



AI TONG SCHOOL

2013

SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT TWO

PRIMARY FOUR

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

Total Time For Booklets A and B: 1 hour 15 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Do not open the booklets until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

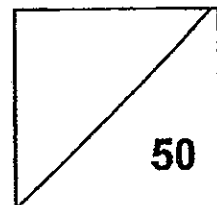
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

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

Date: 22 October 2013

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

Total Marks:



Paper 1 (20m)	Paper 2 (50m)	Paper 3 (14m)	Paper 4 (16m)	Total (100m)

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

For each question from 1 to 8, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The children were told to divide the cake among \_\_\_\_\_.

(1) yourself

(2) ourselves

(3) themselves

(4) yourselves

2. While revising my work last night, I \_\_\_\_\_ angry when my sister started singing loudly.

(1) is

(2) are

(3) was

(4) were

3. We \_\_\_\_\_ scared as the dog was growling at us.

(1) is

(2) are

(3) was

(4) were

4. "Please return the book to Tommy. He \_\_\_\_\_ for it now," said Kelly.

(1) looks

(2) looked

(3) is looking

(4) has looked

5. Last week, she \_\_\_\_\_ to the zoo.

(1) go

(2) went

(3) have gone

(4) were going

6. As we \_\_\_\_\_ towards the library, we met our teacher.

(1) walk

(2) will walk

(3) have walked

(4) were walking

7. \_\_\_\_\_ children playing there are my classmates.

(1) This

(2) That

(3) These

(4) Those

8. Someone must have taken my pens from my pencil case. Luckily, only \_\_\_\_\_ were taken as there were still many left.

(1) many

(2) little

(3) a few

(4) much

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

For each question from 9 to 14, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

9. We were awakened by the sound of \_\_\_\_\_ footsteps outside our tent in the middle of the night.

(1) big

(2) fat

(3) heavy

(4) broad

10. My mother wrote a shopping \_\_\_\_\_ so she would know what to buy from the supermarket.

(1) list

(2) diary

(3) recipe

(4) letter

11. "Do not let anyone know my secret," I \_\_\_\_\_ to my best friend, Bala, making sure that no one could hear us.

(1) replied

(2) whined

(3) complained

(4) whispered

12. The children witnessed a road \_\_\_\_\_ outside school. The van had collided with the car.

(1) incident

(2) problem

(3) accident

(4) disaster

13. When the weather is \_\_\_\_\_, my puppy will hide under my bed as it is frightened when it hears the roar of thunder.

(1) stormy

(2) sunny

(3) gloomy

(4) breezy

14. The plastic ruler \_\_\_\_\_ into two when he bent it.

(1) burst

(2) spoilt

(3) cracked

(4) snapped

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**Paper 2**  
**Part 2**

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

Class: Primary 4 \_\_\_\_\_                      Marks: \_\_\_\_\_ / 36

**Section C: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)**

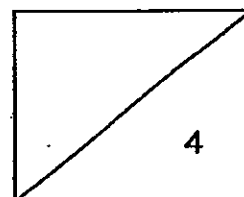
**Passage 1**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) her	(B) it	(C) she
(D) them	(E) us	(F) we

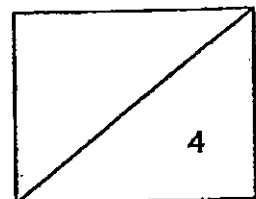
I have two cousins. Their names are Jia Xin and Jia Li. My mother loves  
(15) \_\_\_\_\_ as though they are (16) \_\_\_\_\_ own children.  
Every Saturday, she takes my cousins and me to the beach. I will bring my volleyball  
there so that we can play beach volleyball together. My mother had bought  
(17) \_\_\_\_\_ for me. All of (18) \_\_\_\_\_ love to play beach  
volleyball. It is our favourite sport.



## Passage 2

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

There are only about 1.000 pandas in the wild. This means that these animals (19) ( is / are ) endangered. Pandas are shy and (20) ( does / do ) not like to go to areas where people (21) ( lives / live ). They like to eat bamboo which (22) ( is / are ) not nutritious. They spend about 12 hours a day eating them.



