

Tao Nan School  
Primary 1  
Topical Test 3

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**Section A: Grammar (8 x 1 mark)**

Read the sentences carefully. Tick  the correct answer.

(1) Ben and his sister took 

her	<input type="checkbox"/>
his	<input type="checkbox"/>
their	<input type="checkbox"/>

 lunch before going to school.

(2) The dog 

bark	<input type="checkbox"/>
barks	<input type="checkbox"/>
barked	<input type="checkbox"/>

 loudly when it saw the stranger.

(3) 

That	<input type="checkbox"/>
Those	<input type="checkbox"/>
These	<input type="checkbox"/>

 apples in the basket over there are rotten.

(4) Mrs Lim's cake is

tasty	
tastier	
tastiest	

than Mrs Ong's.

(5) Please remember to return me

a	
an	
the	

eraser you borrowed

just now.

(6) Mary stood

below	
beside	
behind	

Ali and was blocked by him because

he was very tall.

(7) Doha added too 

little	
much	
many	

 sugar and his tea became too sweet.

(8) " 

Why	
What	
Where	

 don't you pack your room? It is very messy," Mrs Lee said to her son.

**Section B: Vocabulary (5 x 1 mark)**

Read the sentences carefully. Tick  the most suitable answer.

(9) Mr Mahmud, the zoo keeper, takes good care of his elephant and

its 

calf	
joey	
fawn	



(10) Amy heaved a 

sigh	
pant	
breath	

 of relief as she did well for her test.

(11) The sloth hangs on a tree with its sharp 

paws	
claws	
hooves	

(12) A few rats 

strutted	
slithered	
scampered	

 along the drain looking for food.

(13) My uncle was 

rinsed	
soaked	
drenched	

 in the rain because he went out without his umbrella.



**Section C: Language Use (3 x 2 marks)**

**Join the sentences using the conjunctions and helping words given.**

(14) I did not want to go out. I was too tired.

\_\_\_\_\_ so

\_\_\_\_\_

(15) You can have the pen. You can have the ruler.

\_\_\_\_\_ or

\_\_\_\_\_

(16) Mrs Tay completed her work. Mrs Tay took a nap.

**When** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Section D: Comprehension Open-ended (3 x 2 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.**

A peacock and a tortoise were good friends. The peacock lived on a tree. The tree was near a stream where the tortoise had his home.

One day, a bird-catcher caught the peacock when he saw its beautiful feathers. He was going to sell the peacock at the market. The peacock begged the bird-catcher to allow him to see the tortoise for the last time. The bird-catcher agreed and took the peacock to the tortoise.

The tortoise saw the peacock in the bird-catcher's net and wanted the bird-catcher to let his friend go.

"Your friend will fetch me good money. I will never let him go," the bird-catcher said as he shook his head.

"Will you let him go in exchange for a gift?" the tortoise asked.

"Certainly," replied the bird-catcher after thinking for a while.

At once, the tortoise dived into the stream. Soon, he appeared with a beautiful pearl in its mouth and offered it to the bird-catcher. The bird-catcher took the pearl and freed the peacock. Then, he left.

The next day, the bird-catcher returned to the stream and told the tortoise that he was not paid enough to free the peacock.

"Give me another precious pearl or I will catch the peacock again!" he demanded. Luckily, the peacock was already hiding in another jungle. "Well," said the tortoise, "if you want another pearl like this one, return it to me and I will get you an exact match for it."

The bird-catcher handed the pearl to the tortoise. The tortoise took the pearl and swam away quickly.

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Answer the following questions in complete sentences.  
Your answers must be based on the passage.

(17) Where did the tortoise live?

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(18) Why was the bird-catcher a greedy man?

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(19) What was the tortoise trying to do when he asked the bird-catcher for the pearl?

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# **ANSWER SHEET**

## **EXAM PAPER 2012**

**SCHOOL : TAO NAN SCHOOL**

**SUBJECT : PRIMARY 1 - ENGLISH**

**TERM : SA 2**

### **SECTION A**

1. their
2. barked
3. Those
4. tastier
5. the
6. behind
7. much
8. Why

### **SECTION B**

9. calf
10. sigh
11. claws
12. scampered
13. drenched

### **SECTION C**

14. I was too tired so I did not want to go out.
15. You can have the pen or the ruler.
16. When Mrs Tay completed her work, she took a nap.

### **SECTION D**

17. The tortoise lived near the stream.
18. The bird-catcher wanted another pearl from the tortoise.
19. The tortoise was trying to trick the bird-catcher.

