



NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2 - 2013
PRIMARY 5

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER

Name: _____ ()

Class: Pr. 5 _____

Date: 23 October 2013

Booklet A	/ 30
Booklet B	/ 65
TOTAL	/ 95

Parent's Signature & Date


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.

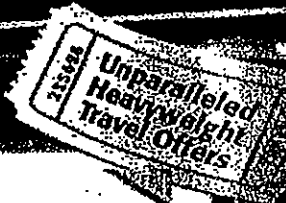
Section A – Graphic-Stimulus Comprehension (5 x 1) marks
Study the following advertisement and answer questions 1 to 5.

OFFER IS FOR THIS SUNDAY ONLY! BOOK EARLY!



CHARTIS MONSTER TRAVEL

27 Oct 2013 (Sun)
 10am - 8pm
 Suntec Singapore Level 4
 Exhibition Hall 401
 Free Admission



Price Guarantee

We will gladly ~~REFUND THE DIFFERENCE~~ if we offer the same tour at a ~~lower price~~ after you have booked your holiday with us.

Up to **\$1800 OFF**
~~per couple~~

FREE Goody Bag
with any booking, while stocks last

FREE 20" Trolley Luggage
per ~~Citibank~~ card or ~~Ready Credit member~~ with \$2500 charge for new bookings only, while stocks last




Exclusive discount PLUS chance to win \$188 daily for Chartis Travel Insurance

Click, Spin & Win
Cruise holiday, hotel stays, steam cleaners & more with any booking

Stage Appearances

- 11.30am: Turkish Belly Dance
- 1.15pm: Korean Fan Dance
- 3.15pm: China Hena Martial Arts Display
- 4pm: Cooking demo by Hokkaido Gourmet Tour Celebrity Chef Eric Teo

Radio Roadshows






1pm – 3pm: Love 97.2FM DJ Leellan Chua & host DJ Renee Yap	3pm – 5pm: Capital 95.8FM DJ Wong Lee Jeng & host DJ Phua Kia Peow	5pm – 6pm: Radio 100.3 DJ Kemlin & host DJ Jingyun
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Holiday Previews

11am: China	2pm: Europe	5pm: Korea
12nn: Turkey	3pm: Japan	6pm: Cruises
1pm: Hong Kong	4pm: South Africa	

Official sponsor for 20" Trolley Luggage



Official Travel Insurer
TRAVEL GUARD
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Adapted from: The Straits Times 15 June 2013

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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 main purpose of the advertisement is to _____
 - 1) persuade people to book a holiday package
 - 2) invite fans to meet their deejays at the Radio Roadshows
 - 3) announce the start of the Chan Brothers Monster travel fair
 - 4) attract people to go to Suntec Exhibition Hall on 27 October

2. If Annie goes to the travel fair at 5pm on 27 October 2013, she will get to _____
 - 1) win \$188 cash just by being at the fair
 - 2) meet the deejays from Love 97.2FM
 - 3) preview the holiday package to Korea
 - 4) meet Hokkaido Gourmet Tour Celebrity Chef Eric Teo

3. While stocks last, Mr Tan can get both the free goody bag and the 20" trolley luggage if he _____
 - 1) books a tour package
 - 2) signs up for a tour package using Citibank card
 - 3) buys a Chartis travel insurance for his tour package
 - 4) charges \$2500 to his Citibank Ready Credit a new booking

4. The 20" travel luggage is sponsored by _____
 - 1) Citibank
 - 2) Chan Brothers
 - 3) Travel Guard Chartis
 - 4) Citibank and Travel Guard Chartis

5. Which one of the following statements is true?
 - 1) Jane won a Cruise holiday at the travel fair without making any booking.
 - 2) The deejays, Leelian Chua and Renee Yap, from Radio 100.3 will at the fair.
 - 3) You can get a discount of \$1800 if you book a tour for a single person at the fair.
 - 4) Chan Brothers will pay consumers the difference if they offer the same tour at a lower price after a booking is made.

Section B – Grammar (7 x 1) marks

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 corresponding oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

6. My mother scolded my sister and _____ for reaching home only at midnight.

- 1) I
- 2) me
- 3) mine
- 4) myself

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7. Betty likes her new study table, _____ she?

- 1) isn't
- 2) didn't
- 3) hasn't
- 4) doesn't

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8. After hours of fighting, the firemen finally _____ the fire.

- 1) put off
- 2) put out
- 3) put away
- 4) put down

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9. When Mr Tan saw the little boy _____ into the deep pool he quickly called out for help.

