



Maha Bodhi School  
2009 Continual Assessment 1  
English Language (Paper 2)

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

Class : Pr 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Duration : 1 h 20 min

Date : 2 March 2009

**BOOKLET A**

**Section A: Grammar MCQ (10 x 1 mark)**

For each of the following, choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OMS.

1. When the teacher \_\_\_\_\_, the pupil did his homework.
  - 1) taught
  - 2) teaches
  - 3) is teaching
  - 4) was teaching
  
2. Jack \_\_\_\_\_ ten laps last night.
  - 1) swim
  - 2) swum
  - 3) swam
  - 4) swims
  
3. "Did you \_\_\_\_\_ your wallet at recess?" the teacher asked.
  - 1) losing
  - 2) loses
  - 3) lose
  - 4) lost

4. The pupils have to go back to their classrooms \_\_\_\_\_ the talk is over.
- 1) so
  - 2) but
  - 3) since
  - 4) although
5. There were \_\_\_\_\_ phone calls for you after you left. They came one after another and I had to keep answering them.
- 1) little
  - 2) many
  - 3) much
  - 4) plenty
6. I have put too \_\_\_\_\_ sugar in the tea. It is too sweet now.
- 1) few
  - 2) little
  - 3) many
  - 4) much
7. The meeting was called \_\_\_\_\_ because the principal was not in.
- 1) on
  - 2) off
  - 3) out
  - 4) away
8. That is the car \_\_\_\_\_ my father has just bought.
- 1) which
  - 2) whom
  - 3) where
  - 4) whose

9. "Please try to do the work \_\_\_\_\_," Mrs Tan told the boys.
- 1) himself
  - 2) yourself
  - 3) yourselves
  - 4) themselves
10. That naughty boy loves to \_\_\_\_\_ on his bed whenever his parents are not around.
- 1) jump
  - 2) jumps
  - 3) jumped
  - 4) jumping

**Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (10 x 1 mark)**

**For each of the following, choose the best answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OMS.**

11. The storybooks on that shelf are written by our local \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) authors
  - 2) reporters
  - 3) journalists
  - 4) illustrators
12. The woman was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ when her son was rescued.
- 1) honesty
  - 2) gratitude
  - 3) kindness
  - 4) compassion
13. Jenny is a \_\_\_\_\_ girl who spends only on the things she needs.
- 1) thrifty
  - 2) stingy
  - 3) miserly
  - 4) generous

14. In Singapore, all motorcyclists must wear \_\_\_\_\_ when they are riding on the road.
- 1) sunglasses
  - 2) safety belts
  - 3) windbreakers
  - 4) crash helmets
15. We heard the \_\_\_\_\_ of the ambulance before it arrived at the scene.
- 1) siren
  - 2) tinkle
  - 3) alarm
  - 4) chime
16. The \_\_\_\_\_ performed an emergency operation on the patient.
- 1) surgeons
  - 2) residents
  - 3) therapists
  - 4) paramedics
17. The athletes felt so \_\_\_\_\_ after the race that they could not stand straight.
- 1) lively
  - 2) drowsy
  - 3) refreshed
  - 4) exhausted
18. It was most \_\_\_\_\_ that Mr Lim's pet dog was killed in an accident. Mr Lim was overcome with grief.
- 1) arrogant
  - 2) ashamed
  - 3) ungrateful
  - 4) unfortunate

19. Only \_\_\_\_\_ of the club are allowed to use the swimming pool.

- 1) visitors
- 2) members
- 3) customers
- 4) participants

20. The children watched intently as the magician performed some \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) games
- 2) stunts
- 3) jokes
- 4) tricks

**Section C: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully. Choose the best answer and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OMS.**

Our MRT system is the fastest and most popular form of public transport in Singapore. The travel time from Yio Chu Kang to Orchard is about 15 minutes compared to about 40 minutes if you take a bus. When the train reaches a station, it stops for about 20 to 30 seconds for passengers to board or alight.

The trains run almost 18 hours every day. During peak hours, trains call at the stations every six to ten minutes. So, it is convenient to board a train to go to any part of Singapore. The trains are very reliable and run on their own electrified tracks. There are no traffic jams in the MRT system and it is not affected by the weather.

The trains are clean and comfortable and to make sure that they remain so, littering, eating, drinking and smoking are not allowed. The trains are also air-conditioned to keep out the heat.

It is safe to travel on the MRT. Accidents rarely happen and the system has ways to prevent fire.

21. The 15-minute travelling time on the MRT from Yio Chu Kang to Orchard tells us that our MRT system is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) comfortable
  - 2) reliable
  - 3) safe
  - 4) fast
22. What drives the MRT trains?
- 1) gas
  - 2) petrol
  - 3) kerosene
  - 4) electricity
23. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as "can be trusted"?
- 1) reliable
  - 2) popular
  - 3) convenient
  - 4) comfortable
24. It is possible to keep the trains clean and comfortable because \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) they are air-conditioned
  - 2) there are ways to prevent fire
  - 3) they are not affected by the weather
  - 4) passengers cannot eat and drink on the train
25. From the passage, we learn that \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1) the trains are widely used
  - 2) the trains are the only form of public transport
  - 3) the MRT system is comfortable, fast and cheap
  - 4) the MRT system is the most advanced in the world

- End of Booklet A -



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**BOOKLET B**

**Section D: Grammar Cloze (10 x 1 mark)**

Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box. Use each verb once only.

