



**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**  
**END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2011**  
**PRIMARY FIVE**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE**  
**PAPER 1 (WRITING)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (       )

Class: Primary Five \_\_\_\_\_

13 Oct 2011

55 marks

1 hour 10 minutes

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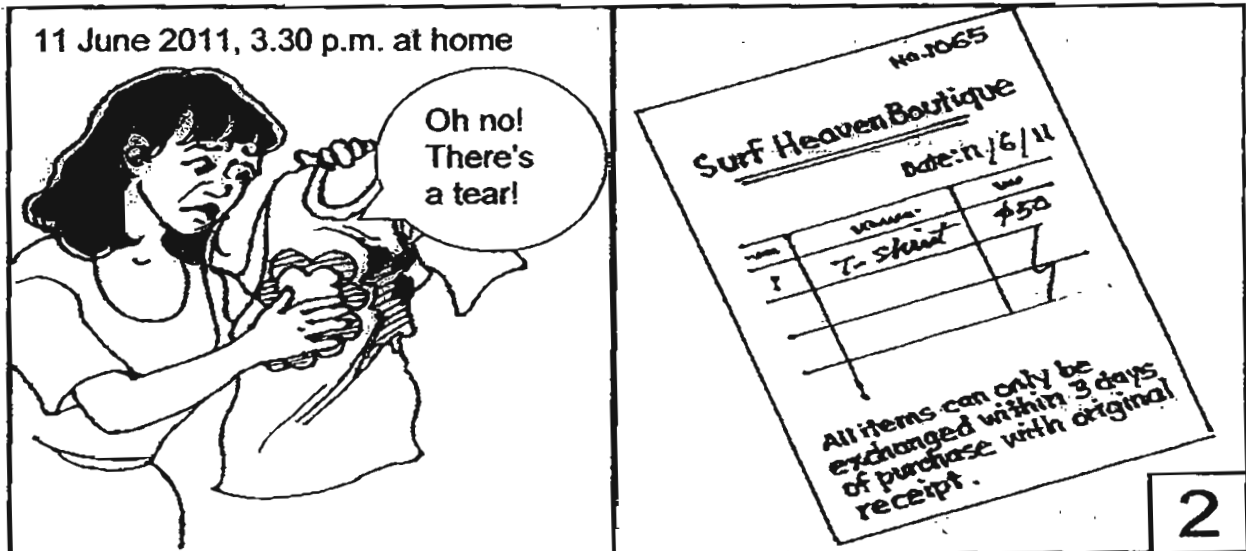
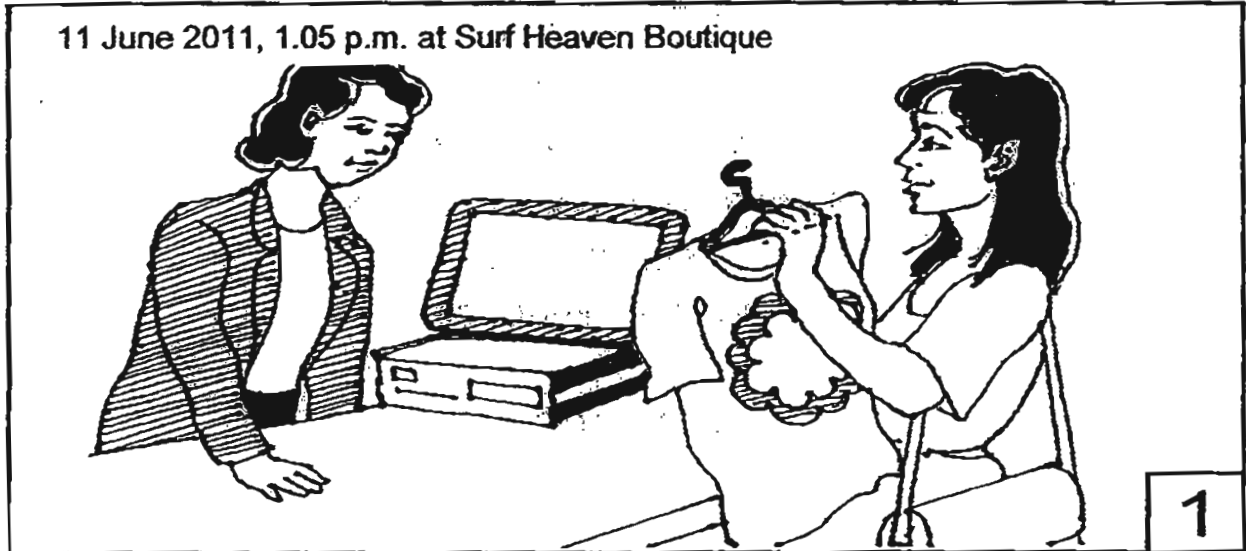
There are two parts to this paper - Part 1 and Part 2.