- 1) fall
- 2) fell
- 3) falls
- 4) fallen

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10. Candice, with her classmates _____ celebrating her birthday next month.

- 1) is
- 2) are
- 3) was
- 4) were

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11. "We _____ around the same place for the past one hour. Are we lost?"
Mother asked worriedly.

- 1) drive
- 2) drove
- 3) are driving
- 4) have been driving

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12. _____ you train every week, you will not get into the finals.

- 1) If
- 2) Since
- 3) Except
- 4) Unless

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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. I can most certainly _____ with him as I had fallen and fractured my arm at the same spot last year
- 1) hypnotise
 - 2) empathise
 - 3) emphasise
 - 4) sympathise
- ()
17. The chairperson _____ that the project has to be completed by the end of the year as they need to meet the deadline for the opening.
- 1) retaliated
 - 2) reiterated
 - 3) reinvented
 - 4) reverberated
- ()
18. Your ticket is no longer _____. You need to purchase one which bears today's date.
- 1) valid
 - 2) useless
 - 3) applicable
 - 4) acceptable
- ()
19. The tyrannical rulers were overthrown as a result of the commoners' _____: The commoners could no longer tolerate the corrupted government.
- 1) revolution
 - 2) retribution
 - 3) redistribution
 - 4) reconstruction
- ()
20. The _____ of a meeting shows the order of matters to be discussed.
- 1) draft
 - 2) report
 - 3) agenda
 - 4) minutes
- ()

Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1) marks

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

It was eight o'clock in the morning. On board a ship berthed in the beautiful harbour of Sydney, Michael Hanson woke up, rubbed his eyes vigorously and swung himself over to the side of his bunk. He had the day off and had yet to decide what to do.

(21)

All of a sudden, he heard a deafening explosion, followed instantaneously by another. The ship began to rock turbulently from side to side and Michael had to cling on to his bunk. Things began rolling around in the cabin, adding to the noise and

(23)

pandemonium.

(24)

Michael heard a loud clang and he knew the watertight door above him had slammed shut. Then the lights went out and the cabin was enveloped in darkness. Terror seized him.

(25)

21. 1) bed
2) shelf
3) restroom
4) cupboard ()

22. 1) illustriously
2) instinctively
3) immediately
4) simultaneously ()

23. 1) placidly
2) ardently
3) violently
4) judiciously ()

24. 1) chaos
2) hassle
3) instability
4) movement ()

25. 1) hidden
2) enclosed
3) disguised
4) camouflaged ()

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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 climbers were forced to return to their base camp because of a sudden blizzard. Visibility was low and they could only see a few metres ahead of them. As a safety measure, they roped themselves to each other before their descent. All three took cautious steps down the snowy white mountain, especially Nicholas who was leading the way. 5

Suddenly, Kenneth who was at the back found himself chest-deep in snow. He wanted to call out but tried to remain calm instead and moved his legs around, hoping to find a foothold. His heart sank and he went into a panic when he realised there was none. He looked down only to find out that he had fallen into a crevasse.

Henry, who was in front of Kenneth, felt the rope tighten. Henry immediately dropped the rope and lay flat on the ground to secure it. He was trying desperately to prevent Kenneth from falling. The latter plunged his ice axe into the snow and rolled out of the crevasse slowly and safely. 10

As they continued their descent, Henry felt the ground give way beneath him. To his horror, this time he was the one faced with danger. Without a second thought, he plunged his ice axe into the snow wall. Nicholas, who felt the tug, pulled forcefully at the rope. He waved frantically to Kenneth who was at the other end. Kenneth responded by pulling his rope tightly too. After a few heart-stopping minutes, Henry was still not in sight. Nicholas signaled to Kenneth to anchor while he moved towards where Henry had fallen. Nicholas found Henry stuck in a deep crevasse and he had to knock out the thickened snow with his ice axe before Henry could haul himself out. 15 20

When the team finally got back to their base camp, they were still visibly shaken as they recounted their experience to the others who were obviously relieved by their safe return. 25

After a short rest and some food, colour gradually returned to their ashen faces. The trio decided that they were not giving up on their climb but they had to wait out the spell of bad weather.

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. According to paragraph 1, the three climbers were _____.

