



**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL  
FIRST SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2018  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**PRIMARY 5**

**PAPER 2: BOOKLET A**

**TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Pr 5 ( )

**There are a total of 80 questions – 28 MCQ and 52 open-ended questions.**

**Instructions to pupils:**

- 1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.**
- 2. Follow all instructions carefully.**
- 3. Answer all the questions**
- 4. Shade your answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.**

For each question from 1 to 10, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS). (10 X 1 mark)

1. I realised that I \_\_\_\_\_ my wallet at home when I boarded the bus.

- (1) leave
- (2) had left
- (3) have left
- (4) was leaving

2. Jane will return the book to me, \_\_\_\_\_ she?

- (1) won't
- (2) didn't
- (3) couldn't
- (4) wouldn't

3. The drunk driver crashed \_\_\_\_\_ a canal.

- (1) at
- (2) in
- (3) off
- (4) into

4. The boys continued playing soccer \_\_\_\_\_ the heavy rain.

- (1) until
- (2) while
- (3) since
- (4) despite

5. Zain, \_\_\_\_\_ brother is the head prefect, is my best friend.

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

6. Meina, as well as her parents, \_\_\_\_\_ looking forward to the family trip to Japan in December.

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

7. Either the boys or Lishan \_\_\_\_\_ to decorate the class noticeboard tomorrow.

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

8. Mr Pang saw \_\_\_\_\_ boys helping an old man with his groceries.

- (1) any
- (2) much
- (3) plenty
- (4) several

9. Timothy promised his parents that he would take care of his siblings and \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) himself
- (2) yourself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) themselves

10. While Yi Ting \_\_\_\_\_ her bag, she found Michael's pencil in one of the pockets.

- (1) is packing
- (2) has packed
- (3) was packing
- (4) had been packing

For each question from 11 to 15, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS). (5 X 1 mark)

11. My grandmother always wears her favourite \_\_\_\_\_ of jewellery on her birthday.

- (1) set
- (2) box
- (3) pack
- (4) chest

12. The week-old rubbish is \_\_\_\_\_ a stench.

- (1) giving in
- (2) giving up
- (3) giving off
- (4) giving away

13. Having lived in several countries since the age of two, Nancy has become quite \_\_\_\_\_ in many languages.

- (1) versatile
- (2) eloquent
- (3) obsessed
- (4) engrossed

14. When Joseph Schooling won an Olympic Gold, Mr Colin Schooling was \_\_\_\_\_ with pride.

- (1) instilled
- (2) affected
- (3) covered
- (4) overwhelmed

15. The Indonesian authorities \_\_\_\_\_ the threat warning from Bali's Mount Agung volcano to the highest level on Monday after its eruption intensified.

- (1) lifted
- (2) raised
- (3) upsized
- (4) advanced

For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS). (5 X 1 mark)

The senior director for the elderly group under Touch Community Services said the organisation is keeping closer tabs on senior citizens during the monsoon season. Their staff have been advising their home-bound frail seniors to keep themselves warm.

He highlighted that these vulnerable seniors may need extra help during this period. (16)

Restaurant owner, Francis Ng, was giving out blankets to those sleeping on the streets last night. "I'm afraid they will be cold," said Mr Ng. Last week, he chanced upon an old man shivering at a void deck in Chinatown. The sight moved him and he brought a blanket for the old man the next day. (17) (18) (19)

More people have been down with common cold and flu too, with doctors reporting a surge in the number of patients coming in with these symptoms. Doctors urged those who are feeling unwell to wear a mask to prevent the spread of the virus. (20)

The Ministry of Health is also monitoring the situation closely.

16. (1) said  
(2) argued  
(3) explained  
(4) emphasised

17. (1) sharing  
(2) dividing  
(3) donating  
(4) distributing

18. (1) glanced  
(2) uncovered  
(3) approached  
(4) encountered

19. (1) touched  
(2) confused  
(3) persuaded  
(4) impressed

20. (1) signs  
(2) issues  
(3) ailments  
(4) problems

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Study this flyer carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28. (8 X 1 mark)



# SINGAPORE AIRSHOW 2018

10 & 11 JUNE

Changi Exhibition Centre Singapore

**SINGAPORE  
AIRSHOW**

Jet your way to an thrilling weekend at Singapore Airshow 2018. Hurry, get your tickets from SISTIC now for the unforgettable experience!

## Event Highlights

- > Breathtaking aerobatic flying displays by Republic of Singapore Air Force and Black Eagles Aerobatic Team.

