

Methodist Girls' School (Primary)
 Primary 3 End-of-Year Examination 2008
 English Listening Comprehension

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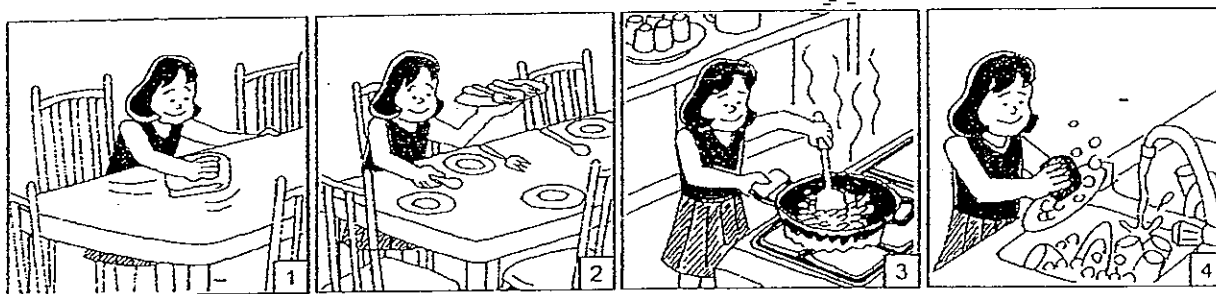
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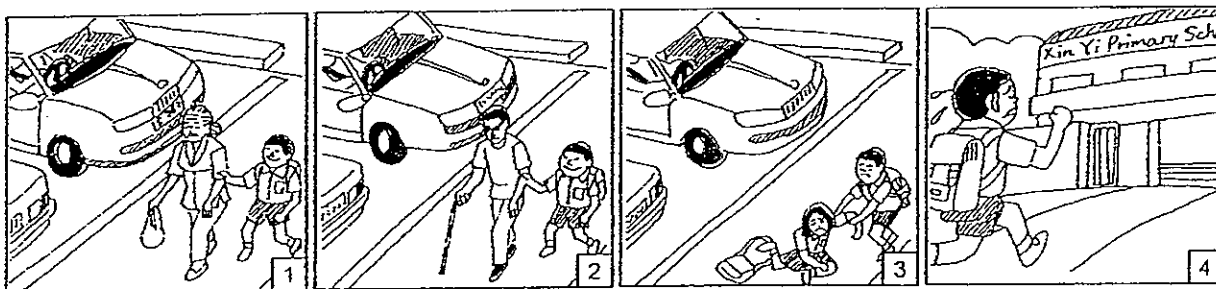
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Part I - Picture Matching (NO ANSWER)

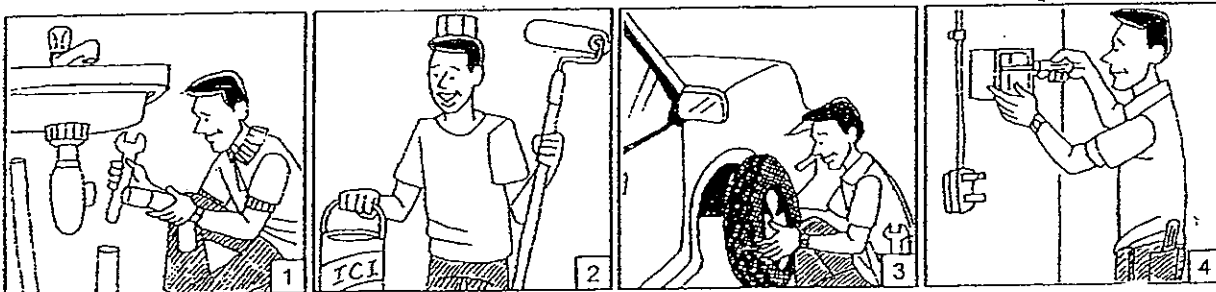
For questions 1 to 4, write the number 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets provided.



