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CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT, 2011
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2: LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION
PRIMARY 3

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary 4 ()

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Date: 16 August 2011

Component	Marks obtained	Maximum marks for each component
Paper 1 (Writing)		20
Paper 2 (Language Use and Comprehension)		80
Total marks for all components		100

Section A: Vocabulary (13 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

1. Rahman was unhappy with his Mathematics results as he made many _____ mistakes when he did his test.

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| (1) careful | (2) forgetful | |
| (3) careless | (4) fearless | () |

2. We must keep our _____ clean and neat at all times.

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| (1) presence | (2) likeness | |
| (3) impression | (4) appearance | () |

3. The park ranger used the _____ to observe the birds in the treetops far away.

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| (1) binoculars | (2) goggles | |
| (3) microscope | (4) periscope | () |

4. We can go to the _____ to look at paintings by famous artists such as Vincent Van Gogh and Leonardo Da Vinci.

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| (1) aquarium | (2) museum | |
| (3) planetarium | (4) stadium | () |

5. Mother bought a _____ of bananas from the market yesterday.

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| (1) band | (2) bouquet | |
| (3) brood | (4) bunch | () |

6. Alisha gave out _____ cards to her classmates for her birthday party.

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| (1) business | (2) gift | |
| (3) invitation | (4) report | () |

7. The frog is an interesting creature with two _____ eyes that stick out of its head.
- (1) bulging (2) flat
(3) shrunken (4) sunken ()
8. The police are still _____ the burglary which took place in that apartment last week.
- (1) attacking (2) investigating
(3) spying (4) testifying ()
9. The deer bolted as fast as _____ down the mountain track when it spotted the wolf.
- (1) light (2) snow
(3) thunder (4) rain ()
10. Sue needs a needle and _____ to sew a button on the shirt.
- (1) wire (2) ribbon
(3) string (4) thread ()
11. "Why won't you just _____ your own business and leave me alone?" grumbled Vishnu as he walked away sulkily.
- (1) choose (2) look
(3) mind (4) care ()
12. Alex tried to _____ into the theatre quietly as he did not have a movie ticket.
- (1) glide (2) prod
(3) sneak (4) stroll ()
13. I was as _____ as a lark when my teacher announced that I had won the first prize in the art competition.
- (1) funny (2) happy
(3) silly (4) sticky ()

Section B: Grammar (12 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

14. Mr Low took a photograph of his family at the beach by _____.
- (1) itself (2) yourself
(3) himself (4) herself ()
15. "You like apple tarts, _____ you?" asked Minah.
- (1) aren't (2) won't
(3) haven't (4) don't ()
16. Daphne _____ a letter to Judy to tell her about the good news last night.
- (1) writes (2) wrote
(3) will write (4) has written ()
17. Bala and Ahmad like to pit their skills _____ each other in playing the yo-yo.
- (1) against (2) from
(3) on (4) to ()
18. Lynette will be _____ to Nepal for a holiday next month.
- (1) goes (2) gone
(3) going (4) went ()
19. Watch out! That ferocious dog looks like it is going to _____ you!
- (1) bit (2) bite
(3) biting (4) bitten ()
20. Grandma used to make quilts using pieces _____ scrap cloth that she collected from our neighbours.
- (1) of (2) in
(3) with (4) on ()

21. The tickets to the concert were _____ out within a few hours yesterday.

- (1) sell
- (3) sold

- (2) sells
- (4) selling

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22. Do you know that Mount Everest is the _____ mountain in the world?

- (1) high
- (3) highly

- (2) higher
- (4) highest

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23. The pickpocket took _____ as soon as he saw the policeman coming towards him.

- (1) up
- (3) on

- (2) off
- (4) down

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24. "If I _____ rich, I would take my parents on a trip around the world," said Weimin.

- (1) am
- (3) were

- (2) will be
- (4) are

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25. "If you need to see me, I'll be _____ my desk," Mrs Tan told her pupils.

- (1) at
- (3) in

- (2) between
- (4) over

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Section C: Vocabulary Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

Read Passage 1 and Passage 2 carefully. Choose the correct word in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

Passage 1

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) cool	(B) growing	(C) like	(D) shrinking
(E) tall	(F) unlike	(G) warm	(H) weigh

African elephants are the largest mammals that live on land. They keep (26) _____ all of their lives. Male African elephants can grow to be four metres (27) _____ f measured from the ground to the top of their shoulder. They can (28) _____ up to 6000 kilogrammes.

African elephants have ears that are shaped like the continent of Africa. Their ears are like gigantic fans. Elephants often flap their big ears which help to keep them (29) _____.

Elephants eat all day long. They like to eat plants. They also eat fruits (30) _____ bananas. Elephants use their trunks to grab food and put it in their mouths.

