

KONG HWA SCHOOL  
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT ONE 2008  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER TWO  
PRIMARY THREE

BOOKLET A

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (    )    Date: 6 May 2008

Class: Pr 3 \_\_\_\_\_    Duration: 1 h 15 min

Marks :

Booklet A  
Section A to C \_\_\_\_\_ / 22

Booklet B  
Section D to F \_\_\_\_\_ / 26

Total \_\_\_\_\_ / 48

DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOKLET UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.  
FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.  
ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

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Booklet A

Section A: Vocabulary (6 x 1 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

1. The ballet dancer captivated the audience with her \_\_\_\_\_ movements on the stage.

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| 1) rapid    | 2) smooth    |
| 3) graceful | 4) energetic |

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2. Singapore won the bid to \_\_\_\_\_ the Youth Olympic Games in 2010. It will have to start planning for the event.

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| 1) host  | 2) play   |
| 3) watch | 4) design |

( )

3. "Be careful when you wash the glasses. They are \_\_\_\_\_," Jason's mother reminded him.

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| 1) weak    | 2) fragile  |
| 3) durable | 4) flexible |

( )

4. May I \_\_\_\_\_ your mobile phone to call for an ambulance?

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| 1) lend   | 2) use  |
| 3) borrow | 4) loan |

( )

5. Sean's parents were very \_\_\_\_\_ when they lost him in the shopping centre. They looked high and low for him.

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|------------|-----------------|
| 1) amused  | 2) delighted    |
| 3) anxious | 4) disappointed |

( )

6. Roald Dahl is a famous \_\_\_\_\_ who writes books for children.

1) author

2) editor

3) journalist

4) playwright

( . )

Section B: Grammar (6 x 1 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

7. My grandmother \_\_\_\_\_ me to school everyday.

1) send

2) sends

3) sent

4) is sending

( )

8. Mary carries an umbrella with her \_\_\_\_\_ it is raining.

1) but

2) or

3) because

4) and

( )

9. There is not \_\_\_\_\_ sugar left in the jar.

1) less

2) many

3) little

4) much

( )

10. Twenty years ago, teachers \_\_\_\_\_ on blackboards in the classrooms.

1) write

2) writes

3) wrote

4) are writing

( )

11. Janet showed \_\_\_\_\_ her new watch to her friends. She was very proud of it.

- 1) up
- 2) to
- 3) around
- 4) off

( )

12. The frightened boy was hiding \_\_\_\_\_ the bed.

- 1) over
- 2) under
- 3) inside
- 4) between

( )

Section C: Comprehension (MCQ: 5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Wind and Sun were always quarrelling. "I can out-shine you, I'm stronger." said Sun.

"I can out-blow you, I'm the stronger one," said Wind. Then, a man passed by. He was wearing a cloak.

"All right, let's see who can remove the cloak from this man and be the stronger one," said Sun.

"Easy, watch this," said Wind. He took a deep breath and blew with all his might. The man felt his cloak flapping about him and just pulled it tighter. The more Wind blew, the tighter the man held on to his cloak because he wanted to keep warm. No matter how hard Wind blew, he could not part the man from his cloak.

"My turn, watch this," said Sun. She shone down on the man with all her might. Feeling the sudden heat, the man loosened his cloak. As he walked on, he became hotter and hotter under the burning sun. "I can't go on in this heat." he said. He threw his cloak aside and sat down in the shade of a spreading oak tree.

"Well?" smiled Sun.

"Poof!" snorted Wind.

"Phew! It's a beautiful summer's day!" said the man.

Source: The Orchard Book of Aesop's Fables  
by Michael Morpurgo

Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

13. Sun and Wind were always quarrelling about \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) who was stronger
  - 2) the man's cloak
  - 3) who was braver
  - 4) the weather ( )
14. The man held on to the cloak because \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) it was his favourite cloak
  - 2) he did not like a loose cloak
  - 3) he did not want it to be stolen
  - 4) he was cold from the strong wind ( )
15. \_\_\_\_\_ was the winner.
- 1) Sun
  - 2) Man
  - 3) Tree
  - 4) Wind ( )
16. Which one of the following statements is false?
- 1) Wind disappeared with a "poof".
  - 2) Sun and Wind did not agree with each other.
  - 3) The man loosened his cloak when he felt hot.
  - 4) The man sat down in the shade because it was too hot. ( )

17. Wind was \_\_\_\_\_ at the end of the story.

- 1) apologetic
- 2) ashamed
- 3) disgusted
- 4) frustrated

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Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (8 x 1 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose from the words given in the box and fill in each blank with the correct word. Write its letter (A to K) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted to avoid confusion.

