

**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT ONE (2018)  
PRIMARY THREE  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

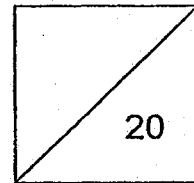
**COMPOSITION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (       )

Class: Primary Three \_\_\_\_\_

30 April 2018

50 minutes



**INSTRUCTIONS:**

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Write a composition of at least 100 words about a day you were careless.

The pictures, not arranged in sequence, are provided to help you think about this topic. Your composition should be based on one, two or all of these pictures.

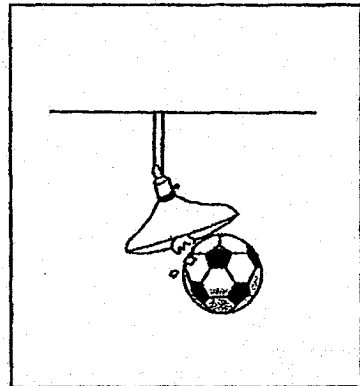
Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

- Where were you and what were you doing?
- How was it a careless act?
- How did you feel?
- What happened in the end?

You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.

*Helping words:*

- *living room*
- *practising for soccer match*
- *kicked the ball*
- *hit the ceiling lamp*
- *owned up / apologised*





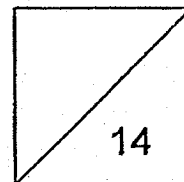
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**LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (            )

Class: Primary Three \_\_\_\_\_

8 May 2018



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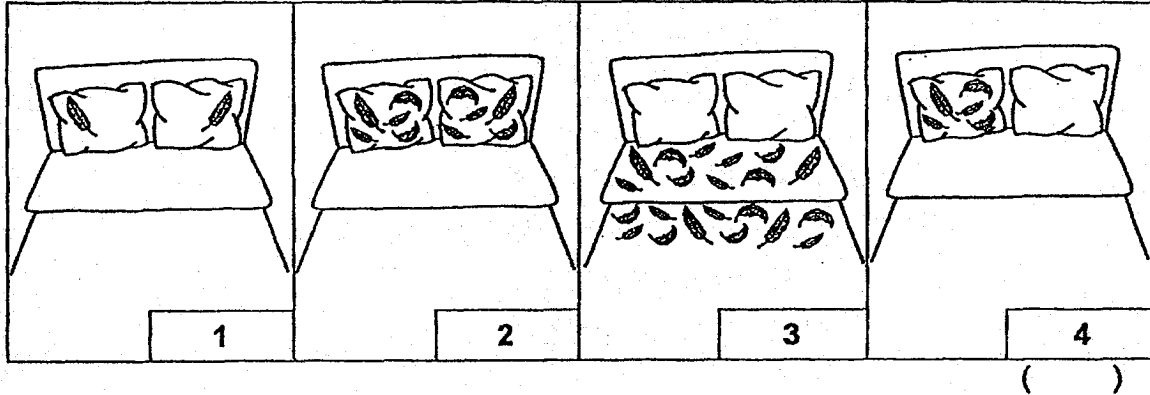
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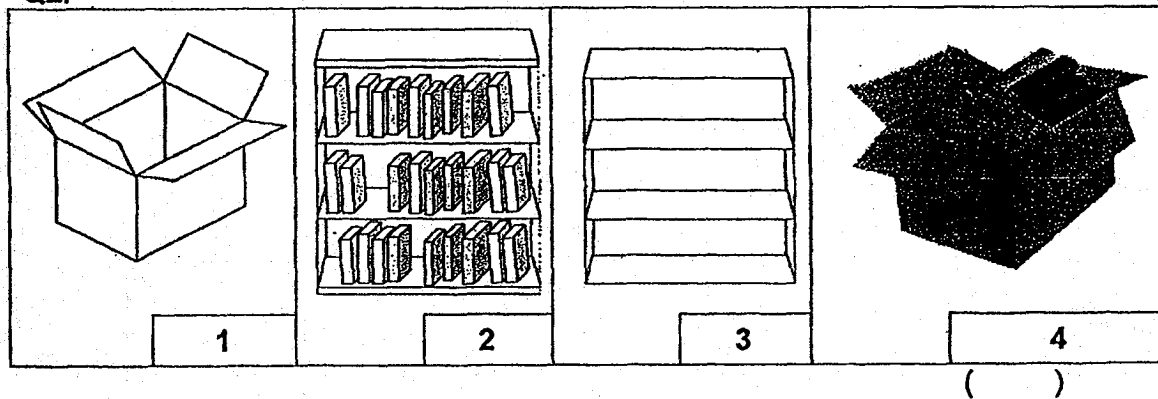
**Picture-Matching (6 x 1 mark)**

