



6. We held a \_\_\_\_\_ feast for grandma's ninetieth birthday. Five hundred guests were invited to the birthday celebration.

- (1) simple (2) prosperous  
(3) lavish (4) miserable ( )

7. This is a small \_\_\_\_\_. Both of you are not at fault.

- (1) tragedy (2) misunderstanding  
(3) calamity (4) disaster ( )

8. Our mouths start to water when we hear the sausages \_\_\_\_\_ on the saucepan.

- (1) dripping (2) melting  
(3) sizzling (4) burning ( )

9. Tree frogs have sticky \_\_\_\_\_ on their fingers and toes.

- (1) tape (2) discs  
(3) glue (4) mucus ( )

10. Look! There is some \_\_\_\_\_ on the leaves in the early morning.

- (1) juice (2) sap  
(3) dust (4) dew ( )

For Q 11 to 15, choose the correct word to replace the underlined words. Write the number of the correct answer in the brackets provided.

11. Sally is not feeling well. Her face looks pale.

- (1) radiant (2) red  
(3) ugly (4) white ( )

12. The sheep are feeding on the grass while the shepherd watched over them.

- (1) gracing (2) grimacing  
(3) grazing (4) galloping ( )

13. The hikers are tired as they have trekked from dawn to dusk.

- (1) evening (2) early morning  
(3) noon (4) midnight ( )

14. If the water is polluted, the chemicals can harm the marine creatures.

- (1) clean (2) distilled  
(3) diluted (4) dirty ( )

15. The person who sells flowers in the shop is my neighbour.

- (1) gardener (2) botanist  
(3) florist (4) horticulturist ( )

Section B: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1= 5 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the box and write it in the blank provided.

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

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|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| <del>approached</del> | <del>fazed</del>     | <del>well-fed</del> | <del>plodded</del> |
| <del>unable</del>     | <del>unwilling</del> | <del>sat</del>      | <del>hungry</del>  |

A clam was relaxing in its rock pool. It opened its shells and (16) \_\_\_\_\_ in the sun. A (17) \_\_\_\_\_ crane which had not eaten for days flew past and saw the clam.

The crane (18) \_\_\_\_\_ the clam silently and reached into it. Just then, the clam snapped shut on the crane's sharp beak. The clam was (19) \_\_\_\_\_ to let the crane go.

Meanwhile, a fisherman (20) \_\_\_\_\_ past the two animals. He gladly took both the animals home and cooked them for his dinner.

Section C: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 2= 10 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with a suitable word of your own.

Mr Brown and Mr Phil are neighbours. They get along very (21) \_\_\_\_\_ with each other. They both enjoy gardening and spend many (22) \_\_\_\_\_ clearing the weeds and watering their plants. Mr Brown likes colourful (23) \_\_\_\_\_ such as roses, bougainvillea and hibiscus. Mr Phil, however, likes to (24) g \_\_\_\_\_ vegetables such as carrots, cabbages and chillies. Whenever Mr Phil's garden produces a (25) g \_\_\_\_\_ crop of vegetables, he will give some of his home-grown vegetables to Mr Brown. Mrs Brown will then cook some delicious vegetable soup for everyone to enjoy.

Section D: Grammar MCQ (10 x 1= 10 marks)

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

26. The brood of chickens \_\_\_\_\_ fed by the farmer just now.  
(1) is (2) are  
(3) was (4) were ( )
27. Mr Lim is a kind man. He \_\_\_\_\_ definitely donate money to charity if you approach him.  
(1) should (2) could  
(3) might (4) would ( )
28. Sam, as well as his friends, \_\_\_\_\_ to go to the movie now.  
(1) want (2) wants  
(3) will want (4) wanted ( )
29. Auntie May always \_\_\_\_\_ cooking for her family on Sundays.  
(1) enjoy (2) enjoys  
(3) enjoyed (4) enjoying ( )

30. Have you ever \_\_\_\_\_ a live tarantula?  
(1) see (2) sees  
(3) saw (4) seen ( )
31. There is a drinks stall \_\_\_\_\_ the end of the road.  
(1) at (2) on  
(3) in (4) by ( )
32. Andy looks forward to \_\_\_\_\_ his cousins during the school holidays.  
(1) meet (2) meeting  
(3) meets (4) met ( )
33. The technician is confident \_\_\_\_\_ fixing the faulty electrical kettle.  
(1) at (2) of  
(3) on (4) by ( )
34. There are \_\_\_\_\_ more dodos on earth. These birds were hunted to extinction in 1681.  
(1) few (2) many  
(3) no (4) some ( )
35. Paul \_\_\_\_\_ asleep whenever he reads a book.  
(1) fall (2) fell  
(3) falls (4) has fallen ( )

Section E: Grammar FIB(10 x 1= 10 marks)

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the word given in the brackets.