**Section D: Comprehension Cloze (8 x 1 mark)**

There are eight blanks numbered 23 to 30. Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Dear Diary,

Remember the dancing competition I have been taking part in for the past three years but had never won? I am happy to say that I (23) \_\_\_\_\_ came in first this year!

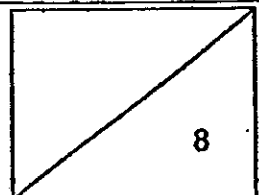
Last year, I wanted to give (24) \_\_\_\_\_ and not take part in the competition anymore. My mother told me to try again. She said I had to work even harder (25) \_\_\_\_\_ I wanted to win. I (26) \_\_\_\_\_ her advice and practised every day.

As I was about to go up the stage, I was (27) \_\_\_\_\_. I had butterflies in my stomach. However, the moment I started performing on stage, I became calm as I remembered what I had learnt.

When my principal (28) \_\_\_\_\_ to the audience that I was the winner, I could not believe my ears. The audience also thought Mary, who had been the champion for two years, would win again. They were in disbelief. Imagine how surprised they were when they (29) \_\_\_\_\_ my name. Mary had good sportsmanship. She (30) \_\_\_\_\_ my hand and congratulated me.

Through this competition, I learnt the importance of perseverance.

*Written by: Geraldine Goh*





**Section E: Comprehension Open-Ended 1 (10 marks)**

Read the passage below and answer Questions 31 to 40.

During the holidays, my parents took me and my brother, John, camping at Pulau Ubin, Singapore's second largest island. I loved the outdoors. I was excited and happy as it was my first camping trip. However, my brother was unhappy. He preferred to stay at home to read books which was his pastime.

When we reached there, we found a good camping site. My brother and I had never pitched a tent before. Although pitching a tent was difficult, our parents did it quickly and easily. 5

After that, we took a walk around the island. I saw some wild boars roaming freely. It was something I had never seen before. Filled with curiosity, I took a closer look. Just as I moved forward, they ran away quickly. 10

"There are too many mosquitoes! Can we cycle instead? It is easier and quicker to cycle around the island," John grumbled. We walked towards a bicycle kiosk and rented four bicycles. The cycling track was winding and bumpy, making the journey more difficult than walking. John regretted making such a suggestion.

By the time we reached our campsite, we were exhausted. I helped Mother prepare some sandwiches for dinner. We admired the sunset as we ate. It was an experience I would never forget. 15

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31. Write 1, 2 and 3 on the blanks below to indicate the order of events that occurred. [1m]

\_\_\_\_\_ The writer's parents pitched a tent.

\_\_\_\_\_ The writer and his family cycled around the island.

\_\_\_\_\_ The writer and his family walked around the island.

32. Which word has the same meaning as 'eager'?

Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

I was excited and happy as it was my first camping trip.

(A)

(B)

33. Which word has the same meaning as 'uneven'?

Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

The cycling track was winding and bumpy, making the journey more difficult than walking.

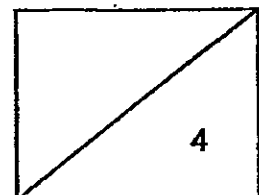
(A)

(B)

Answer question 34 with a suitable word of your own.

34. Why did the writer want to take a closer look at the wild boars? [1m]

He was \_\_\_\_\_.



For questions 35, 36 and 37, put a tick (✓) in the correct column. The first example has been done for you. [3m]

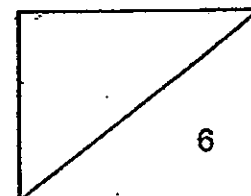
Statement	True	False
Example: John was eager to go camping.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
35 The writer and John had different hobbies.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
36 The writer's parents were good at pitching tents.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
37 Cycling around Pulau Ubin was easier than walking around Pulau Ubin.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For questions 38 and 39, put a tick (✓) in the correct column for the statements that describe either the writer or his brother, John. [2m]

Statement	Writer	John
Example: He was excited to go camping.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
38 He suggested that the family cycled around the island.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
39 He helped his mother to prepare dinner.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

40. What did the writer and his family do as they were having their dinner? [1m]

They \_\_\_\_\_



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**Section F: Comprehension Open-Ended 2 (10 marks)**

Read the passage below and answer Questions 41 to 47.