- 1) climbing up a mountain
- 2) going down a mountain
- 3) holding on to each other
- 4) stuck due to the heavy snowstorm ()

27. When Kenneth found himself chest-deep in snow, he immediately _____.

- 1) called out for help
- 2) felt around for a foothold
- 3) panicked and moved himself around
- 4) looked down to see himself fallen into a crevasse ()

28. The word 'it' in line 11 refers to the _____.

- 1) rope
- 2) ground
- 3) ice axe
- 4) crevasse ()

29. According to paragraph 4, the few minutes was heart-stopping because _____.

- 1) Nicholas and Kenneth had not spotted Henry
- 2) Nicholas had to move towards where Henry had fallen
- 3) Kenneth could not anchor according to Nicholas' signal
- 4) Nicholas had to knock out the thickened snow with his ice axe ()

30. Based on the passage, which one of the following statements is true?

- 1) Henry fell into the crevasse while saving Kenneth.
- 2) Nicholas was standing at the back at the start of the expedition.
- 3) The three climbers were shaken and were giving up on their climb.
- 4) The climbers knew that someone had fallen due to the tightening of the ropes. ()



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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) and	D) between	G) from	K) is	N) though
B) been	E) by	H) if	L) of	P) to
C) being	F) for	J) into	M) the	Q) were

The amount of food waste in Singapore hits record high. From the factory right down _____ the dining table, more food _____ being dumped in Singapore.
(31) (32)

A new-record was set _____ food wastage in 2012 as 703,200 tonnes were generated - a 26 percent spike _____ the 558, 900 tonnes produced in 2007. This far outpaced the 15.8 percent growth in _____ local population over the same period.
(33) (34) (35)

The National Environment Agency (NEA) said that population growth _____ a rise in tourist arrivals had contributed to the problem. Even _____ more food is wasted, the amount _____ food recycled each year remains low. Recycling methods have _____ studied with cost-effectiveness, practicality and sustainability taken _____ account.
(36) (37) (38) (39) (40)

Restaurants and supermarkets are also taking the necessary measures to reduce the amount of food waste.

Adapted from "Amount of food waste here hits record high", The Straits Times

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.

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Mummification is the preservation of either an animal or a human body. At ancient

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Egypt, this was a common **praktise**. Ancient Egyptians believed in an afterlife after someone

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passed off. The dead person would have to possess his or her body again through

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mummification to **sukseed** in gaining an afterlife. Mummification allowed the body to be

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Mummification was mainly carried out for the **privaledge** class and the wealthy ones

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because poorer people would not afford the process. If the person had been a king, he would

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(49)

be placing inside his special burial chamber with **numerers** treasures.

(50)

Mummification involves the remove of vital organs. It takes about seventy days for the

whole process to be completed.

Adapted from 'A Step by Step guide to Egyptian Mummification'

Section I – Comprehension Cloze (15 x 1) marks
Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

It was raining heavily as the clock struck twelve midnight. The residents of a village in Uttaradit Province, some 500 km north of Thailand's capital were fast _____ Hantha had gone to bed earlier _____ usual
(51) (52)
that night because of the bad weather.

Surrounded by mountains, the village lies at the confluence _____
(53)
two streams. The incessant rain had _____ Hantha a little worried as it
(54)
had been raining for weeks and there _____ a danger of a flash flood or a
(55)
mudslide

_____ around 2a.m., Hantha received a call from a relative
(56)
_____ told her that the water level in the stream was unusually high. Half
(57)
an hour later, Hantha was jarred awake _____ a thunderous roar. Hantha
(58)
jumped into her truck and headed for the stream to find out what was
_____ there. She rushed to the bridge above the stream and
(59)
_____ the water level rising dangerously high before her eyes. The
(60)
current was visibly _____ and black waves slammed against the bridge.

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Despite the risk, Hantha decided to _____ her fellow villagers of the
(62)
impending danger. She knew that the strong current had the potential to bring with it many
other things, such as rocks, mud and logs which could destroy the villagers' homes, injure
and even _____ the villagers. The power had gone off and there was no
(63)
way for her to make an _____ on the public address system of the village.
(64)

Hantha had no choice but to drive around the village and honk loudly to wake the
villagers up. In the end, _____ the villagers managed to escape and
(65)
incredibly, no one died. The villagers thanked Hantha for saving them.

Adapted from "The day the earth moved", Reader's Digest

Séction 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. Marcus and James dislike chocolates.

Neither _____ nor _____

67. Every child in the class is receiving a gift voucher from the teacher.

All _____

68. "Where had the rabbit run to?" Peter asked me.

