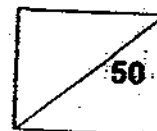




**HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL  
2009 SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION ONE  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PRIMARY THREE**



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Class: Primary 3 \_\_\_\_\_

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Duration of Paper: 1h 15min

**Section A: Vocabulary (8 x 1 mark)**

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. Then shade your answers in the OAS given.

1. "At the end of the story, the monkey felt hurt when he realised that he had been \_\_\_\_\_ by the turtle," said Sue.

- 1) betrayed
- 2) praised
- 3) protected
- 4) saved

( )

2. The bear and her cubs remained in the lair as the storm raged \_\_\_\_\_ outside.

- 1) fiercely
- 2) gently
- 3) gracefully
- 4) smoothly

( )

3. I will \_\_\_\_\_ the invitation card to you by post.

- 1) bring
- 2) fetch
- 3) send
- 4) take

( )

4. Jane \_\_\_\_\_ the conversation between the two boys just now.

- 1) noticed
- 2) overheard
- 3) saw
- 4) spoke

( )

5. I received a/an \_\_\_\_\_ from Gary yesterday, but I have not replied to him yet.

- 1) award
- 2) coin
- 3) gift
- 4) letter

( )

6. "I do not know who the caller was. She did not \_\_\_\_\_ herself," said the secretary.

- 1) identify
- 2) say
- 3) show
- 4) tell

( )

7. Ms Sim used different facial \_\_\_\_\_ to tell the story.

- 1) expressions
- 2) movements
- 3) sounds
- 4) steps

( )

8. I've looked \_\_\_\_\_, but Lily is nowhere to be found! What shall I do now?"  
cried Amy.

- 1) everywhere
- 2) here
- 3) there
- 4) somewhere

( )

**Section B: Grammar (8 x 1 mark)**

**Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. Then shade your answers in the OAS given.**

9. I have a little table for my books and alarm clock \_\_\_\_\_ my bed.

- 1) on
- 2) beside
- 3) under
- 4) between

( )

10. All of us \_\_\_\_\_ listening to Mrs Tan's stories .

- 1) love
- 2) loves
- 3) loved
- 4) loving

( )

11. I can help you with your project \_\_\_\_\_ you like.

- 1) if
- 2) or
- 3) then
- 4) because

( )

12. Dad, can you pass \_\_\_\_\_ an apple, please?

1. I
2. me
3. myself
4. yourself

( )

13. Everyone must \_\_\_\_\_ attention to the teacher's instruction.

1. pay
2. paid
3. pays
4. paying

( )

14. Excuse me, \_\_\_\_\_ you tell me the way to the General Office, please?

1. may
2. have
3. could
4. should

( )

15. Without fail, my brother and I walk our dog \_\_\_\_\_ at the park.

1. daily
2. rarely
3. never
4. sparingly

( )

16. Are you \_\_\_\_\_ shopping with your mom later?

1. go
2. goes
3. gone
4. going

( )

**Section C: Comprehension (MCQ) 5 x 1 mark**

**Read the following letter and answer the questions that follow.**

Brendon helped his mother organise a surprise party for his grandfather's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. They invited all their friends and relatives. The guest list also included old colleagues from his previous workplace. Brendon created the invitations on his computer.

"Put your email address on the invitation," said his mother. "That will encourage all the guests to reply via email." One week before the party, all the guests had promptly emailed their reply.

The house was too small to fit fifty guests so the party was held in a hotel. On the day of the party, Brendon's mother had told his grandfather that they were going for a movie. So, he was puzzled when she parked the car outside the hotel.

As she led him into the function room, he was surprised to walk into a room full of people he knew. They all shouted, "HAPPY BIRTHDAY!"

There were colourful balloons and decorations hung on the ceiling and around the wall. The tables were loaded with food and drinks. On one of the tables, there was a huge birthday cake with sixty candles on it. Party games and a karaoke session was also prepared for the guests.

The party was a big success. Brendon's grandfather was delighted to spend his birthday with his loved ones and appreciated all the effort put in by Brendon and his family.

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. Then shade your answers in the OAS given.

17. Brendon was helping his mom to prepare his grandfather's surprise \_\_\_\_\_ party.

- 1) birthday
- 2) farewell
- 3) Christmas
- 4) retirement

( )

18. Brendon invited \_\_\_\_\_ to the party.

- 1) relatives and enemies and friends
- 2) friends and relatives and old classmates
- 3) friends, relatives and his grandfather's old colleagues
- 4) friends, relatives and his grandmother's old colleagues

( )

19. All the guests \_\_\_\_\_ their reply to Brendon.

- 1) mailed
- 2) faxed
- 3) phoned
- 4) emailed

( )

20. Why did Brendon's mother tell his grandfather that they were going to a ~~restaurant~~ <sup>movie</sup>?

- 1) She wanted to trick him.
- 2) She wanted to surprise him.
- 3) She knew that he would not believe her.
- 4) She knew the food at the ~~restaurant~~ <sup>movie</sup> was better.

( )

21. Which statement is true?

- 1) The party was supposed to be held at the cinema.
- 2) Everybody did not enjoy themselves at the party.
- 3) Party games, a karaoke session and a magic show were planned for the party.
- 4) Brendon's grandfather had a splendid time at the party.