Passage 1

water	waters	watering
will water	are watering	was watering

Mr and Mrs Samy have a small beautiful garden. Mrs Samy likes to  
(26) \_\_\_\_\_ the plants. She (27) \_\_\_\_\_ them twice a day.

One day while Mrs Samy (28) \_\_\_\_\_ the plants with a hose, her neighbour advised her to use a watering can to save water. Mr and Mrs Samy have decided that they (29) \_\_\_\_\_ the plants with a watering can from then on. Seeing that, other neighbours also stop (30) \_\_\_\_\_ their plants with a hose. Mrs Samy's neighbour is delighted.

Passage 2

against	with	onto
away	from	at

Bobo was a cowardly dog. He leaned (31)\_\_\_\_\_ the rock and thought sadly of all the silly things he had done. Feeling afraid, he had run (32)\_\_\_\_\_ frantically from a little mouse. Without thinking, he had jumped (33)\_\_\_\_\_ the small wooden table. He had clumsily knocked over Mrs Brown's expensive vase (34)\_\_\_\_\_ the table. Mrs Brown screamed and hit him (35)\_\_\_\_\_ a broom until he cried.

"I wish I could be brave," cried poor Bobo.

**Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (10 x 1 mark)**

**Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box. Use each word once only.**

**Passage 1**

crying	given	screamed	hiding
received	laughter	embarrassed	threatened

Jim was always playing tricks on others. "Eeek!" Mary (36) \_\_\_\_\_ as she found a dried dead lizard in the gift box. She had (37) \_\_\_\_\_ the gift from Jim.

"April Fool!" he shouted as she ran away, (38) \_\_\_\_\_. As he walked along the corridor, he heard (39) \_\_\_\_\_ behind him and turned around to find out what was happening. "Someone has put this sticker on your back," laughed Andy as he pulled the sticker out. On the sticker were the words, "World's Biggest Fool". Jim felt (40) \_\_\_\_\_ and decided to stop playing tricks on others. He apologised to Mary too.

Passage 2

forgot	worried	ignored	informed
painful	applied	hurriedly	consoled

Bob was swimming happily in the sea when he suddenly felt a sting on his right leg. However, he (41) \_\_\_\_\_ it and continued swimming. He felt (42) \_\_\_\_\_ when he felt the same stinging sensation in his left foot as well. He (43) \_\_\_\_\_ swam back to shore to seek help. At the first aid centre, the nurse (44) \_\_\_\_\_ Bob that he had been stung by a jellyfish. She immediately (45) \_\_\_\_\_ some vinegar on the wound. After a while, Bob felt better and returned home.

**Section F: Comprehension Open-End (8 x 2 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions in complete sentences.**

There was a big shiny patch on the top of Father's head where he was going bald.

"I'm getting old! Losing all my hair!" he wailed every morning in front of the mirror.

Feeling concerned, Mother bought him a very expensive bottle of "Wonder Hair Restorer". Every morning and night, he rubbed it into his scalp. Every day, he peered closely at the bald patch for signs of new growth. It soon became obvious that the "Wonder Hair Restorer" was useless. Father was very disappointed.

Desperate to help him, I sneaked the "Wonder Hair Restorer" to the garden. I mixed fertiliser, crushed grass and a little lime and oil. Then I added a dash of perfume to my very own brew to hide its foul smell. I emptied the bottle and filled it with my brew. Pleased with my efforts, I returned the bottle to the bathroom.

The next morning we were all in for a great surprise. There was something different about Father. There was green stubble on his bald patch!

"Green hair is better than no hair," I murmured as Father glared icily at me.

*Adapted from The Wonderhair Hair Restorer by Tandi Jackson*

46. Why was Father upset?

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47. Why was the "Wonder Hair Restorer" useless?

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48. How ~~did~~ the author try to help her father?

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49. ~~What~~ caused the green stubble on Father's bald patch?

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50. How ~~did~~ Father feel about what the author had done?

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*Please remember to check your work thoroughly.*



# ANSWER SHEET

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## EXAM PAPER 2009

SCHOOL : MAHABODHI PRIMARY

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
4	3	3	3	2	4	2	1	3	1	1	2	1	4	1	1	4

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25
4	2	4	4	4	1	4	1

26)water      27)waters      28)was watering      29)will water      30)watering

31)against      32)away      33)onto      34)from      35)with      36)screamed

37)received      38)crying      39)laughter      40)embarrassed      41)ignored

42)worried      43)hurriedly      44)informed      45)applied

46)Father was upset as he was getting old and was losing all his hair.

47)Father had applied it for a few days and it still showed no signs of growth.

48)She made a brew with fertilizer, crushed grass, a little lime and oil and filled the bottle with it.

49)The author's brew caused it.

50)He felt furious.