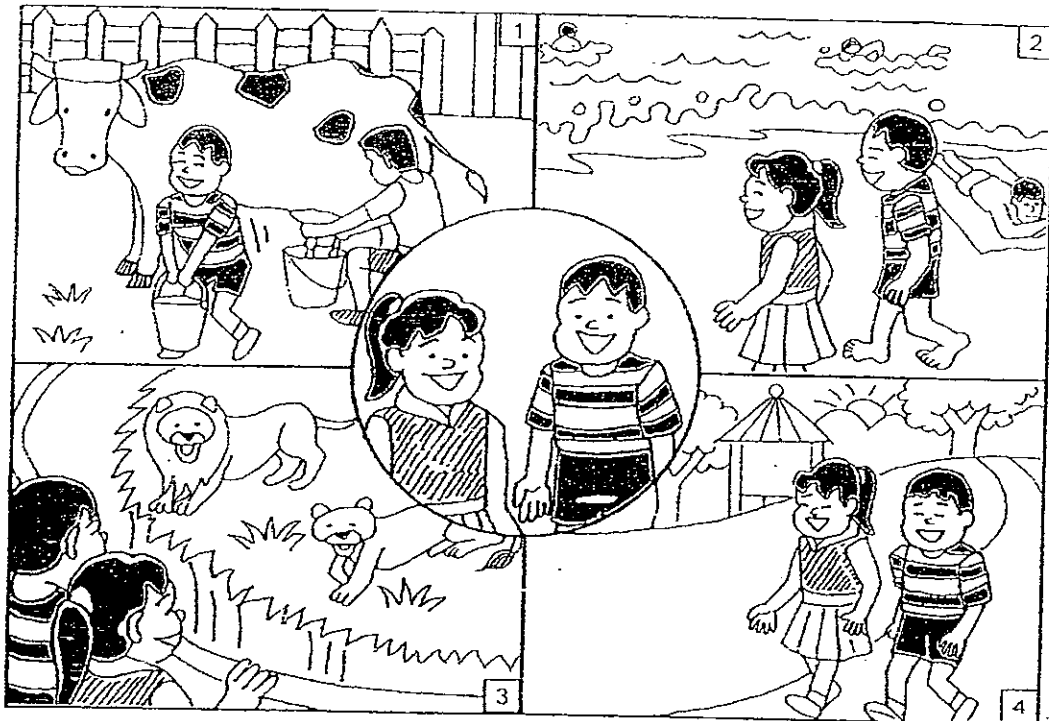
Q1..... ()



Q2..... ()



Q3..... ()



Q4..... ()

Part II - Note-taking and Dictation (NO ANSWER)

Question 5 to Q10 is a note-taking test.

Question 11 is a dictation test.

As you listen, take down the missing information by filling in each blank numbered Q5 to Q10 with one word or a short phrase.

Q5. Name of CCA : _____

Q6. Teacher-in-charge of CCA : _____

Q7. Pupils involved : P3 and _____ boys

Q8. Time to meet : _____ p.m.

Q9. Things to bring : _____ and Ezlink card

Q10. Pupils are to change into their _____ before boarding the bus.

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Marks:

Vocabulary & Grammar: / 28

Comprehension: / 20

Total: _____

Vocabulary (MCQ) (6 marks)

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

1. My mother is always there to listen to my problems. I am so grateful that I have a _____ to cry on.
- (1) lap
 - (2) head
 - (3) hand
 - (4) shoulder
- ()
2. Norman collected some brochures from a travel _____ to plan for his holiday.
- (1) fair
 - (2) display
 - (3) carnival
 - (4) pageant
- ()
3. It was such a beautiful night so I lay in my hammock and _____ at the stars.
- (1) gazed
 - (2) glared
 - (3) peeped
 - (4) glanced
- ()
4. Govind enjoyed reading the witty _____ written below the photographs in the newspapers.
- (1) quotes
 - (2) bylines
 - (3) captions
 - (4) headings
- ()
5. Before you begin sketching, make sure your pencil is not _____. If it is, sharpen it first.
- (1) blunt
 - (2) clean
 - (3) smooth
 - (4) pointed
- ()

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6. Jia Hui _____ a coin into the air and caught it with his hand.

- (1) hit
- (2) twirled
- (3) tossed
- (4) snapped

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Grammar (MCQ) (6 marks)

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

7. I bought _____ souvenirs when I was in Italy. You can have one of them if you like.

- (1) any
- (2) much
- (3) a little
- (4) a lot of

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8. George and his sister decided to build a kennel for their dog _____

- (1) herself
- (2) himself
- (3) yourselves
- (4) themselves

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9. Pak Ahmad's hens _____ eggs every morning. He then sends the eggs to the market in the afternoon.

- (1) lay
- (2) laid
- (3) lays
- (4) laying

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10. The photographer scrambled to get his camera when he saw a flock of exotic birds _____ across the sky.

- (1) flies
- (2) flying
- (3) was flying
- (4) were flying

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11. All the children _____ having their recess at the canteen now.