Use each letter only once. No marks will be awarded for repeated answers.

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) sudden	(B) busy	(C) bullying	(D) agree	(E) quickly
(F) reprimanded	(G) unfair	(H) praised	(J) refused	(K) instructed

It was recess. Many pupils were queuing to buy food and drinks. The stall owners were having a (18) \_\_\_\_\_ time. They had to dish out food (19) \_\_\_\_\_ for the hungry pupils. All of a (20) \_\_\_\_\_, there was a commotion. Someone had jumped the queue. He was a burly boy, known for (21) \_\_\_\_\_ other pupils in the school. Those in the queue (22) \_\_\_\_\_ to give way to him. They shouted at

him, "How can you jump the queue? It's (23) \_\_\_\_\_. We have queued for a long time."

A teacher saw the commotion. She (24) \_\_\_\_\_ the bully to queue again from the back. She also (25) \_\_\_\_\_ him for jumping the queue.

Section E: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 marks)

PASSAGE 1

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USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(A) decide	(B) decides	(C) decided	(D) deciding	(E) decision
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This year, my family and I are (26) \_\_\_\_\_ where to go for our holidays. Last year, we (27) \_\_\_\_\_ to go to Thailand. My mother (28) \_\_\_\_\_ to go to Malaysia this year. However, my sister and I are unhappy with her (29) \_\_\_\_\_ because we prefer to go to Disneyland in Hong Kong.



PASSAGE 2

Read the passage carefully. Choose from the words given in the box and fill in each blank with the correct word. Write its letter (F to K) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted to avoid confusion.

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USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

(F) in	(G) of	(H) at	(J) and	(K) with
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Mrs Devi was looking (30) \_\_\_\_\_ her photographs. She wanted to share her experiences (31) \_\_\_\_\_ her young son, Bala. They came across a photograph (32) \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs Devi when she was still a little girl. She was playing *chaptah* with her neighbours (33) \_\_\_\_\_ the *kampong*.

Section F: Comprehension (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

"Happy Birthday, Peter!" sang Roberta and Phyllis, his two sisters. Peter made a wish before blowing out the ten candles. When he had finally blown out the last candle on his cake, he cut the cake and offered everyone a slice. Peter gobbled his cake and turned quickly to unwrap the presents he had received.

He received a storybook, a crossword puzzle, a cap and a toy train. The toy train was perfect! It was very charming. Peter could not keep his hands away from it. However, its charm lasted for only three days. On the third day, the toy train was broken into pieces! Peter cried over it.

Peter waited impatiently for Father to return home and fix the toy. Father was wonderfully clever with his fingers. He could mend all sorts of things. He had mended his sister's doll house and his wooden rocking horse when even the carpenter had given up all hopes of repairing them.

Father examined the broken toy carefully. He looked at Peter and smiled.

"Don't worry, son. This is quite a simple job. It would not take long."

Father started working on the toy right after dinner. He worked on it for two hours. All this while, Peter stood by his father, watching intently. Finally, the toy was fixed! Peter was relieved and immediately hugged his father.

Source: The Railway Children  
by E. Nesbit

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES

34. How old was Peter?

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35. From the passage, which word tells you that Peter ate very quickly?

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36. What was Peter's favourite present?

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37. How did Peter feel when the toy train was spoilt?

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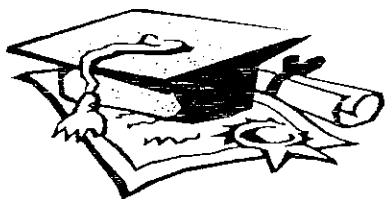
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38. Who was better at fixing things? Why?

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END OF BOOKLET B



# ANSWER SHEET

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
3	1	2	3	3	1	2	3	4	3	4	2	1	4	1	1	4

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33
B	E	A	C	J	G	K	F	D	C	B	E	H	K	G	F

34) Peter was ten years old.

35) The word is "gobbled".

36) Peter's favourite present was the toy train.

37) He felt very sad.

38) Father was better at fixing things. He could mend things which the carpenter could not.