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SINGAPORE CHINESE GIRLS' SCHOOL
SECOND SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION 2005
PRIMARY 5
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Date : _____

Class : Primary 5 _____

Parent's Signature: _____

PAPER 2
BOOKLET A

30 questions

30 marks

Total time for Booklets A and B : 1 hour 50 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES


Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

Study the following advertisement and then answer Questions 1 to 5.

FRESH DAIRY'S Pure Goat Milk – The Natural Choice!



Goat's milk is fresh, pure and highly nutritious. It is absolutely natural and contains no additives. It is ideal for people who suffer from lactose intolerance and who are allergic to cow's milk. Numerous scientific studies show goat's milk to be beneficial to the health of people of all ages.

COME VISIT US!
Farm Visits Available.
We are open daily from
9.00 am to 4.00 pm and
are closed on Sundays
and Public Holidays.
For more information,
please visit our website
<http://www.fdairy.com>

EARLY BIRD OFFER!
Usual Price of Fresh Dairy
Goat's Milk –
\$5 a litre & \$8 for 2 litres.
BUT, if you order before
30/10/05, you will
receive an extra 2
litres of goat's milk
free every week!



Our products are not sold in supermarkets.
Fresh supplies are available at 12, Dairy Farm Road.
Home delivery is available to selected locations.

For orders and enquiries :

Call 6792 0931

A minimum order of 2 litres per week is required.

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. (5 marks)

- 1 Goat's milk is an ideal drink for _____.
- (1) anyone who loves alcohol
 - (2) anyone who is a vegetarian
 - (3) children and senior citizens only
 - (4) anyone who is lactose-intolerant and allergic to cow's milk
- 2 Goat's milk from Fresh Dairy contains _____ additives.
- (1) 0%
 - (2) 25%
 - (3) 50%
 - (4) 100%
- 3 Joyce lives in the west and is interested in ordering goat's milk from Fresh Dairy. She should _____.
- (1) go to NTUC Fairprice
 - (2) call Fresh Dairy at 6792 0931
 - (3) visit the website <http://www.fldairy.com>
 - (4) go to 20, Dairy Farm Road in the morning
- 4 Mr Tan and his family are keen to visit Fresh Dairy. They should not go there at _____.
- (1) 9 am on Friday
 - (2) 9 am on Sunday
 - (3) 10 am on Monday
 - (4) 10 am on Wednesday
- 5 Mrs Subash placed an order for 2 litres of milk on 20/10/2005 in order to enjoy the "Early Bird Offer". She will receive _____ litres of milk every week.
- (1) 2
 - (2) 4
 - (3) 6
 - (4) 8

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. (7 marks)

6 John, along with Jim and Jason, _____ forgotten to pay Mrs Tan for the class photographs.

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

7 The class has decided to enter the competition _____ Lilian's refusal to perform.

- (1) despite
- (2) however
- (3) unless
- (4) without

8 Mrs Lim asked, "Has the plane to New York _____ yet?"

- (1) get off
- (2) gone off
- (3) run off
- (4) taken off

9 Zacharias and his brother were punished by the Discipline Master _____ playing truant.

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

10 My bottle is empty because Mother _____ not _____ it yet.

- (1) has ... fill
- (2) has ... filled
- (3) is ... fill
- (4) was ... filled

11 We have to complete the project _____, without any help from Joe.

- (1) itself
- (2) myself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) themselves

12 Mrs Tam saw Loni _____ a wad of cash from her mother's table.

- (1) has been taking
- (2) take
- (3) took
- (4) was taking

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. (3 marks)

Timothy was a gluttonous boy who loved to eat. His favourite foods are laden with fat, for example (13) fast food, ice-cream and fried chicken.

One night, he had three bowls of rice, four chicken drumsticks, five spoonfuls of whipped potato and a huge bowl of ice-cream for dinner. At three o'clock in the morning, he woke up with a tremendous pain in his stomach (14)

His mother exclaimed worriedly, "I think we must take him to the Accident and Emergency Department at the hospital immediately (15)

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

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. (5 marks)