### FLYING DISPLAY TIMINGS

10 June	11.30am – 12.15pm	2.30pm – 3.15pm
11 June	12.15pm – 1.00pm	3.15pm – 4.00pm

- > Meet-the-Pilot sessions
- > Latest models of aircraft on static display
- > Meet our mascot: Captain Leo



Captain Leo

Get your tickets now at any SISTIC authorised outlets or via [www.sistic.com](http://www.sistic.com)

## TICKET PRICES

Adult S\$22 per entry	Child S\$9 per entry (3 to 12 years old)	Group Package S\$80 (4 entry tickets)
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Please note:

1. No tickets will be available for sale at the event site or at Singapore EXPO
2. All prices are in Singapore Dollars, inclusive of taxes and exclusive of SISTIC charges.



**Getting there by airshow shuttle**

Your entrance ticket entitles you to a free 2-way Airshow Shuttle service. Simply alight at EXPO MRT station to catch the shuttle from Singapore EXPO, Hall 7.

<b>AIRSHOW SHUTTLE SCHEDULE</b>	
<b>To Event Site</b>	<b>To Singapore EXPO</b>
Singapore EXPO, Hall 7	Changi Exhibition Centre
↓	↓
Changi Exhibition Centre	Singapore EXPO
First Bus – 7.30am	First Bus – 8.30am
Last Bus – 3.00pm	Last Bus – 6.00pm

As parking is limited at Singapore EXPO, visitors are advised to take public transport to the venue. If driving is really necessary, alternative parking spaces may also be found at

- Changi City Point , ●Plaza 8

Security checks on bags will be conducted. (Visitors are advised to travel light to expedite security checks.)

Please check our website [www.singaporeairshow.com/public/important-notes](http://www.singaporeairshow.com/public/important-notes) for list of prohibited items.

**Getting there by car (Only for vehicles with valid car labels)**

Only vehicles with valid parking labels can access the show site. Please check our website [www.singaporeairshow.com](http://www.singaporeairshow.com) for the purchase of car labels. Limited lots available.

For each question from 21 to 28, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

21. The main aim of the flyer is to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) advise visitors on the pricing of the Airshow tickets
- (2) encourage visitors to take public transport to the Airshow
- (3) provide general information about the Singapore Airshow
- (4) encourage visitors to purchase Airshow tickets at the event site

22. What can visitors look forward to at the Airshow?

- (1) taking the Airshow Shuttle
- (2) viewing aerobatic flying displays
- (3) having free admission to all areas
- (4) having a photo session with the pilot

23. The flying display will not be available at \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) 10 June, 11.30am
- (2) 10 June, 3.00pm
- (3) 11 June, 12.05pm
- (4) 11 June, 3.30pm

24. Visitors can purchase tickets to the Airshow at \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) the event site
- (2) Singapore EXPO
- (3) SISTIC authorised outlets
- (4) [www.singaporeairshow.com](http://www.singaporeairshow.com)

25. Which of the following is not true about driving to the Airshow?

- (1) Visitors may park their vehicles at Singapore Expo.
- (2) Alternative parking is available at Changi City Point.
- (3) Vehicles with valid parking labels can access the event site.
- (4) Visitors can purchase valid car labels from SISTIC authorised outlets.

26. The entrance ticket entitles the visitor to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) a car label
- (2) park at the show site
- (3) take a train to EXPO MRT station
- (4) a free 2-way shuttle service to the Airshow

27. The first bus from Singapore EXPO, Hall 7 to Changi Exhibition Centre leaves at \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) 7.30am
- (2) 8.30am
- (3) 3.00pm
- (4) 6.00pm

28. Which of the following is true?

- (1) Charges will be imposed on tickets via SISTIC.
- (2) Visitors can bring along any items to the Airshow.
- (3) The Singapore Airshow is not suitable for families.
- (4) The Group Package ticket price is a good deal for families consisting of 2 adults and 2 children under 12 years old.





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**PAPER 2: BOOKLET B**

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

Pr 5 ( )

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

<b>Booklet A</b>	<b>/28</b>
<b>Booklet B</b>	<b>/67</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>/95</b>

Any query on marks awarded should be raised by 17 May 2018. We seek your understanding in this matter as any delay in the confirmation of marks will lead to delays in the generation of results.

<b>PAPER 1 - Writing</b>	<b>/55</b>
<b>PAPER 2 - Language Use &amp; Comprehension</b>	<b>/95</b>
<b>PAPER 3 - Listening Comprehension</b>	<b>/20</b>
<b>PAPER 4 - Oral Communication</b>	<b>/30</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>/200</b>

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There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, 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 to avoid confusion during marking. (10 x 1m)

Use each WORD once ONLY

A) across	D) around	G) has	K) on	N) since
B) also	E) at	H) had	L) one	P) when
C) among	F) from	J) off	M) over	Q) which

It was the 1999 Lipton Championships tennis tournament in Florida. 18-year-old Venus Williams stared \_\_\_\_\_ the net at her opponent. It was the final match. Venus \_\_\_\_\_ won this same tournament a year earlier. She was moving up the world rankings and was \_\_\_\_\_ the top young players in the world.