Peter asked me _____

69. He was dedicated yet he was not promoted.

Despite _____

70. She is anxious over everything. This makes her unhappy.

Her _____

Section K – Comprehension (10 x 2) marks

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

With sirens blaring, two fire engines from Manukau Station and an ambulance arrived at the accident scene. The trailer of a petrol truck had collided into the rear of a car. As the heat was so intense, one of the first firemen on the scene, Ken, saw his boots, fireproof trousers and the rubber on his breathing apparatus begin to singe. When he and his partner, Mike, turned a hose on the fire, the water just turned to steam.

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More fire crew arrived and concentrated on using the streams of water from their hoses to try to push the flames away from the truck. However, more explosion from the trailer forced Ken and the others back.

A high-pitched wail cut through the night. One fireman dismissed it as expanding metal. When it came again, the hair on Ken's neck was raised. "It's coming from the trailer!" he thought. Shielding his eyes, he peered into the wall of flames. Beneath the trailer, he saw something waving – a child's hand.

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"Cover me!" Ken shouted and ran straight into the inferno.

For ten minutes, Shirley had been roasting in a sea of fire crying for help. She had been trapped in a tiny space between a rear wheel and the steel frame of the trailer. Giddy with pain and the smell of the fumes, she was desperate to escape. Straining to see through the flames, Shirley glimpsed moving figures. Then, with every ounce of force she had, she screamed.

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As Ken neared the blaze, the heat hit him like a physical blow, stinging his face through his visor. Under the trailer, he found Shirley clutching an overhead brake cable. Her hips and thighs were under the wheel assembly and her legs were twisted up like a grasshopper next to her chest. "I'm scared!" Shirley wailed. "Please don't leave me!"

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"I promise you I won't," Ken said, looking into her trusting eyes. "We are in this together now, so we have to help each other." The trailer was still shielding them from the main blaze, but the air was so thick with petrol fumes that the two could barely breathe.

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Whoosh! The vapour suddenly ignited and the air exploded around them. Ken felt sick with helplessness as flames washed over the girl. For a moment the fire drew back. Unstrapping his helmet, he said to her, "Let me put this on for you." After which, he tightened the strap under her chin.

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Just then, there came a sudden ice-cold waterfall. "My mates are here!" Ken yelled. Four hoses were directed onto Ken and Shirley and more than five thousand litres of freezing water were now cascading over them each minute. Ironically, the two began to shiver violently.

"We'll get someone to relieve you," a fireman yelled to Ken.

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"No," he said firmly. "I must stay with her. I promised."

"What do you watch on TV?" he asked. In a bid to keep Shirley conscious, Ken kept talking to keep her conscious. They talked about her favourite shows. He also wrapped his arms tightly around her. Occasionally, she would let out stifled moans. The pain was becoming unbearable but she never shed tears.

40

The flow of water faltered for an instant and flames rolled in. When the water came

pouring back, Ken was horrified to see several layers of skin on Shirley's arms slide down around her wrists. She was growing visibly weaker.

The desperate rescue team had brought in air bags to elevate the trailer. Ken gently untangled Shirley's legs from under the wheel. They were crushed so badly that they were like jelly in his hands. Soon, her body was loose from its prison. As Ken left the inferno and carried her to a stretcher, she smiled weakly at him and kissed him on the cheek. "You've done it, Shirley," he whispered. Then, overcome by fumes, shock and cold, he pitched forward into the arms of his colleague.

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Adapted from "Please don't leave me!" by James Hutchison

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

71. What was Mike's occupation?

72. What does "it" in line 10 refer to?

73. Explain clearly why Ken entered the fire.

74. Referring to the fifth and sixth paragraph, quote the sentence which suggests that Shirley was in an awkward position.