- 16 The stray dog was sent to the local animal _____ by a kind passer-by.
- (1) company
 - (2) reserve
 - (3) shelter
 - (4) tent
- 17 Miss Teo told Jeremy kindly, "You should ask your mother to take you to a doctor. Your complexion is _____ and you look ill."
- (1) pallid
 - (2) passive
 - (3) patient
 - (4) placid
- 18 Jane was so afraid of the huge rat that she stood still in complete _____.
- (1) detriment
 - (2) freeze
 - (3) paralysis
 - (4) paranoia
- 19 Armies often have to _____ their vehicles and soldiers during times of war so as to hide them from enemy detection.
- (1) attack
 - (2) camouflage
 - (3) deploy
 - (4) service
- 20 Kareen is a proactive girl who is _____ pursuing her dream of becoming a singer on Broadway.
- (1) generally
 - (2) indifferently
 - (3) passionately
 - (4) unenergetically

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.
(5 marks)

If you have (21) a tendency to hobble when you get out of bed in the morning, you might be suffering from a condition of the foot called plantar fasciitis. This condition refers to the (22) inflammation of the arch ligaments in the foot.

The (23) onset of plantar fasciitis may be so gradual that some may have no idea how it started. Usually, the person experiencing the pain has some new physical hobbies or increased (24) frequency of usual activities, like walking longer distances.

The pain can be severe and sufferers often (25) liken it to being repeatedly jabbed by a sharp knife. Women sufferers normally outnumber men. People with this condition also tend to be overweight.

- 21 (1) a feeling
(2) a habit
(3) an ability
(4) an inclination

- 22 (1) burn
(2) cut
(3) injury
(4) swelling

- 23 (1) departure
(2) end
(3) middle
(4) start

- 24 (1) application
(2) control
(3) exercise
(4) incidence

- 25 (1) compare
(2) contrast
(3) defend
(4) delay

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Joseph Loy had been a practitioner of *taichi* for a few years when he came across a book entitled “ChiRunning” in a bookshop last year. The author of the book, Danny Dreyer, promised a revolutionary approach to effortless, injury-free running.

Dreyer, a well-known running coach in the United States, had studied *taichi* for many years and believed the concepts that he had learnt could be applied to any sport. While most people believe that the key to running and injury prevention is muscle strength, Dreyer is convinced that strength training does not help the underlying cause of most injuries – poor running form. In applying a *taichi* principle that “less is more”, Dreyer moves away from the convention of “no pain, no gain”. 5

With his daughter Lisa’s NAPFA test coming up, Joseph decided to buy the book and use it to help his daughter achieve a good timing during her 1.6 kilometre run. He imparted Dreyer’s advice of having the correct posture while running to his daughter and was surprised to see the difference after a few runs. “After using some of the techniques taught in the book, my daughter’s timing improved by two seconds. She also did not feel the usual breathlessness after the run and was able to recover faster,” Joseph stated proudly. 10 15

He has since discovered other ways in which Dreyer’s philosophies have helped in his daily life. “It makes you more aware of your posture, especially if you work long hours in front of a computer or sit still for too long. It also helps with backaches,” he added. 20

With the knowledge gained from the book, Joseph has realized his dream of keeping fit in a shorter period of time. He mused, “As you grow older and the family gets bigger, you find that you get less and less time to keep fit. ChiRunning has helped my exercise routine establish maximum efficiency.”

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. (5 marks)

- 26 Why was Joseph Loy interested in the book "ChiRunning"?
- (1) He was the author.
 - (2) He could buy it at a discounted price.
 - (3) His friend had recommended it to him.
 - (4) He practises *taichi* and wanted to see how it could be linked with running.
- 27 According to Dreyer, what is the most likely cause of sports injuries?
- (1) Runners do not know *taichi*.
 - (2) Runners do not feel enough pain.
 - (3) Runners have poor running form.
 - (4) Runners do not do enough weight training.
- 28 "Dreyer moves away from the convention of 'no pain, no gain'" (line 9). This means that his technique encourages runners to _____.
- (1) experience more pain
 - (2) gain nothing with no pain
 - (3) improve their results by feeling pain
 - (4) improve their results without much pain
- 29 Which word below has the same meaning as the word "imparted" in line 12?
- (1) The word is "gave".
 - (2) The word is "enclosed".
 - (3) The word is "composed".
 - (4) The word is "communicated".
- 30 What vital knowledge has Joseph gained from reading "ChiRunning"?
- (1) He has learnt *taichi* movements.
 - (2) He has learnt to correct his vision.
 - (3) He has learnt how to exercise more efficiently.
 - (4) He has learnt how to coach his daughter in running.

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PAPER 2

BOOKLET B

Total Time for Booklet A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

Maximum Marks: 65 marks

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.

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Answer all questions

Write your answer in this booklet.

