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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Write your name and register number in the space provided.
2. Do not turn over the page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Read and answer all questions carefully.

Section A: Vocabulary (5 x 1) marks

Read each statement carefully. Choose the most suitable answer and write 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets provided.

1. The hamster _____ on a piece of raw carrot.

(1) tasted

(2) sipped

(3) nibbled

(4) swallowed

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2. The seagulls were _____ effortlessly above the ship.

(1) rushing

(2) soaring

(3) dancing

(4) swaying

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3. The thunderstorm caused a _____. The water level rose so high that the villagers were trapped in their homes.

(1) fog

(2) rain

(3) frost

(4) flood

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4. "I should not have told a lie," he _____ in a small voice.

(1) roared

(2) chatted

(3) begged

(4) muttered

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5. He gobbled down his breakfast _____ as he was running late for school.

(1) hastily

(2) slowly

(3) greedily

(4) hungrily

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Section B: Grammar (5 x 1) marks

Read each statement carefully. Choose the correct answer and write 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets provided.

6. The child _____ the worm with a twig and it wriggled.

(1) touch

(2) touches

(3) touched

(4) touching

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7. When the lake _____ in winter, people can go skating on it.

(1) freeze

(2) freezes

(3) froze

(4) freezing

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8. We collected _____ old newspapers during the school's annual recycling drive.

(1) any

(2) most

(3) much

(4) many

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9. Pack your bag for school _____ remember to sharpen your pencils.

(1) so

(2) but

(3) and

(4) then

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10. _____ of your grandparents do you feel closer to?

(1) Who

(2) What

(3) Which

(4) Whose

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Section C: Grammar Cloze (8 × 1) marks

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable answer from the words in the box. You may use each word only ONCE.

Passage 1

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Poor Grasshopper stood shivering with cold outside the door.

"What heavy snow! Do come (11) _____ and warm yourself at our fire," invited Ant.

"Thank you so much! This is really kind of you," said Grasshopper as he hopped across the room and stood (12) _____ the fire.

The room was bright and cheery. Tiny Christmas lights were hung (13) _____ the dining table. The lights shone down upon a table full of wonderful dishes.

"What a delicious spread!" Grasshopper exclaimed, staring at all the dishes (14) _____ the table.

Grasshopper's stomach started to grumble.

Read the passage carefully. Circle the correct answer in the brackets.

Passage 2

Do you know the difference between teasing and bullying? Sometimes, friends

(15) (has / have) fun by teasing each other. It is fine if both people

(16) (find / finds) it funny. If feelings are being hurt, then the teasing needs to

stop.

Bullying is different. Bullies are not trying to have good fun. They

(17) (is / are) trying to hurt or scare the other person. Bullying does not stop

when someone gets upset. It (18) (keep / keeps) happening or even gets worse.

People who are being bullied might feel like no one cares about their problems. When

someone is bullied; he should tell an adult.

Adapted from What You Can Do To Stop Bullying by Addy Ferguson.

Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1) marks

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable answer from words in the box. You may use each word only ONCE.

find	glad	questioned	gone	squawked
flew	lost	waddled	catch	surprised

Yoki, the African grey parrot, is a clever bird. It was (19) _____ in the city once. Luckily, Yoki was saved when it was able to tell its rescuers where it lived.

When Yoki's owner, Mr Naka, took it out for some fresh air, Yoki (20) _____ away. Mr Naka looked for three days but could not (21) _____ Yoki. He thought he had lost Yoki for good.

When Yoki was found by its rescuers, it (22) _____, "I'm Yoki, I live at 21 Rama Street."

Mr Naka was (23) _____ that he had taken the time to teach Yoki to say its name and address.

"It took about a month for Yoki just to learn our address but it was worth it," Mr Naka said.

Section E: Editing for Grammar and Punctuation (7 x 1) marks

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the correct punctuation in the circles provided. Circle the correct word in bold for grammar.

Patrick took one look at his new house and didn't like what he saw. To start with,

(24) it was not new at all. It was very old dark and smelt of mouldy dustbins. He

wished his family did not have to move away from their nice modern house and

25)

(**much** / **all**) his friends.

(26)

"Come and look at your new room," called (**Patricks'** / **Patrick's**) mother.

(27)

He (**looked** / **looks**) around the door gloomily. Boxes of his things were already

scattered about the room, and in one corner there was a very big box. It was

(28)

(**tallest** / **taller**) than Patrick, and covered with a thick layer of dust. She brushed

off some of the dust with her handkerchief and gave a cry of surprise, "It's a

(29) grandfather clock "

(30)

Patrick stared angrily at it He had never seen such an ugly old thing before.

Adapted from The Flibbertigibbet by Jane Launchbury.

Section F: Comprehension (10 marks)

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow. Your answers must be based on the given text.

Saturday morning is always the best day of the week. Every Saturday morning, I clean Dribble's bowl. Dribble is my pet.

I do all the washing in the bathroom. First, I take Dribble out of his bowl and let him crawl around in the bathtub. I'm afraid to put him down on the floor as somebody might step on him. I know he is safe in the bathtub.

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I take the rocks out of Dribble's bowl and wash them. The rocks get a little slimy after being surrounded by water for a week. Next, I wash the glass bowl. I really scrub it. I even rinse it two or three times to make sure all the soap is washed out. When I am done with that, I put the rocks back into the bowl and place them one on top of the other, just the way Dribble likes them. He enjoys hiding in the little spaces between the rocks.

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Finally, I fill the bowl with just the right amount of fresh clean water. After I put Dribble back in his bowl, I feed him. Soon after that, he goes to sleep on his favourite rock. I guess running around in the bathtub really makes my turtle tired.

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Adapted from Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume.

31. Choose the best option and put a tick (✓) in the box provided. (1m)

What does the writer do every Saturday?

He washes _____.

- the bathroom
- Dribble's home
- his favourite rock
- Dribble's drinking dish

32. Choose the best option and write its number in the brackets provided. (2m)

Why did the writer put his turtle in the bathtub?

- (1) He had to wash his turtle.
- (2) Dribble was safer in the bathtub.
- (3) His turtle was afraid to be on the floor.
- (4) Dribble wanted to crawl around in the bathtub. ()

33. Based on the passage, state whether each statement in the table is true or false. (2 x 1m)

	Statement	True / False
(a)	Saturday morning is the writer's favourite time.	
(b)	Dribble is tired after being washed by the writer.	

34. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. (1m)

_____ The writer places the rocks one on top of the other.

_____ The writer scrubs and rinses the bowl.

_____ The writer fills the bowl with water and feeds Dribble.

Write your answer in the space provided. All answers must be in complete sentences.
(2 x 2 marks)

35. What does the writer do to make sure Dribble's bowl is really clean?

36. Why does the writer place the rocks one on top of the other?

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15. have

16. find

17. are

18. keeps

19. lost

20. flew

21. find

22. squawked

23. glad

24. ,

25. all

26. Patrick's

27. looked

28. taller

29. !

30. .

31. Dribble's home

32. 2

33.a) True

b) False

34. 2, 1, 3

35. The writer scrubs and rinses the bowl many times.

36. Dribble likes them that way as he enjoys hiding in the little spaces between the rocks.