Her opponent was pretty good too. She had won sixteen straight matches, and she was \_\_\_\_\_ Venus's younger sister, Serena. Off the court, they were family. \_\_\_\_\_ the court, they were rivals.

It was the first time that sisters had faced off in a major tournament \_\_\_\_\_ 1884. Tennis fans \_\_\_\_\_ the world were thrilled to watch these two young stars compete against each other. During the exciting match, the sisters were tied at four games each \_\_\_\_\_ Serena made several errors. That gave Venus an opening \_\_\_\_\_ eventually led to her winning the tournament.

That championship match in Florida was the first of what would become 27 sister-versus-sister matches \_\_\_\_\_ the course of their career. Together, the Williams sisters have transformed tennis and their drive to win has made them role models to millions.

Marks
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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 x 1m)

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The tiger is both admired and feared by people around the world. It is the large

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living member of the cat family. It is rakognisable by its orange coat with black stripes. Its

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ears are black on the outside and each of them has a promeenent white spot. Tigers

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originated by Siberia. From there, they migrated down south as the climert became colder.

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There were over forty thousand tigers at the begaining of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Today, it

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is very sad to note that the number of tigers in the wild has decreasing significantly. Tigers

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face unrelenting preasure from poaching, retaliatory killings and habitat loss. They are

forced to compete for space with the growing human population.

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Tigers hunt alone and lead a solitary exist. They are quiet, patient animals with

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large powerful paws and teeth to help them catch and eat their prey. Tigers are most

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nocturnal hunters that rely on the camoflage their stripes provide. Their diet consist mainly

of deer, antelopes and wild pigs. At times, they even hunt birds, lizards, frogs and crabs.

Marks

Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 x 1m)

"Once upon a time," an old peasant woman began, "there was a king and queen who had a beautiful daughter." A young man named Wilhelm Grimm listened \_\_\_\_\_ (51) to the woman's story. Wilhelm had \_\_\_\_\_ (52) to the countryside to meet Dorothea and listen to her stories. He and his brother, Jacob, were in the midst of \_\_\_\_\_ (53) their first book together, a collection of German fairy tales.

The Grimm brothers felt that children's stories were an \_\_\_\_\_ (54) part of German history as they had been told and retold for hundreds of years. These tales showed how German language and culture had evolved \_\_\_\_\_ (55) time. However, as time passed, \_\_\_\_\_ (56) people were telling fairy tales to their children as story-telling grew less popular. The brothers, afraid that no one would \_\_\_\_\_ (57) the stories, began their literary journey.

It was difficult for Jacob and Wilhelm to collect fairy tales. People only came to \_\_\_\_\_ (58) of a fairy tale because someone had told it to them. The \_\_\_\_\_ (59) way to collect stories was to listen to storytellers, like Dorothea, who knew them by \_\_\_\_\_ (60).

\_\_\_\_\_ (61) makes a story a fairytale? A fairy tale is a story that is almost always about a hero who \_\_\_\_\_ (62) over evil. A fairy tale also usually involves magic and imaginary creatures such as fairies, giants and dragons.

No \_\_\_\_\_ (63) knows who first created fairy tales. As time passed, storytellers \_\_\_\_\_ (64) the stories slightly and added details to them. Different \_\_\_\_\_ (65) of the same stories can be found in different countries. Many of the stories we enjoy now are the result of the Grimm brothers' passion for German literature.

Marks



For each of the questions 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). (5 x 2m)

Do not write in this space.

66. Tom has to complete his homework. Then, he can play computer games.

Before \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

67. William will get a scolding from his mother if he does not turn the television off.

Unless \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

68. Lisa likes collecting stamps. Alexa likes collecting stamps too.

Both \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

69. Paul is able to stay calm under pressure. His friends admire that.

Paul's \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

70. Sara asked her brother, "Can you help me return the library book which will be due soon?"

Sara asked her brother \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Go on to the next page)

Marks

Read this passage and answer questions 71 to 80. (20m)

This happened many years ago when I was still in my twenties. One day, a hunter from a neighbouring village came and told our village head that he had seen some rhinos running loose in a nearby forest. Everyone in the village was delighted as the horns of rhinos were valued for their aesthetic and medicinal qualities. Our village head then sent two hunters who knew the forest well to investigate the rumour. The hunters' task was to see if there were any footprints belonging to the rhinos. The men came back and reported that there was no doubt about the rumour. The footprints they had found were much deeper than those of a buffalo and they could only be made by the rhinos. Upon hearing that, the village head quickly sent a report to the district headquarters to ask for advice on the matter.

