



NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL
CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1 – 2008
PRIMARY 6
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2

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Class: Pr. 6 _____

Date: 25 February 2008

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

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

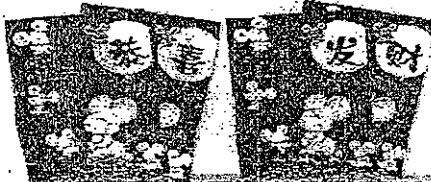
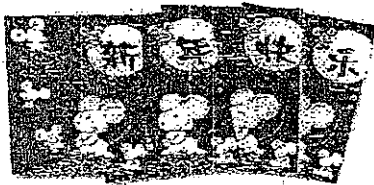
1. Do not turn over the page until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. Answer all questions carefully.
4. Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

Section A – Graphic-Stimulus Comprehension (5 x 1) marks
Study the following poster and answer questions 1 to 5.

PROSPERITY IN Abundance at Parkway Parade (PP) Retail Store

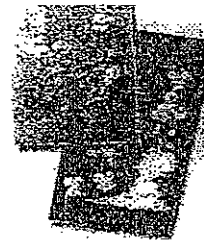
The **\$888**
Windfall!

Get a Prosperity Card plus a pack of Prosperity Hong Bao with every \$68 (max 2 combined purchase receipts on the same day) spent at any PP retail store this festive season. Limited to 5 cards and 5 packs per shopper per day.



Prosperity Cards
 Collect 4 cards to form Xin Nian Kuai Le and win PP gift vouchers worth \$888.

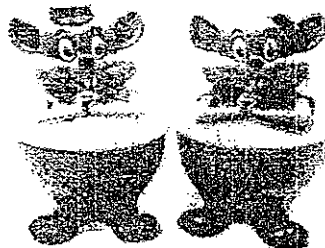
Prosperity Hong Bao
 Take your pick of Gold or Red



Prosperity
 FOR KEEPS

Redeem an exclusive **Condiment Jar** with minimum spending of **\$168**.

Limited to 2 Condiment Jars per shopper per day.



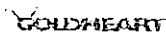
Go to the Customer Service Centre at Level 1 to redeem a Prosperity Mouse Balloon with a minimum spending of \$38. (in a single same-day receipt) from any PP Retail Store.

Redemption from 4-8pm (except Mondays and before 6 Feb 2008). Limited to first 38 shoppers daily.

Managed by:



Sponsors :



The Singapore Mint



For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

1. The event at Parkway Parade retail store is held in conjunction with the _____
- 1) yearly sale
 - 2) Lunar New Year
 - 3) Prosperity Hong Bao
 - 4) anniversary of the store
- ()
2. To get a Prosperity Card and a pack of Prosperity Hong Bao, shoppers should spend at least \$68 in _____ on the same day.
- 1) only one receipt
 - 2) two or more receipts
 - 3) any number of receipts
 - 4) not more than two receipts
- ()
3. With four Prosperity Cards that form 'Xin', 'Nian', 'Kuai', 'Le', a shopper can have a chance to win _____
- 1) balloons
 - 2) hong baos
 - 3) gift vouchers
 - 4) condiment jars
- ()
4. _____ is **not** a sponsor of the event.
- 1) Isetan
 - 2) Goldheart
 - 3) Land Lease Retail
 - 4) The Singapore Mint
- ()
5. Based on the advertisement, which one of the following statements is **true**?
- 1) Condiment jars are given out to all shoppers who spend at least \$68 at the store.
 - 2) Shoppers can win \$888 worth of gift vouchers when they spend a minimum of \$168 at the store.
 - 3) Prosperity Mouse balloons are only given out daily to early shoppers who spend at least \$38 at the store.
 - 4) Shoppers who spend \$888 at the store will receive five Prosperity cards and five packs of Prosperity Hong Bao.
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Section D – Vocabulary (5 x 1) marks

For each question from 16 to 20, one of the four options is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