Answer the question in Part 1 and one question from Part 2.

This booklet consists of 4 printed pages excluding the cover page.

**Part 1: Situational Writing (15 marks)**

(1) Study the pictures below carefully.



**Your task:**

Imagine that you are the lady customer in the pictures.

**Write a letter to the manager of Surf Heaven Boutique, Mr Marcus Tan, to ask for an exchange of the T-shirt which you had purchased and to complain about his sales staff.**

You are to refer to the pictures in page 1.

In your letter, include the following information:

- ✓ the date you bought the T-shirt
- ✓ what was wrong with the T-shirt
- ✓ date and time you returned to the shop and what happened there
- ✓ how you felt about the incident
- why you should be given a new T-shirt

You may re-order the points. Please remember to write in complete sentences.

**Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)**

There are two questions in Part 2.  
Answer only one of them.

- (2) Write a story based on the picture below. Your story should be at least 150 words long.



You must make use of the points below in your story:

- what happened to the lady with long, curly hair
- what people around her did
- what happened in the end

You may re-order the points. You may include other relevant points.

- (3) You were at the school library doing research for your Social Studies project when you heard some noise. You saw two boys hiding behind a book shelf tearing pages off some books.

Based on the above situation, write a composition of at least 150 words.

In your composition, make use of the points below in your story.

- what you did
- what happened next
- what happened in the end

You may re-order the points. You may also include other relevant points.





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**PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)**

**BOOKLET A**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Class: Primary Five \_\_\_\_\_

30 Questions  
(30 Marks)

24 October 2011

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

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Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

This booklet consists of 10 printed pages excluding the cover page.

Study the following advertisement and then answer questions 1 to 5.

# SWIFT RUN 2011

**THE ULTIMATE X-TERRAIN CHALLENGE**

The No Balance Real Run is back for the 4<sup>th</sup> year running! Push your limits of cross-terrain running with the new 21-km route on gravel, mud and sand. Will you emerge just as victorious?

**NO AGE LIMIT FOR PARTICIPANTS!**



**Date:** Sunday, 30 October 2011

**Time:** 7 a.m. (10 km) / 6.30 a.m. (21 km)

**Starting Point:** Changi Exhibition Centre

**21 km** – 4 km Trail + 1 km Sand + 16 km

Taxiway/Road

**10 km** – 4 km Trail + 1 km Sand + 5 km

Taxiway/Road

Register Online: [www.swiftrun.sg](http://www.swiftrun.sg) (payment by credit card only)

## Registration Fee

Payment by Townbank Card

10 km - \$34

21 km - \$44

Payment by Other Cards

10 km - \$37

21 km - \$47

Enjoy other exclusive privileges with your Townbank Card. Check out [www.townbank.com.sg](http://www.townbank.com.sg) for more details.



Each participant will receive:

- An exclusive No Balance Lightning Dry T-shirt\*
- A finisher's medal  
(To be collected at the finish line)
- A goodie bag and a chance to win attractive prizes in the lucky draw

\*T-shirt to be collected from the No Balance Booth on race day. For more info on the race, visit [www.swiftrun.sg](http://www.swiftrun.sg) or call 6666 4666.