Last December holidays, my parents took me and my brother to Queensland.

We (36) \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) the Great Barrier Reef. It (37) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the world's largest coral reef. We (38) \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) a lot about the reef, like how the waves can affect the shape of the corals and the whole reef. I did not even (39) \_\_\_\_\_ (know) that a coral is actually a living part of the coral reef. It is a tiny marine polyp that (40) \_\_\_\_\_ (feed) on plankton.

There (41) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) many different kinds of coral. That is why the coral reef (42) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) so colourful. The reef actually takes a long time to (43) \_\_\_\_\_ (build) up. It is (44) \_\_\_\_\_ (make) up of both living and dead coral.

This holiday, my brother and I have definitely (45) \_\_\_\_\_ (discover) a lot about the coral reef.

**Section F: Grammar Cloze (7 x 1= 7 marks)**

Read the two passages carefully. Choose from the words given in the boxes and fill in each blank with the correct LETTER.

**Passage 1**

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

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| (A) has been milking | (B) will be milking | (C) milked | (D) was milking  |
| (E) milking          | (F) milks           | (G) milk   | (H) were milking |

My uncle owns a farm in New Zealand. I visited him at the farm last year and saw some of the workers (46) \_\_\_\_\_ the cows. I tried to (47) \_\_\_\_\_ a cow but I was not very successful. A worker told me that he (48) \_\_\_\_\_ cows for more than ten years. He usually (49) \_\_\_\_\_ the cows early in the morning as it is the best time of the day to do so.

**Passage 2**

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY

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| (A) of | (B) off  | (C) for     | (D) at |
| (E) on | (F) from | (G) between | (H) by |

The word "umbrella" comes from the word 'umbra'. It is the Latin word (50) \_\_\_\_\_ shade or shadow.

About two hundred years ago, an Englishman built a cottage in the shape (51) \_\_\_\_\_ an umbrella. The chimney (52) \_\_\_\_\_ the roof looked just like the tip of an umbrella. This unique cottage still stands high on a hill in Dorset, England.

**Section G: Grammar Cloze OE ( 5 x 2 = 10 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully. Fill in each blank with a suitable word of your own.**

A farmer was tilling the ground when a hare ran past. Thinking that it would make a hearty meal, the farmer (53)\_\_\_\_\_ his work and chased after the hare.

The frightened hare ran as fast as it (54)\_\_\_\_\_. Unfortunately, it ran into a tree stump and died. The farmer (55)\_\_\_\_\_ up the hare from the ground by its ears and took it home for dinner.

Thinking that catching hares for his dinner was much easier than tilling the ground, the farmer stopped looking (56)\_\_\_\_\_ his crops from that day onwards. Many days passed but no hare appeared. All the foolish farmer's crops died and he (57)\_\_\_\_\_ no food to eat.

Section H: Punctuation (3 x 1= 3 marks)

For questions 58 – 60, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Write its number in the brackets provided.

I was forced to tidy up my cupboard as I was having trouble finding my things. I put my clothes into three piles: those I wore the most (58) those that I hardly wore and those that I have outgrown.

"What a waste (59) I said to myself as I put the clothes that I have outgrown away. Suddenly, an idea came to mind (60) I realized that I could give away the clothes that I have outgrown and also save the earth.

58. (1) [ , ] comma  
(2) [ . ] full stop  
(3) [ : ] colon  
(4) [ ! ] exclamation mark ( )
59. (1) [ , " ] comma and inverted commas  
(2) [ . " ] full stop and inverted commas  
(3) [ " , ] inverted commas and comma  
(4) [ " . ] inverted commas and full stop ( )
60. (1) [ , ] comma  
(2) [ " ] inverted commas  
(3) [ ' ] apostrophe  
(4) [ . ] full stop ( )

**Section I: Editing (5 x 1 = 5 marks)**

Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant boxes numbered 61 - 65.

Nathan and his friends love playing football. Every Saturday, they get up early and

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meet on the field near their home. Their coach, Mr Phil, is very particular about punctuality.

62.

All the **members** of the team are usually there before he arrives.

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They begin with warm-up exercises. The boys know that it's **inportant** to warm up

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65.

their bodies so as to loosen their muscles and **prevant** injuries. They also stretch so jog

around the field.

Section J: Connectors (5 x 1 marks = 5 marks)

For each of the questions 40 to 44, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

66. Peter likes to read fiction books. Peter likes to play basketball too.

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

67. The motorcyclist was knocked down by a reckless driver. He was sent to the hospital.

\_\_\_\_\_ after \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

68. The recess bell rings. John rushes to the canteen to buy his food.

\_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

69. I was drenched in the rain. I did not bring my umbrella.

\_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

70. Abigail likes to go to Sentosa. Her sisters like to go to Sentosa too.

\_\_\_\_\_, as well as \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Section K: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 = 10 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Your answer must be based on the passage.

