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SINGAPORE HOKKIEN HUAY KUAN
5-SCHOOL COMBINED PRIMARY 6 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION
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2011 ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

BOOKLET A

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

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

School : _____
Name : _____
Class : _____

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This booklet consists of 9 printed pages and 1 blank page.

Study the following advertisement and answer questions 1 to 5.



TREE TOP ADVENTURE

Swing among the trees at Tree Top Adventure - Singapore's first treetop obstacle course.

Suitable for both children and adults!

WHAT IS IT?

It is an aerial course consisting of bridges, swings, nets, trapezes and giant zip lines built among the trees.

Discover the thrill of heights and the joy of physical outdoor activity. Build your confidence as you step out of your comfort zones and push your limits.

THINGS TO NOTE

- Participants must ensure that they follow safety rules and regulations.
- Participants must attend a 30-minute briefing where they learn how to use the equipment and wear their safety gear.
- Participants are attached to at least one safety point at all times.
- Instructors will be on duty on the ground.

OPENING HOURS

- Grand Course**
 - Open every day* from 10.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
 - Last departure at 4.30 p.m.
- Children's Course**
 - Open on weekends, school and public holidays* from 10.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
 - Last departure at 5.00 p.m.
 - Bookings for a minimum of 20 children available on weekdays* (contact us at 8100 7420 to check availability)

*Tree Top Adventure is closed on Mondays

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- Grand Course**
 - for ages 12 and above only
- Children's Course**
 - for ages between 5 and 12
 - participants must be accompanied by a participating adult (aged 21 and above)

FEES

- Grand Course**
 - First round - \$36
 - Additional round (subject to availability) - \$26
- Children's Course**
 - First round - \$25
 - Additional round (subject to availability) - \$15

FIND US

Location: Bedok Reservoir Park
Nearest MRT Station: Bedok
Bus Services: 5, 18, 21, 22, 28, 59, 65, 67, 69, 168
Car: Carpark A along Bedok Reservoir Road



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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 *Tree Top Adventure* is a/an _____.

- (1) forest trail
- (2) treetop walk
- (3) obstacle course
- (4) adventure camp

2 *Tree Top Adventure* does not require participants to _____.

- (1) attend a safety talk
- (2) follow the safety procedures
- (3) be attached to a safety point at all times
- (4) have instructors follow them on the treetop course

3 The main aim of *Tree Top Adventure* is to _____.

- (1) be the first treetop adventure course
- (2) create awareness for nature conservation
- (3) build participants' confidence in overcoming challenges
- (4) provide opportunities for participants to make new friends

4 According to the advertisement, all participants must start on the Grand Course no later than _____.

- (1) 4.00 p.m.
- (2) 4.30 p.m.
- (3) 5.00 p.m.
- (4) 6.00 p.m.

5 Which of the following statements about *Tree Top Adventure* is true?

- (1) It is located at Bedok MRT station.
- (2) Bookings can be made for the Children's Course for Mondays.
- (3) Participants under 12 can go on the Grand Course with adult supervision.
- (4) One pays less for extra rounds on the courses compared to his/ her first visit.

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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 Do you think the boys can handle the project _____?

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

7 The burglar was ransacking the room when the drawer _____ open and gave him a shock.

- (1) spring
- (2) sprang
- (3) sprung
- (4) springs

8 You should not interfere _____ his personal affairs.

- (1) in
- (2) at
- (3) on
- (4) over

9 Lisa and her sisters seldom go to the library, _____ they?

- (1) do
- (2) did
- (3) don't
- (4) didn't

10 Neither Yusoff nor his brothers _____ at home when Tom went to visit them.

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

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11. We have been sitting in the lounge, waiting for the manager, _____ the past six hours.

- (1) at
- (2) for
- (3) from
- (4) since

12. Cheryl had _____ on the deckchair by the pool all day to get a tan.

- (1) lie
- (2) lay
- (3) laid
- (4) lain

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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)

Have you heard of the popular saying, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away (13)

This saying, which has stayed with us for many years (14) is believed to have come from an ancient Roman proverb. The Romans believed the apple had magical powers to cure illnesses.

Mr Tan Howie, a fitness consultant of Health First, remarked (15) While it will certainly take more than an apple to keep you healthy, it is the first step in the right direction."

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

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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 During the Christmas season, shopping malls are usually _____ with ~~Christmas trees and decorations~~.

- (1) clad
- (2) spruced
- (3) adorned
- (4) garnished

17 Steam-powered vehicles were widely used many years ago, however, they are now

- (1) ancient
- (2) obsolete
- (3) prehistoric
- (4) dilapidated

18 The poverty-stricken parents decided to _____ their child at the orphanage as they could not afford to provide for him any longer.