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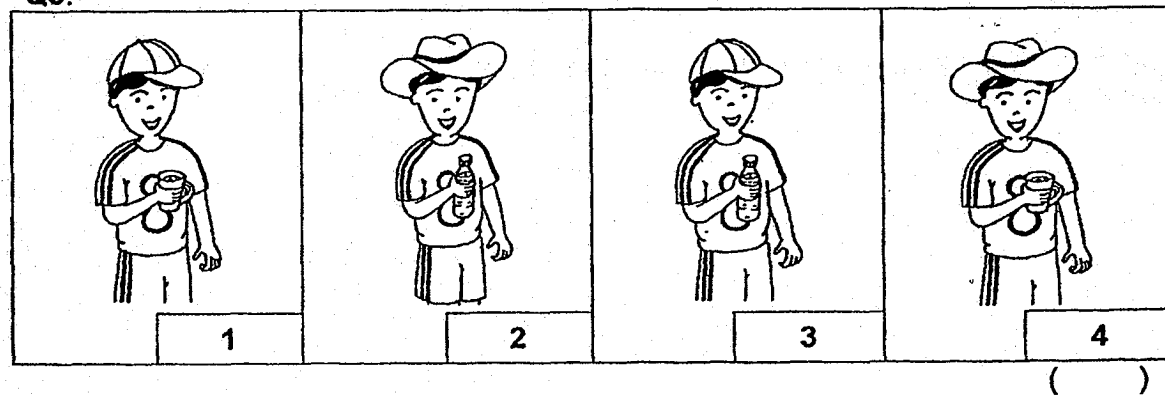
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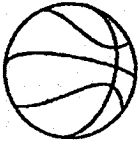
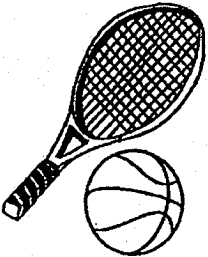
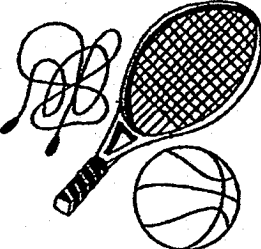
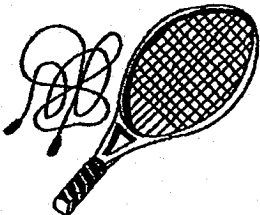
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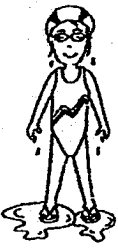
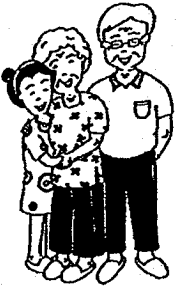

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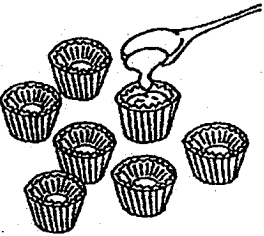
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Q5.

Q6.

**Note-Taking (5 x 1 mark)**

Listen carefully to the following account that is going to be read twice. Then, fill in each blank from Q7 to Q11 with a word only.