Closing Date for Registration : 7 October 2011

Organised by:

**SWIFT**

Sponsored By:

**NO BALANCE**



For each question from 1 to 5, 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. (5 marks)

1. "Swift Run 2011" is held \_\_\_\_\_ in Singapore.
  - (1) for the fourth time
  - (2) four times in a year
  - (3) once every four years
  - (4) for the first time after a four year absence
  
2. Participants taking part in the 21-km race must \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (1) pay by cash only
  - (2) be at least 12 years old
  - (3) start the race from Changi Exhibition Centre at 7 a.m.
  - (4) register their participation before 8 October 2011
  
3. The main aim of the race is to encourage participants to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (1) use the Townbank card
  - (2) take part in cross-terrain running and break out of their comfort zone
  - (3) wake up early on 30 October so that they would be able to participate in the race
  - (4) register for the race so that they would be able to receive the exclusive lightning dry T-shirt for the race
  
4. Swift Run 2011 is funded by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (1) Townbank
  - (2) No Balance
  - (3) Swift Run 2011
  - (4) Changi Exhibition Centre
  
5. Based on the advertisement, which one of the following statements is true?
  - (1) A goodie bag can be won as part of the lucky draw.
  - (2) Participants can choose to run on gravel, mud or sand.
  - (3) Each participant will receive a finisher's medal upon completion of the race.
  - (4) The No Balance T-shirt can be collected as soon as online payment is made.

For each question from 6 to 12, 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 marks)

6. If my dog had barked, I \_\_\_\_\_ that the postman was at the door.

- (1) will know
- (2) would know
- (3) will have known
- (4) would have known

7. The person \_\_\_\_\_ I met at the party turned out to be my brother's classmate.

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

8. Mabel, as well as her aunt, \_\_\_\_\_ travelling overseas this weekend.

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

9. The train to Malawi is due \_\_\_\_\_ 12.15 p.m. exactly. Please ensure that you are on time or else you will miss it.

- (1) at
- (2) for
- (3) about
- (4) around

10. Rachel hardly cooks dinner by herself, \_\_\_\_\_ she?

- (1) did
- (2) does
- (3) didn't
- (4) doesn't

11. They cannot go to the movies \_\_\_\_\_ they clean up the house.

- (1) since
- (2) unless
- (3) despite
- (4) in spite of

12. Vincent Van Gogh, \_\_\_\_\_ works inspired many artists, shot himself in the chest with a revolver.

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

For each question from 13 to 15, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.  
(3 marks)

I had always wanted a beautiful shawl to wear with my winter dresses. So, when I opened the present from my sister Wanda and saw that it was a white-and-silver shawl (13) I squealed in delight. "I love it!" I told Wanda that evening. "I wore it all morning (14)

"You wore it (15) Wanda asked, smiling. "It's a skirt for the Christmas tree."

*Adapted from The Reader's Digest January 2009*

13. (1) [ : ] colon  
(2) [ , ] comma  
(3) [ . ] full stop  
(4) [ ; ] semi-colon
14. (1) [ . ] full stop  
(2) [ ! ] exclamation mark  
(3) [ , " ] comma and inverted commas  
(4) [ . " ] full stop and inverted commas
15. (1) [ , " ] comma and inverted commas  
(2) [ . " ] full stop and inverted commas  
(3) [ ? " ] question mark and inverted commas  
(4) [ ! " ] exclamation mark and inverted commas

For each question from 16 to 20, 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. (5 marks)

16. The soldiers were \_\_\_\_\_ for their bravery.

- (1) committed
- (2) commented
- (3) commended
- (4) commanded

17. Fortunately for him, Desmond's house was not burgled. His neighbour was alert and had \_\_\_\_\_ the burglary plan.

- (1) foiled
- (2) restrained
- (3) eradicated
- (4) terminated

18. During the sale, Agatha bought another expensive bag on \_\_\_\_\_ but regretted it later.

- (1) inkling
- (2) instinct
- (3) impulse
- (4) impression

19. Grape juice and bits of peach are added to the smoothie to \_\_\_\_\_ your taste buds.

- (1) invoke
- (2) subject
- (3) tantalise
- (4) embrace

20. If you are not watchful, you can easily \_\_\_\_\_ to temptation.

- (1) fall
- (2) drop
- (3) crumble
- (4) succumb

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

Born on 12 March 1908, Marshall rose to prominence in the late 1940s as a brilliant, young criminal lawyer whose (21) skilful way with words and extraordinary legal understanding won him numerous court cases. Marshall (22) subsequently entered politics and became Singapore's first elected Chief Minister in 1955. As Chief Minister, Marshall was a fearless (23) opponent of British colonialism and led the early political struggles for Singapore's independence. A socialist by (24) inclination, he established the Singapore Worker's Party (WP) in 1957 after he had left the Labour Front and remained (25) prominent in public affairs. He retired from politics in 1963, after his electoral defeat at Anson and returned to practising law.

