



Rulang Primary School

**SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2 LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION
2009**

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Class : Primary 2()

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Instructions to Pupils:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all the instructions carefully.
3. Answer all the questions.
4. This question paper consists of 13 printed pages, including the cover page.

Section A: Vocabulary (10 marks)

Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets () provided.

1. Jane is good at gardening. She certainly has _____ fingers.
(1) red
(2) blue
(3) white
(4) green ()

2. Grandma _____ loudly when she heard Bao Yang's amusing story.
(1) wept
(2) smiled
(3) sobbed
(4) laughed ()

3. The teacher switched on the _____ in the classroom so that she could show the pupils pictures of different insects taken from the Internet.
(1) radio
(2) lights
(3) computer
(4) television ()

4. Peter hopes to be a well-known _____ when he grows up because he enjoys writing mystery stories.
(1) poet
(2) actor
(3) author
(4) illustrator ()

5. Mrs Tan was _____ when her son returned home, looking sick.

- (1) angry
- (2) elated
- (3) excited
- (4) worried

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6. Ben is a very _____ boy. He does not greet his teachers when he meets them.

- (1) rude
- (2) polite
- (3) impatient
- (4) courteous

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7. "Please _____ the dirty clothes in this pail of water for an hour before washing them," said Mom.

- (1) dry
- (2) rinse
- (3) soak
- (4) wash

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8. Bryan looked at the _____ before he ordered his food.

- (1) menu
- (2) recipe
- (3) receipt
- (4) manual

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9. We were taking photographs of the lions at the zoo when we heard the elephants _____.

- (1) roaring
- (2) bleating
- (3) chattering
- (4) trumpeting

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10. Jimmy fell down a _____ of stairs this morning and broke his right arm.

- (1) tribe
- (2) fleet
- (3) flight
- (4) troupe

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Section B: Grammar (10 marks)

Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets () provided.

11. "~~I have forgotten to bring my pencil.~~ May I borrow _____?" John asked Mary.

- (1) his
- (2) hers
- (3) mine
- (4) yours

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12. _____ there an accident on the expressway last Wednesday?

- (1) Is
- (2) Are
- (3) Was
- (4) Were

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13. Do you recognise the girl _____ is standing at the back of the hall?

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

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14. "Mei Lin, your parents are here. _____ are waiting for you in the General Office," said Miss Tan.

- (1) We
 - (2) You
 - (3) She
 - (4) They
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15. The pupils _____ their work before they went to the canteen for recess.

- (1) complete
 - (2) completes
 - (3) completed
 - (4) completing
- ()

16. This restaurant opens at noon and closes _____ the evening.

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

17. Ali writes _____ than his twin brother.

- (1) neat
 - (2) neater
 - (3) neatly
 - (4) more neatly
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18. The hardworking girl would rather read books _____ play computer games.

- (1) to
 - (2) as
 - (3) but
 - (4) than
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19. Siti wants to decorate the class. She will _____ some posters for the notice board.

- (1) buy
- (2) buys
- (3) bought
- (4) buying

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20. May has a sore throat _____ she does not want to visit the doctor.

- (1) as
- (2) so
- (3) but
- (4) because

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Section C: Comprehension MCQ (5 marks)

Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets () provided.

During the September holidays, Carol and her family went to Choa Chu Kang Swimming Complex. It was a five-minute walk from her home to the swimming complex.

Once they had paid for the admission tickets, Carol and her brothers rushed to the toilets to change into their swimwear. Unfortunately, Carol did not notice that the floor was slippery. She slipped and hit her head.

Her family members rushed towards her. Her parents decided to take her to the clinic for a check-up. Carol regretted her rash act and was sad that she was not able to swim that afternoon.

21. Carol and her family went to the swimming complex during the _____ holidays.

- (1) June
- (2) March
- (3) December
- (4) September

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22. They took _____ minutes to reach the swimming complex.

- (1) one
- (2) two
- (3) five
- (4) seven

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23. Carol did not notice that the _____ was slippery.

