



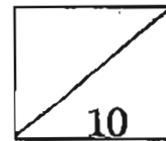
**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL  
2005 SECOND SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT  
PRIMARY 3**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**PAPER 1: Composition Paper  
TOTAL TIME: 50 MINS**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pr 3 (            )

**Marks :**



Parent's signature : \_\_\_\_\_

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**READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.**

**ANSWER ONLY ONE QUESTION.**

# Picture Composition

Choose either Question 1 or Question 2.

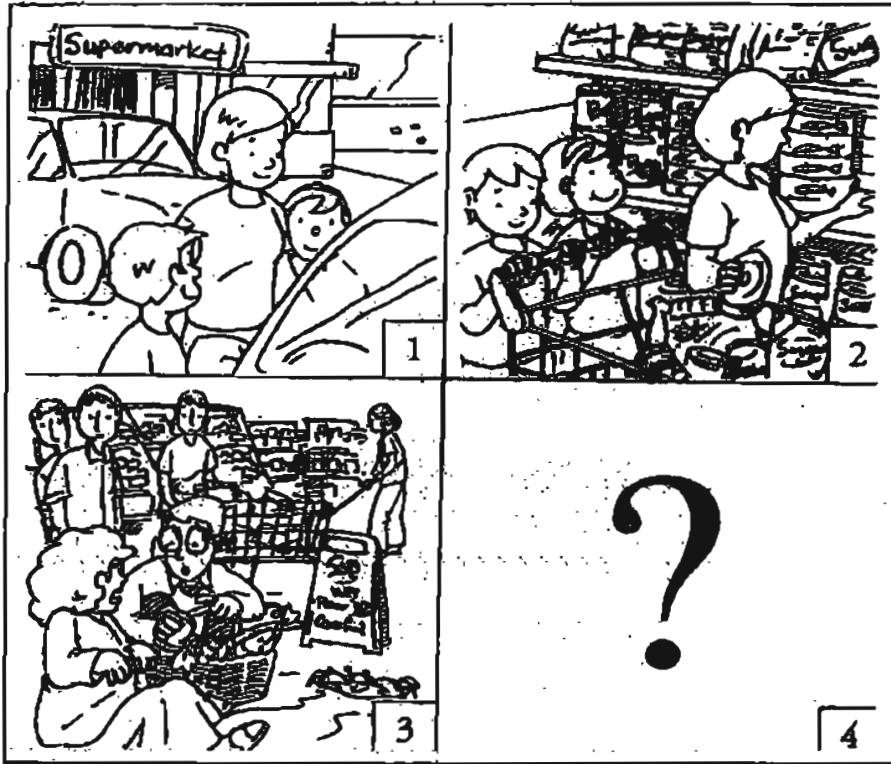
**Q1.**

Write a composition of at least **100 words** based on the pictures below. Give your own ending to the story. You may use the words and phrases in the box. You are encouraged to include other relevant points to make your composition interesting.



<b>boarded the bus</b>	<b>empty seat</b>	<b>admiring the view</b>	<b>a pickpocket</b>	<b>wallet</b>
<b>hesitated</b>	<b>plucked up courage</b>	<b>grateful</b>	<b>good deed</b>	<b>glad</b>

Q2.



<b>nearby supermarket</b>	<b>groceries</b>	<b>pushed the trolley</b>	<b>different sections</b>	<b>mopping</b>
<b>in a hurry</b>	<b>slipped and fell</b>	<b>boiling with rage</b>	<b>supervisor</b>	<b>apologised</b>



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**PAPER 2: LANGUAGE USE  
TOTAL TIME: 1 hour 45 mins**

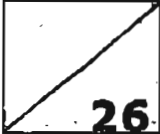
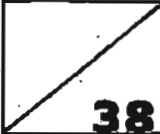

There are a total of 49 questions in the booklet –  
21 MCQ and 28 open-ended questions in the booklet.

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**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.**

OAS  + OE  = Marks 

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Pr 3 ( )

Component	Score
Oral	/ 16
Writing Assessment	/ 20
Paper 2	/ 64
<b>TOTAL MARKS</b>	<b>/ 100</b>