21. (1) talent  
(2) eloquence  
(3) experience  
(4) competence
22. (1) formerly  
(2) previously  
(3) concurrently  
(4) consequently
23. (1) ally  
(2) rival  
(3) traitor  
(4) supporter
24. (1) influence  
(2) affluence  
(3) preference  
(4) predominance
25. (1) famous  
(2) infamous  
(3) notorious  
(4) unimportant

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30. For each question from 26 to 30, 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 provided. (5 marks)

Realising that our family cat, Misty, had disappeared was a sad experience for me. We had recently moved into a home in a new suburb on a far busier road. I had kept Misty locked up in the house for the recommended two weeks but with my two kids and their friends constantly coming and going, she vanished not long after. We searched everywhere for her. We tried our neighbours, checked the railway track running along the back of our property and returned to our old house. We constantly looked for her, hoping against all odds to find a scared little feline hiding behind a tree or telegraph pole.

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It was only several weeks later that Misty turned up. She must have tried to find her way back to our former home after all and then, when she did not find us, decided to return. Starving and bedraggled, she let us make a big fuss over her. Recovery was slow but eventually she looked plump and healthy once more. Yet, Misty was not content. A nervous cat by nature, she was as unsettled as she had been before she left on her trek. But with so many other problems pressing on my shoulders at the time, I was not sure what to do about it.

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One morning, we woke up to find that Misty was missing again. After a quick search, my son found her body near our house, wrapped in an expensive sports jacket, and left neatly on the side of the road. There was a note pinned to the jacket, expressing how very sorry the driver was that he did not see her and how he did not have a chance to stop as she had dashed out in front of him. I cried because of the unknown driver's kindness and also because I felt that I had let Misty down.

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We buried Misty in a special shroud. It helped me a lot to know that she had been looked after when so many animals killed on the road were not. The consideration of the stranger who had bothered to stop, wrap her up in his own

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clothing and write that heartfelt note in the early hours of the morning will always be remembered.

*Adapted from Reader's Digest April 2009, The Last of Nine Lives*

26. Who does "We" in line 5 refer to? It refers to the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) author and her two children
  - (2) author's two children and their friends
  - (3) author's two children and their neighbours
  - (4) author, her two children and their neighbours
27. In lines 11-12, "Starving and bedraggled, she let us make a big fuss over her." means that Misty allowed the author's family to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) pamper her with food and attention
  - (2) treat her wounds and take her to a vet
  - (3) inform all their neighbours that they had found her
  - (4) mourn over her malnourished and deteriorated state
28. Misty was found missing again one morning by the author's family because she \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) wanted to hide behind the tree again
  - (2) wanted the family to make a fuss over her
  - (3) had many problems pressing on her shoulders
  - (4) was anxious and uncomfortable living in the author's new house
29. What did the author mean by "felt that I had let Misty down" (line 23)? She was upset that \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) the driver had not stopped in time to save Misty
  - (2) Misty had not been given enough food and attention
  - (3) she did not do enough to prevent Misty from escaping
  - (4) the driver had simply left a note to explain the what had happened





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**PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)**  
**BOOKLET B**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Class: Primary Five \_\_\_\_\_

50 Questions  
(65 Marks)

24 October 2011

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes

Components	Marks
Booklet A	30
Booklet B	65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>95</b>

Parent's  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Answer all questions.

Write your answers in this booklet.

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30. According to the passage, which one of the following statements is false?

- (1) The driver had run over Misty as he did not have the opportunity to stop in time.
- (2) Misty had been with the author's family ever since they were residing in their previous house.
- (3) Misty returned to the author's family many weeks after she went missing for the first time.
- (4) Misty's body had been wrapped in a sports jacket and left carefully at the doorstep of the author's house.

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) about	(D) during	(G) it	(K) out	(N) under
(B) and	(E) however	(H) of	(L) the	(P) which
(C) because	(F) in	(J) onto	(M) to	(Q) with

The beaming face of a full moon looks to us like a golden sphere in the night sky.

(31) \_\_\_\_\_, the moon's surface is not at all smooth or flat. There are mountains and volcanoes on the moon (32) \_\_\_\_\_ reach as high as 6000 metres. Meteors or space rocks, crashing (33) \_\_\_\_\_ the moon's surface have carved (34) \_\_\_\_\_ deep craters. When we observe the moon (35) \_\_\_\_\_ a full moon, we see a bright butter-coloured disc.