16. Everyone was glad that in the end, the two parties reached an _____ settlement.
- 1) amiable
 - 2) amicable
 - 3) ambitious
 - 4) ambiguous
- ()
17. At the teacher's advice, the two boys _____ and no longer treated each other as enemies.
- 1) drew the line
 - 2) broke the ice
 - 3) faced the music
 - 4) buried the hatchet
- ()
18. Andrew did not fully understand the story because his friend had _____ certain parts of it.
- 1) omitted
 - 2) ignored
 - 3) terminated
 - 4) discontinued
- ()
19. Jane has read the _____ of Charlie Chaplin written by his daughter many times.
- 1) novel
 - 2) history
 - 3) biography
 - 4) autobiography
- ()
20. The men tried to smuggle some pirated compact disks into the country but they were caught and the _____ goods were taken away.
- 1) circulated
 - 2) contraband
 - 3) compromised
 - 4) complimentary
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Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1) marks

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

The Giant went through a great forest, then down into a valley and up over the hills and soon he was galloping over a (21)desolate area that was not quite of this earth. The ground was flat and pale yellow. Great lumps of blue rock were scattered around, and dead trees stood everywhere like skeletons. There was no living beings around.

The moon had long since disappeared and it was now dawn. Sophie, (22)peering from her blanket, suddenly saw ahead of her a great mountain. The mountain was dark blue and all around it the sky was glistening with light. Bits of pale gold were flying among (23)delicate frosty-white flakes of clouds. Right beneath the mountain, the Giant stopped. He was (24)puffing mightily. His great chest was heaving in and out. Directly in front of them, lying against the side of the mountain, Sophie could see (25)a massive round stone.

21. 1) natural
2) deserted
3) despised
4) neglected

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22. 1) looking angrily
2) looking quickly
3) looking secretly
4) looking carefully

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23. 1) fine
2) furry
3) fluffy
4) foggy

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24. 1) sighing
2) gulping
3) panting
4) choking

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25. 1) an elaborate
2) an extensive
3) an excessive
4) an enormous

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Section F – Comprehension MCQ (5 x 1) marks

Read the given passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

The three prisoners looked at the high granite walls with barbed wire and knew their chance of escaping was very slim. Several other prisoners who had attempted had been shot dead by the guards on the roof, each of them armed with a machine gun. However, they were determined to give it a try since they had seen some of the comrades tortured to death even while remaining in the camp. They had been captured and imprisoned by their enemies after a fierce battle.

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One day, one of them had a brilliant idea when he saw an earthworm in the yard. They could dig an underground tunnel and escape from the camp undetected. The other two thought that the plan was feasible and they held many secret discussions together. Eventually, they decided that the entrance of the tunnel should be located behind a tool shed. It was in a quiet corner of the camp, where few people would go to. Besides, the tool shed was a short distance from the fence that surrounded the camp.

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Every night, when everyone was sound asleep, they would sneak out and work in the moonlight. The first man would work with tools that they managed to find in the tool shed. The person behind him would fill a bucket with soil and pass it to the third man at the entrance. He would then empty the bucket and give it back to his friend. The third man also acted as a lookout. Days turned into weeks and eventually the tunnel was ready.

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One clear night, they assembled at the entrance of the tunnel. Then they started crawling and were jubilant when they saw a light at the end of the tunnel. They were on their way to freedom.

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For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer and shade the corresponding oval on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

26. The phrase 'after a fierce battle' (line 6) tells us that the prisoners were likely to be

- 1) slaves
- 2) thieves
- 3) soldiers
- 4) comrades

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27. In line 9, "the plan was feasible" refers to a plan that is _____.

- 1) perfect
- 2) brilliant
- 3) workable
- 4) successful

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28. The prisoners started digging _____.

- 1) at the fence
- 2) behind a tool shed
- 3) near the granite walls
- 4) from the entrance of the camp

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29. The prisoners had to crawl through the tunnel probably because _____.

- 1) it was dark
- 2) it was low and narrow
- 3) they did not want to be seen
- 4) they could only see light at the end of the tunnel

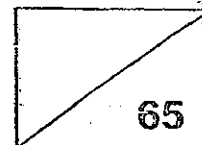
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30. According to the passage, which one of the following statements is not true?

