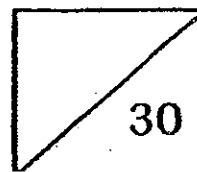




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BOOKLET A

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 30 questions (Questions 1 to 30).
4. Answer ALL the questions and shade them in the correct ovals on the OAS provided.

* This booklet consists of 9 pages altogether (including this page).

Study the advertisement and answer Questions 1 to 5.

(5 marks)

SOON LAM ELECTRONICS CLOSING DOWN SALE 23 – 26 MAY 2013

Venue
PLATINUM WAREHOUSE
(LEVEL 1 & 2)
79 ALEXANDRA LANE
S'PORE 792106

Opening Hours: 10.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. daily

ALL STOCKS MUST BE CLEARED!

Free gifts for the first 200 customers per day
(only valid with minimum purchase of \$1000)

Come to the sale to check out other great offers!

TELEVISION SETS

60-inch BANASONIC SMART TV : \$1990 (only 60 sets available)

48-inch ZONNY HD TV : \$1000 (only 50 sets available)

40-inch HATACHEE LED TV : \$750 (only 30 sets available)

.... AND MANY MORE SETS ON OFFER

All prices indicated are already discounted.

COMPUTERS & PRINTERS

All DOSIBAR Brand Printers: Minimum 20% discount

All brands of Laptops (except CHERRY Brand): Up to 20% discount

NELOVO Brand Desktop Computers: 20% discount for all models

Limited stocks available for all the above.

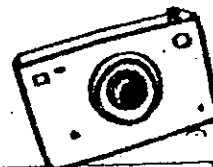
Free thumb drive with the purchase of any computer.

DIGITAL CAMERAS

NICKON Brand: 75 sets for sale each day at special factory prices

LOOMIKS Brand: 20% discount for all models

KANNON Brand: 30% discount (only for ISUS model)



For more information on the sale, please call our office at 6454 9988.
Office Address: 89 Alexandra Avenue, Singapore 892106

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. Customers who purchase television sets _____
 - (1) will get a 20% discount
 - (2) are not entitled to free gifts
 - (3) will be paying discounted prices
 - (4) have only three models to choose from

2. A free thumb drive is only given _____
 - (1) to the first 200 customers each day
 - (2) to customers who purchase computers
 - (3) for purchases of any advertised product
 - (4) for computers that offer at least a 20% discount

3. If you are the first customer on 26 May, which of the following items will definitely be available for purchase?
 - (1) 48-inch ZONNY HD TV
 - (2) DOSIBAR Brand Printers
 - (3) NICKON Brand Digital Camera
 - (4) NELOVO Brand Desktop Computers

4. Which of the following is not sold at a discount?
 - (1) CHERRY Brand laptops
 - (2) ISUS model digital camera
 - (3) 40-inch HATACHEE LED TV
 - (4) 60-inch BANASONIC SMART TV

5. Which one of the following statements is true?
 - (1) The venue of the sale is at 89 Alexandra Avenue Singapore 892106.
 - (2) Soon Lam Electronics is holding the sale to make way for new stocks.
 - (3) The first 200 customers who make a purchase each day will receive a gift.
 - (4) There are other products on offer besides those featured in the advertisement.

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. Kendall _____ Switzerland during the coming school holidays.
- (1) visits
 - (2) visited
 - (3) is visiting
 - (4) has visited
7. _____ the most experienced player, Suba was appointed the captain.
- (1) As
 - (2) For
 - (3) Since
 - (4) Though
8. This traditional folk song has been _____ by generations of children.
- (1) sing
 - (2) sung
 - (3) sang
 - (4) singing
9. Kumar will only agree to join the expedition _____ he is assured that it is safe.
- (1) if
 - (2) until
 - (3) while
 - (4) unless
10. The workers who went on strike received a letter _____ warning this morning.
- (1) of
 - (2) by
 - (3) for
 - (4) with

11. The teacher insisted, "I think you _____ apologise for being rude to your mother."

- (1) might
- (2) could
- (3) would
- (4) should

12. The flight _____ by an hour due to bad weather.

- (1) will delay
- (2) would delay
- (3) will be delayed
- (4) would have delayed

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)

As I stepped out of the house, I met my neighbour.

"Good morning, Mr Mano," I said (13) How are you?"

Mr Mano greeted me with a feeble smile. As we walked together to the lift (14)

I noticed that Mr Mano was not his usual cheerful self.

Out of concern for him, I inquired politely, "Are you feeling all right, Mr Mano (15)

"Of course!" he exclaimed. "I am just feeling tired."