There are 10 blanks, 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 to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

- | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| (A) a | (D) to | (G) for | (K) the | (N) over |
| (B) as | (E) were | (H) it | (L) on | (P) during |
| (C) all | (F) was | (J) under | (M) of | (Q) at |

Electricity was cut to homes, businesses ~~and~~ trains in parts of Java and Bali yesterday, bringing life to a standstill (31) _____ some 100 million people in Indonesia.

The blackout hit Jakarta at around 10am and lasted at least four hours, prompting (32) _____ mobilisation of thousands of policemen in the city of 10 million.

(33) _____ left thousands of commuters stranded at train stations and caused severe traffic congestions (34) _____ major roads. Traffic lights failed to function and the traffic police had to be mobilised all (35) _____ the state.

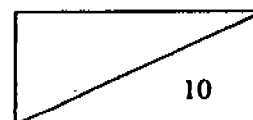
Electricity was gradually being restored to (36) _____ areas last night.

The national power authorities said preliminary checks showed no evidence (37) _____ sabotage and traced the problem to malfunction of the power plants. Jakarta police spokesman said the problem appeared to be "purely technical".

(38) ~~(37)~~ _____ the Parliament Building, members of the Senate Chambers had to shout to be heard (38) _____ a plenary meeting, as the microphones were not working.

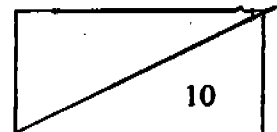
The blackout comes (39) _____ the national power grid is under pressure from rising demand from Indonesia's 220 million people. The President of Indonesia has personally taken an interest to improve the situation.

Adapted from The Straits Times, August 2005



Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

(41) (42)
Afghanistan was a scene of terror and pain in they were attacked by the
(43)
American forces. I went there along with my colleague. We were all part of a social
(44) (45)
organisation working voluntarily for the welfare of the victims. We stopped at the
middle of a huge valley near Mazar. A military building where all the windows had
(46)
been closed with bricks stood in front of us. A number of men were sitting outside
(47)
the building in a circle. We got out of our cars and walked to them. On the left, a
(48) (49)
man in his seventies was crying bitterly. I asked our translator to ask the man why he
was crying. The response was that he had lost his two grandsons this morning and they
(50)
were preparing so the burial near the camp.



Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

The Antonov-12 air force plane carrying 112 soldiers lost radio contact with the ground and was believed to have crashed in the snow-bound mountains. It was on a (51) _____ from Punjab capital, Chandigarh, to Leh in Indian Kashmir on 8 February 1968. Attempts to locate the wreckage proved (52) _____ and had to be abandoned after months of intensive aerial (53) _____

In the year 2003, the Indian army (54) _____ a fresh search operation following the discovery of a soldier's body at the base of a Himalayan glacier in the northern state of Himachal Pradesh. The soldier was part of a contingent being (55) _____ to Indian-administered Kashmir, when the aircraft disappeared. (56) _____ to a virtual skeleton but with his clothing intact, documents in the dead man's pockets identified him as Beli Ram, a (57) _____ of the Pioneer Regiment.

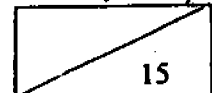
"Temperatures (58) _____ the glacier always remain below freezing point and these ice masses shift with time, which (59) _____ why some of the flesh and skin and hair on the scalp were preserved," Colonel HS Chauhan, director of the Mountaineering Institute at Manali, told AFP.

The subsequent search (60) _____ involved satellite imagery, global positioning systems, special metal detecting gear and a (61) _____ of the army's 75 specially trained men.

Earlier this month, the search team combed the snow-bound crash (62) _____ in the Lahul-Spiti region of the northern Himachal Pradesh state. An army official said the search had led to the (63) _____ of some body parts of the passengers, one of the plane's engines and a portion of a wing. The debris found at heights of 18,000 feet was buried in 30 feet of snow and spread (64) _____ an area of five square kilometres. The army has decided to send a (65) _____ search team who will try to recover the remains of the passengers still buried in the snow. They are hopeful to recover more mortal remains.