- (1) am
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

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12. Everyone in Ruby's family _____ to read newspapers in the morning.

- (1) love
- (2) loves
- (3) is loving
- (4) was loving

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Vocabulary Cloze (4 marks)

Read the folk tale carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank. USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY.

(A) roomy	(B) struck	(C) grasped	(D) shady
(E) grabbed	(F) shining	(G) glaring	(H) smacked

A Merchant and the Ten Monkeys

(An Indian Folk Tale)

Once, there lived a man named Vijay. Vijay was a merchant and he sold caps to the people in his town. One day, he was very tired after selling his caps as the sun was _____ (Q13) on him. He put his basket full of caps down and took a nap under a _____ (Q14) tree.

While he was napping, ten monkeys came out of the tree. They saw that Vijay was wearing a cap, so each monkey _____ (Q15) a cap and put it on its head.

When Vijay woke up, he was shocked to see the monkeys wearing his caps. He thought for a moment and an idea _____ (Q16) him. He took off his cap and threw it on the ground. The monkeys followed his every move. Vijay then quickly gathered the caps and happily left for home.

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Vocabulary Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank. USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY.

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|-------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| (A) streams | (B) country | (C) predators | (D) tales |
| (E) facts | (F) species | (G) puddles | (H) world |

Amphibians are animals which can live both on land and in the water. The largest amphibians surviving in the _____ (Q17) today are found in Asia.

The Chinese Giant Salamanders live in the cold _____ (Q18) in China. The fast-flowing water supplies them with ample oxygen. One of the more interesting _____ (Q19) about these animals is that they are known to have a life span of over fifty years. Their special skin colour also helps them to hide from their _____ (Q20).

Presently, these salamanders are in danger of becoming extinct as they are hunted for food. Most salamanders are caught by fishermen.

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Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank. USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY.

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|----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| (A) am riding | (B) ride | (C) riding | (D) is riding |
| (E) was riding | (F) were riding | (G) would ride | |

On her ninth birthday, Holly received a pony from her father. Holly was extremely delighted as she loved _____ (Q21). Since she was four years old, her father had taken her around the farm on horseback. Now she was going to _____ (Q22) on a pony all by herself.

Holly called her pony Kiwi as it had a light brown body. She took great care of Kiwi and fed it hay and bran. Holly _____ (Q23) on Kiwi and brush its mane every day. Sometimes, Holly would sing with joy while she _____ (Q24) on Kiwi around her farm.

Holly loved Kiwi so much that she made sure she cleaned out Kiwi's stable every day and spread new straw on the floor. Her father was happy with his decision to get Holly the pony after he saw how responsible she was.

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Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank. USE EACH LETTER ONCE ONLY.

(A) around	(B) to	(C) above	(D) between
(E) in	(F) of	(G) on	

It was ten o'clock in the morning. My classmates and I were having our Music lesson and that day, our teacher decided to take us _____ (Q25) the Music Room. We were told to sit _____ (Q26) the floor according to our groups. I chose to sit _____ (Q27) my best friends, Carrie and Dawn.

Suddenly, the fire alarm rang. When we heard the alarm, we hurried towards the assembly area, but I realised that Dawn was nowhere to be found. I looked _____ (Q28) and called out her name, almost panicking.

Fortunately, our teacher caught sight of Dawn. She had bent down to tie her shoelaces in the midst of all the chaos!

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(Comprehension)

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Comprehension (MCQ) (5 x 2 marks)

Read the following passage carefully.

Mr Smith was the boss and Watson knew he could not make him wait. The boss was at his desk. Watson studied Mr Smith's face. He had lines in his face and he looked very old. Poor Mr Smith, he had lost his son three weeks ago. His son had to use a cane to walk all his life and everybody knew that he could not live for long. Only his father did not believe that.

Watson felt sorry for the boss. Mr Smith did all he could to save his son. Yet one could not feel too sorry for Mr Smith. He was a hard man to work for. He only cared about his son and making money. He had sacked many people without listening to them.

"Watson," he said, "your department lost money this year."

Watson felt weak. "Yes, sir," he said. "But times were bad and no one could have done better."

"Right," said Mr Smith coldly. "We are closing that department and you will have to go."

"But, sir," Watson said. "I just need a little more time. My son goes to Finch College and it is a very expensive school. I would like to keep him there. He is a star runner and the best boxer in school."

"Ha!" said Mr Smith. "A champion at everything, I suppose."

Watson's face turned red. "Well, that is what they call him, sir. They call him 'Champ'."

