



RED SWASTIKA SCHOOL

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**2009 CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1**  
**English Language – Paper 2**

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

Class : Primary 4/ \_\_\_\_\_

Date : 2 March 2009

Duration : 1h 20 min

Note:

1. Do not open this Booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Questions 1 - 24 are to be done on the OAS provided.
3. Read carefully the instructions given at the beginning of each part of the booklet.
4. Do not waste time. If a question is difficult for you, go on to the next one.
5. Check your answers thoroughly and make sure you attempt every question.

45 Questions  
50 marks

| ITEMS    | OBTAINED | POSSIBLE |
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| MCQ      |          | 24       |
| Qn 25-45 |          | 26       |
| TOTAL    |          | 50       |

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

**SECTION A : Vocabulary (6 marks)**

Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

1. It was \_\_\_\_\_ of Sally to laugh when her classmate answered the teacher's question wrongly during a class discussion.  
(1) selfless (2) helpless  
(3) clueless (4) thoughtless
  
2. My mother needs a \_\_\_\_\_ to bake chocolate muffins for the family.  
(1) recipe (2) menu  
(3) receipt (4) manual
  
3. Shawn was so hungry that he \_\_\_\_\_ his lunch in a minute!  
(1) fished for (2) wolfed down  
(3) crowed about (4) horsed around
  
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ daughter resigned from her job to take care of her ailing father.  
(1) filial (2) grateful  
(3) pious (4) indebted
  
5. Please \_\_\_\_\_ me a pen. I need to fill out this form immediately.  
(1) loan (2) lend  
(3) return (4) borrow
  
6. The goat is feeding its \_\_\_\_\_ in the barn.  
(1) kid (2) calf  
(3) foal (4) joey



**SECTION C : Punctuation (2 marks)**

For questions 13 and 14, identify the underlined section (1, 2, 3 or 4) which has a punctuation error. Shade its number on the OAS provided.

13. "Albert, can you wash the cups." Mother asked. Albert readily agreed.  
(1) (2) (3) (4)

14. Natalie's Christmas party was so boring that sarah decided to leave early.  
(1) (2) (3) (4)

**SECTION D : Graphic Stimulus (5 marks)**

Read the advertisement carefully and answer the questions that follow.  
Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

# Family Challenge 2009

**Do you know your family members well?  
Are you and your family members adventurous?  
Do you want to strengthen your family bond?**



**If so...**

**Come join our Family Challenge on 1 April**

*You and your family members will take part in a  
series of activities and stand a chance  
to win great prizes!*

**All participating families will receive a goodie bag worth \$100!**

## How to register

1. This challenge is open to all families with children. Each family should consist of only 2 adults and at least 1 child.
2. The children should be from ages 6 to 12.
3. The registration fee is \$10.
4. Please register at Marine Shopping Centre, Customer Service Centre at Level 1.
5. Registration closes on 28 February 2009.

**Fantastic Prizes  
to be won!**

### 1<sup>st</sup> prize

A brand new saloon car  
sponsored by Fast Motors

### 2<sup>nd</sup> prize

A trip to Hong Kong for 4 (travel by 30 Oct 09)  
sponsored by Chan Sisters Travel Agency

### 3<sup>rd</sup> prize

A 42-inch LCD television  
sponsored by Hany Electronics

### Consolation prizes

20 sets of family makeover packages

Organised by Family Life Centre

**Prizes must be claimed by 30 May 2009**

15. The challenge is organised by \_\_\_\_\_
- (1) Fast Motors
  - (2) Family Life Centre
  - (3) Marine Shopping Centre
  - (4) Chan Sisters Travel Agency
16. The closing date for registration is \_\_\_\_\_
- (1) 28 February
  - (2) 1 April
  - (3) 30 May
  - (4) 30 October
17. Which of the following is **not** true?
- By joining the Family Challenge, you can \_\_\_\_\_
- (1) win cash as one of the prizes
  - (2) bond with your family members
  - (3) take part in a series of activities
  - (4) bring home a goodie bag worth \$100
18. Which of the following families will be able to qualify for the competition?
- (1) 2 adults and 1 child aged 13
  - (2) 3 adults and 1 child aged 9
  - (3) 3 adults and 2 children aged 8 and 10
  - (4) 2 adults and 3 children aged 7, 8 and 11
19. The 23<sup>rd</sup> family which completes the challenge will win a \_\_\_\_\_
- (1) brand new car
  - (2) makeover package
  - (3) 42-inch LCD television
  - (4) trip to Hong Kong for four

**SECTION E : Comprehension (5 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.**

U Mong Wing has been suffering from cerebral palsy since she was a baby. She spent most of her time sleeping and resting in bed. With the help of physiotherapists from Handicap International and the support of her parents, this little Burmese girl is finally able to walk.