*Your sister, Tina, is asleep. Take down the telephone message for her.*

**Message for Tina**

(Q7) Name of caller: \_\_\_\_\_

(Q8) Activity planned: a \_\_\_\_\_

(Q9) Time and day to meet: 8am on \_\_\_\_\_

(Q10) Place to meet: \_\_\_\_\_

(Q11) Things Tina should bring: \_\_\_\_\_ ball and cap

**Text Comprehension (3 x 1 mark)**

Listen carefully to the following text. I am going to read it twice. Then, choose the most suitable answer for each question. Write the number 1, 2 or 3 in the brackets provided.

**Q12. Why did the writer and her brother cheer?**

- (1) They had finished their breakfast.
- (2) They were going for some train rides.
- (3) They found out about a new MRT line. ( )

**Q13. Which station did the writer and her brother stop at first?**

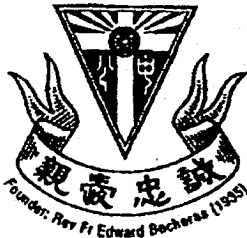
- (1) Singa
- (2) Maple
- (3) Old Town ( )

**Q14. What did the writer have at the burger shop?**

- (1) fish burger
- (2) chicken burger
- (3) vegetarian burger ( )







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**PAPER 2**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (       )

Class: Primary Three \_\_\_\_\_

8 May 2018

46 QUESTIONS

1 hour 15 minutes

Component	Marks
Sections A-B	/ 14
Sections C-G	/ 20
Sections H-I	/ 16
Paper 2 Total	/ 50

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**Section A – Grammar MCQ (8 x 1 mark)**

Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

1. "Do not spend too \_\_\_\_\_ time playing computer games as you have not completed your homework," Mother told Peter.  
  - (1) few
  - (2) little
  - (3) many
  - (4) much
  
2. We are going \_\_\_\_\_ a trip to South Africa in June.  
  - (1) in
  - (2) at
  - (3) by
  - (4) on
  
3. Every pupil \_\_\_\_\_ required to bring crayons for Art lesson next week.  
  - (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were
  
4. Ming Wei got into trouble as he did not \_\_\_\_\_ of the consequences of his action.  
  - (1) think
  - (2) thinks
  - (3) thought
  - (4) thinking
  
5. Mr Ali told his daughter to wash the dishes \_\_\_\_\_ after dinner.  
  - (1) myself
  - (2) herself
  - (3) himself
  - (4) yourself

6. My brother \_\_\_\_\_ my wallet under the pillow while I was not looking.

- (1) hid
- (2) hide
- (3) hides
- (4) is hiding

7. He woke up late \_\_\_\_\_ managed to reach school on time.

- (1) or
- (2) so
- (3) but
- (4) since

8. \_\_\_\_\_ group of boys over there is making a lot of noise.

- (1) This
- (2) That
- (3) These
- (4) Those

**Section B – Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)**

Choose the correct answer and shade the oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

9. Ben looked through his \_\_\_\_\_ to have a closer look at the orange bird that was a distance away from him.

- (1) glasses
- (2) goggles
- (3) binoculars
- (4) microscopes

10. The flight \_\_\_\_\_ two hours late as there was a technical fault.

- (1) took in
- (2) took on
- (3) took up
- (4) took off

11. The Primary 5 camp has to be \_\_\_\_\_ to another date due to the haze.

- (1) delayed
- (2) cancelled
- (3) postponed
- (4) suspended

12. When Gopal found out that he had won the singing contest, he was as proud as a \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) dove
- (2) sparrow
- (3) peacock
- (4) nightingale

13. Mrs Lim searched \_\_\_\_\_ everywhere for her precious wedding ring when she realised that it was missing.

- (1) wildly
- (2) eagerly
- (3) curiously
- (4) frantically

14. Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ in excitement when her father gave her a puppy for her birthday.

- (1) bawled
- (2) moaned
- (3) groaned
- (4) shrieked

**Section C – Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in each blank. Write its letter (A to F) in the blank. Use each word **ONCE** only.