- (1) enrol
- (2) deposit
- (3) discard
- (4) abandon

19 The audience was greatly entertained by the _____ of the clowns in the circus.

- (1) antics
- (2) mischief
- (3) gestures
- (4) behaviour

20 Graciousness is a _____ that all students should embody.

- (1) habit
- (2) merit
- (3) virtue
- (4) feature

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

(5 marks)

Spanish cuisine is a colourful combination of colours and flavours. However, there are only a handful of Spanish eateries in Singapore that are (21) authentic, and even fewer that actually (22) adapt Spanish menus to suit local taste buds. However, the newly-opened *Sol Tasca* does just that.

Although *Sol Tasca* means *sun tavern*, you will actually be away from the sun because the restaurant is (23) housed under the Esplanade Bridge. With the Merlion as its friendly water-spewing neighbour, the restaurant serves mainly (24) large groups of tourists throughout the day.

When the sun takes a breather, dining under the stars at its open-air verandah can be quite a unique (25) affair. *Sol Tasca*, the latest Spanish addition to our food scene, is definitely worth a try.

Adapted from <http://sg.promotion.yahoo.com/weekend-edition/dining/post/dining/64/tapas-under-the-bridge.html>

21. (1) original
(2) genuine
(3) accurate
(4) legitimate
22. (1) tailor
(2) revise
(3) integrate
(4) transform
23. (1) held
(2) located
(3) sheltered
(4) concealed
24. (1) mobs
(2) bands
(3) gangs
(4) throngs
25. (1) journey
(2) process
(3) experience
(4) circumstance

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Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 30.

Dawan moaned, "Nobody can help me, or would want to."

Bao snorted, "If you don't have faith in yourself, then who will? You've earned your chance to fly to a bigger world, to pursue your own ideals. You have to push forward and struggle if you want to be free, and equal to your brother."

To reiterate her point, Bao opened one of the cages, freeing a bird which immediately soared into the clear blue sky. Dawan watched the tiny speck in the distance. She turned to Bao, and said breathlessly, "I understand what you mean." 5

Suddenly, Bao stiffened. Her attention seemed riveted on a figure striding towards them from behind a nearby fish stall.

"Quick! Hide!" Bao ordered urgently, her voice low with dread. 10

"Why? What are you afraid of?" Dawan whispered.

"It's my brother. The bird...You can't pay, can you? He'll be furious!" She shoved Dawan away hurriedly.

Bao's brother swaggered to the stall and realised that his sister had yet again set a bird free without collecting money. Vichai delivered a stinging slap across Bao's face. Bao did not flinch. Instead, she opened as many cage doors as she could and watched the scattering flight of the sparrows with grim glee. 15

Losing his patience, Vichai brought his fist down again. Before his fist landed on Bao's face, Kwai dashed over and grabbed Vichai's arm.

Vichai stopped, glared at his sister and strode away. 20

Bao turned to thank her saviour. Realising he was none other than Dawan's brother, she burst out, "Another brother! What false help I've been given! Kwai, why do you help other people's sisters when you are so mean to your own?"

Angered by Bao's words, Kwai raised his fist and was about to strike Bao when Dawan intervened. Kwai pushed her roughly aside. Dawan was knocked backward and fell right on top of the broken bird-cages. A hot searing pain ripped through her left leg. 25

Stunned by what he had done, Kwai remained completely still. Remorse rocked his entire being and all he could do was to stare at his sister.

Adapted from 'Sing to the Dawn' by Minfong Ho

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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)

- 26 What was the main reason for Bao initially releasing the bird?
- (1) She did it to cheer Dawan up.
 - (2) She had wanted to anger Vichai.
 - (3) She wanted Dawan to believe in herself.
 - (4) She saw the bird struggling and wanted to end its misery.
- 27 Bao believed that Dawan's road to freedom was _____.
- (1) within grasp if given an opportunity
 - (2) easy as long as Dawan had faith in her own abilities
 - (3) tough but achievable if Dawan persevered and strove towards it
 - (4) difficult and unattainable as there were too many obstacles in her life
- 28 Bao's _____ of/for her brother is evident in her utterance, "The bird...You can't pay, can you? He'll be furious!" (line 12)
- (1) pity
 - (2) fear
 - (3) worry
 - (4) hatred
- 29 Bao 'watched the scattering flight of the sparrows with grim glee' (line 17). This phrase tells us that Bao _____.
- (1) felt a sense of grief in setting the birds free
 - (2) had been planning to get the birds free for some time already
 - (3) quietly feared the consequences of her actions in freeing the birds
 - (4) was mesmerised by the movements of the birds as they took flight
- 30 Why did Kwai raise his fist to strike Bao?
- (1) Kwai realised that Bao was his enemy.
 - (2) Bao falsely claimed that Kwai was her brother.
 - (3) Bao was a bad influence for Dawan so Kwai wanted to teach her a lesson.
 - (4) Kwai was unhappy with Bao's comments despite having helped her earlier.