Jerry's mother walked into his room. She screamed at him when she saw that his room was in a mess. His toys were strewn on the floor and she demanded him to keep them.

"Why should I spend my time cleaning my room when I could be playing computer games?" retorted Jerry. His mother sighed and walked out of the room. 5

An hour later, Jerry's father entered his room. He commented that Jerry's table was very untidy. Books and worksheets were scattered all over his table. He asked Jerry how he was able to do his homework on such a messy table and told him to tidy it up.

"If there is no space on the table, I can always do my homework on the floor!" Jerry replied. Speechless, his father walked out of the room. 10

Jerry stayed up all night watching cartoons. As he was too tired, he did not pack his bag before going to bed.

The next day, Jerry woke up late for school. He had to submit a worksheet but had problems finding it in his room. While scrambling to find it, he stepped on his toys, resulting in a cut on his right foot. Eventually, Jerry went to school without his worksheet. He had to stand outside the classroom as his punishment. It was then that he remembered his parents' advice. He wished he had listened to them. 15

"You have only yourself to blame," Jerry's mother said when she found out what had happened that morning. Then, she helped Jerry dress his wound. 20

After that incident, Jerry turned over a new leaf. He became a responsible boy who kept his room and table neat and tidy.

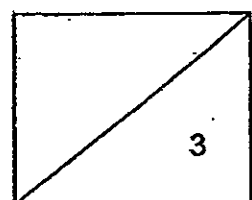
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41. State whether each sentence below is True or False:

Give a reason for your answer. [2m]

Sentence	True/False	Reason
i) Jerry's father told him to keep all the toys.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
ii) Jerry learnt a lesson after he was punished by his teacher.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

42. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as 'moving quickly'? [1m]



43. Complete the sentence: The first letter of the word has been provided. [1m]

This passage teaches us the importance of r\_\_\_\_\_.

44. What does the "them" in line 18 refer to? [1m]

It refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

**For questions 45 to 47, write your answers in complete sentences.**

45. How did Jerry's mother show that she was not happy the moment she entered his room? [1m]

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46. Why do you think Jerry had only himself to blame for what had happened that morning? [2m]

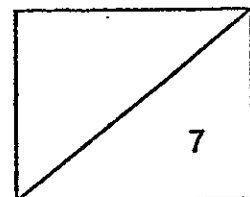
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47. How had Jerry's behaviour changed after being punished by his teacher? [2m]

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# ANSWER SHEET

**EXAM PAPER 2013**

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**TERM : SA2**

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14
3	3	4	3	2	4	4	3	3	1	4	3	1	4

## **BOOKLET B**

Q15

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Q32

I was excited and happy as it was my first camping trip.

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Q33

They cycling track was winding and bumpy, making the journey more difficult than walking.

A

B

Q34

Curious

Statement		True	False
Example	John was eager to go camping		✓
Q35	The writer and John had different hobbies	✓	
Q36	The writer's parents were good at pitching tents	✓	
Q37	Cycling around Pulau Ubin was easier than walking around Puau Ubin		✓

Statement		Writer	John
Example	He was excited to go camping	✓	
Q38	He suggested that the family cycle around the island.		✓
Q39	He helped his mother to prepare dinner	✓	

Q40

They admired the sunset as they were having their dinner.

Q41

Statement	True/False	Reason
i) Jerry's father told him to keep all the toys.	False	It was Jerry's mother who asked him to keep all the toys and Jerry's father who asked him to tidy his books and worksheets.
ii) Jerry learnt a lesson after he was punished by his teacher.	True	After that incident, Jerry turned over a new leaf. He becomes a responsible boy who kept his room and table neat and tidy.

Q42

Scrambling

Q43

Responsibility

Q44

Jerry's parents

Q45

She screamed at Jerry.

Q46

He did not listen to his parent's advice.

Q47

At first, he did not keep his room neat and tidy. After his punishment, he did so.