- (1) pool
- (2) floor
- (3) bench
- (4) entrance

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24. Carol hurt her head when she _____.

- (1) slid
- (2) fainted
- (3) slipped
- (4) tripped

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25. Her parents took her to the _____ for a check-up.

- (1) clinic
- (2) hospital
- (3) sick-bay
- (4) pharmacy

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Section D: Comprehension Cloze (5 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

One day, a fox happened to fall into a deep well. No matter how (26) _____ he tried, he could not get out. Just when he was about to (27) _____ up, a goat came by.

“What are you doing in the well, Fox?” asked the goat.

Thinking quickly, the fox replied, “The water in this well is so sweet and refreshing that I have to come down for a drink. Why don’t you (28) _____ me here?”

“That sounds like a fantastic (29) _____ to me,” said the goat.

After the goat had jumped into the well, the fox told him that it was difficult to get out. The goat soon forgot about the water and became very worried.

“I’ve an idea,” said the fox. “If you put your front legs against the side of the well and keep your head down, I will jump onto your back and when I get out, I will help you up.”

The goat did as he was (30) _____. The fox jumped onto the goat’s back and leapt to the edge of the well. He turned to the foolish goat and bade him goodbye, leaving the goat trapped in the well.

Section E: Grammar Cloze (6 marks)

Fill in each blank with the correct word from the box.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

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the	them	they	when	where

It looks like a bear but it is not related to a bear. It is a koala. This little animal is related to a group of animals that includes (31) _____ kangaroo. It lives in the wild in only one place in the world; the East Coast of Australia.

Koalas remind people of teddy bears. (32) _____ have thick fur and large fluffy ears. Their broad, flat nose makes (33) _____ look cuddly, similar to a grey and white teddy bear. Koalas are not cuddly though. They have sharp teeth and very sharp claws!

Koalas are marsupials. This means the mother carries her baby in a pouch while it develops, similar to a kangaroo. The koala cub, or joey, lives in (34) _____ mother's pouch for the first six months.

The name "koala" comes (35) _____ an Aboriginal word that means "no drink". The koalas get almost all their water from the eucalyptus leaves they eat. That is (36) _____ they get their food too. Koalas eat only eucalyptus leaves, and only the leaves of certain eucalyptus trees.

Adapted from "A Koala Isn't a Bear", by Shirley Ramaley

Section F: Punctuation (4 marks)

Fill in the with a suitable punctuation mark from the box below.

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(37) Do not forget to switch off the lights before you leave the classroom

(38) We saw many types of birds mammals and insects in the zoo.

(39) Mr Tan asked David why he was late

(40) Does this piece of worksheet belong to you

Section G: Comprehension (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Then answer the following questions in complete sentences.

"Look, Dad!" exclaimed John excitedly. His father turned and saw John watching the different species of penguins at the penguin exhibit at Jurong Bird Park. John's father had taken him to the bird park so that John could learn more about the different types of birds.

"Do you know that penguins are birds but they cannot fly?" John asked his father. "However, they do 'fly' in the water by diving and flapping their wings."

"Really? I didn't know that. What else do you know about penguins?" asked John's father.

"Well, penguins swim and hunt for fish and squid in the water. However, they cannot breathe underwater and will jump out of the water to breathe in gulps of air. But they are able to hold their breath in the water for a long time," John explained.

"That's interesting! Wow, I didn't know that my son knows so much about penguins," teased his father.

41. What was John looking at?

42. Why did John's father take him to the bird park?

43. How do penguins 'fly' in the water?

44. What do penguins feed on?

45. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as "fascinating"?

~~End of Paper~~

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33)them 34)its 35)from 36)where 37). 38), 39). 40)?
41)John was looking at some penguins.
42)He wanted john to knows more about different types of birds.
43)The penguins 'fly' in the water by diving and flapping their wings.
44)Penguins feed on fish and squid.
45)The word is "interesting".