75. When the fire retreated, what did Ken do to show that he wanted to protect Shirley from the fire?

76. Which word in the ninth paragraph tells us that something contradictory was happening?

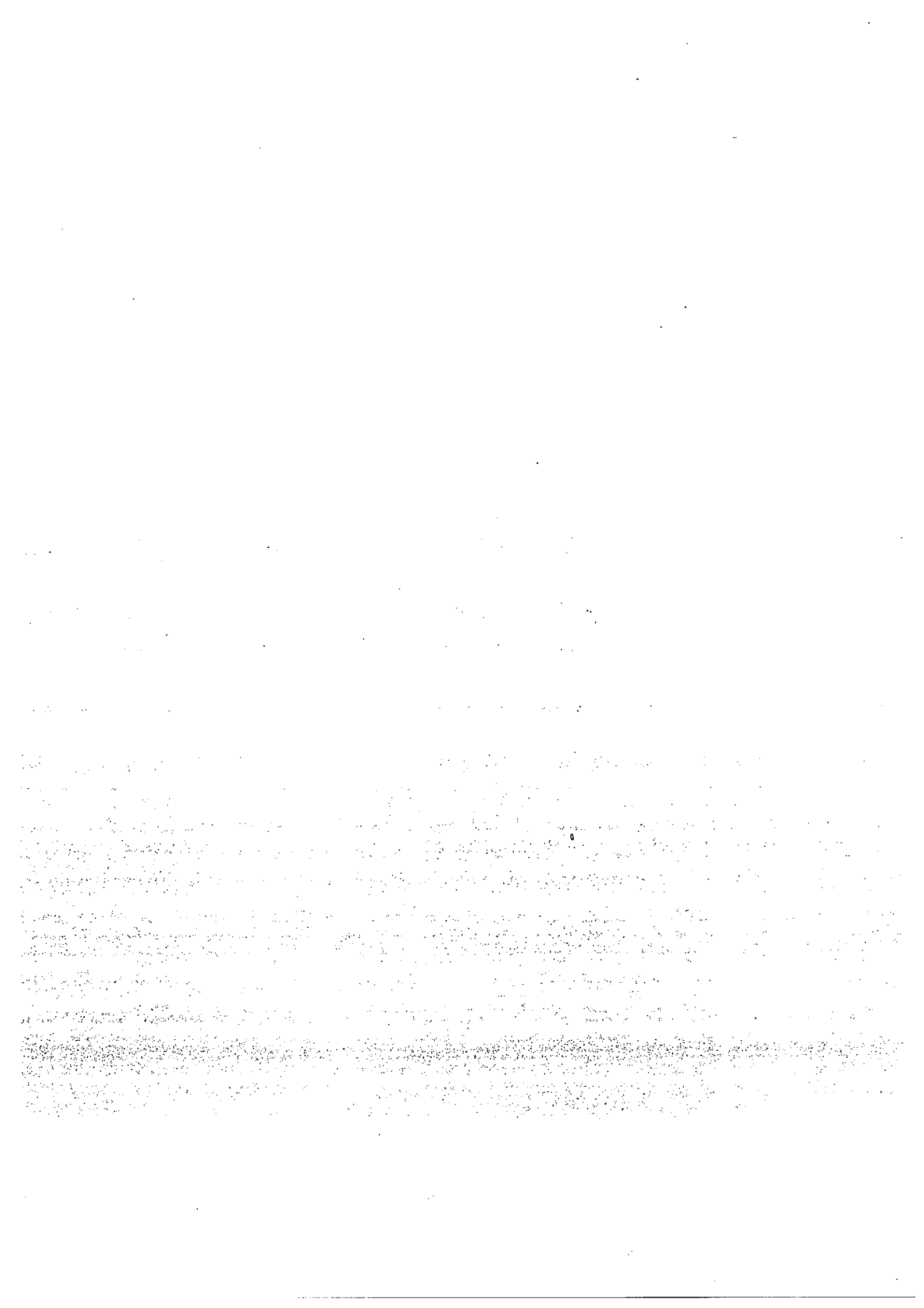
77. Explain clearly what made Ken refuse the fireman's offer to take over his position in the fire.

78. Which two actions of Ken showed that he was trying to keep Shirley conscious?

79. What evidence in the last paragraph best supports the fact that Shirley was seriously injured?

80. In the last paragraph, was Shirley conscious when she was carried to a stretcher? How can we tell?

End-of-Paper



ANSWER SHEET

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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
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46)privileged 47)could 48)placed 49)numerous 50)removal
51)asleep 52)than 53)of 54)made 55)was
56)At 57)who 58)by 59)happening 60)saw
61)strong 62)inform 63)kill 64)announcement 65)all
66)Neither Marcus nor James likes chocolates.
67)All the children in the class are receiving gift voucher.
68)Peter asked me where the rabbit had run to.
69)Despite the fact that he was dedicated, he was not promoted.

70)Her anxiety over everything makes her unhappy.

71)He was a fireman.

72)It refers to the high-pitched wail.

73)Ken saw Shirley in the fire and wanted to and save protect her from the inferno.

74)The sentence is "Her hips and thighs were under the wheel assembly and her legs were twisted up like a grasshopper next to her chest".

75)He took off his helmet and put it on Shirley.

76)The word is "Ironically".

77)Ken had promised Shirley that he would not leave her.

78)Ken talked about Shirley's favourite television shows and also wrapped his arms around her to keep her conscious.

79)Shirley's legs were crushed so badly that they were like jelly in Ken's hand.

80)Yes, She was smiled weakly at Ken and kissed him weakly.