13. (1) [: "] colon and inverted commas
(2) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(3) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [! "] exclamation mark and inverted commas

14. (1) [,] comma
(2) [-] hyphen
(3) [.] full stop
(4) [!] exclamation mark

15. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [?] question mark
(3) [. "] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [? "] question mark and 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. Joe was upset when his sister said that he was as dumb as a _____.
- (1) pin
 - (2) post
 - (3) button
 - (4) toothpick
17. The witness had a _____ memory and gave an accurate description of the suspect.
- (1) pictorial
 - (2) composite
 - (3) contrasting
 - (4) photographic
18. The waiter asked the customer, "What is your _____? Coffee or tea?"
- (1) prelude
 - (2) preview
 - (3) preference
 - (4) prerequisite
19. Vicky was _____ of Randy's behaviour although she did not approve of his actions.
- (1) flexible
 - (2) tolerant
 - (3) sensitive
 - (4) adaptable
20. The reporters _____ the actor with questions the moment he entered the interview room.
- (1) tormented
 - (2) suffocated
 - (3) brandished
 - (4) bombarded

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)

This year's recipient of the Young Businessman Award is Mr Andy Lee. He is the owner of a chain of budget hotels in Asia. Andy said he was inspired by an around-
(21)
the-world backpacking trip after graduating from the polytechnic in 2007. Studying was not the most important for Andy in his younger days. Instead, he excelled in
(22)
non-academic opportunities offered in school where he was a prefect and represented
(23)
the school in athletics. Despite being in the Normal (Technical) stream in secondary school, he did not let negative remarks get him down. Andy continued with further
(24) (25)
studies at National Polytechnic and obtained a diploma in tourism management.
"I have never regretted being in a Normal (Technical) student," Andy said. "Dream big and do not let anyone hold you down."

21. (1) attracted
(2) provoked
(3) motivated
(4) captivated
22. (1) stood out
(2) broke out
(3) turned out
(4) worked out
23. (1) prepared
(2) produced
(3) presented
(4) processed
24. (1) political
(2) adverse
(3) sensitive
(4) eccentric
25. (1) ensued
(2) pursued
(3) engaged
(4) advanced

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Mr Cheng positioned a ladder in the living room in front of the bedroom door and placed a can of paint on the top rung. As Brian entered the living room, he asked, "Father, may I help?" Mr Cheng hesitated at first as he felt that Brian was too young and would be a hindrance rather than be of assistance. The young boy pulled a long face. Despite his displeasure, he promised that he would not cause any problems and assured his father that he would do a good job. Although still doubtful, Mr Cheng finally agreed reluctantly. Brian's face lit up when his father handed him the paintbrush. Mr Cheng decided to go to the kitchen for a glass of water as Brian stepped on the third rung and proceeded to paint the bedroom door. 5
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As he painted, Brian hummed his favourite tune. He felt proud that he could help his father. Then, he heard some noise coming from behind the closed bedroom door. "Has that sleepyhead overslept again? It's almost ten and she is still in bed," he mumbled to himself. "Jen! Get up now or you will miss breakfast!" he called out to his sister. All of a sudden, the bedroom door swung open as Jen rushed out of the room. As the door opened outwards, it knocked against the ladder Brian was standing on. Caught by surprise, Brian teetered for a few moments before using one hand to grab the top of the door to steady himself. In doing so, his elbow accidentally knocked the can of paint which was still on the top rung. 15
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"Watch out, Jen!" Brian yelled, but it was too late. Before Jen could react, the entire content of the can fell on her. She screamed in shock as the paint dripped from her head down to her feet. She was totally drenched in blue. As Brian looked down at his sister, he burst out laughing as she resembled a character from his favourite movie, Avatar. Mr Cheng who had heard the commotion rushed into the living room and gasped when he realised what had happened. As Mr Cheng stood rooted to the spot not saying a word, Brian was unable to stifle his laughter even after his sister started to sob uncontrollably. 25

When Brian finally stopped laughing, he tried to explain that it was not his fault. Mr Cheng did not want to listen to his son's words as he ushered Jen to the bathroom to clean up. Instead, he made Brian mop up every drop of paint on the floor to make up for what had happened. Although he apologised later, he knew that his father would think twice about trusting him to paint in future. 30

For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

26. In the first paragraph, why did Brian pull a long face?

- (1) Brian felt that he would be a hindrance.
- (2) Brian's father expressed his displeasure.
- (3) Brian knew he would not cause any problems.
- (4) Brian's father did not allow him to help initially.