More than 14,000 refugees live in the Umpien Mai camp in the Phob Phra region. Among them are U Mong Wing and her parents. This little Burmese girl was only a few months old when she became the victim of a violent fever which caused her brain damage. Up to the age of three, U Mong Wing was unable to walk. Her parents were **distraught** with grief.

In September 2000, a physiotherapist was put in charge of U Mong Wing and the lengthy task of bringing the child out of her inertia began. Every day she was made to do rehabilitation exercises under the attentive gaze of her mother who, at the same time, was learning these important movements.

After six months of exercises and games, U Mong Wing was finally able to move, to turn herself onto her side and to crawl, to the utter joy of her parents who saw their little daughter come to life again and blossom. Handicap International also provided her with a walking frame with a leather seat. With advice from the physiotherapists and the devotion of her parents, the young girl is gradually learning to stand.

Today, even if U Mong Wing can only express herself through cries and laughter, the time when she lay in bed, unable to move, is long gone! Her parents are now more determined than ever to see her walk without the frame, first with the help of an adult, then eventually by herself. They know that their time spent on their child would not turn to waste.

*Adapted from 'U Mong Wing, learning to walk in Thailand'  
by Handicap International*

20. U Mong Wing suffers from cerebral palsy and up to the age of three, was unable to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) cry
  - (2) walk
  - (3) sleep
  - (4) laugh
21. U Mong Wing's brain damage was due to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) a violent fever
  - (2) cerebral palsy
  - (3) exercises and games
  - (4) a fall in Umpien Mai camp
22. The word 'distraught' (paragraph 2) showed that her parents were \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) mentally agitated
  - (2) extremely frustrated
  - (3) too shocked for words
  - (4) displeased with the outcome
23. U Mong Wing's parents hope that she will eventually \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) walk unassisted
  - (2) walk with the help of an adult
  - (3) cry and laugh to express herself
  - (4) be able to communicate with them
24. From the passage, what can we say about U Mong Wing's parents?
- (1) They gave up on her since she was a baby.
  - (2) They devoted their time and effort on trying to get their child to walk.
  - (3) They bought her a walking frame with a leather seat to help her walk.
  - (4) They depended solely on Handicap International to get their child to walk.

**SECTION F : Vocabulary Cloze (5 marks)**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter ( A to K ) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

**EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE**

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| (A) child | (B) come  | (C) cycle | (D) humble | (E) patronise |
| (F) proud | (G) teens | (H) toil  | (J) visit  | (K) wealthy   |

Mr Desmond Tan was born into a poor family. He started working while he was still in his (25) \_\_\_\_\_. He worked in a huge firm as a delivery boy. Every morning, he would (26) \_\_\_\_\_ to work from the village where he lived. When he turned twenty, he helped his uncle run a provision shop. He worked very hard and saved every cent that he earned. Soon, he was able to open his own provision shop.

Mr Tan continued to (27) \_\_\_\_\_ and sweat. He was also an honest person who knew how to please his customers. His business expanded rapidly not through advertisements but through word of mouth. His customers remained loyal to him and continued to (28) \_\_\_\_\_ his shop even when they had moved to other estates.

Today at forty-two years old, Mr Tan is a successful businessman who owns a chain of supermarkets. Though Mr Tan is (29) \_\_\_\_\_ and successful, he continues to work hard to give his customers the same honest service that had brought him success. Customers are often surprised to find that the humble man behind the counter is a millionaire.

