



PEI HWA PRESBYTERIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1

PRIMARY 4  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2

8 MAY 2017

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (     ) .

Class: Teamwork \_\_\_\_\_

Total time: 1h. 15min

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. Write your Name, Class and Register No. in the spaces provided above.
2. DO NOT turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.
5. Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.  
(Section A – C) (Questions 1 – 21)
6. Write all your answers in this booklet. (Section D – G) (Questions 22 – 47)

Marks (Section A – C) :	21
Marks (Section D – G) :	29
Total Marks:	50

This booklet consists of 13 printed pages, excluding the cover page.

**Section A: Vocabulary (6 marks)**

For each question from 1 to 6, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. During the rush hour, the \_\_\_\_\_ scurried to enter the MRT cabins before the doors close.

- (1) customers
- (2) attendants
- (3) commuters
- (4) pedestrians

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2. Jane was a timid girl. She \_\_\_\_\_ in fright as the cockroach flew towards her.

- (1) whined
- (2) giggled
- (3) mumbled
- (4) whispered

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3. It was Elizabeth's first attempt in using the \_\_\_\_\_ to make the mango tarts.

- (1) menu
- (2) recipe
- (3) brochure
- (4) catalogue

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4. Susan and Lily had butterflies in their stomachs as they waited \_\_\_\_\_ for the organiser to announce the names of the winners.

- (1) glumly
- (2) fearfully
- (3) anxiously
- (4) hopelessly

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5. The helpful neighbour alerted the police when he saw a \_\_\_\_\_ man loitering outside Mr Lim's apartment.

- (1) curious
- (2) restless
- (3) unusual
- (4) suspicious

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6. The men managed to swim back to shore when the boat \_\_\_\_\_ in the choppy waves.

- (1) capsized
- (2) uprooted
- (3) reversed
- (4) suspended

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**Section B: Grammar (8 marks)**

For each question from 7 to 14, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

7. My sister went to the kitchen and made \_\_\_\_\_ a cup of warm milk.

- (1) myself
- (2) herself
- (3) himself
- (4) yourself

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8. Joel will not go for the trip to the Botanic Gardens \_\_\_\_\_ he submits his consent form by tomorrow.

- (1) if
- (2) as
- (3) unless
- (4) although

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9. The twins \_\_\_\_\_ walking to the market that morning when they came across an injured kitten. They decided to take it to the vet.

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

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10. Mandy is good \_\_\_\_\_ sewing. Many of her friends ask her to sew their outfits for special occasions.

- (1) at
- (2) on
- (3) for
- (4) by

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11. "That naughty boy often mistreats the stray animals, \_\_\_\_\_ he?" said the neighbour.

- (1) don't
- (2) hasn't
- (3) hadn't
- (4) doesn't

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12. The class is planning a picnic next month and they will be inviting \_\_\_\_\_ friends to join in as well.

- (1) his
- (2) our
- (3) your
- (4) their

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13. We were alarmed when we saw an old lady \_\_\_\_\_ over the steps just now.

- (1) trip
- (2) trips
- (3) tripped
- (4) had tripped

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14. The tap could not stop leaking, so Father had to \_\_\_\_\_ a plumber to fix the problem.

- (1) call up
- (2) call off
- (3) call out
- (4) call upon

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Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (7 marks)  
Study the advertisement carefully and answer questions 15 to 21.



# Junior Cooking Classes 2017!

HOLIDAY SPECIALS by Creative Kitchen



Learn at your own pace  
in a fun and relaxing  
environment!

## Creative Pizza Making

Age Requirement: 6 to 16 years  
Class Size: maximum 15

What You'll Learn

- Shape, decorate and bake their own pizza



Fees: \$50.00

Saturday, 18 March, 1pm to 4pm

## Meatball Pasta

Age Requirement: 6 to 12 years  
Class Size: maximum 15

What You'll Learn

- Prepare the pasta dough and cook meatballs



Fees: \$50.00

Friday, 17 March, 1pm to 4pm

## Creative Animal Swiss rolls

Age Requirement: 12 to 16 years  
Class Size: maximum 15

What You'll Learn

- Turn a mere swiss roll into an adorable, completely edible 3D animal



Fees: \$60.00

Friday, 17 March, 1pm to 4pm

## Hot-Dog Buns

Age Requirement: 12 to 16 years  
Average Class Size: maximum 15

What You'll Learn

- Roll and shape hotdog buns



Fees: \$50.00

Sunday, 19 March, 1pm to 4pm

About  
Chef  
Ruby

"I enjoy cooking and I want to teach the children cooking skills! Let's have some fun together!"

\* Participants must bring along a container to bring home their own creation!

The recipes are simple to follow so juniors can pick up cooking easily. Sign up for any 2 classes per participant and enjoy a 10% discount off your total fees.