27. Jen rushed out of the room because she _____.

- (1) had to swing the room door open
- (2) did not want to be late for breakfast
- (3) was upset with Brian for waking her
- (4) wanted to knock Brian off the ladder

28. What does "it" in line 21 refer to?

- (1) The falling of the paint on Jen.
- (2) The warning Brian gave to Jen.
- (3) The opening of the bedroom door.
- (4) The grabbing of the top of the door.

29. What made Brian laugh?

- (1) Jen's appearance.
- (2) Jen's scream of shock.
- (3) Jen's uncontrollable sobbing
- (4) Jen's reaction when the paint fell on her.

30. Which one of the following statements is true?

- (1) Jen was entirely at fault for causing the incident.
- (2) Brian was punished by Mr Cheong after the incident.
- (3) Brian's father no longer trusted him following the incident.
- (4) Mr Cheong did not believe Brian's explanation of the incident.

End of Booklet A



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BOOKLET B

Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 50 questions (Questions 31 to 80).
4. Answer ALL the questions and write all the answers in this booklet.

	Maximum	Marks Obtained
Booklet A	30	
Booklet B	65	
Total	95	

Component	Question Numbers	Marks Obtained
Comprehension Cloze	51 – 65	
Comprehension Open-ended	71 – 80	

* This booklet consists of 8 pages altogether (including this page).

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.

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|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| (A) is | (D) was | (G) for | (K) with | (N) up |
| (B) them | (E) that | (H) your | (L) into | (P) my |
| (C) were | (F) never | (J) about | (M) once | (Q) ones |
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A professor stood before his class with some items on the table. When the class began, he took out a jar (31) _____ twenty-five centimetres in diameter and filled it with rocks. Then he asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed (32) _____ it was. The professor picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled (33) _____ the open spaces between the rocks. He asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was. Next, the professor picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. The sand filled (34) _____ everything else. He then asked (35) _____ more if the jar was full. All the students responded (36) _____ a "Yes."

"Now," said the professor, "I want you to recognise that this jar represents (37) _____ life. The rocks are the important things – your family, partner, health and children. If everything else (38) _____ lost and only these remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter – like your job, your house and your car. The sand (39) _____ everything else – the small stuff."

"If you put the sand into the jar first," he continued, "there is no room for the pebbles or rocks. The same goes for your life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will (40) _____ have room for the things that are important to you. Take care of the rocks first – the things that really matter. The rest is just sand."

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

In Singapore, there are several programmes initiated to promote recycling.

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For instents, in housing ~~estates~~, recycling bins are provided to encaarage the

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reuse of junk. Recyclables who are collected are usually sent for sorting before been

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sent for recycling. They are sorted into different waiste types such as paper, glass,

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clothing, plastic, etc. In schools, the aims of the recycling programme is to educate and

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inculcated the recycling habit among the students. The programme involfs the setting

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up of a recycling corner in the school where recycling bins of paper, cans and plastic

bottles are used as educational resources. These resources are then made

(50)

availebel to the students in the form of posters and booklets.

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

When Jim and I reached the post office, there was already a crowd, gawking at the new gadget on the table. I tried to get closer (51)_____ a better look.

Jim, my brother, and I had no idea how the gadget (52)_____. Then, someone in the crowd asked the staff member on duty what it was. He tried to explain that it was a telephone. He attempted to (53)_____ how it worked but everyone looked puzzled. However, they were impressed by (54)_____ possibilities.

It was the most unusual (55)_____, to see about twenty people, standing around, craning their necks to see a telephone. The staff member on duty looked on (56)_____ an unsmiling face. He forbade anyone (57)_____ using it without paying a grand sum of five cents. There was murmuring all around. Five cents to (58)_____ a telephone and not have any idea if it worked was a risk. Jim and I looked at each other. We wanted so badly to try it but we were also aware that five cents could buy a hot bowl of noodles that (59)_____ of us could share. We did not have the luxury of even having one decent meal a day and to spend five cents on fun did (60)_____ unwise.

Nevertheless, Jim looked my way and we silently agreed that it was going to be (61)_____ every cent. We could pool our resources and experience the magic of (62)_____ another voice through the telephone. It was not a (63)_____ to be missed! He put his hand into his pocket to fumble for a coin. I did the same.

Suddenly, the telephone gave a shrill ringing tone, causing the spectators in front to panic and scramble to (64)_____ while the crowd behind fell onto one another due to the stampede. Even the staff member took cover as he was standing closest to the telephone. It was chaotic.

