



RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT (2)

2008

Name : _____ Class: P3 _____ Index No: _____

23 Oct 2008 ENGLISH LANGUAGE Att: 1 h 15 min

Your Score Out of 48 marks		
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Section A: Grammar (6 X 1 mark)

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

1. Father wanted to know who had _____ the glass window.

- (1) break
- (2) breaks
- (3) broken
- (4) breaking

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2. A policeman was running _____ a thief.

- (1) in
- (2) for
- (3) after
- (4) along

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3. The girl _____ composition won the first prize is my classmate.

- (1) who
- (2) whom
- (3) which
- (4) whose

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4. The children were playing by _____ when I arrived.

- (1) itself
- (2) myself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) themselves

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5. Dinah played hopscotch _____ waiting for Wendy to turn up.

- (1) so
- (2) but
- (3) while
- (4) although

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6. Kathy _____ too much and she is feeling sick now.

- (1) ate
- (2) eat
- (3) eats
- (4) eating

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Section B: Vocabulary (6 X 1 mark)

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

7. Mary _____ showed off her new watch to her classmates.

- (1) sadly
- (2) shyly
- (3) proudly
- (4) patiently

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8. Jonah went to the confectionery to buy a _____ of cake.

- (1) tub
- (2) lump
- (3) slice
- (4) bouquet

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9. I want you to tell me the _____.

- (1) true
- (2) truly
- (3) truth
- (4) truthful

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10. The ballerina danced _____ on stage.

- (1) nicely
- (2) gently
- (3) skilfully
- (4) gracefully

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11. Emma must be sleepy as she has been _____ loudly.

- (1) winking
- (2) grinning
- (3) yawning
- (4) sneezing

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12. Carry the bowl carefully and do not _____ any soup on the floor.

- (1) spill
- (2) pour
- (3) drop
- (4) knock

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Section C: Vocabulary Cloze (8 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 in order to avoid confusion during marking.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) being	(B) believe	(C) clean
(D) diary	(E) dirty	(F) discovered
(G) feel	(H) forget	(J) nagged
(K) stepped	(L) through	(M) with

I shall never (13) _____ the day when everything went wrong for me. It was a Monday. I usually walked to school (14) _____ a short cut across the field. However, on that day, the field was dug up and I had to use the long route.

During recess, I (15) _____ that my wallet, which contained the school fees, was missing. I reported it to my teacher. After school, I was running home when, suddenly, I (16) _____ into a puddle of water. My white shoes were (17) _____. I knew my mother would scold me for (18) _____ careless, so I walked home slowly.

My mother (19) _____ at me throughout dinner. This was even worse than being scolded. After that, I went to my room, took out my (20) _____, and wrote down the happenings of that unlucky day.

Section D: Grammar Cloze (8 X 1 mark)

Cloze Passage 1

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) across

(B) against

(C) for

(D) from

(E) in

(F) out

(G) through

Gina stopped at the gate. She leaned her bicycle (21) _____ the fence and went in (22) _____ the gate. "Mrs Tay?" Gina called (23) _____. The front door stood slightly open. "Mrs Tay?" Gina shouted. No one answered. Suddenly, Gina heard a tiny sound coming (24) _____ a closed door next to her.

Cloze Passage 2

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) fall

(B) falls

(C) fallen

(D) falling

(E) fell

(F) is falling

(G) was falling

Mary stood and smiled to the audience. She began her explanation when the audience had (25) _____ silent. She told them that (26) _____ down is one of the leading cause of death among the senior citizens. Then, she gave them a checklist of items to help prevent a (27) _____ from occurring. She was happy to see that no one in the audience (28) _____ asleep during her presentation.

Section E: Comprehension (MCQ) (5 X 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

PASSAGE 1

Many hunting parties had been organised to shoot the elephant but they had been unsuccessful. It appeared that this seventy-year-old terror was too cunning. For years, this nine-foot giant raided and destroyed crops worth hundreds of dollars near the kampungs in the Slim River area of Perak. Residents here often woke up in the mornings to find their young rubber trees and food crops totally ruined but there was no sign of the rogue elephant. Soon it earned itself a reputation for being extremely cunning and was believed to possess super-natural powers because it escaped the many pursuers who were sent after it.

The sly creature always travelled alone and was never known to be in the company of a herd. It had only one tusk which was damaged and blunt. The other had been lost in battles with other elephants.

Last Saturday night, after receiving reports that the elephant had been at its tricks again, we set out determined to track it down once and for all. After three days of scouting in the jungle, we came across its tracks. In the late afternoon, we sighted the old terror in a jungle clearing. Advancing cautiously, we fired four shots at close range and killed it instantly.

29. The elephant always moved _____
(1) alone
(2) slowly
(3) in a herd
(4) in the daytime ()
30. The people hated the elephant because it _____
(1) was getting very old
(2) made too much noise
(3) knocked down houses
(4) caused extensive damages to their crops ()
31. The hunters had _____ looking for the elephant.
(1) an easy time
(2) a hard time
(3) no trouble
(4) great fun ()
32. The rogue elephant _____
(1) could control human beings
(2) was controlled by super beings
(3) was always able to escape from its hunters
(4) possessed super-natural powers as it was always difficult to catch it ()
33. It was killed _____
(1) in a jungle clearing on an early morning
(2) three days after it had been sighted
(3) because its tusk was damaged
(4) on Saturday night ()

Section F: Comprehension (Open-ended) (5 X 2 marks)

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

It was Tina's first day at Hillcrest Primary School and she felt nervous and scared because she did not know anybody there. Her mother had told her to make eye contact, smile and be approachable so that others would want to be friends with her. In class, Tina sat next to Wendy who needed to borrow a pen and that started them talking.

Tina discovered that Wendy could draw a comic exaggerated likeness of anybody. She had a book filled with comic drawings of those around her. The people she drew appeared rounder, fatter or thinner than they really were. Her drawings were funny. Tina loved to draw too. She had a small sketchbook which she carried around with her so that she could draw anything that caught her eyes. Tina confidently showed her sketchbook to Wendy. "These drawings are good," Wendy praised as she flipped through Tina's book.

Later that day, they went for their swimming lesson. "I suppose you can swim very well," said Wendy to Tina. "Well, I don't like swimming. I don't like the feeling of water up my nose and in my eyes. I am not comfortable in deep water," Tina answered hesitantly as she gingerly put one toe into the water and then shivered in her bathing suit. "I don't enjoy being in the water too and I have not been able to swim all that well," Wendy replied as she waded slowly into the water. "That's another thing we have in common," Tina smiled to herself as she anxiously entered the pool.

34. Why was Tina nervous and frightened in school ?

35. What was her mother's advice on ways to make new friends ?

36. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as 'shuddered' ?

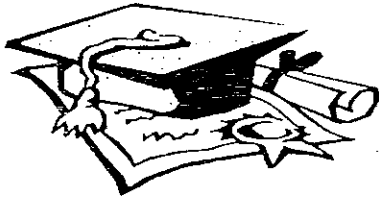
37. Which sentence in the passage shows that Tina was proud of her drawings?

38. What were the two things Tina and Wendy had in common ?

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# ANSWER SHEET

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SUBJECT : PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

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| A   | J   | D   | B   | G   | F   | D   | C   | D   | A   | E   | 1   | 4   | 2   | 3   | 2   |

34) It was her first day in school and she did not know anybody there.

35) Her mother told her to make eye contact, smile, and be friendly.

36) The word is "shivered".

37) The sentence is "Tina confidently showed her sketchbook to Wendy."

38) They both like drawing and didn't like the water.