The boss seemed to turn to stone. He had a strange look on his face. Then, the boss stood up. "Look Watson, we are closing your department. But you will work in another department and you will work longer hours. You will get more pay and a job for life."

Watson was surprised. What had happened? He quickly went out of the boss' office.

The boss looked through his desk. He found what he was looking for. He read through the last letter that his son sent him.

The letter said:

I cannot say the boys are nicer to me here. I guess it is the same everywhere. I am different. So people make fun of me. But do not worry about me, Dad. Finch is a very good school and there is a boy here who has really been great. He is a star runner. He is the best boxer in the school. He made them stop picking on me and he knocked down a boy who hit me

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Dad. He is the best friend I ever had. Some day I want to do something for Champ. Something big – that he won't even know about.

Adapted from *The Champ* by Sulamith Ish-Kishit

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

29. Mr Smith looked very old and sad because _____
- (1) his son had died
 - (2) he did not like Watson
 - (3) his company had lost money
 - (4) Watson was late in coming to see him
- ()
30. Watson was _____ that Mr Smith lost his son.
- (1) glad
 - (2) angry
 - (3) exhilarated
 - (4) sympathetic
- ()
31. People called Watson's son 'Champ' because he was a _____
- (1) strong swimmer and runner
 - (2) swift runner and great boxer
 - (3) good tennis and basketball player
 - (4) strong squash and badminton player
- ()
32. In the end, Mr Smith decided to _____
- (1) close Watson's department and fire him
 - (2) allow Watson to stay on in his department
 - (3) give Watson a pay rise and a permanent job
 - (4) allow Watson to stay on till his son graduated from school
- ()
33. The reason Mr Smith did not fire Watson was that he _____
- (1) was told by his son to be more generous
 - (2) was touched by Watson's love for his son
 - (3) wanted to treat Watson's son like his own
 - (4) wanted to show kindness to the boy who helped his son
- ()

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Comprehension (Open-ended) (5 x 2 marks)

Read the following passage carefully.

One summer night, Kim quarrelled with her mother. Kim had gone shopping at a mall and saw a beautiful gown. She loved the gown very much but it was expensive. As it was, her family was poor and Kim's mother could not afford to give her the one hundred and fifty dollars that she needed to buy the gown.

Bitterly, Kim stormed out of the house.

"My mother would never understand," Kim thought to herself, crying tears of anger.

Kim had imagined herself being the most beautifully dressed person at her friend's party. She could have won the prize for being the most well-dressed person at the party. Now, her hopes and dreams were dashed. Not only that, her friends would snigger at how ugly she looked in her old dress. She hated it. She wanted to be left alone and she decided not to go home that night.

Kim was walking along the pavement when suddenly, thunder clapped and lightning flashed across the dark sky. Big drops of rain began to fall in the dark and Kim took shelter at a bus-stop quickly. Kim was drenched from head to toe. She was trembling with cold and she felt miserable. The memories of her loving family came to her mind. The longing for warmth and love gnawed at her heart.

Suddenly, Kim saw an outline of a familiar figure advancing towards her. It was her mother! Her mother, worried that she might come to some harm in the dark, had come to look for her.

"My precious girl," Kim's mother said, "you do not need an expensive dress to look pretty. You are the most beautiful girl in my eyes."

Kim's eyes brimmed with tears as she embraced her mother. Her mother was hurt by her actions. Kim was sorry.

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Answer the following questions. Write your answers in complete sentences.

34. Why did Kim quarrel with her mother?

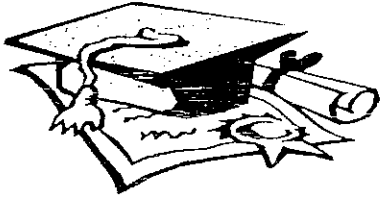
35. Give two reasons why Kim wanted to buy the expensive gown.

36. Which word in the passage tells you that Kim was thoroughly wet?

37. Why did Kim's mother come to look for her?

38. Why was Kim sorry in the end?

End of Paper



ANSWER SHEET

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TERM : SA 2

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

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33
A	E	C	C	B	G	F	B	G	D	A	1	4	2	3	4

34) Her mother could not afford to give her money to buy the gown as they were poor.

35) She wanted to win the prize for being the most well-dressed person at the party. Her friends would not snigger at how ugly she looked in her old dress.

36) The word is "drenched."

37) Her mother was worried that she might come to some harm in the dark.

38) Kim was sorry because she had her mother.