- End of Booklet A -



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BOOKLET B

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

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Answer all questions.

Write your answers in this booklet.

School : _____
Name : _____
Class : _____

TOTAL	65
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This booklet consists of 7 printed pages.

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 to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

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|-------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| (A) after | (B) as | (G) between | (K) nobody | (N) someone |
| (B) and | (E) been | (H) down | (L) of | (P) then |
| (Q) against | (F) being | (J) into | (M) off | (Q) up |

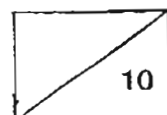
Standing near the door of a speeding train in the opposite direction, Bala could not believe what he had just seen – a young woman lying next to the tracks. Impulsively, Bala grabbed the train's red emergency chain and pulled it down frantically. The train screeched and started to slow _____. "Let's go and help her!" Bala shouted. He _____ surveyed the compartment full of wary faces. However, _____ volunteered. They were afraid of getting involved and of _____ inconvenienced.

His heart hammering _____ his chest, Bala shoved himself to the door and jumped _____ the moving train. As he landed on the ground, a burst of pain shot _____ his ankle. There was no real damage. He got up to find part of his old rubber slipper's sole torn off _____ a result of his fall. Bala started to sprint back between the tracks as his train picked up speed again, disappearing _____ the distance.

Bala was so far away from the girl. He could not see her. _____ running for several minutes, he found her sprawled by the side of the tracks.

Adapted from Reader's Digest May 2011 "There's a Girl by the Tracks"

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

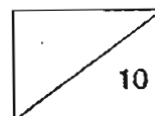
No one can deny the feeling of pleasure that comes from popping bubble wrap or
(41) (42)
break open a fresh bar of chocolate. Just imagine if you could relive that sensayshen over
(43)
and over again. Enter Mugen toys, produced by a Japanese company, Bandai, that allows
users to perform these actions whenever they like.

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There's Mugen Peri Peri which seamulates a package being torn open; Mugen Beer –
(45)
cracking open a fresh can, Mugen Bubble Wrap and a kulinery favourite, Mugen Edamame
(46)
– squeezing soy-beans out from the pod. While some see these novelty products as
(47) (48)
therapeutic and a great way to releeve stress, others just think they are too cute to rizist.

(49)
The director of marketing, Danielle Armbrust, says, "They appeal to people of some ages
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because in today's busy, on-the-go society, consumers were looking for something to help
them quickly relax, albeit coupled with a touch of amusement."

Adapted from Reader's Digest August 2010, "Pop Culture"

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

"Where's the light?" My father used to ask me that when I was little. It is one of those _____ that parents ask to find out how smart their young children are. During my _____ (51) teenage years, my father jokingly told me that he thought I was going to be dim-witted because I pointed at him _____ he asked me where the light was.

I am now 28, and I still live with my parents. _____ (52) my father's busy schedule, we still spend time with each other. Most people my age would _____ (53) go out with their friends than be with their family, but my family has always felt different. _____ (54)

My father did not grow up in a complete family. His father had died when he was very young, leaving his mother as the sole breadwinner. To make _____ meet, she washed laundry in various households. He often went without the _____ (55) necessities of life, such as food and clothing. When he was in primary school, his mother could not even _____ to buy him new shoes.

_____ (57) Many hurdles were placed in his path, but his _____ of a better life kept him going. At 14, he began working as a cleaner to _____ (58) himself. In spite of the demands on his time, he _____ (59) from university at the top of his class. Through all these _____ (60), Father persevered and went on to become a successful lawyer. His _____ (61) achievements in his career have _____ me to become just as successful in _____ (62)

_____ (63) Most importantly, my father gave our family a life he did not have during his childhood. He shines _____ a light, maintaining our family as a cohesive unit. In many ways, he _____ (64) his love on us. There are times when my father still asks me, using my _____ (65) nickname, "Sasi, where's the light?"

I just smile, and point at him.

Adapted from <http://www.rdasia.com/where-is-the-light>

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For each of the questions from 66 to 70, rewrite the 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 I spoke to a man yesterday. The man is my new colleague.
_____ whom

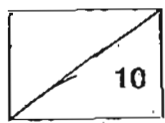
67 After graduating from college, he had not met Tom.
_____ since

68 "Dad, we must buy the apartment which you showed me yesterday," Minah told her father.
Minah told her father that _____

69 John was displeased. He found out that he was disqualified from the contest.
Much _____

70 Exercise is a simple way to lose weight. Exercise is also an effective way to lose weight.
_____ yet

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Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