Please check out our website at [www.juniorcookingclasses.com](http://www.juniorcookingclasses.com) to download the registration forms. You have to submit the registration forms and payment at our counter. Vacancies are limited. Please contact Miss Jess at 67761255 for more enquiries.

Source: <https://lessonsawhere.com.sg/baking-classes-for-kids>

For each question from 15 to 21, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (4 marks)

15. The main purpose of this advertisement is to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) attract the juniors to sign up for the cooking classes
  - (2) know more about Chef Ruby and download her recipes
  - (3) challenge participants to prepare the food within four hours
  - (4) encourage adults to sign up for the cooking classes with their children

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16. According to the advertisement, 12-year-old Tiffany can only choose to attend \_\_\_\_\_ classes.

- (1) one
- (2) two
- (3) three
- (4) four

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17. Capitalisation is used for HOLIDAY SPECIALS to emphasise that \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) participants can bring home their own creations
- (2) participants are encouraged to learn at their own pace
- (3) the cooking classes are conducted during the March holidays
- (4) interested participants can sign up for these holiday cooking classes

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18. Pet lovers will most likely enjoy baking in the \_\_\_\_\_ class.

- (1) Hot-Dog Buns
- (2) Meatball Pasta
- (3) Creative Pizza Making
- (4) Creative Animal Swiss Roll

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19. A 15-year-old participant will enjoy a 10% discount when selecting the classes for \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) Meatball Pasta and Hot-Dog Buns
- (2) Meatball Pasta and Creative Pizza Making
- (3) Meatball Pasta and Creative Animal Swiss Roll
- (4) Creative Pizza Making and Creative Animal Swiss Roll

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20. To sign up for the classes, one must \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) write an email to the website
- (2) register personally at the counter
- (3) attend the ones they are interested in
- (4) make a telephone call to Miss Jess at 67761255

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21. Which of these statements is true about Junior Cooking Classes?

- (1) Participants of all ages are allowed to sign up for the classes.
- (2) Participants are not allowed to bring home the food they prepared.
- (3) The fees for the different classes are the same for all the participants.
- (4) The chef has a passion for cooking and wants to impart the skills to children

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**Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (6 marks)**

There are four blanks numbered 22 to 27 in the passage below.  
Choose the most suitable word and fill in each blank.

"Let's not make a sound," whispered Sandy. "There is a pride of lions and they look hungry!"

Just then, Timmy (22) \_\_\_\_\_ a rustling sound in the bushes near them. He turned and came face to face with a little lion cub. It was stuck in some thick undergrowth.

"We have to help the cub," Timmy said.

Sandy agreed. Slowly, the children managed to set the cub (23) \_\_\_\_\_. They were thinking of how to get it back to its mother (24) \_\_\_\_\_ they heard a tremendous roar. They turned their heads and a big lioness was standing (25) \_\_\_\_\_ in front of them.

Sandy stepped forward boldly. She (26) \_\_\_\_\_ the cub down on the ground and gave it a gentle pat on its back. The cub ran happily back to its mother. The lioness (27) \_\_\_\_\_ again but it did not seem so loud this time. The lioness and the cub returned to the pride.

*Source: The Surprise by Elizabeth Phillips*



**Section E: Grammar Cloze (8 marks)**

Read the two passages carefully and answer questions 28 to 35. Choose the correct word from the words given in the boxes and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. Use each word ONCE only.

Passage 1

(A) or	(B) and	(C) our
(D) receives	(E) received	(F) which

The air was filled with excitement in all the classrooms of my primary school. Each student (28) \_\_\_\_\_ a box of *Building My SG* LEGO set. Our form teacher told us to use the bricks to construct the Changi Airport, Gardens by the Bay or the Cavenagh Bridge. Ken and I held pieces of the LEGO bricks in (29) \_\_\_\_\_ hands excitedly. The classroom was very noisy as we discussed (30) \_\_\_\_\_ model to build.

"Miss Tan, this is what we think Singapore will look like in the future!" I exclaimed, pointing to our designs.

We thoroughly enjoyed this meaningful (31) \_\_\_\_\_ creative play.

Source: *The Straits Times*

Passage 2

(A) we	(B) I	(C) her
(D) their	(E) his	(F) you

Carrie stamped her feet. Both her parents were busy with her baby brother, Pete.

"(32) \_\_\_\_\_ am so bored!" She went to her room and kicked the book shelf. Out fell one of her favourite book, *The Shoemaker and the Elves*. There was a picture of three tiny men and an enormous shoe. Carrie turned the pages, engrossed in her own world of thoughts.

After dinner that night, Carrie watched as Daddy and Mummy were busy with (33) \_\_\_\_\_ chores as usual.

