



**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 2 (2008)
PRIMARY THREE
ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary Three _____

**75 QUESTIONS
(100 MARKS)**

TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLET: 1 HOUR 15 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS:

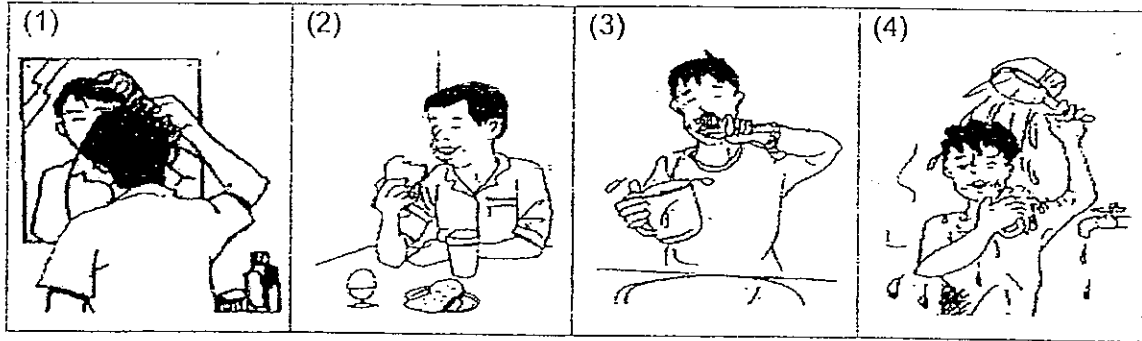
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Follow all instructions carefully.
Answer all the questions.

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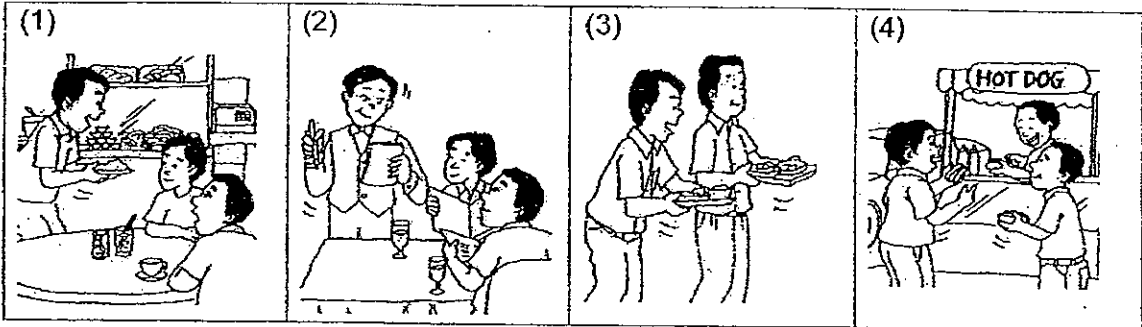
SECTION A : PICTURE MATCHING (5 marks) (NO ANSWER)

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 correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the Optical Answer Sheet.