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**Section D: Vocabulary Cloze ( 5 x 1 mark)**

**Read the passage below. Choose the most suitable word from the box and fill in the blanks. Use each word once only.**

feelings	respect	kind
practised	taught	encourage

Courtesy, politeness or having good manners are all about respecting others and yourself. Good manners is about considering the (22) \_\_\_\_\_ of other people, and being the kind of person that others will like and respect.

In the 'olden days' children were (23) \_\_\_\_\_ the Golden Rule - "Treat others as how you would wish others to treat you." This is still (24) \_\_\_\_\_ even today. If you are respectful to others, then you are more likely to be treated with (25) \_\_\_\_\_ by them.

If you display good manners all the time, then you are more likely to (26) \_\_\_\_\_ others to behave in the same way towards you. Life will be more pleasant when people show that they respect the comfort, feelings and well-being of others.

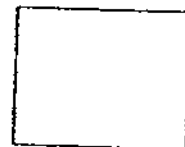


**Section E: Grammar Cloze (10x 1 mark)**

**Part I: Read the passage below. Choose the most suitable word from the box and fill in the blanks. Use each word once only.**

paints	painting	painted	paintings	paint
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Sally is a talented artist. She is the chairman of her school's Art Club. She loves to (27) \_\_\_\_\_ She has been (28) \_\_\_\_\_ since she was four years old. She (29) \_\_\_\_\_ every weekend and donates most of her paintings to orphanages and homes for the aged. Last year, she (30) \_\_\_\_\_ some beautiful murals on the walls of her school. She has won many awards for her (31) \_\_\_\_\_. It is her dream to go to Paris one day and learn from the talented artists there.





**Part II: Read the following passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable pronouns.**

People from different countries have different ways of greeting each other. In most European countries people shake hands when they meet.

In some Asian countries like Japan, it is polite for you to bow when (32) \_\_\_\_\_ are introduced to someone. In India, a man puts (33) \_\_\_\_\_ hands together in front of his chest with his fingers pointing upwards. Then (34) \_\_\_\_\_ would bow slightly, as a sign of greeting.

The Malays in Malaysia and Singapore greet each other using 'salam'. (35) \_\_\_\_\_ is similar to a handshake, then they would bring their palms to (36) \_\_\_\_\_ chest to signify a heartfelt greeting. Different cultures and nationalities have many ways of saying 'hello'. Can you think of any other ways?



**Section F: Synthesis (2 x 2 marks)**

**Rewrite the following pairs of sentences as one sentence using 'or', 'but', 'as' without changing the original meaning.**

37. George is fast. He is clumsy.

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38. He did not pass his exams. He did not revise his work properly.

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**Section G: Comprehension Open-ended (5 x 2 marks)**

**Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.**

Everyone wants to be healthy and strong. There are two important ways to help you stay in good health. The first is to eat the right kind of food. The second is to have plenty of exercise. Food, such as meat, fish, milk, fruit and vegetables, will give your body the nutrients it needs to grow and work properly.

The vitamins in food help your body to fight the germs that cause diseases. Food also gives you energy to work and play. Having a healthy and well-balanced diet is like putting fuel into a car. By exercising, you can use up the parts of this 'fuel' and convert it into energy that would otherwise make you fat.

Exercise is also good for your heart and lungs. It makes your muscles strong. There are many ways in which you can exercise. You can exercise indoors or outdoors. You can run, swim, cycle and play energetic games. Some interactive electronic games such as Nintendo, Wii is also a good form of exercise.

It is easy to exercise as you go about your daily life. Instead of taking the car or bus, you can walk or cycle to school. Climb the stairs as an alternative to using the lift or escalator. At first you may find it tiring but after a while, your fitness level will gradually improve and soon, you will find it a breeze to walk to school or take the stairs instead of the escalator. Exercise is very important, it improves your overall health!

39) What are the two important ways to stay in good health?

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40) How are vitamins in food good for our body?

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41) How can we keep ourselves from growing fat?

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42) Which word in paragraph 3 has the same meaning as 'in the open air'?

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43) List one way we can exercise during our daily routine.

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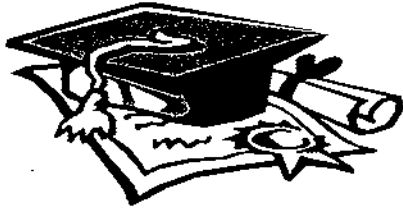
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# ANSWER SHEET

**EXAM PAPER 2009**

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**TERM : SA1**



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22)feelings      23)taught      24)practised      25)respect      26)encourage

27)paint      28)painting      29)paints      30)painted      31)paintings

32)you      33)his      34)he      35)It      36)their

37)George is fast but clumsy.

38)He did not pass his exams as he did not revise his work properly.

39)The two important ways are to eat the right kind of food and have plenty of exercise.

40)The vitamins in food help our body to fight the germs that cause diseases.

41)We can keep ourselves from growing fat by exercising.

42)The word is 'outdoors'.

43)We can cycle daily.