



**AI TONG SCHOOL
2010**

SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT ONE

PRIMARY 3

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2

DURATION : 1h 30 min

DATE : 10th May 2010

INSTRUCTIONS

Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions.

Answer all questions.

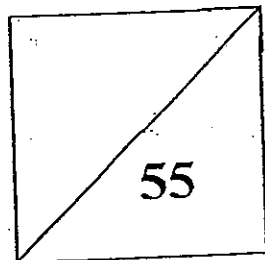
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Class : Primary _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Date : _____

Marks :



Section A: Grammar MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer for each question and shade its number 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the OAS provided.

1. Billy visited the library, _____ ~~did not~~ borrow any books.
(1) or (2) so
(3) but (4) for

2. Have you got a penknife that is _____ than this?
(1) sharp (2) sharper
(3) sharpest (4) more sharp

3. Do not give me too _____ ~~rice~~ as I am not hungry.
(1) few (2) much
(3) many (4) some

4. My mother came into the room when I _____ to Mary.
(1) is talk (2) am talking
(3) was talking (4) were talking

5. The dog jumps _____ the fence.
(1) for (2) over
(3) below (4) about

6. Mary has participated in many singing competitions because she loves to _____.
(1) sing (2) sings
(3) sang (4) sung

Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (4 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer for each question and shade its number 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the OAS provided.

7. Miss Tan, Tom's teacher, visited Tom at home to find out why he had been _____ remedial lessons.
- (1) hopping (2) jumping
(3) running (4) skipping
8. The little girl was _____ because she could not find her way home.
- (1) elated (2) excited
(3) surprised (4) terrified
9. The tiger pursued its _____, a young zebra, which had been separated from its mother.
- (1) foe (2) game
(3) predator (4) prey
10. As a hardworking boy, David studied _____ and performed very well in the examinations.
- (1) diligently (2) silently
(3) patiently (4) willingly

Section C: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 mark)

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Choose the most suitable answer for each question and shade its number 1, 2, 3 or 4 on the OAS provided.

One morning, three men in masks entered a bank and ordered everyone to keep quiet and squat. The first robber snatched away the security guard's walkie-talkie and tied him up. The second robber pointed his gun at the tellers and ordered them to put all the money into two bags. He also warned them not to alert the police. The tellers did as they were told as they did not want the robbers to harm anyone. The third robber kept an eye on the customers who were squatting on the floor.

Everyone was frightened. A toddler started crying loudly. The toddler's mother put her hand over the toddler's mouth to keep her quiet. A pregnant lady complained of a stomachache but the robbers ignored her. She looked like she was in great pain. The woman next to her tried to calm her down and assured her that the whole ordeal would be over soon.

When the bags were filled, the robbers got ready to leave the bank. As they were moving towards the door, the security guard broke free and tried to stop them. The second robber shot him. Everyone screamed at the violence and the pregnant lady fainted. The security guard fell to the floor and his right shoulder was bleeding.

The robbers grabbed the bags and left the bank swiftly. When they were gone, one of the tellers called the police to report the incident. The ambulance came and rushed the security guard and the pregnant lady to the hospital. On the way to the hospital, the pregnant lady went into labour and delivered a baby boy before the ambulance reached the hospital.

11. What was the role of the third robber?
- (1) He watched over the security guard in the bank.
 - (2) He helped the other robbers make a swift escape.
 - (3) He made sure that the customers squatted and kept quiet.
 - (4) He ensured that the bank tellers put the money in two bags.
12. Why was the security guard shot?
- (1) He tried to call the police.
 - (2) He tried to stop the robbers.
 - (3) He tried to help the customers.
 - (4) He tried to escape from the bank.
13. According to the passage, what happened to the pregnant lady?
- (1) She delivered a baby at the hospital.
 - (2) She fainted on the way to the hospital.
 - (3) She fainted out of pain in the ambulance.
 - (4) She gave birth to a baby in the ambulance.
14. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as "terrible experience"?
- (1) labour
 - (2) ordeal
 - (3) incident
 - (4) violence
15. Which of the following statements is not true?
- (1) A toddler started crying loudly during the bank robbery.
 - (2) Police arrived at the bank and arrested the masked robbers.
 - (3) The bank tellers obeyed the demands of the masked robbers.
 - (4) Three masked men entered a bank one morning for a robbery.

Booklet B

Name: _____ ()

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Section D: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letters (A to H) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

Passage One

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) around	(B) over	(C) in	(D) under
(E) to	(F) on	(G) behind	(H) with

James loves reading. He always makes sure he has at least one storybook (16) _____ his school bag. James takes very good care of his books. He does not leave them lying (17) _____. Instead, he will stack them neatly (18) _____ his bookshelf. He will gladly lend his books (19) _____ his friends as he loves to share the joy of reading.

Passage Two

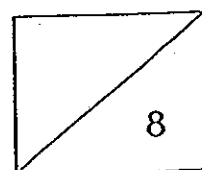
USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) your	(B) he	(C) they	(D) she
(E) him	(F) you	(G) their	(H) her

"Weiqin, have (20) _____ seen my pen?" asked Mei Lin. "I left it on the table last night."