**SECTION G : Grammar Cloze (4 marks)**

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

**EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE**

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| (A) and  | (B) are | (C) but | (D) had  |
| (E) have | (F) is  | (G) was | (H) were |

I was getting picked on at school by a bully. I did not dare do anything about it as he (30) \_\_\_\_\_ much bigger and stronger. One day, I told myself that I had enough of the bullying. I told my form teacher and she promised to look into the issue. I went up to the bully after lessons and said, "I (31) \_\_\_\_\_ spoken to my form teacher about you. Now, leave me alone!" Soon after, he was made to apologise to me (32) \_\_\_\_\_ his parents were informed of his actions. These days, we still see each other at school (33) \_\_\_\_\_ he no longer bullies me. I am glad I spoke to my form teacher about what was bothering me.

**SECTION H : Vocabulary Cloze (5 marks)**

Read the passage and fill in each blank with a suitable word.

The flamingo is an unusual bird. The name 'flamingo' comes from the Spanish (34) \_\_\_\_\_ for 'flame'. It is red in colour. Hence, it resembles the flame. In fact long ago, (35) \_\_\_\_\_ of its redness, the flamingo was likened to the hot (36) \_\_\_\_\_ and the Egyptians regarded it as the Sun God. The Greeks at one time regarded it as a miraculous (37) \_\_\_\_\_. They strongly believed that the flamingo burnt itself from time to time and it sprang back to life from its ashes (37) \_\_\_\_\_ time. To the Greeks, it was a symbol of everlasting life.

(37)  
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**SECTION I: Synthesis and Transformation (2 marks)**

For questions 39 and 40, combine the sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

39. Mother bought a big cupboard. Mother bought a cheap cupboard from a neighbourhood store.

\_\_\_\_\_ but  
\_\_\_\_\_

40. The bamboo is long. The bamboo is useful in many ways.

\_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**SECTION J : Comprehension (10 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Write your answers in complete sentences.**

"Daddy, how much do you make an hour?" With a timid voice and idolising eyes, the little boy greeted his father as he returned from work.

Greatly surprised, but giving his boy a glaring look, the father said, "Look son, why do you want to know? Don't bother me now. I'm tired."

"But Daddy, just tell me please! How much do you make an hour?" the boy insisted.

The father gave up and replied, "Forty dollars an hour."

"Okay, Daddy. Could you lend me \$20?" the boy asked. Showing his anger, the father yelled, "So that was the reason you asked me how much I earn, right? Go to sleep and don't bother me anymore!" The little boy went sadly to his bedroom.

It was already dark and the father was thinking about what he had said earlier to his son. Maybe, he thought, his son wanted to buy something. Finally, trying to ease his mind, the father went to his son's bedroom. "Are you asleep, son?" asked the father.

"No, Daddy. Why?" replied the boy, partially asleep.

"Here's the money you asked for earlier," the father said.

"Thanks Daddy!" rejoiced the son, while putting his hand under his pillow and removing some money. "Now I have enough! I have forty dollars!" the boy exclaimed to his father, who was gazing at his son in confusion.

"Daddy, could you sell me one hour of your time?"

The father was heartbroken when he heard his son's request. He immediately hugged him and decided to spend more time with his son in future.

41. What does the phrase 'idolising eyes' (paragraph 1) tell you about how the little boy felt about his father?

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42. Why did the father give the boy a glaring look?

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43. What did the father do to ease his sense of guilt?

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44. Which word in the passage shows that the little boy expressed delight?

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45. Why do you think the boy wanted his father to sell one hour of his time?

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# **ANSWER SHEET**

**EXAM PAPER 2009**

**SCHOOL : RED SWASTIKA PRIMARY**

**SUBJECT : PRIMARY 4 ENGLISH**

**TERM : CA1**

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| Q18 | Q19 | Q20 | Q21 | Q22 | Q23 | Q24 | Q25 | Q26 | Q27 | Q28 | Q29 | Q30 | Q31 | Q32 | Q33 |
| 4   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 2   | G   | C   | H   | E   | K   | G   | E   | A   | C   |

34)would    35)because    36)sun    37)bird    38)each

39)Mother bought a big but cheap cupboard from a neighbourhood store.

40)The bamboo is long and useful in many ways.

41)He adored his father.

42)He was irritated with his son's question.

43)The father gave the little boy twenty dollars to ease his sense of guilt.

44)The word is "rejoiced".

45)I think the boy wanted to spend more time with his father.

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