- 1) The prisoners succeeded in their escape to freedom.
- 2) The sight of an earthworm had given them the idea of digging a tunnel.
- 3) They prisoners would be tortured to death by the guards if they were caught escaping.
- 4) The prisoners had heard that many other prisoners did not succeed in their escape from the camp.

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Section G – Grammar Cloze (10 x 1) marks

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40 in the passage below. From the list of words in the box, choose the most suitable answer for each blank and write its letter (A to Q) in it. "I" and "O" have been omitted to avoid confusion in marking.

Use each word only ONCE.

A) a	D) away	G) every	K) is	N) the
B) an	E) back	H) for	L) just	P) to
C) are	F) even	J) in	M) some	Q) with

Every fortnight, Mr Chen volunteers himself as a guide at the local aquarium. He has (31) _____ fascination with fish and corals. Mr Chen knows the names of all the fishes that (32) _____ on display.

Sometimes, Mr Chen (33) _____ volunteers to clean up the tanks. (34) _____ do so, he has to wear diving gear. There are (35) _____ very dangerous creatures in these tanks like sharks and large stingrays. Mr Chen has to be cautious (36) _____ them. Dolphins, on (37) _____ other hand, are friendly animals. Mr Chen loves playing with them underwater.

Although Mr Chen works (38) _____ two weeks, his colleagues know him well. They find him to be very dedicated as he often stays (39) _____ even after closing hours (40) _____ to ensure that the place is clean and the fishes are fed. Mr Chen says he enjoys helping out because he finds it most satisfying to be near the fishes.

Section H – Editing for Spelling and Grammar (10 x 1) marks

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

We praise and give recognition to those whom we call "Volunteers". However,

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there are much voluntary acts of kindness that are overlooked, but which made an important

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contribution in a civilised spsighty. On two occassions in the past year, I have recived help

from strangers.

In a storm last year, a large branch from a tree in my compound fell onto the road.

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Three motorists stopped to help my domestic helper removed it while many other vehicles

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backed in and used another root.

Another incident took place earlier this year. I was waiting for a bus at Holland

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Road which a foggig operation began somewhere in a nearby neighbourhood. An acrid

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chemical cloud soon engrved the bus stop. Then, a man stopped his taxi and although I

had no plans to take one, he insisted on dropping me off at the next bus stop.

Section I – Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1) marks

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

One evening at about 7pm, Daisy Hee, was being kidnapped just outside the school gate. All the pupils had left and the (51) _____ eyewitness of the entire event was Daisy's classmate, Olive.

Olive told the police that she saw a fashionably-dressed lady talking to Daisy outside the school gate (52) _____ leading her to a white car and then driving off. When (53) _____ further, Olive said she thought it was Daisy's aunt picking her up and did not (54) _____ anything.

Daisy's father, Mr Hee, got anxious when he could not locate his (55) _____ when he went to the school. Daisy's teacher helped him to look for her within the (56) _____ premises but to no avail. Later in (57) _____ night, Mr Hee had a call from the kidnappers demanding for a ransom (58) _____ one million dollars. The kidnappers also (59) _____ instruction with Mr Hee on where to deliver the money to. They also threatened to harm Daisy (60) _____ Mr Hee called the police.

Mr Hee was not easily threatened so he lodged a police report (61) _____. The police managed to trace the telephone (62) _____ to a bungalow in Choa Chu Kang. The police wasted (63) _____ time in rescuing Daisy and she was safely sent home. Apart from the fright she had experienced, Daisy was (64) _____ unhurt. As for the kidnappers, they were eventually put (65) _____ bars. Crime really does not pay.

Section J - Synthesis / Transformation (5 x 2) marks

For questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the given one(s).