"Are you sure?" asked Weiqin. "I sat at the table the whole of yesterday and didn't see (21) _____ pen."

"I think we should ask Mrs Choo if (22) _____ has seen it," said Jie Min. "Or maybe Mr Rajoo mistakenly took it with (23) _____ when he left just now."



Section E: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (3 x 1 mark)

For each question from 24 to 26, correct the word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

(24)

Kenny **luvs** to draw. Hé considers himself an artist. He draws

(25)

whenever he was free. He always gets lost in his imaginary world when

(26)

he draws. He gets so carried away and does not **here** his mother calling

him. This makes her very furious.

Section F: Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to M) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

Passage One

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) balance	(B) frightened	(C) pocket	(D) watched
(E) picked	(F) jumped	(G) found	(H) fearless
(J) searched	(K) honest	(L) looked	(M) rushed

I was walking around the field during recess when I saw Kai and Ming playing ball. I sat down and (27) _____ them play. When Kai was picking up the ball, he saw a wallet and (28) _____ it up. He slowly put the wallet in his (29) _____. But Ming saw it and ran towards Kai. Ming told Kai that they had to be (30) _____ and report it to the general office so that it could be returned to the owner.

Kai refused and said that since he was the one who (31) _____ the wallet, it belonged to him. Ming said he was going to the general office to inform Mr Lee. Feeling guilty, Kai threw the wallet on the ground and ran away.

Passage Two

Read the passage carefully. Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.
(5 x 1 mark)

Butterflies are beautiful insects. There are more than 15 000
(32) _____ kinds of butterflies. The (33) _____ butterflies
are about 1 cm wide, about the size of a housefly. The world's largest butterfly,
known (34) _____ Queen Alexandra's Birdwing, measures about 30
cm from wingtip to wingtip.

Butterflies (35) _____ on the nectar of flowers. Therefore,
(36) _____ are always found near flowering plants, their food source.
In return, butterflies help to pollinate flowers to produce fruits.

Section G: Synthesis (2 x 2 marks)

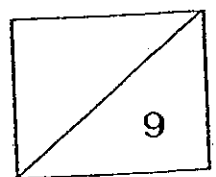
Rewrite the following given sentences using the word(s) provided. Your
answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence should be
the same as the given one(s).

37. Sally could not buy the book. She did not have enough money.

_____ because

38. Nick did not do his homework. Nick was punished.

_____ so



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

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

During the school holidays, Sam and his brother, Joe, stayed with their grandparents to spend time with the old folks. The boys knew that their grandfather was a strange old man who collected unwanted things as a pastime.

One day, they explored the old shed by the house. Sam and Joe found a number of boxes in the shed. Out of curiosity, they opened up the boxes to see what they could find. In one box, they discovered a bottle with a piece of paper inside.

"Quick! Let's see if it's a treasure map!" cried Sam. Joe took the paper out and carefully unrolled it. They were excited to find instructions on it. The boys decided to go treasure hunting immediately. They followed the directions until they came to a huge rock by a cave.

"Walk twenty steps north from the rock," read Sam.

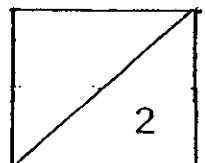
"This must be it! Let's start digging!" shouted Joe. The boys dug for nearly an hour when they finally found a wooden crate.

"What do you think is inside?" Joe asked.

"Money or maybe coins?" replied his brother.

Joe prised open the crate. The crate was filled with empty bottles! The brothers laughed.

39. Why did the boys stay with their grandparents?



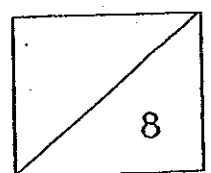
40. What was the hobby of the boys' grandfather?

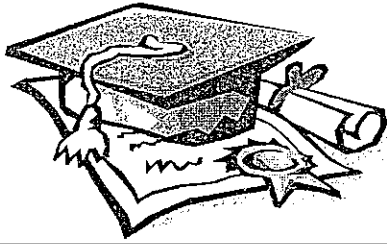
41. Why did the boys open the boxes?

42. How did the boys arrive at the huge rock?

43. Which word in the passage means "opened by force"?

😊 Please check your paper carefully. 😊



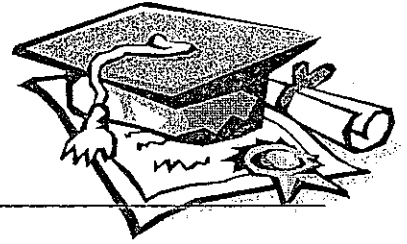


ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2010

SCHOOL : AITONG PRIMARY
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TERM : SA1



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

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23
F	E	F	A	D	E

24)loves 25)is 26)hear 27)D 28)E 29)C 30)K

31)G 32)different 33)smallest 34)as 35)feed 36)they

37)Sally could not buy the book because she did not have enough money.

38)Nick did not do his homework so he was punished.

39)It was the school holidays and they wanted to spend time with their grandparents.

40)Their grandfather's hobby was collecting unwanted things.

41)They were very curious.

42)They followed directions on the paper.

43)The word is "prised".