Passage 2

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

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|-----------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|
| (A) accompanied | (B) distance | (C) earn | (D) face |
| (E) flex | (F) look | (G) prepare | (H) raise |

Next month, ten blind cyclists will cycle 500 kilometres to Malacca and back on a fund-raising trip. Each blind cyclist will be (31) _____ by a sighted volunteer who rides with him on a special bicycle that is built for two.

The blind cyclists are from the Singapore Association of the Visually Handicapped. They hope to (32) _____ about \$30,000 so that some of their members can take up art courses at the Arts College. This is the first time these cyclists are covering such a long (33) _____ and they have planned four practice sessions to (34) _____ for the trip.

One of the cyclists said, "Cycling isn't a problem even though we are blind. The biggest problem we expect to (35) _____ is the intense heat at mid-day. It is a challenge but I think we can do it."

Section D: Grammar Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

Read Passage 1 and Passage 2 carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

Passage 1

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

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|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| (A) is telling | (B) have been telling | (C) was telling | (D) tell |
| (E) tells | (F) told | (G) will tell | (H) telling |

Ever since Kumar was young, his parents had placed great emphasis on honesty. All along, they (36) _____ Kumar that being honest is a virtue. They warned Kumar never to (37) _____ lies because people would not believe him again if he did so. However, Kumar had to learn his lesson the hard way. Once, Kumar (38) _____ his parents that he was going to the library but he went to the games arcade instead.

Their neighbour spotted Kumar at the games arcade and informed his parents. When Kumar got home that evening, his parents were very upset with him for (39) _____ them a lie. They grounded Kumar for a month after that incident. Kumar realised that it was wrong of him to spin a tale to get his way. Now, Kumar always (40) _____ the truth.

Passage 2

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

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|--------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| (A) after | (B) along | (C) at | (D) before |
| (E) overhead | (F) in | (G) under | (H) upon |

Spring was late, and a troubled King Ari stood on the shore of his country.

Freezing cold waves crashed (41) _____ the rocks. Seagulls flew

(42) _____ searching in vain for fish among the waves. King Ari looked

(43) _____ the lands behind him. Instead of sheep grazing on grass, he only saw snow covering the hills. The frozen ground was too hard to be ploughed.

“Papa!” cried Nina, the king’s little daughter, as she came running

(44) _____ the beach towards him. King Ari held her

(45) _____ his arms. “Where are the fish?” Nina asked. “It’s spring, Papa.

The fish should be here so I would not be hungry!” King Ari hugged his daughter and sighed.

Section E : Graphic Stimulus (5 x 1 mark)

Study the advertisement below and answer the questions that follow.

Come to our Educational Toys

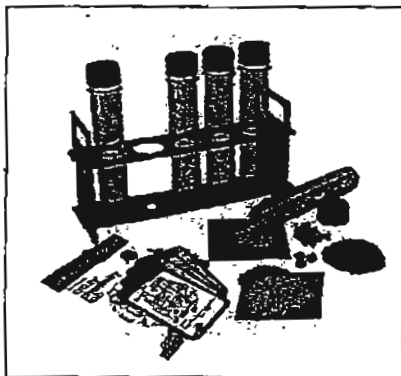


Rubik's Cubes

and Games Fair!

Science Kits

Puzzles



Fun with Chemistry Set

Usual Price: \$45 Now only \$35!



My First Microscope Set

Get it at \$55!

Venue: School Canteen
Dates: 12 and 13 September 2011
Time: 9.00am to 1.30pm

Get a \$10 Pizza House voucher when you purchase more than \$35 worth of products!

Join in the Solar Powered Toy Making Competition where you pit your skills against your friends. Create a Solar Powered Toy that moves the fastest to win fantastic prizes!

To take part, simply purchase a \$15 Solar Powered Toy Kit and register at the sales counter. Remember to write down your name and class.

See You At The Fair!

Come & have Fun!

Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

46. The fair is held over _____ days.
- (1) one (2) two
(3) three (4) four ()
47. Students can purchase _____ at the fair.
- (1) stationery (2) magazines
(3) pizza (4) educational toys ()
48. The product “_____” is sold at a price cheaper than the usual price.
- (1) My First Microscope Set (2) Rubik’s Cubes
(3) Fun with Chemistry Set (4) Puzzles ()
49. You can get a Pizza House voucher if you buy _____.
- (1) a Fun with Chemistry (2) a My First Microscope Set
(3) a \$15 Solar Power Toy Kit (4) any product ()
50. In order to take part in the competition, you need to _____ and register at the sales counter.
- (1) get the Pizza House voucher (2) buy \$35 worth of products
(3) buy a \$15 Solar Power Toy Kit (4) do a puzzle ()

Section F : Editing (10 x 1 mark)

Read Passage 1 and Passage 2 carefully.

In Passage 1, correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

Passage 1

It was a warm spring Saturday morning. However, that was only one

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of the reason why Jim woke up in a good mood. Jim loved gardening and Mr Tan's

(52)

nursery was Jim's favourite store. There were many **intresting** plants on display in

his

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nursery. He was going there with his father to buying flowers for their new garden.