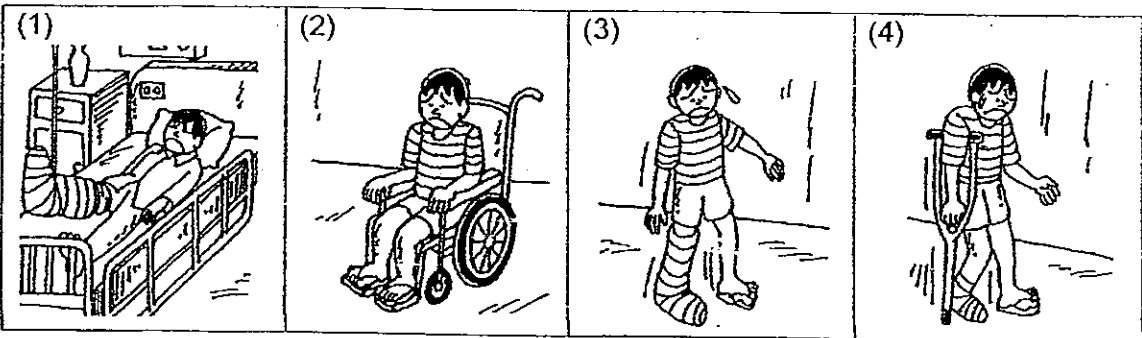
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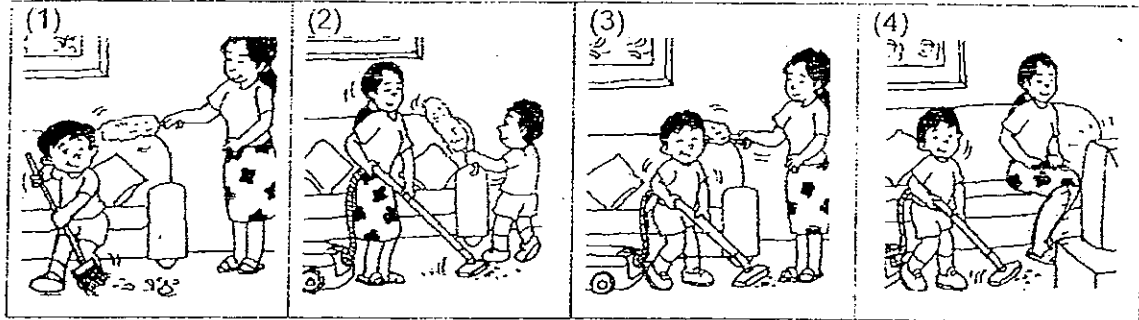
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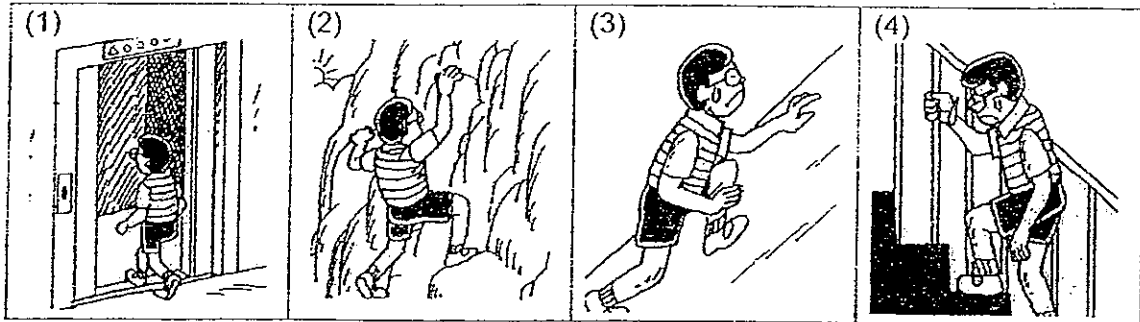
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SECTION B : VOCABULARY MCQ (15 marks)

For each question, choose the most suitable answer to complete the blank. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. Every afternoon, the softball _____ follows its coach out to the field for practice.
- (1) team
 - (2) class
 - (3) troop
 - (4) group
7. Everyone _____ to the project by giving their suggestions.
- (1) donated
 - (2) dispersed
 - (3) distributed
 - (4) contributed
8. Our teacher told us to read the daily _____ to know what is happening around us.
- (1) brochures
 - (2) documents
 - (3) newsletters
 - (4) newspapers
9. I like to read _____ because they tell stories of princes and princesses.
- (1) fables
 - (2) recipes
 - (3) journals
 - (4) fairy tales
10. Darren _____ his hand when he went too near the candle flame.
- (1) cut
 - (2) burnt
 - (3) scalded
 - (4) sprained