Adapted from BBC News, August 25 2005 Thursday

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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). (10 marks)

66 The woman pretended to be a policewoman. She asked to see my identification card.

Pretending _____

67 The chairman will be holding a meeting tomorrow," said Diana.

Diana said that _____

68 Mrs Tan has five children of whom Tom is the only boy.

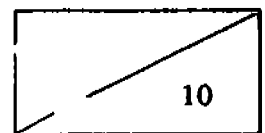
Among _____

69 Joe was very immature for a man of his age.

In spite of _____

70 Betty won the title of "Singapore's Brainiest Kid". She read extensively and acquired a wealth of knowledge.

Having _____



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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

During that short period when American clipper ships reigned supreme, people not much different from you and me, occasionally performed tasks that can only be described as heroic. One of these is the story of Mary Patten and Neptune's Car.

Mary Ann Brown was 16 years old when she married Capt. Joshua A. Patten of Rockland, Maine, in 1853. Patten, at 26 years, had already proven his mettle as a man of fine character, as well as a skipper who made fast passages. As a result of this reputation, he was offered command of the extreme clipper Neptune's Car, after its first captain took ill. Patten accepted the job with the understanding that he could bring his bride with him although it was unusual for wives to accompany their husbands on passages.

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Neptune's Car was 65 metres, drawing 7 metres with a 12 metre beam. It displaced 1,616 tons and was launched in 1853.

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On their first passage to San Francisco from New York, Neptune's Car raced the extreme clipper Westward Ho. After a passage of a little more than 100 days, Neptune's Car pulled into San Francisco only 5 hours behind Westward Ho. The ships then raced to Hong Kong, and this time Neptune's Car beat Westward Ho by 11 days. It was on this passage that Patten began teaching his young wife the rudiments of navigation, a skill she soon excelled at and one that would prove invaluable.

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In 1856, Neptune's Car departed New York, once again bound for California. This turned out to be a difficult passage. The first mate was found sleeping on watch and, against the captain's orders, had repeatedly shortened sail while the captain was asleep. As a result, Patten locked the mate in his cabin and advanced the second mate to the position. Unfortunately, the second mate was ignorant of even the rudiments of navigation. Thus, Patten was forced to stand watch continuously without sleep, until he collapsed from "brain fever". He eventually grew delirious and could not command the ship.

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Nineteen years of age at this time, pregnant and facing a sick husband. Mary Patten took command of the ship. Mrs. Patten assembled the men on the deck, told them of her husband's condition and asked them to stand by her and Mr. Hare. For the next 50 days, Mary Patten had little rest between navigating and caring for her beloved husband. During this time, the captain seemed to recover but then lapsed back into sickness that was compounded by deafness and blindness. How Mary Patten managed is almost beyond comprehension. But she managed, and after 136 days, Neptune's Car passed safely through the Golden Gate.

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The Pattens took the train back east, and the shipping company gave her a gift of \$1,000 for saving the ship and crew, a paltry amount, although the value of the cargo exceeded \$350,000. Not long after her son was born, her husband passed away. Mary did not live long, herself, dying at the age of 24 from tuberculosis. Till this day, Mary Brown Patten is known as "The Florence Nightingale of the Seas".

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Adapted from "The Women's Propeller Club of the United States"

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 What is Neptune's Car?

72 Why is Mary Patten described as a heroine?

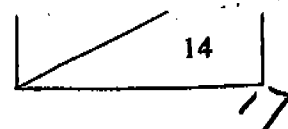
73 What was Captain Joshua Patten known for?

74 When did Patten begin to teach his wife, Mary, to navigate and sail a ship?

75 Why did Captain Joshua Patten have to lock the first mate in his cabin?

76 Why did Captain Joshua Patten fall ill?

77 What did Mary Patten have to do when her husband fell ill?



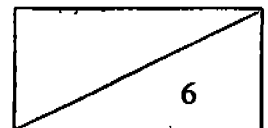
78 Which word in the passage has the same meaning as priceless?

79 How did the shipping company reward Mary Patten?

80 What two qualities do you think Mary Patten had?

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Answer Sheets

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

41	scene	46	by	51	flight	56	reduced	61	contingent
42	when	47	towards	52	fruitless	57	soldier	62	site
43	colleagues	48	seventies	53	searches	58	surrounding	63	discovery
44	voluntarily	49	translator	54	organized	59	is	64	over
45	in	50	for	55	dispatched	60	effort	65	fresh

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75. The first mate fell asleep on watch and he also shortens the sail against the captain's orders.
76. He was forced to stand watch continuously without sleep until he collapsed from "brain fever".
77. Mary Patten had to navigate the ship and care for her husband.
78. The word is "invaluable".
79. The shipping company gave Mary a gift of one thousand dollars for saving the ship and crew.
80. I think she is brave and very capable.