66. You can submit the application form today. You can submit the application form tomorrow.

either

67. All the shoes that she tried on did not fit her.

but none

68. This shirt does not have a price tag on it. That shirt does not have a price tag on it too.

Neither

69. Jean apologised to her brother. She did not want to make her parents angry.

In order

70. The old lady was poor. Yet she donated twenty dollars to charity.

In spite of

Section K – Comprehension (10 x 2) marks

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

After the last bell rang, Mei was surrounded by a crowd of curious and chattering classmates. They fired her with numerous questions until, shy and reserved as most village girls, she felt panicky. Gripping the edge of the wooden chair, she looked around desperately for Meng.

But Meng was not among the crowd. She searched the whole room with quick, frightened eyes until she saw him. He was standing alone in the doorway, clutching onto his pile of dirty schoolbooks, silently watching her in the midst of her admirers. She called out to him, but he only turned away and walked out abruptly. With a knotted feeling in her stomach, Mei rammed her way through the crowd after Meng. 5

"Don't forget to tell your whole family the good news!" someone called cheerfully after her. That cheerful voice seemed to ring in her ears now as her bare feet trailed along the path, towards home. 10

"Meng already knows the good news," she thought to herself uneasily, "and he hates me for it."

As she approached the house, she heard the *familiar sounds* of her mother singing tunelessly to the baby, and of chickens clucking as they pecked the dirt underneath the stilts of the house. 15

Mei suddenly noticed that the big pile of rice sacks was gone. She figured that the landlord's men had taken *them* away already. Her heart sank. Her father would be *in a foul mood*, making her news difficult to break. She tried to speak, but the fear in her heart prevented her from doing so. 20

"Child, is there anything wrong?" her grandmother, who did not usually speak much, asked sharply, sensing that something was not right. Mei remained silent.

Staring at a puddle, she finally spoke, "You know that prize that the government gives out after the big examination?" Even without looking up she could sense her father stiffen. This meant so much to him too. "Well, I won the prize. I can go to the city and study some more now." She stole a glance at her father. "Can I?" 25

Mei brought up the topic again, "Please, can I ...?"

"And Meng? What about my boy? He won nothing?" Her father's voice was rough, and yet tinged with a hard wonder. Mei sensed the *disappointment* in her father and dared not look directly into his eyes. 30

"There is only one prize," she whispered.

For each question from 71 to 80, write your answer in the space provided. All answers must be in complete sentences.

71. How did Mei feel when her classmates crowded around her and fired her with questions and what did she do?

72. How was Meng related to Mei?

73. Which *phrase* tells you that Mei did not feel good when Meng walked off abruptly?

74. What did the '*familiar sounds*' in line 15 refer to?

75. What does the word "*them*" in line 19 refer to?

76. Why would Mei's father be "*in a foul mood*" (line 20)?

77. Why did Mei's grandmother speak to Mei (paragraph 7)?

78. What was the prize the government gave out after the examination?

79. Explain clearly why Mei's father was *disappointed* (paragraph 10).

80. Do you think Mei was happy that she had won the prize? Why?

End-of-Paper

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Answer Keys

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| 41. many | 42. make | 43. society | 44. occasions | 45. received |
| 46. remove | 47. away | 48. route | 49. when | 50. engulfed |
| 51. only | 52. before | 53. questioned | 54. suspect | 55. daughter |
| 56. school | 57. the | 58. of | 59. left | 60. if |
| 61. immediately | 62. call | 63. no | 64. physically | 65. behind |

66. You can submit the application form either today or tomorrow.
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69. In order not to make her parents angry, Jean apologized to her brother.
70. In spite of the fact that the old lady was poor. She donated twenty dollars to charity.
71. Mei felt panicky. She gripped the edge of the wooden chair while looking around desperately for Meng.
72. Meng was Mei's brother.
73. The phrase is "with a knotted felling in her stomach".
74. They referred to the tuneless singing of Mei's mother and the ducking of the chickens.
75. It refers to the big pile of rice sacks which the landlord's men had taken away.
76. The landlord had taken away the sacks of rice that probably belonged to Mei's father so he was unhappy and was in a foul mood.
77. She had sensed that something was not right.
78. The prize was a chance to go the city and study.
79. He had expected and wanted Meng to win the prize but Mei won it instead, so he was disappointed.
80. No, she was not happy as she felt bad for her brother.