



Maha Bodhi School
2009 Continual Assessment 2
English Language (Paper 2)

Name : _____ ()

Class : Pr 3 _____

Duration : 1 h 20 min

Date : 24 August 2009



Section A: Grammar MCQ (10 x 1 mark)

For each of the following, choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OMS.

1. Alan _____ the newspapers in his room when his mother called out to him.
 - 1) read
 - 2) reads
 - 3) is reading
 - 4) was reading

2. Sheila had a bad sore throat. She could not _____ her food fast.
 - 1) ate
 - 2) eat
 - 3) eats
 - 4) eaten

3. "Did you _____ your trip to China?" Mrs Chan asked her friend.
 - 1) enjoy
 - 2) enjoys
 - 3) enjoyed
 - 4) enjoying

4. The baby will wake up _____ you do not turn down the volume of the television.
- 1) if
 - 2) but
 - 3) since
 - 4) although
5. The chicken soup is very salty. You have put in too _____ salt.
- 1) few
 - 2) little
 - 3) many
 - 4) much
6. Neither my sister nor my brother _____ me in my Science project. I did it myself.
- 1) help
 - 2) helps
 - 3) helped
 - 4) were helping
- *7. Mr Silas loved to cook so much that he set _____ a food business.
- 1) up
 - 2) off
 - 3) back
 - 4) aside
8. The book _____ Yi Shen borrowed from the National Library was missing.
- 1) which
 - 2) whom
 - 3) where
 - 4) whose

9. Anna did not win the drawing competition. However, she consoled _____
by saying, "I will try harder next time."
- 1) myself
 - 2) herself
 - 3) himself
 - 4) yourself

10. The old man leaned _____ the wall after waiting around for a few minutes.
- 1) at
 - 2) by
 - 3) over
 - 4) against

Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (10 x 1 mark)

For each of the following, choose the best answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OMS.

11. Upon hearing the joke, the pupils burst into _____.
- 1) joy
 - 2) tears
 - 3) laughter
 - 4) excitement
- *12. The moment the children reached the beach, they ran excitedly towards the _____ clear water.
- 1) shining
 - 2) beaming
 - 3) twinkling
 - 4) glistening
- *13. That man is not able to walk after a major operation. He is as _____
as a child.
- 1) sickly
 - 2) feeble
 - 3) delicate
 - 4) hopeless

14. Before Fanny went to bed, she set the _____ to six o'clock in the morning.
- 1) bell
 - 2) alarm
 - 3) signal
 - 4) chime
15. Jonathan is very _____. He can solve the most difficult puzzles within minutes.
- 1) intelligent
 - 2) reasonable
 - 3) resourceful
 - 4) imaginative
16. "Please give me some food. I am very hungry," the beggar _____ with the passer-by.
- 1) pleaded
 - 2) instructed
 - 3) requested
 - 4) announced
17. My father reminded me to be _____ when crossing a busy road.
- 1) active
 - 2) vigilant
 - 3) thoughtful
 - 4) meticulous
18. These mushrooms are _____. They are highly poisonous.
- 1) bitter
 - 2) inedible
 - 3) tasteless
 - 4) contaminated

19. Yong Li _____ his hands to receive the prize from the school principal.

- 1) held
- 2) raised
- 3) spread
- 4) extended

20. The stray cats in my neighbourhood are always looking for _____ of food.

- 1) bits
- 2) pieces
- 3) scraps
- 4) chunks

Section C: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the best answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OMS.

Amanda lay in bed and cried. She could not help it. The clock had struck ten, but she was still wide awake. She was thinking of her parents and classmates. "They are probably at home watching television and here I am, all by myself," she thought sadly. To make matters worse, her broken leg was throbbing with pain.

Amanda looked around the large and airy hospital ward. All the patients, except her, were fast asleep. It was the first time she had ever been warded in a hospital and the place was so quiet that she felt afraid.

"Hello, Amanda. Feeling scared? Don't worry. I'm here to take care of you." Amanda looked up and saw a lady in white smiling down at her. She was Nurse Wong, the only adult in the ward. Amanda dried her tears and smiled weakly at her.

"That's better, Amanda. I'm sure that after a good night's rest, you'll be feeling much better in the morning." Nurse Wong's voice was so soothing that Amanda was already feeling better.

Nurse Wong gave Amanda a tablet and some water. The pain in her leg was easing a little. Nurse Wong sat beside her and waited until she fell asleep before checking on the other patients.

That night, Amanda slept well. She knew that the kind lady in white was there to watch over her, and she had nothing to fear.

21. Amanda could not sleep because _____
- 1) the ward was large and airy
 - 2) she was frightened and sad
 - 3) she wanted to watch television
 - 4) the other patients were fast asleep
22. Amanda had to be warded in the hospital because she _____
- 1) could not sleep well
 - 2) broke one of her legs
 - 3) watched too much television
 - 4) had never been warded in the hospital before
23. Amanda was in a hospital ward for _____
- 1) girls only
 - 2) adults only
 - 3) children only
 - 4) adults and children
24. The word "soothing" in the fourth paragraph means _____
- 1) polite
 - 2) sweet
 - 3) pleasant
 - 4) comforting
25. From the passage, we learn that Amanda could finally sleep well because _____
- 1) the tablet made her sleepy
 - 2) the pain in her leg was easing a little
 - 3) the nurse was around to look after her
 - 4) the nurse sat beside her bed the whole night

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Section D: Grammar Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box. Use each verb once only.