Within its radiant face, we see some greyish areas. These grey patterns have given rise to stories (36) \_\_\_\_\_ countless countries. Some have stories about Mother (37) \_\_\_\_\_ Child. Others see the image of a Man in the Moon – sent there to suffer isolation and cold (38) \_\_\_\_\_ of his extreme greed and cruelty (39) \_\_\_\_\_ his subjects. In reality, (40) \_\_\_\_\_ is merely the shadows of the lunar mountains and craters. So, the stories are nothing but mere stories.

Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

Life in a concentration camp was unbearable for the one hundred  
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British prisoners-of-war. The camp was **barikaded** by barbed wires that  
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were six metres high. Soldiers accompanied with ferocious German  
43.  44.   
Shepherds **patroled** the perimeter of the camp at regular interval.  
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Numerous soldiers man the tower posts with machine guns, ready to  
46.   
shoot or kill anyone trying to escape by the barbed wires. The tower posts  
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were placed at **stratigic** positions around the camp. The prisoners-of-war  
48.   
lived in wooden sheds, which were **starkly** **fernished**. They slept on dirty,  
49.   
torn canvas beds, which were crawling with bed-bugs. **Each** shed has  
only a small window for light and ventilation. When there was a heavy  
50.   
downpour, the shed would be flooded and waterlogged. **Senitasion** was  
poor. The lack of toiletries resulted in unhealthy living conditions.

**Fill in the blanks with the most suitable answer. (15 marks)**

A 72-year-old man was robbed by three men in a dark alley on Saturday evening. His trousers were yanked off him. He lost about \$9500 (51) \_\_\_\_\_ cash and jewellery in the robbery.

Mr. Koh Hock Soon ended up having to seek (52) \_\_\_\_\_ in his underwear. He was robbed at around 8 p.m. while he was walking alone along a deserted alley, behind a row of shophouses along Jalan Besar, to (53) \_\_\_\_\_ a bus home.

The thugs (54) \_\_\_\_\_ on him from behind. One got him in a stranglehold (55) \_\_\_\_\_ the other two held onto his hands. They told him to remain quiet and (56) \_\_\_\_\_ to beat him if he shouted.

Mr. Koh said, "They (57) \_\_\_\_\_ me squat down then forced me onto my knees." He said he was (58) \_\_\_\_\_ stunned to do anything (59) \_\_\_\_\_ watch as they pulled off his (60) \_\_\_\_\_ and emptied his T-shirt pocket of a bus pass and other documents. He was also (61) \_\_\_\_\_ of two Rolex watches, eight rings and \$3000 in cash.

The dealer in second-hand goods said he had redeemed the eight rings from a pawnshop that day after (62) \_\_\_\_\_ bought pawn tickets from a debtor.

Ashen-faced and (63) \_\_\_\_\_ he could only speak softly. Mr. Koh went to a nearby coffee shop and telephoned his wife to (64) \_\_\_\_\_ him up.

Deputy Superintendent Ken Gong said that the trousers-taking incident was the first of its (65) \_\_\_\_\_ in recent years. Police are investigating the robbery further.

For each of the questions from 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. Tracy does not know where the library is. Her brothers also do not know.

Neither \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

67. The mischievous boys saw Mr. Lim at the door. They ran back to their seats.

Upon \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

68. Marley likes blue more than pink.

\_\_\_\_\_ prefers \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

69. The teacher marks the test paper.

The test paper \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

70. The new pair of jeans was very tight. He had to alter it.

\_\_\_\_\_ so \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)**

Our attention was suddenly attracted by the appearance of a triangular fin above the water, just a few yards away from us. Peterkin shouted to us to paddle in that direction, as he thought it was a big fish, and we might have a chance of catching it. But Jack, instead said in a deep, serious tone of voice, which I had never heard him use before, "Haul up your line, Peterkin, seize your paddle, quick!" Hardly had he finished speaking when a shark appeared.

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The horror with which we heard this may well be imagined, for our legs were hanging down in the water, and we could not venture to pull them up without upsetting the log. Peterkin, instantly hauled up the line, and, grasping his paddle exerted himself to the greatest extent, and so did we. But we were a good way off, and the log being very heavy, moved slowly through the water.