11. The death _____ caused by the flood increased to 238 in two days.
- (1) toll
 - (2) sum
 - (3) amount
 - (4) number
12. I _____ down my juice and hurried out of the house as I was late for school.
- (1) drank
 - (2) sipped
 - (3) gulped
 - (4) swallowed
13. Sarah is always admiring herself in the mirror. She is as _____ as a peacock.
- (1) vain
 - (2) pretty
 - (3) colourful
 - (4) wonderful
14. The ballerina danced _____ on the stage. Everyone enjoyed the performance.
- (1) hopefully
 - (2) cheerfully
 - (3) gracefully
 - (4) graciously
15. Before any book can be published, the _____ has to check the text for errors.
- (1) editor
 - (2) author
 - (3) publisher
 - (4) illustrator

16. Mother always complains that Sue is disorganised and cannot _____ her time well.
- (1) cope
 - (2) arrange
 - (3) manage
 - (4) maintain
17. The tourists had to carry their heavy _____ up the stairs as the hotel's lifts had broken down.
- (1) wallets
 - (2) luggage
 - (3) pouches
 - (4) handbags
18. Enid Blyton is a successful writer who wrote internationally _____ series such as 'The Famous Five' and 'Secret Seven'.
- (1) atrocious
 - (2) infamous
 - (3) renowned
 - (4) anonymous
19. When you are seated in a car, you have to _____ your seat belt.
- (1) fix
 - (2) tie
 - (3) fasten
 - (4) release
20. We were attacked by a/an _____ of bees while playing in the park.
- (1) flock
 - (2) army
 - (3) swarm
 - (4) colony

SECTION C : GRAMMAR MCQ (20 marks)

For each question, choose the most suitable answer to complete the blank. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the Optical Answer Sheet.

21. "This is the _____ performance that I have ever seen," said Jake.

- (1) best
- (2) good
- (3) better
- (4) excellent

22. The bell is about to ring. There is not _____ time left.

- (1) any
- (2) little
- (3) much
- (4) many

23. The CCA teacher informed, "Each of you _____ to participate in the next competition."

- (1) has
- (2) had
- (3) have
- (4) having

24. He is _____ late. It is surprising that he is still not here yet.

- (1) often
- (2) usually
- (3) seldom
- (4) frequently

25. David who lives near his school often _____ home.

- (1) walk
- (2) walks
- (3) walked
- (4) walking

26. The doctor will not see you _____ you make an appointment with him.
- (1) if
 - (2) since
 - (3) when
 - (4) unless
27. After you go _____ the bend, you will see the library.
- (1) by
 - (2) over
 - (3) under
 - (4) around
28. Benjamin and his sister _____ visiting the circus tomorrow.
- (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were
29. You know how to ride a bicycle, _____?
- (1) do you
 - (2) did you
 - (3) don't you
 - (4) didn't you
30. Mary _____ to Sally when it started to rain.
- (1) talk
 - (2) will talk
 - (3) is talking
 - (4) was talking

SECTION D : COMPREHENSION MCQ (5 marks)

Read the passage carefully. For each question, choose the most suitable answer to complete the blank. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the Optical Answer Sheet.

Long ago, a turtle lived in a pond with two swans. The turtle loved to talk and always had stories to share.

After some time, a dry spell came and the pond dried up completely. The two swans realised they would have to fly in search of another pond with water. As the swans were leaving, the turtle begged them, "Don't leave me behind! I have nothing to eat and no water to live on. I will surely die if I am left here."

The swans felt sorry for their friend so they came up with a plan. They said to the turtle, "We will each take hold of one end of a long stick. You must hold onto the middle of it with your beak and never let go. You must not talk. If you open your mouth, you'll fall to the ground."

The swans made the turtle promise not to say a word. The swans flew into the air carrying the turtle on the stick between them. As they rose above the treetops, the turtle wanted to say, "Goodness, look how high we are!" However, she remembered the swans' warning.

Soon, they passed over a small town and a few people looked up and shouted, "Look at the swans carrying a turtle! What a silly sight!" More villagers came to see the sight. They cried, "How strange! A flying turtle! Look, everybody!"