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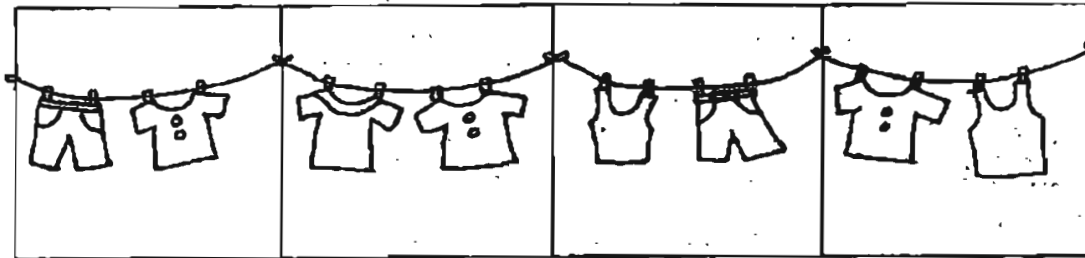
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**Section A: Listening Comprehension (4 X 1 mark)**

**Part I: Picture Matching**

Listen carefully to your teacher and choose the picture which matches the statement(s) that he/she is going to read to you. Shade the number of the correct answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the *Optical Answer Sheet (OAS)* provided.

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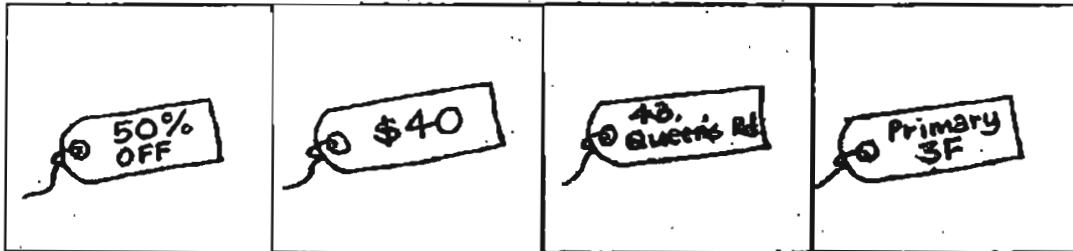
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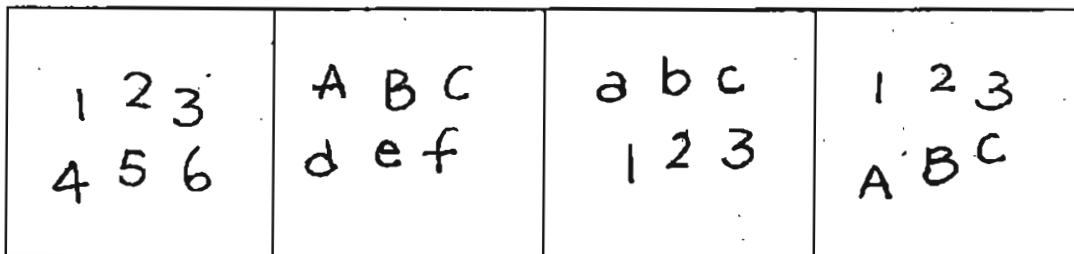
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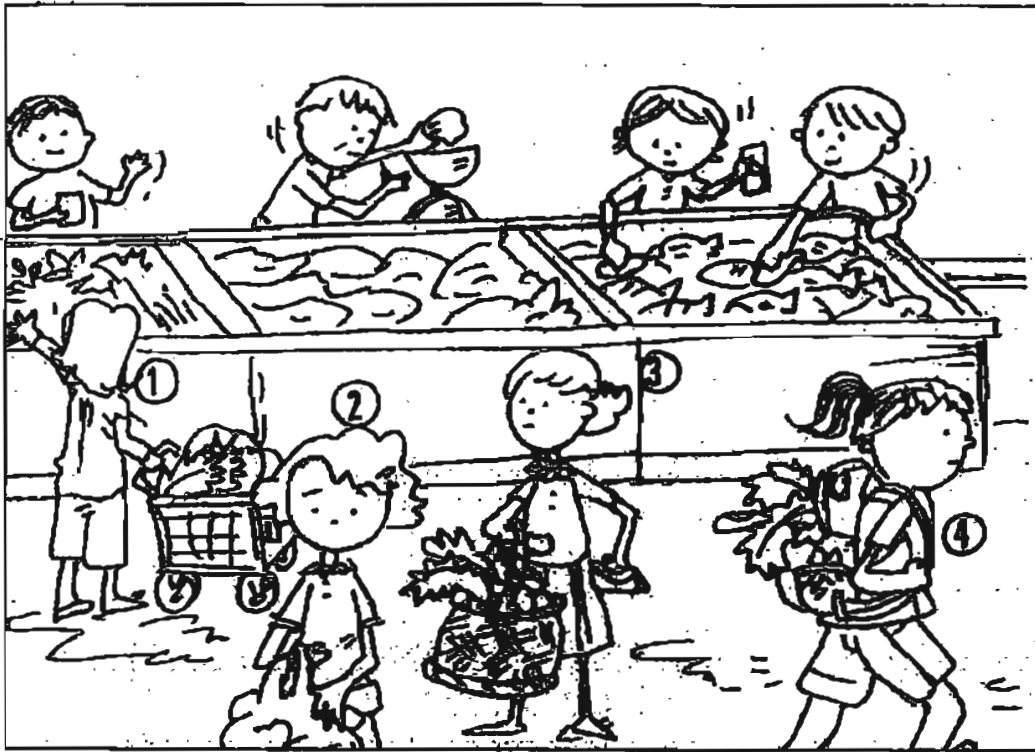
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**Go to the last page.**