Passage 1

sleep	had been sleeping	sleeping
slept	sleeps	has been sleeping

Jason is an early sleeper. He (26) _____ at least eight hours a day. To him, (27) _____ well is very important. He can (28) _____ for at least two hours during his afternoon naps. As his examinations are drawing near, he (29) _____ late these past few weeks. In fact, he has not (30) _____ well for the past few nights. He is going to have a good night's rest on the last day of his examinations.

Passage 2

from	in	on
as	of	among

There are many kinds of sharks. However, only 20 kinds of sharks are known to attack and devour man. The white shark, the hammerhead and the tiger shark are known (31) _____ man-eating sharks. One common thing (32) _____ them is that they all have a keen sense (33) _____ smell. This ability enables them to locate an injured fish quickly. These alert species will then surround the wounded fish (34) _____ no time. They will tear flesh (35) _____ its body. The prey will have no chance of escaping.

Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box. Use each word once only.

Passage 1

borrowed	frustrated	lent	angrily
complained	suspiciously	tears	happily

Melissa had searched the whole house in vain. "I can't find my storybook!" (36) _____ Melissa. She felt angry and (37) _____. It was a book she had (38) _____ from the library. Melissa's mother looked at her daughter who was in (39) _____. "Don't worry Melissa. I shall help you search for the book one more time," she said. Her mother then looked (40) _____ at Melissa's younger brother, Tom, and smiled to herself. She was sure Tom had something to do with the missing book as she had seen him playing with it earlier on.

Passage 2

ask	frown	warned	sadness
create	reported	smile	challenge

Mike spotted the class bully, Ken, standing by the staircase. He wondered if Ken was out to (41) _____ trouble again. Yesterday, Ken waited at the gate in order to (42) _____ Mike to a fight. Luckily for Mike, a school prefect came along and (43) _____ Ken that his behaviour would be (44) _____ to the discipline mistress. Worried, Ken then walked away with a (45) _____ on his face. Mike prayed that Ken would not come after him again.

Section F: Comprehension Open-End (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions in complete sentences.

"I've never heard of a crow that is afraid to fly," the mouse exclaimed in shock.

"He's not afraid to fly. Shay is afraid of heights," the butterfly added.

The animals in the valley gathered around the lake, sipping water from it. Shay sighed and joined them for a drink.

Mouse asked, "Shay, why are you afraid of heights? Why don't you fly like all the other crows?"

Shay hung his head low. "I don't want to talk about it," he whispered and walked away.

"We've got to help Shay get over his fear of heights," the bumblebee said. "It is just not normal."

"I have an idea," said the raccoon. "I'll climb to the top of the apple tree and pretend that I'm stuck. I want all of you to ignore my calls and Shay will have no choice but to rescue me." The raccoon then climbed up the tree as high as he could. He waited for Shay to walk past. "Help me! Help me! I'm stuck in the tree!"

All the other animals pretended not to hear the raccoon. "Help me, Shay. Fly up here and rescue me." The raccoon shouted down to him.

Shay shook his head back and forth and said, "I can't help you. I'm afraid of heights. Sorry." He walked away.

"Shay doesn't like heights and he doesn't want to fly, so why don't we just let him be who he is?" the mouse sighed.

"He's a crow that walks," the rabbit said.

"Yes, he is a crow that walks," said the mouse, "but that's just who Shay is."

Never again did they force Shay to fly. They accepted him for who he was. Shay walked on air for the rest of the day.

*Adapted from How High Can You Go by
Margo Fallis*

46. Why was Shay unable to fly?

47. Why was it not normal that Shay was unable to fly?

48. How did the animals try to help Shay?

49. Where does "here" in paragraph 8 refer to?

50. How did Shay feel about the animals accepting him for who he was?

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Please remember to check your work thoroughly.





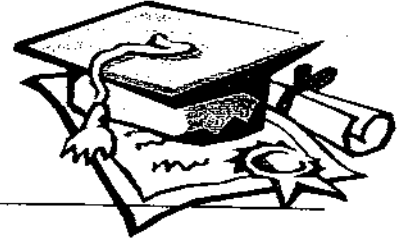


ANSWER SHEET

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
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- 26)sleeps 27)sleeping 28)sleep 29)has been sleeping 30)slept
31)as 32)among 33)of 34)in 35)from 36)complained
37)frustrated 38)borrowed 39)tears 40)suspiciously 41)create
42)challenge 43)warned 44)reported 45)frown
46)Shay was afraid of heights.
47)He was a crow and a crow could fly.
48)They tried to trick Shay into rescuing the raccoon who pretended to be stuck on a tree.
49)It refers to the apple tree.
50)Shay felt glad about the animals accepting him for who he was.