I woke up one morning to find my face covered in huge red spots. My mother said they were caused by stress and my unhealthy diet. True enough, I had been eating microwave-packed food for weeks, but perhaps that could be due to my allergy to plastic. My mother rang Dr Gray's receptionist to make an appointment, but the earliest he could see me was the following Monday. For all he knew, I could have lassa fever and be spreading it all around the neighbourhood! I read that lassa fever was a serious viral disease of Central West Africa which would cause sufferers to have high fever and muscular pains. 5

I called my mother to say that it was an emergency but she said I was over-reacting as usual. She said a few spots did not mean that I was dying. I could not believe it when she said she was going to work as usual. Surely her child should come before her job? All mothers should show their care and concern to their children. 10

I rang Grandma and she came round in a taxi to take me to her house. Grandma's house was very clean and peaceful. I wore my dead grandpa's pyjamas. Grandma cooked me a bowl of barley and beef soup. It was my first proper nourishment for weeks. I expected there would be a row when my mother came home to find me missing. Frankly, I did not care. 15

The doctor came to Grandma's house that night. I was diagnosed with *acne vulgaris*. He said that *acne vulgaris* was so common that it was regarded as a normal state of adolescence. He thought it was highly unlikely that I had lassa fever because I had never been to Africa. He told Grandma to remove the disinfected sheets off the doors and windows – she had put up them earlier in a bid to contain the disease. Grandma said she would like a second opinion. That caused the doctor to lose his temper. He shouted very loudly, "The lad has only got a few teenage spots, for goodness sake!" 20

Grandma said she was going to complain to the Medical Council but the doctor just laughed and went downstairs and slammed the door. My dad came round the next morning before he went to work. He brought my homework and my dog. He said that if I was not out of bed when he returned at lunchtime, he would punish me severely. 25

Dad took Grandma into the kitchen and had a discussion with her. I heard him saying, "Mum, stop giving in to every excuse that Adrian makes. He should be in school today." Surely my father had made a mistake. My school vacation had started two weeks ago. 30

So, the worst had happened, I had an acne outbreak and my holidays were ruined. To hide my ugly face, I turned down all the outings with my friends, spending every day in solitary confinement at home. Instead of fun and excitement, I had the opposite. 35

Adapted from Sue Townsend 'The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole Aged 13 3/4'

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

71 Which word in paragraph 1 has the same meaning as 'adverse reaction'?

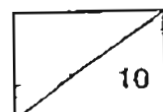
72 What was the writer suffering from?

73 What would the writer expect his mother to do if 'her child should come before her job' (lines 11 - 12)?

74 Was this the first time the writer called his mother over an urgent matter? Give a reason to support your answer.

75 Explain why the writer said that he had his 'first proper nourishment for weeks' (lines 15 - 16) when he ate at his Grandma's place.

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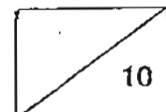
76 What does 'it' in line 20 refer to?

77 What did the writer's grandmother do to prevent the disease from spreading all around the neighbourhood?

78 Which two actions by the doctor showed that he was not bothered by Grandma's complaint to the Medical Council?

79 Why did the writer say that his father 'had made a mistake' (line 31)?

80 How do you think the writer would have described his holidays? Why do you say so?



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ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2011

**SCHOOL : HOKKIEN
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C	M	Q	D	J	A

- 41)breaking 42)sensation 43)allow 44)simulates 45)culinary
46)of 47)relive 48)resist 49)all 50)are
51)questions 52)when 53)Despite 54)rather 55)ends
56)basic 57)afford 58)dream 59)support 60)graduated
61)challenges 62)inspired 63)mine 64)like 65)showers

66)The man whom I spoke to yesterday is my new colleague.

67)He had not met Tom since he graduated from college.

68)Minah told her father that they had to buy the apartment which he had shown her the previous day.

69)Much to his displeasure, John found out that he was disqualified from the contest.

70)Exercise is a simple yet effective way to lose weight.

71)It is 'allergy'.

72)The writer was suffering from acne vulgar is.

73)The writer would expect his mother to stay home and care for him instead of going to work.

74)She said he was over-reacting as usual.

75)He had been eating microwave-packed food for weeks which did not provide him with proper nourishment, but he ate a bowl of barley and beef soup which his grandma cooked which gave him proper nourishment for the first time after several weeks.

76)It refers to the possibility of the writer getting lassa fever.

77)The writer's grandmother hung disinfected sheet on the doors and windows.

78)The doctor laughed and slammed the door.

79)1)The writer said he had lassa fever but the father felt he was pretending to be ill.

2)The father also wanted him to go to school but his holidays had started two weeks ago.

80)The writer would have described his holidays as boring and not fun.He had an acne outbreak and wanted to hide his ugly face, therefore, he turned down all the outings with his friends and spent everyday in solitary confinement at home which was not fun or exciting.