the correct answer for each of the following questions. Write its number in the brackets provided

31. "Urban Pooch" is a _____.

- (1) restaurant in the city
- (2) restaurant for dogs
- (3) coffee house and pet shop for dogs
- (4) coffee house and pet shop for dog owners and their pets

32. The phrase "a steady stream of regulars" means _____.

- (1) there are many customers
- (2) the customers queue up
- (3) the customers hang around
- (4) the same customers keep coming back

33. The food menus offered at the café are _____.

- (1) strictly for dog
- (2) strictly for human beings
- (3) for both human beings and dogs
- (4) for human beings and all animals

34. Its is convenient to visit Urban Pooch because _____.

- (1) dogs can be left there
- (2) car parking space is easily available
- (3) grooming service is available for all
- (4) dog owners can shop for their own accessories

35. Which of these statements is true?

- (1) Dog food served at Urban Pooch is imported.
- (2) The food for dogs costs more than the food for human beings at Urban Pooch.
- (3) The dog food served is as tasty as human food.
- (4) There is a variety of food on the menu that dog owners can choose for their pets.

There are 10 blanks, numbered 36 to 45, 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. (10 x 1 mark)

EACH WORD CAN ONLY BE USED ONCE

(A) my	(E) towards	(J) who	(N) that
(B) and	(F) a	(K) from	(P) they
(C) an	(G) besides	(L) it	(Q) out
(D) on	(H) most	(M) off	

Typical fairy tales are not what Colin Thomson is known for. In fact far (36)_____ it.

The children's book illustrator says, "When I start (37)_____ illustration, I have no plan in (38)_____ head as to how (39)_____ will finish. The finer details just come as I do it. Sometimes, I run (40)_____ of ideas midway, so I'll go and work (41)_____ something else."

Falling Angel, his (42)_____ recent work, is about a girl (43)_____ could fly before she could walk.

(44)_____ his grit and humour, his stories touch on serious topics like the environment, loneliness (45)_____ the secret of everlasting life.

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. A wrong or missing punctuation mark is indicated by a circle. Put the correct punctuation mark or word in each of the boxes. (10 x 1 mark)

(46)

To some saliva sceinetists, the human fluid is the main fascination. Others

(47)

have dedicated his careers to comparing the glands from different creatures.

Each creature makes saliva tailored to its unique needs. The spit of the short-

(48)

(49)

tailed possum contains kemicles used to mark its trail and terriories. The spit of

(50)

a small bird, the swiftlet, contains some gummy glue that sticks its nest together.

(51)

“Think of a bat cave that there must be hundreds and thousands of bat

(52)

(53)

mothers ○ “Dr Bernard Tandler said. “How do they find junior ○ By the odour

of its saliva!” he revealed.

(54)

Tandler and his colleague have so far examines the glands of about three

(55)

hundred species include 240 types of bats.

Fill in each blank with a suitable word (20 x 1 mark)

Walt Disney created a huge cartoon empire. His cartoons bring endless laughter and joy to (56)_____ and adults all over the world. His (57)_____ to success did not come easily.

Disney was born on a farm (58)_____ he grew up among animals. He loved drawing (59)_____ he was young. When he grew up, he (60)_____ in an advertising firm. It was at the firm that (61)_____ discovered the charm of animated films. Disney never (62)_____ upgrading himself in this area. He read, (63)_____ to the movies, shot his own cartoons and so forth.

This was how created the famous cartoon (64)_____, Mickey Mouse. He observed the behaviour of (65)_____ carefully. Then he drew and redrew images of a mouse and gave (66)_____ the big round ears that became the special feature of Mickey. "Mickey" was (67)_____ as its name because it was (68)_____ to remember. Disney gave Mickey a voice as (69)_____.

When the cartoon was screened in (70)_____, it achieved instant popularity. Everyone wanted to (71)_____ the first animated film with (72)_____ effects. Following Mickey Mouse, Disney created Donald Duck, Goofy and many other interesting (73)_____ characters. Though the main characters were Disney's ideas, his team of illustrators were responsible for (74)_____ them.

A man who relentlessly broke new ground, Disney decided to move in a (75)_____ direction when he was 50. He officially opened Disneyland in 1955.

Synthesis/Transformation

For each of the items 76 to 80, 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 given one(s). (5 x 2 marks)

Example: This is the book. I borrowed it.

Answer : This is the book which I borrowed.

76. The frame was designed by Wen Long. It won the most creative award.

_____ which _____

77. John bought a camera. He sold his watch.

_____ to _____

78. Shanti invented a special machine. It shrank objects.

_____ for _____

79. A new shopping centre in Katong will be built by Eng and Company.

Eng and Company _____

80. Ismail heard the bad news. He turned pale

On _____

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 81 to 90 (20 marks)

The Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) has been receiving complaints about fighting fish, the sale of these creatures being quite widespread. One recent case involved fighting fish being sold at a fair outside Ngee Ann City. Apart from the fish on display, there were others which were kept out sight in airtight bags in buckets for as long as a week.

Another complaint received was that the fighting fish were kept in view of each other and not with partitioning, which is necessary to prevent the fish from “attacking” each other and in the process injure themselves.

The general finding of the SPCA in relation to fighting fish is that they are kept in rather small containers which are more ornamental in appearance than anything else. The SPCA advised the fish seller to improve on the manner of keeping the fish and that it would inform the Agri-food and Veterinary Authority if further action is warranted.

As much as abuse cases are often highlighted in the SPCA publications or the press, it is not often that you may hear or read about SPCA staff saving animal lives against all odds.

One such case happened recently, when SPCA’s Inspector Azlan tried for three hours to rescue a mynah. It was trapped in a kite string suspended in mid-air between a high rise block and a tall tree about twelve storeys high. An attempt to enlist the help of the Civil Defence and the police proved unsuccessful. With minimal resources, improvisation was the only answer. After three long hours and many failed attempts in reaching the bird, he finally managed to get a fishing line onto the offending string and break *it*. This caused the bird to swing down to a lower floor where Alzan was able to cut it free. The bird was taken back to the SPCA to be checked by the veterinarian.

The next day several grateful members of the public called up to praise Alzan for his professionalism and perseverance.

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES

81. Where was the fair held?

82. What is the main complaint about fighting fish being sold at the fair?

83. What do you think will happen if the fighting fish are kept in view of each other?

84. What would the SPCA do if the fish sellers do not heed its advice?

85. Which word in the passage tells us that fighting fish are sold in many places?

86. Apart from reports on animal abuse, what other news can be found in SPCA publications?

87. Whom did Azlan try to get help from?

88. Do you think Inspector Azlan is a determined man? Give a reason.

89. What does "it" in Line 22 refer to?

90. What was Inspector Azlan's reward for his efforts in rescuing the trapped mynah bird?

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