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As they drove into the **paking** lot, Jim could see from the back of the car that

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the flowers and shrubs at the nursery were already in full blooming. It had been a

long cold winter, and the colourful flowers cheered him up.

In Passage 2, wrong or missing punctuation marks are circled. Put the correct punctuation mark in the boxes provided.

Passage 2

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Owl and Pigeon were friends. Every morning they sat in the same tree to

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talk and watch the sunrise Sometimes one of them would boast about how

fast they could fly, or how good their eyesight was when they were high above the

ground.

One morning, Owl boasted about something different. "I think there are more

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owls than pigeons

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"No," said Pigeon. "That s not right."

(60)

"Well, shall we challenge each other to a counting

"We will meet at the Big Woods in three days," agreed Pigeon.

Section G: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Spiders are not insects as many people believe. They belong to a class of animals called arachnids. Spiders have eight eyes, four pairs of segmented legs, and can grow a new leg if they lose one. A spider's body is divided into two sections: the abdomen and the thorax. The legs, eyes, and mouthparts are in the thorax section.

Most spiders have poison glands and fangs in their jaws. They use their fangs to inject poison into their prey which are mainly insects. This poison can paralyse an insect and the helpless insect is then devoured by the spider. 5

Spiders usually have silk glands located beneath their abdomen. They secrete a liquid that is thicker than water from these glands. When the liquid comes into contact with air, it dries into a strand of silk. Many spiders use this silk to spin webs to trap their prey and to make cocoons that protect their eggs. Did you know that spiders have their own private jets? This amazing silk is also used to create lines that spiders hang onto as they float or ride in the wind to travel to new areas. 10

Spiders live in almost every habitat on earth. The only places where there are no spiders are the polar regions, the highest mountains and the oceans. A few spider species have invaded the ocean's edge, living rocks and corals. 15

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

61. The body of a spider is divided into the _____ .
- (1) head and thorax
 - (2) legs and abdomen
 - (3) thorax and abdomen ()
 - (4) head, thorax and abdomen
62. According to the passage, where are the poison glands located on the spider's body?
- (1) eyes
 - (2) jaws
 - (3) legs
 - (4) abdomen ()
63. The word "devoured" in line 7 means "_____".
- (1) eaten
 - (2) divided
 - (3) saved
 - (4) trapped ()
64. The silk produced by spiders can be used to _____.
- (1) grow a new leg when a spider loses one
 - (2) help a spider live in the polar regions
 - (3) inject poison into insects
 - (4) trap a spider's prey ()
65. According to the passage, which of the following is true?
- (1) Spiders can live in the oceans.
 - (2) Spiders have eight eyes and three pairs of legs.
 - (3) Most spiders have fangs located in their jaws.
 - (4) The mouthparts of the spider are located in the abdomen. ()

Section H: Comprehension OE (5 x 2 marks)

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

Sumei sat at her desk and watched as her classmates came into the classroom. She liked to observe people as they got to school. She knew who was fighting, who had new shoes, and who forgot their homework. Sumei knew everything about everyone in school.

This morning, Sumei saw a new face. A girl walked into the room wearing a boy's jacket that was two sizes too big. Sumei raised an eyebrow as she tried to figure out the girl's background. 5

"Who's that?" Nuraizah asked.

"New girl," Sumei replied. "Total tomboy. Just look at her jacket. I bet she bought it from the boys' department." 10

Mr Raja walked over to the new girl and led her to the front of the room. "Keep quiet, everyone. There's someone I'd like you to meet. This is Alice. She's new to our school, and I want you all to make her feel welcome."

Mr Raja turned to Sumei and said, "Sumei, since you are **the eyes and ears of the school**, I thought you could show Alice around. Why don't you sit by her today?" 15

Sumei's eyes widened, but she did not want to disappoint Mr Raja.

"Um, sure."

Sumei grabbed her books and moved to the back of the room. She stared at Alice's jacket. Alice followed Sumei's stare. "It's my elder brother's jacket. He's overseas in the army. Wearing it reminds me of him. I miss him." 20

Sumei was taken aback. Alice was not a tomboy at all and she did not have bad taste in clothes either. She just missed her brother.

66. Why did Sumei think that Alice was a tomboy?

67. Why did Mr Raja choose Sumei to show Alice around the school?

68. How do you think Sumei felt when her “eyes widened” (line 16)?

69. Why was Alice wearing a jacket that did not fit her?

70. Which sentence in the passage tells you that Sumei realised that she had misunderstood Alice?

End of Paper



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51)reason 52)interesting 53)buy 54)parking 55)bloom

56), 57). 58), 59)That's 60)?

61)3 62)2 63)1 64)4 65)3

66)Alice was wearing a boy's jacket.

67)Sumei was the eyes and ears of the school.

68)I think Sumei felt very surprised.

69)Alice was her elder brother.

70)The sentence is "Sumei was taken a back".