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We now saw the shark quite distinctly swimming round and round us, its fin every now and then thrusting above the water. Jack knew that it was making up its mind to attack us, so he urged us strongly to paddle for our lives. Suddenly, he shouted, "Look out! There it comes!" and in a second we saw the monstrous fish dive close under us, and half turn over on its side. But we all made a great commotion with our paddles which no doubt frightened it away for a short time, but we saw it once again circling round us, just as before.

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"Throw the fish to him!" cried Jack, in a quick, suppressed voice. "We'll make it to shore in time if we can keep him off for a few minutes."

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Peterkin stopped one instant to obey the command, and then used his paddle again with all his might. No sooner had the fish fallen than we saw the shark sink. In another second, we saw its white breast rising; for sharks always turn on their sides when about to seize their prey, their mouths being not at the point of their heads like those of other fish, but under their chins.

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In another moment its snout rose above the water, its wide jaws, armed with a terrific row of double teeth, appeared. The dead fish was swallowed up and the shark sank out of sight. But Jack was mistaken in supposing that the fish would satisfy it for a while. In a few seconds, it returned to us and its quick movements led us to fear that it would attack us at once.

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I saw the shark, to my horror, quite close under the log, darting towards Jack's foot. I could hardly suppress a cry on seeing this. In another moment, the shark rose. Jack drew his leg suddenly from the water, and threw it over the log. The monster's

snout rubbed against the log and revealed its hideous jaws, into which Jack immediately plunged the paddle, and thrust it down its throat. It dived into the water and disappeared. Jack heaved a sigh of relief. **What a narrow escape!**

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*(Adapted from "Coral Island" by R. M. Ballantyne)*

**ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.**

71. What made Jack sense that there was a shark around?

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72. From paragraph 2, explain clearly why the boys were in serious trouble.

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73. What was unusual about their boat?

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74. How did Jack know that the shark was determined to attack them?

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75. What did the boys do to prevent the shark from attacking them the first time?

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76. What does "the command" in line 21 refer to?

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77. Explain fully why Jack was "mistaken" in line 28.

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78. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as "grab hold of"?

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79. How were the boys finally saved from being attacked by the shark?

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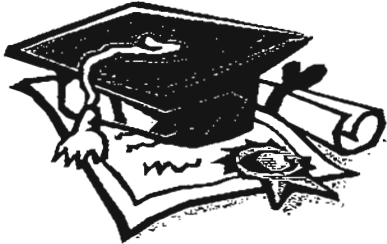
80. Why was it a narrow escape (line 36) for Jack?

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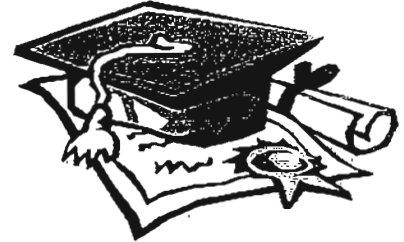


# ANSWER SHEET

**EXAM PAPER 2011**

**SCHOOL : CATHOLIC HIGH  
SUBJECT : PRIMARY 5 ENGLISH**

**TERM : SA2**



Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
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Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40
D	F	B	C	M	G

- 41)barricaded      42)by      43)patrolled      44)intervals      45)manned  
46)through      47)strategic      48)furnished      49)had      50)sanitation  
51)in      52)help      53)catch      54)pounced      55)and  
56)threatened      57)made      58)too      59)but      60)trousers  
61)robbed      62)having      63)shocked      64)pick      65)kind  
66)Neither Tracy nor her brothers know where the library is.  
67)Upon seeing Mr Lim at the door, the mischievous boys ran back to their seats.  
68)Marley prefers blue to pink.  
69)The test paper is marked by the teacher.  
70)The new pair of jeans was very tight so he had to alter it.  
71)There was an appearance of a triangular fin above the water.  
72)Their legs were hanging down in the water, and they could not venture to pull them up without upsetting the log.  
73)Their boat was actually just a log.

**74)The shark the swimming around them and thrusting its fins above the water every now and then.**

**75)The shark created a big commotion.**

**76)It refers to Jack's instructor.**

**77)He thought the shark was satisfied.**

**78)The word is "grasping".**

**79)Jack plunged the paddle and thrust it down its throat.**

**80)Jack would have been eaten up by the shark had he not pulled his leg out of the water just in time.**