The turtle could stand it no longer. She opened her mouth to call out, "Hush, you foolish people!" But as she did, she let go of the stick and fell to the ground. She landed on her back and her shell cracked into a thousand pieces.

Adapted from The Talkative Turtle – Stories from India

31. The swans had to leave the pond because _____.
- (1) they were hungry
 - (2) their pond had dried up
 - (3) it was time to go to a new pond
 - (4) they had grown tired of the turtle's stories
32. The swans were worried that _____.
- (1) the stick would not be strong enough
 - (2) the turtle would talk and fall off the stick
 - (3) they would not be able to carry the turtle's weight
 - (4) the turtle might feel uncomfortable biting the stick
33. The villagers were amazed at the sight of the two swans and the turtle because _____.
- (1) the turtle and swans were friends
 - (2) the turtle looked odd next to the swans
 - (3) they had never seen a flying turtle before
 - (4) swans were not a common sight in that village
34. Which word in the passage means "caution"? The word is "_____".
- (1) plan
 - (2) spell
 - (3) sight
 - (4) warning
35. The moral of the story is we should _____.
- (1) be humble
 - (2) not trust our friends
 - (3) not be too adventurous
 - (4) talk at the appropriate time

SECTION E : VOCABULARY CLOZE (10 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in the blanks.
Use each word ONCE only.

ability	award	-costumes	depend	-fly
prize	reality	reward	-strength	toys

A superhero is a character well-known for his courage and goodness. Most superheroes have interesting names and wear colourful or fanciful
(36) _____

There are some superheroes, each with a different (37) _____, who form a team like the Fantastic Four and the X-Men. Superheroes possess abilities that normal human beings would not have. Superman can fly and the Human Torch in Fantastic Four can give out fire. Other superheroes like Spiderman and Batman (38) _____ on special gadgets.

All the superheroes mentioned are willing to risk their lives to save the world without expecting any (39) _____ in return. In (40) _____, anyone can be a superhero. All we need is to possess goodness and the willingness to make the world a better place to live in by being considerate and caring to other people.

SECTION F : VOCABULARY CLOZE (10 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in the blanks.
Use each word ONCE only.

climbing	driving	enjoyed	festival	groups
rejoiced	riding	swinging	vacation	variety

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14 April 2008

Dear Aunt Tessa,

I want to thank you for letting me stay with you during the June holidays. I had a wonderful time with you and I (41) _____ myself very much.

I had a relaxing time (42) _____ my bicycle in the park. I also enjoyed our trip to the zoo where we saw the monkeys (43) _____ from tree to tree. I liked our visit to the Underwater World! It was such an exciting experience to see the (44) _____ of colourful fishes.

Thank you once again, Aunt Tessa, for making my stay so enjoyable. I hope that I would be able to visit you during the next school (45) _____. I am sure we will have more fun!

With love,

Philip

SECTION G : GRAMMAR CLOZE (7 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in the blanks.
Use each word ONCE only.

can run	could run	ran	run
runner	running	runs	were running

Dear Diary,

My younger sister has just been accepted into the Sports School ~~on~~ an athletics scholarship! She is very excited since she gets to (46) _____ everyday now. Ever since we were young, both of us would compete to see who (47) _____ the fastest. She would usually emerge the winner.

Between the two of us, my sister is the better (48) _____. She has more stamina and endurance than me. She (49) _____ daily to keep herself fit. When I was still in school, I only (50) _____ for the bus!

Since my sister is a good runner, she has the chance to represent our country. Major sporting compapies are willing to even sponsor her career. Imagine (51) _____ for a living! I wish my sister all the best and I hope that one day in future I (52) _____ as fast as her. That's all for today.