"I know what (34) \_\_\_\_\_ need," said Carrie.

"What?" chorused Daddy and Mummy in unison.

"Mummy Elves. They can help both of you do the housework," chuckled Carrie.

"Then (35) \_\_\_\_\_ will have more time together."

Source: *The Mommy Elves* by Ellen Rosen

**Section F: Sentence Manipulation / Combining (5 marks)**

For questions 36 to 40, combine the sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

36. The weather was cold. The old man did not wear his coat.

**Although** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

37. The audience stood up and clapped their hands. The dancers bowed after their performance.

**When** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

38. Jodie did her homework quickly. Jodie wanted to play with her toys.

\_\_\_\_\_ **so**  
\_\_\_\_\_

39. The dog wanted to catch the bone. The dog jumped high in the air.

**In order to** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

40. Tina walks to school. Ben walks to school too.

**Both** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**Section G – Comprehension (10 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 41 to 47. Write your answers in complete sentences.

<p>Sitting by the campfire, Dan strummed his guitar impatiently. The clear blue water of the ocean looked so inviting. It was a perfect day for a dip in the sea. He wanted to go for an early evening swim. His wife, Pauline, was fussing with pots and pans at their beach campsite.</p>	
<p>"I'm going swimming by myself," Dan finally announced with excitement bubbling inside him.</p>	5
<p>"Please, wait for me," she said. "I want to go too and I can't see without my glasses!"</p>	
<p>Dan hurried her along. He knew that she was nervous about brushing against spiny sea urchins or cutting herself on the sharp rocks in the water. So they set out, one behind the other. He bolted towards the whitish waves and plunged in. He closed his eyes to enjoy the rhythmic movements of the seawater. All of a sudden, a <i>shadow</i> about ten feet long rushed towards him. He turned to the figure, then felt something sink its teeth into his right hand.</p>	10
<p>"Swim fast to shore, Pauline! Go!" he cried. "Something bit me! Sh..ark!"</p>	15
<p>"What are you talking about?" she asked in disbelief.</p>	
<p>Then she saw Dan disappear underwater. Without her glasses, Pauline could barely make out what was happening. The worst thought came to her mind.</p>	20
<p>"Help!" she screamed. "Shark!"</p>	
<p>All she knew was that she had to get help.</p>	
<p>"Dan is not going to be your meal. Not today," she muttered as she swam frantically back to shore to get help.</p>	25
<p style="text-align: right;"><i>Source: Terror at the Beach by Lisa Fitterman</i></p>	

41. Why was it a perfect day for swimming? (1 mark)

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42. State whether each sentence below is True or False. Give a reason for your answer. (2 marks)

Sentence	True/False	Reason
i) Pauline was sitting beside Dan as he was strumming the guitar.		
ii) Dan preferred to swim in the morning.		

43. Which four-word phrase in *lines 1-8* tells us that Dan was eager to go for a swim on his own? (1 mark)

44. List the two things that made Pauline not enthusiastic about swimming in the sea. (2 marks)

i) She did not want to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

ii) She did not want to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

45. What does the word *shadow* in Paragraph 4 refer to? (1 mark)

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46. How did Pauline help Dan after he was attacked? (2 marks)

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47. These were Pauline's feelings when she was at the beach. Put them in the right sequence, according to the flow in the story. Write 1, 2 and 3 on the lines.

(1 mark)

\_\_\_\_\_ Pauline was nervous to swim in the sea without her glasses.

\_\_\_\_\_ Pauline took her time to settle things at the beach campsite.

\_\_\_\_\_ Pauline was taken aback when she heard Dan's screams.

**END OF PAPER**

EXAM PAPER 2017 (P4)

SCHOOL : PEI HWA

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

TERM : SA1

ORDER CALL :

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
3	4	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
4	4	3	1	1	4	3	4	4	2

21)4      22)heard      23)free      24)when      25)right      26)placed

27)roared      28)E      29)C      30)F      31)B      32)B      33)D

34)F      35)A

36)Although the weather was cold, the old man did not wear his coat.

37)When the dancers bowed after their performance, the audience stood up and clapped their hands.

38)Jodie wanted to play with her toys so she did not her homework quickly.

39)The dog jumped high in the air in order to catch the bone.

40)Both Tina and Ben walk to school.

41)The clear blue water looked so inviting and it was a perfect day for a dip in the sea.



42)i)False / Pauline was fussing with pots and pans at the beach campsite while Dan was strumming his guitar.

ii)False / Dan wanted to go for an early evening swim.

43)excitement bubbling inside him

44)i)She did not want to cut herself on sharp rocks.

ii)She did not want to brush against spiny sea urchins.

45)It refers to the "shark".

46)Pauline swam frantically back to shore to get help to save Dan from the sharks.

47)2 , 1 , 3