**Section B: Vocabulary (6 X 1 mark)**

For each question from 5 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

5. Marcus was a scrawny boy who \_\_\_\_\_ under the teacher's fierce gaze.

- |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| (1) jumped  | (2) cowered |
| (3) skipped | (4) crawled |

( )

6. A \_\_\_\_\_ of wind blew his hat off.

- |          |           |
|----------|-----------|
| (1) gush | (2) flush |
| (3) gust | (4) spurt |

( )

7. The seagull \_\_\_\_\_ across the ocean.

- |             |            |
|-------------|------------|
| (1) paddled | (2) glided |
| (3) flitted | (4) waded  |

( )

8. She is a \_\_\_\_\_; she intends to remain single for the rest of her life.

- |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| (1) veteran  | (2) widower  |
| (3) spinster | (4) bachelor |

( )

9. The people of Thailand are so friendly that they do not \_\_\_\_\_ to offer a smile to friends and visitors.

- |           |              |
|-----------|--------------|
| (1) angry | (2) hesitate |
| (3) tired | (4) gesture  |

( )

10. When the sun shines on the lake, the boys can see the water \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) trickle
- (3) tickle

- (2) shine
- (4) glisten

( )

**Section C: Grammar (6 X 1 mark)**

For each question from 11 to 16, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

11. The tiger escaped \_\_\_\_\_ we were at the zoo.

- (1) since
- (3) while

- (2) later
- (4) as a result

( )

12. She has a liking \_\_\_\_\_ sweets. She always buys a lot of them.

- (1) for
- (3) in

- (2) on
- (4) to

( )

13. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ any movies lately?

- (1) Have...watched
- (3) Was... watched

- (2) Will... watch
- (4) Should...watch

( )



14. The guards \_\_\_\_\_ when the burglars broke in last night.

(1) sleep

(2) sleeps

(3) are sleeping

(4) were sleeping

( )

15. That is my dog. It \_\_\_\_\_ a black patch on its left eye.

(1) has

(2) have

(3) had

(4) having

( )

16. Mrs Chan donates one hundred dollars \_\_\_\_\_ the Community Chest every year.

(1) with

(2) after

(3) to

(4) before

( )

**Section D: Comprehension (5 X 2 marks)**

Read the passage below and answer questions 17 to 21. Choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

Have you ever seen a stick insect? As its name suggests, it looks like a stick. The world's longest insect is the Indonesian Giant stick insect. It can grow to a length of 33 centimetres.

Stick insects only feed on leaves. They are hunted by animals such as birds, snakes, frogs and even lizards. To avoid being eaten, stick insects have to hide. They do that by blending into the background. For example, a brown stick insect cannot be seen easily when it keeps still on a branch. This way of hiding oneself is called camouflage.

Not only the adults are camouflaged. The eggs of some stick insects are easily mistaken for tiny seeds. The eggs remain on the ground until they hatch.

17. Which one of the following sentences is correct?

- (1) Stick insects are short and fat.
- (2) Most stick insects are 33 centimetres long.
- (3) Stick insects can only be found in Indonesia.
- (4) Most stick insects are shorter than 33 centimetres.

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18. According to the passage, stick insects \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) are eaten by snakes only
- (2) eat only one kind of food
- (3) are not afraid of other insects
- (4) change the colour of their bodies

( )

19. The brown stick insect will hide \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) in a pond
- (2) in a shell
- (3) on a branch
- (4) beside a giant stick insect

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20. For a stick insect to be successfully camouflaged, it must choose the right \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) time
- (2) position
- (3) background
- (4) temperature

( )

21. Animals that like to eat the eggs of stick insects cannot find them easily because they \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) look like sticks
- (2) are on the ground
- (3) are laid in the water
- (4) do not look like eggs

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**Section E: Vocabulary (8 X 1 mark)**

For Q22 to Q29, read the passage carefully. Choose from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to M) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

**USE A WORD ONCE ONLY**

(A) skip	(E) full	(J) prepare
(B) empty	(F) more	(K) less
(C) eat	(G) healthy	(L) contain
(D) weight	(H) no	(M) height

Why do parents always say that breakfasts are important? Well, imagine you are a car. After a long night, your fuel tank is (Q22)\_\_\_\_\_. Breakfast is the fuel that gets you going.