Bamboo is a type of grass that can grow as tall as a tree. It has a long, straight green stem with branches at the top. Its leaves are long and narrow.

Bamboo is very strong and hard. In Asia, some people live in houses made of bamboo. The walls, roof, floor and even the furniture are made of bamboo. In addition, bamboo can be made into things that we use in our daily lives. Some examples of these are the chopsticks, musical instruments and walking sticks.

Bamboo stems are hollow. In certain countries, farmers join pieces of stem together to form a pipe. Their fields are irrigated by water brought from a river or lake through these pipes. Some of the bamboo stems can be thinner than our little finger while others may be much thicker than our waist.

Bamboo shoots are edible too. The shoots are used in many Asian countries as a vegetable - sometimes eaten raw, steamed or boiled. They are tender and tasty when cooked.

Bamboo is indeed a special type of grass as you can wear it, eat it and build with it. It may increasingly replace plastics and wood products - what a marvellous gift from nature!

71. Bamboo is a type of \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) stem
  - (2) seedling
  - (3) shoot
  - (4) grass
- (     )
72. Another word for "can be eaten" from the passage is "\_\_\_\_\_".
- (1) strong
  - (2) edible
  - (3) special
  - (4) raw
- (     )
73. Bamboo stems can be of different \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) colours
  - (2) shapes
  - (3) thickness
  - (4) shapes
- (     )
74. What characteristic of the bamboo makes it suitable for making pipes by farmers?
- (1) It is heavy.
  - (2) It is hollow.
  - (3) It is flexible.
  - (4) It is light.
- (     )
75. Which of the following sentences is true?
- (1) Bamboo shoots can only grow as tall as a shrub.
  - (2) Bamboo is only useful to farmers and builders.
  - (3) Bamboo shoots can be eaten raw, steamed or boiled.
  - (4) Bamboo shoots are used as a fruit in Asian countries.
- (     )

Section L: Comprehension OE (5 x 2 marks = 10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions that follow. Your answer must be based on the passage.

Have you heard of Eu Chin Street? It is named after a Chinese pioneer in Singapore called Seah Eu Chin. Several streets in Singapore are named after Seah Eu Chin and his sons, namely Eu Chin Street, Liang Seah Street, and Pek Seah Street. Seah Street, in the Bras Basah area is named after the Seah family.

Seah Eu Chin was born in 1805 and lived in South China during the time Sir Stamford Raffles founded modern Singapore. His father was a scholar and a government official. He had hoped that Eu Chin would follow in his footsteps. Eu Chin, however, decided to seek his fortune in Singapore.

He came to Singapore in 1823, first working as a clerk. Eu Chin was thrifty and saved his money carefully. With his savings, he joined some friends in buying a sailing boat. For several years, he made trips to neighbouring countries to trade. He later became a rich merchant leader in the Chinese community. He made money by planting pepper and gambier. His huge plantations gave work to many immigrants from China. In addition, he also helped to settle arguments among the Chinese. As a result, both the Chinese and the British respected him. The British even made him a Justice of the Peace in 1867.

Adapted from [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seah\\_Eu\\_Chin](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seah_Eu_Chin)

76. Name two streets in Singapore that are named after the Seah family.

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77. What did Seah Eu Chin's father hoped his son would be when he grew up?

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78. How did Seah Eu Chin help the Chinese immigrants?

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79. Find a word in the passage that has the same meaning as "spending money wisely".

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80. Which sentence in the passage tells you what the British did to show their appreciation to Seah Eu Chin for his contribution to society?

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# ANSWER SHEET

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- 16)lazed            17)hungry            18)approached            19)unwilling
- 20)plodded            21)well            22)hours            23)flowers            24)grow
- 25)good            26)3            27)4            28)2            29)2            30)4            31)1            32)2
- 33)2            34)3            35)3            36)is            37)visited            38)learnt
- 39)know            40)feeds            41)are            42)is            43)build            44)made
- 45)discovered            46)E            47)G            48)A            49)F            50)C            51)A
- 52)E            53)stopped            54)could            55)picked            56)after
- 57)had            58)1            59)1            60)4            61)at            62)members
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71)4            72)2            73)3            74)2            75)3

76)The two streets are Eu Chin street and Liang Seah Street.

77)He hoped his son would be a scholar and a government official.78)He gave them work and helped to settle arguments.

79)The word is "thrifty".

80)The sentence is "The British even made him a Justice of the Peace in 1867".