However, when order was restored, everyone, especially Jim and I, stared (65)_____ the empty table, shocked. The telephone was stolen in that split second of chaos!

For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentences, using the words 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. A deer was run over by a car. A deer was badly injured.

_____ which

67. You must hurry for the concert. You will not be locked out.

Unless _____

68. Selena likes to dance. Selena does not like to sing.

_____ prefers

69. Francis stole a bicycle last night.

A _____

70. Ben asked me, "Are you able to attend the Prize Giving Day tomorrow?"

Ben asked me _____

Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

I was home for Christmas. Around noon, I changed into my surf-shorts, headed for the beach and dived into the ocean waves. I swam hard and fast. At last, I rolled over on my back and looked towards the beach. The people on the beach were tiny specks but I was not concerned. This had been my family home for years, so I knew the waters well. 5

After a while, I began my long swim back. The few sharks that had been sighted in this area were nowhere to be seen. I swam without care, in absolute oblivion, until I checked the shoreline. It was as if I had barely moved! I could feel myself being pulled out to sea by the undercurrent. I tried not to panic.

Suddenly, I froze with fear because I spotted a dark fin to my left. It was moving directly towards me. My heart pounded wildly. I stopped swimming and attempted to float and stretch out like a log on the surface. I knew sharks were known to have poor eyesight. Thus, any splashing would make it easier for the shark to find its prey in the water. I could barely breathe as I kept very still. I tried desperately to keep my mind from entertaining the horrors of being eaten. 10
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Suddenly, a powerful, smooth, sleek body rose underneath me.

I could not imagine what it was. I felt my body being lifted slightly. While gliding across the water's surface, I was being moved towards the shore. Then slowly, I was lowered back into the water. But immediately, I felt the strange sensation of a powerful body rising up, then lifting and carrying me forward again. 20

The surface of the water broke in front of me and I could finally see the creature which had been carrying me. It had jumped through the air, dived to the left and dipped under me before moving me through the water at great speed. Soon, more of them were circling all around me. One at a time, they moved beneath me, each lifting and gradually carrying me back towards shore as if they were performing a dance. 25

Quickly and smoothly, they brought me to chest-high water. Then they encircled me, spinning, diving, smiling. They called out in an amazing, high-pitched language that filled me with delight. I clapped in appreciation for the show they were providing. Touched and in awe, I could not stop talking to them and thanking them. Eventually, they turned and danced out to sea. 30

A crowd of people had gathered on the shore. They had seen the dark fin and anticipated a shark attack. After watching my incredible return on the backs of frolicking dolphins, they greeted me, laughing, talking, and asking about how I was rescued. What a memorable moment! We were a group of people from all over the world who had somehow come together to witness something none of us would ever forget. It was a marvelous gift on this special Christmas Day. 35

Adapted from *Angel Animals* by Anderson

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71. Which two-word phrase in paragraph one suggests that the writer had swum far away from the shore?

72. Why was the writer so familiar with the beach?

73. Why did the writer swim in "absolute oblivion" in line 7?

74. What was the writer worried about in paragraph two?

75. What creature was the "dark fin" in line 10?

76. Why did the writer pretend to be a log?

77. How was the writer helped back to shore?

78. Why did some people gather on the shore at first?

79. Who does the word 'us' in line 37 refer to?

80. In the last paragraph, why did the writer consider his rescue to be memorable?

End of Paper



Exam Paper 2013 Answer Sheet

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2) 2	7) 1	12) 3	17) 4	22) 1	27) 2
3) 3	8) 2	13) 3	18) 3	23) 3	28) 2
4) 1	9) 1	14) 1	19) 2	24) 2	29) 1
5) 4	10) 1	15) 4	20) 4	25) 2	30) 2

31) J	33) L	35) M	37) H	39) A
32) E	34) N	36) K	38) D	40) F

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66. A deer, which was run over by a car, was badly injured.

67. Unless you hurry for the concert, you will be locked out.

68. Selena prefers dancing to singing.

69. A bicycle was stolen by Francis last night.

70. Ben asked me if I was able to attend the Prize Giving Day the next day.

71. The two-word phrase is 'tiny specks'.

72. He stayed near the beach for many years.

73. There were no sharks in sight so he felt safe.

74. He was unable to get close to the shoreline due to the undercurrent.

75. It was a dolphin.

76. He knew that sharks had poor eyesight and any splashing will make it easier for them to find their prey.

77. A few dolphins took turns to carry the writer back to shore.

78. The people saw the dark fin and anticipated a shark attack.

79. It refers to the writer and people at the beach who had gathered to watch.

80. He was saved by the dolphins.