(A) along	(B) for	(C) in
(D) of	(E) off	(F) under

During the March holidays, I went to Bali with my family. We stayed at a beach resort (15) \_\_\_\_\_ three days. At the resort, I enjoyed walking (16) \_\_\_\_\_ the beach, picking seashells and feeling the soft sand (17) \_\_\_\_\_ my feet. The water was very clear and we saw many species (18) \_\_\_\_\_ reef fish when we went snorkelling. It was an unforgettable experience.

**Section D – Grammar Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Cheetahs are the fastest mammals on land. They usually (19) [ chase / chases ] their prey at a great speed. After a chase, a cheetah (20) [ need / needs ] half an hour to catch its breath before it can eat. The cheetah's excellent eyesight (21) [ help / helps ] it find prey during the day. Its fur (22) [ blend / blends ] in with the tall, dry grass, making it hard to see. Therefore, it can suddenly make a lightning dash and knock its prey to the ground.

**Section E – Vocabulary Cloze (3 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable answer from the box below and fill in each blank. Use each word **ONCE** only.

announce	blood	courage
fear	introduce	perspiration

Noi walked shyly into the classroom. Mrs Yeo, her form teacher, smiled at her warmly and said, "Please (23) \_\_\_\_\_ yourself to the class so that everyone can get to know you, Noi."

"Yes, Mrs Yeo," Noi replied nervously. She rubbed her sweaty palms together and tried to clear her throat. Her face turned as red as a tomato and (24) \_\_\_\_\_ trickled down her forehead. She tried to calm herself down by taking deep breaths.

Finally, Noi gathered her (25) \_\_\_\_\_ and said, "Hello everyone, I am Noi and I come from Thailand. I hope to make friends with all of you." Everyone cheered and clapped loudly to welcome her.

**Section F – Editing (5 x 1 mark)**

Correct the words in **bold** for spelling. Write the correct answer in the boxes provided.

Last Saturday, Mrs Wong brought her younger daughter, Amy, to a

(26)

new shopping mall. When they reached the **jewellery** shop, Amy went straight

(27)

in as she was **fasinated** with the different designs of necklaces.

(28)

After Amy had finally decided on a **sutable** one for her elder sister, she

(29)

turned around to ask her mother for her **oppinion**. To her horror, Mrs Wong

(30)

was nowhere in sight. Amy left the shop and **approched** the staff at the

information counter nearby for help.

The staff made an announcement over the Public Announcement

system. Amy waited anxiously for her mother to come.

**Section G – Comprehension Cloze (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word of your own.

There are many species of bees in the world. Bees live in hives. The queen bee, worker bees and drones live in each (31) \_\_\_\_\_.

Worker bees are busy little creatures. They (32) \_\_\_\_\_ together all day long to build cells of wax. Each bee is responsible for its own work. Some go out and collect honey (33) \_\_\_\_\_ flowers while others stay and work inside the hive.

The drones are male bees and they do not work. Their only job (34) \_\_\_\_\_ to mate with the queen. Before food becomes scarce during winter, the drones will be driven out of the hive so that they do not eat the honey which is not collected by them.

*Adapted from <http://www.k5learning.com>*



**Section H – Comprehension – Selected Response and Open-ended (8 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

In order to save a passenger's life, an airline pilot decided to discharge jet fuel in the air during an emergency landing.

An elderly woman had felt unwell and complained of breathing difficulties while flying from Shanghai to New York. The woman was becoming unconscious and the situation was critical. The woman, who was travelling with her young daughter, was transferred from the economy class to business class, after airline crew had performed basic first aid on her. 5

When her condition did not improve, the crew then announced over the sound system for doctors to step forward to help the woman. But when nobody responded, the pilot made the decision to do an emergency landing at the nearest airport in Alaska. 10

Before he could do that, he had to dump a large amount of fuel to ensure that the plane could land safely. Fuel dumping is carried out in emergency situations, such as when an aircraft has to land before its intended destination, to reduce its weight. 15

The woman was taken to a local hospital after the emergency landing. She recovered soon after and was able to resume her trip to New York with her daughter the next morning.