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Within three days, the officers from the district headquarters came to our village for the rhino hunt. Our village head gathered the headman of the surrounding villages together. Other villagers who were hunters, trackers and porters also responded and volunteered to help trap and catch the rhinos. They also acted as escorts for the officers who were not familiar with the forest. The officers were riding on horses and the village headmen and volunteers followed behind, carrying with them spears, knives, bamboo drums and food. They set off to look for the rhinos enthusiastically. I followed at a respectable distance. With the help of two locals, I captured every moment on film, hoping to share the photographs with the rest of the villagers.

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It was still quite early in the morning when we reached the forest and the first thing we did was to build temporary huts which were strong enough to withstand the wind. That took half a day. After that, the village headmen and villagers were divided into several groups. Each group was assigned to search an area of the forest for any sign of the rhinos. They set off in different directions and each group was led by a village headman and an officer with a rifle.

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The remaining officer and his party of men set off to the place of ambush. This was a part of the forest where a hut built on stilts had already been set up among a clump of trees, so that the men could lie in wait to attack the rhinos. Branches that grew around the hut were cut away to give a good view of the surroundings. A few men carrying rifles climbed into the hut where they would be safe from wild animals and waited. If a rhino showed itself anywhere nearby, a single well-aimed shot would be fired to bring it down.

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All day long, the bamboo drums could be heard faintly in the distance. The men were disappointed each time they heard the sound of the drums which signalled their efforts for that day were in vain. No rhinos were found on the first day, and it was the same the next day.

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In the early morning of the third day, some plantation workers reported seeing the rhinos the night before. Trackers were sent to check the area out. They came back and reported the animals had gone from the plantation back into the forest where the ambush stood. Everyone was very excited by the news.

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71. What was the rumour in the village? [2m]

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write in this space.

72. How did the village head check if the rumour was true? [2m]

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73. What was the author's occupation? [1m]

74. Find words from paragraphs 1 and 2 which have the same meaning as the words in the boxes. Use one word for each box. [3m]

prized	
assembled	
acceptable	

75. What did the men do immediately upon arrival at the forest? [2m]

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76. State 2 reasons why the hut was built on stilts. [2m]

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

77. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events happened in the story. [1m]

- \_\_\_\_\_ The village headmen and villagers were assigned groups.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Officers from the district headquarters heard about the rhinos.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The rhinos were spotted at the plantation by the workers.

78. Based on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

Statement	True/False	Reason
Rhinos were hunted for entertainment purposes.		
The village head immediately sent his men to hunt the rhinos after confirming that the rumour was true.		
The villagers were well-equipped for the hunt.		

79. Explain clearly why the men were disappointed each time they heard the drums. [2m]

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80. Why was everyone excited by the news that the trackers brought? [2m]

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**Booklet A**

Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
2	1	4	4	4	1	1	4	1	3
Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
1	3	2	4	2	4	4	4	1	1
Q 21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28		
3	2	3	3	4	4	1	1		

**Booklet B**

Q 29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
A	H	C	B	R	N	D	P	Q	M
Q39)	largest	Q43)	climate	Q47)	existence				
Q40)	recognisable	Q44)	beginning	Q48)	mostly				
Q41)	environment	Q45)	decreased	Q49)	camouflage				
Q42)	from	Q46)	pressure	Q50)	consists				

Q51)	carefully	Q56)	fewer	Q61)	what
Q52)	gone	Q57)	like	Q62)	wins
Q53)	writing	Q58)	know	Q63)	one
Q54)	important	Q59)	best	Q64)	changed
Q55)	over	Q60)	hard	Q65)	languages/versions
Q66)	Before Tom can play computer games, he has to complete his homework.				
Q67)	Unless William turns the television off, he will get a scolding from his mother.				
Q68)	Both Lisa and Alexa like collecting stamps.				

Q69)	Paul's friends admire that he is able to stay calm under pressure.
Q70)	Sara asked her brother if he could help her return the library book which would be due soon.
Q71)	There were some rhinos running loose in a nearby forest.
Q72)	The village head sent two hunters who knew the forest well to investigate the rumour and to find out if there were any footprints belonging to the rhinos.
Q73)	photographer
Q74)	valued gathered respectable
Q75)	They built temporary huts which were strong enough to withstand the wind.
Q76)	1. So that it is good enough to withstand the wind. 2. So that the men could lie in wait to attack the rhinos.
Q77)	2, 1, 3
Q78)	False. Rhinos were hunted for their horns for aesthetic and medicinal qualities. False. The village head immediately sent a report to the district headquarters for advice after confirming that the rumour was true. True. The villagers carried with them spears, knives, bamboo drums and food for the hunt.
Q79)	When the men heard the sound of the drums, it signalled their efforts for that day were in vain.
Q80)	The trackers reported that the animals had gone back from the plantation back into the forest where the ambush stood and thus they could hunt the rhinos again.