Any breakfast is better than (Q23)\_\_\_\_\_ breakfast, but try not to have pastries all the time. They are high in calories, sugar, and fat. They also do not (Q24)\_\_\_\_\_ the nutrients a child really needs. Some children (Q25)\_\_\_\_\_ breakfast because they think it is a way to stay thin. But skipping breakfast does not help people maintain a healthy (Q26)\_\_\_\_\_. In fact, someone who skips breakfast tends to eat more calories throughout the day. If you usually have no time for breakfast in the morning, then you should try to (Q27)\_\_\_\_\_ a sandwich the night before.

It is found that children who do not eat breakfast are (Q28)\_\_\_\_\_ able to concentrate in school. Children who (Q29)\_\_\_\_\_ breakfast perform better and are more likely to participate in physical activities. So, do not run out the door on an empty stomach in the morning. Fuel up with a healthy breakfast!

(Adapted from Ready, Set, Breakfast @ kidshealth.org)

**Section F: Grammar Cloze (8 X 1 mark)**

For Q30 to Q32, read the passage carefully. Choose from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

**USE A WORD ONCE ONLY**

(A) this	(B) that	(C) these
(D) here	(E) there	(F) those

It is great to be out in the sun on a Sunday morning. Look at the children over (30) \_\_\_\_\_ with their kites! They are playing happily. I can even hear their laughter from (31) \_\_\_\_\_. I wonder where they bought (32) \_\_\_\_\_ kites. They are so beautiful.

For Q33 to Q37, read the passage carefully. Choose from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

**USE A WORD ONCE ONLY**

(A) Who	(B) What	(C) When	(D) Where
(E) Which	(F) Why	(G) Whose	(H) How

The Discipline Master, Mr Giam, charged into the room when he heard the commotion. "(33) \_\_\_\_\_ broke the window?" he demanded. The boys were too scared to answer. "(34) \_\_\_\_\_ happened? You are supposed to be in the canteen during recess!" Halim decided to tell him the truth. "(35) \_\_\_\_\_ didn't you tell me earlier?" questioned Mr Giam. "(36) \_\_\_\_\_ is that cat now? Let's get it out of the classroom." Finally, Li Peng found the cat and notified Mr Giam. "(37) \_\_\_\_\_ one of you boys can help me take it outside? I am allergic to cat fur," said Mr Giam sheepishly. The boys laughed.

**Section G: Comprehension (5 X 2 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 38 to 42 that follow. Write your answers in complete sentences.

Once upon a time, in a province in China, there lived three men named Li Ming, Chen Xing and Yu Neng. They were good friends.

One day, they were given a pot of wine for helping their neighbour build his house. As the amount of wine was only enough for one man to drink to his heart's content, the three friends decided to have a competition to decide who should have the pot of wine. They would each draw a snake on the sandy beach. Whoever completed the drawing first would be the winner and he could drink the wine all by himself.

Chen Xing was the first to complete his drawing. When he was about to reach for the wine, he noticed that his friends were far from completing their drawings. He laughed. He then added some legs to the snake he had drawn.

While he was drawing the legs, Li Ming completed his drawing. He took the pot of wine and said, "Snakes have no legs. You have lost." Chen Xing could only stare at him blankly, regretting what he had done.

**Answer the following questions. Write your answers in complete sentences.**

Q38. Why were the three men given the pot of wine?

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Q39. Why didn't they share the wine?

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Q40. Where did the competition take place?

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Q41. Which sentence in the passage tells us that Chen Xing was delighted when he thought he had won the competition?

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Q42. Who won in the end?

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- 5) 2                                    29) C
- 6) 3                                    30) E
- 7) 3                                    31) D
- 8) 3                                    32) F
- 9) 2                                    33) A
- 10) 4                                   34) B
- 11) 3                                   35) F
- 12) 1                                   36) D
- 13) 1                                   37) E
- 14) 4                                   38) The three men were given the pot of wine  
for helping their neighbour build his  
house.
- 15) 1
- 16) 3                                   39) They did not share the wine because the  
amount of wine was only enough for one  
man to drink to his heart's content.
- 17) 4
- 18) 4                                   40) The competition took place on the beach.
- 19) 3
- 20) 3                                   41) The sentence is "He laughed."
- 21) 4                                   42) Li Ming won in the end.
- 22) B
- 23) H
- 24) L
- 25) A
- 26) D
- 27) J
- 28) K

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