*Adapted from [www.straitstimes.com](http://www.straitstimes.com)*

35. Which word in the sentence below has the same meaning as 'release'?  
Circle either (A) or (B). [1 mark]

In order to save a passenger's life, an airline pilot decided to discharge jet  
(A) (B)  
fuel in the air during an emergency landing.

36. Where was the elderly woman travelling to?  
\_\_\_\_\_ [1 mark]

37. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

The \_\_\_\_\_ carried out basic first aid on the unwell woman. [1 mark]

<input type="checkbox"/>	pilot
<input type="checkbox"/>	crew
<input type="checkbox"/>	doctor

38. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to show what happened first, next and last  
in paragraphs 2 and 3. [1 mark]

\_\_\_\_\_ The pilot decided to do an emergency landing.

\_\_\_\_\_ The crew announced for doctors to come forward to help.

\_\_\_\_\_ The crew moved the elderly woman from the economy class to  
business class.

For Questions 39 to 41, read each statement and tick "True" or "False". Refer to paragraphs 3 to 5 to help you. An example has been done for you. [3 marks]

	Statement	True	False
Example	The elderly woman became better after being given first aid.		✓
39.	The elderly woman was treated at a hospital in Alaska.		
40.	No doctors came forward to help the sick woman.		
41.	Fuel dumping is done when an aircraft is landing.		

42. When did the elderly woman continue her journey to New York?

\_\_\_\_\_ [1 mark]

**Section I – Comprehension – Open-ended (4 x 2 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

There was once a boatman who earned his living by transporting passengers across a big river. One day, a rich but stingy man came and asked, "How much do you charge for a trip?"

"Four silver coins per trip," answered the boatman.

The man exclaimed that it was too costly. He told the boatman that he would only pay him two silver coins. The boatman did not say anything and began to row his boat. When they reached the middle of the river, he stopped and said, "You may get down here." 5

Upon hearing this, the man raised his voice at the boatman. "How do you expect me to get off here?" he asked furiously. 10

The boatman smiled and replied politely, "Sorry Sir, two silver coins will only take you here while four silver coins will take you across the river."

"Take me back to where we came from," commanded the man. He thought the boatman would think that it would be too troublesome to send him back so would just send him to his destination. 15

The boatman nodded. When they got back to where they had originally started, the boatman asked for four silver coins. The man then apologised, "I'm so sorry. I shouldn't have tried to take advantage of you. I will pay you for all the trips. Please send me across the river." He had learnt his lesson.

*Adapted from Asian Fables by Suzee Leong*

**Write your answers in complete sentences.**

43. How did the boatman make a living?

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44. What does "here" in line 10 refer to?

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45. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as the word 'ordered'?

46. What lesson did the rich man learn?

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**EXAM PAPER 2018 (P3)**

**SCHOOL : CATHOLIC HIGH**

**SUBJECT : ENGLISH**

**TERM : SA1**

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	4	1	1	2	1	3	2	3	4
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18		
3	3	4	4	B	A	F	D		

**Q19) chase**

**Q20) needs**

**Q21) helps**

**Q22) blends**

**Q23) introduce**

**Q24) perspiration**

**Q25) courage**

**Q26) jewellery**

**Q27) fascinated**

**Q28) suitable**

**Q29) opinion**

**Q30) approached**

**Q31) hive**

**Q32) work**

**Q33) from**

**Q34) is**

**Q35) B**

**Q36) New York**

**Q37) crew**

**Q38) 3 , 2 , 1**

**Q39) True**

**Q40) True**

**Q41) False**

**Q42) The next morning**

**Q43) He made a living by transporting passengers across the big river.**

**Q44) It refers to the middle of the river**

**Q45) commanded**

**Q46) He learn not to take advantage of the boatman.**