Jen

SECTION H : GRAMMAR CLOZE (8 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in the blanks.
Use each word **ONCE** only.

after	around	behind	between	in
off	out	over	through	to

We were all packed and ready to go. It was dusk by the time we set (53) _____ for the enclosure. The route (54) _____ the enclosure was scenic and we loved admiring the lush greenery. Thankfully, we had a guide with us. He led the way, with us following closely (55) _____ him.

The route was tedious. We had to climb (56) _____ rotting logs and fallen trees and push our way (57) _____ the thick foliage. We also had to swat away the various insects swarming (58) _____ us.

When we finally reached the enclosure, the other group was already there. Standing (59) _____ two benches, they were helping themselves to the food prepared. We joined them after leaving our belongings (60) _____ our tents.

SECTION I : COMPREHENSION CLOZE (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Write the most suitable word of your own in the blanks provided.

The kimono and the yukata are traditional Japanese clothing. The kimono is made of silk and is usually very expensive. They are worn at formal or informal occasions (51) _____ as weddings, tea ceremonies or funerals. Nowadays, kimonos are (62) _____ seen in everyday life. The newer generation does not find such clothing as appealing as the (63) _____ generation.

There are different (64) _____ of kimonos. The style and colour of kimonos depend on the occasions they are worn for. It also (65) _____ on the age and marital status of the person wearing it.

You need some practice putting (66) _____ a kimono. It is not easy to tie the belt, also known as the obi, around the body. Many ladies often (67) _____ assistance. To wear a (68) _____ properly, you must also have a proper hairstyle, traditional shoes, socks, underwear and a small handbag to go with it.

The yukata, on the other (69) _____ is worn for leisure. It is very comfortable to wear on hot summer days or after a hot bath. Amongst men, the most common use of yukata in public is when it is (70) _____ by sumo wrestlers. During the summer, wrestlers often wear this attire. The yukata is less expensive, as compared to the silk kimono, as it is made of cotton.

SECTION J : COMPREHENSION OPEN-ENDED (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow in complete sentences.

Sally sat on the kitchen chair as she carefully studied the calendar on the wall. The Moscow Circus would be coming to town. She was so excited that she did not think she would be able to sleep that night.

She recalled last year's circus and how the clown had picked her out from the audience to be his assistant for his performance. Her heart was racing as she stepped towards the centre of the ring. She remembered the clown's funny tricks and the sea of smiling faces looking at both of them. 5

Sally went into the living room and peered out of the window. As she looked at the town centre, she thought about the next day, when the circus would arrive and make camp there. 10

When school finished, Sally and some of her friends would make their way as quickly as they could to the town centre. They would then spend their time wandering around and looking at the many circus animals. They would also watch the man set up the huge red and white tent in which the audience would sit and enjoy the performance. 15

71. Why did Sally study the calendar?

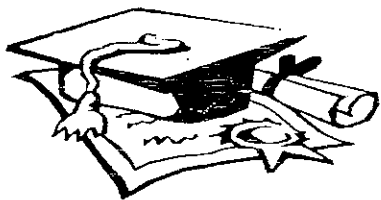
72. How did Sally feel when the clown picked her to be his assistant?

73. Who do you think the phrase "sea of smiling faces" (line 7) refer to?

74. What were the two things that Sally and her friends enjoyed doing in the town centre?

75. Was the circus situated near Sally's house? How do you know?

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ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2008

SCHOOL : CATHOLIC HIGH PRIMARY SCHOOL
 SUBJECT : PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

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| 35)4 | 36)costumes | 37)ability | 38)depend |
| 39)reward | 40)reality | 41)enjoyed | 42)riding |
| 43)swinging | 44)variety | 45)vacation | 46)run |
| 47)could run | 48)runner | 49)runs | 50)ran |
| 51)running | 52)can run | 53)off | 54)to |
| 55)behind | 56)over | 57)through | 58)around |
| 59)between | 60)in | 61)such | 62)rarely |
| 63)older | 64)types | 65)depends | 66)on |
| 67)need | 68)kimono | 69)hand | 70)worn |