



RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT (1)

2010

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Section A: Grammar (6 X 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

- _____ flowers that I am holding are given to me by my friend.
(1) This
(2) That
(3) These
(4) Those ()
- John is _____ honest boy. He returned a wallet that he had found to the rightful owner.
(1) a
(2) an
(3) the
(4) most ()
- The books on the floor are _____. You need not pick them up.
(1) my
(2) our
(3) your
(4) mine ()
- Among the triplets, Tina is the _____.
(1) pretty
(2) prettily
(3) prettier
(4) prettiest ()

5. Susan does not _____ how to operate a computer.

- (1) know
- (2) known
- (3) knows
- (4) knowing

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6. It is very dangerous to play _____ the road.

- (1) in
- (2) along
- (3) through
- (4) between

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Section B: Vocabulary (6 X 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

7. At the zoo, the monkeys _____ happily while the visitors look on.

- (1) roar
- (2) cluck
- (3) chatter
- (4) gobble

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8. After snatching the lady's necklace, the thief took off _____.

- (1) as busy as a bee
- (2) as fierce as a lion
- (3) as fast as lightning
- (4) like rocks in the river

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9. My mother _____ me for doing so badly in my final year examinations.

- (1) loved
- (2) nagged
- (3) warned
- (4) reprimanded

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10. I received a box of _____ which included erasers, pencils and scissors for my birthday.

- (1) cutlery
- (2) utensils
- (3) stationery
- (4) stationary

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11. The angry bear and its _____ will attack you if you provoke them.

- (1) calf
- (2) cub
- (3) foal
- (4) fawn

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12. Roald Dahl is a / an _____. He has written many children's award-winning books.

- (1) author
- (2) reporter
- (3) librarian
- (4) illustrator

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Section C: Vocabulary Cloze (8 X 1 mark)

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

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) armed	(B) broad	(C) gloves	(D) late
(E) license	(F) masks	(G) money	(H) necklaces
(J) passengers	(K) police	(L) weapons	(M) witnesses

A robbery occurred at Sunshine Plaza Shopping Centre yesterday. Amazingly, it took place in (13) _____ daylight. A jewellery shop was robbed of \$500 000 worth of gold (14) _____ and bracelets. The owner, Mr. Lee, told the (15) _____ that there were five men involved in this (16) _____ robbery. They wore (17) _____ to cover their faces and carried (18) _____ such as guns and knives. They escaped in a black van with the (19) _____ plate – SBY 256 G.

If there are any (20) _____, please call 999 to help the police in their investigation.

Section D: Grammar Cloze (8 X 1 mark)

Cloze Passage 1

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

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) at	(B) behind	(C) by	(D) in front of
(E) into	(F) on	(G) with	

"Shut the door (21) _____ you!" Tom's brother shouted
(22) _____ Tom when he was leaving the room. Tom's brother was furious
(23) _____ Tom for playing on his computer without his permission. Tom had
introduced a virus (24) _____ his computer unknowingly. It was no wonder
that his brother was so angry.

Cloze Passage 2

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

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) cook

(B) cooks

(C) cooked

(D) cooking

(E) have cooked

(F) is cooking

Uncle Chan is a famous chef at a posh restaurant. He enjoys
(25) _____ since young. He (26) _____ delicious dishes such
as butter prawns and chilli crabs. Yesterday, he (27) _____ a meal for me. It
was my favourite pasta. I hope to be able to (28) _____ like him when I grow
up.

Section E: Comprehension (MCQ) (5 X 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Warren, Wayne and Wilson were discussing whether to build their house of straw, sticks or bricks. Just then, they saw a flamingo wheeling a cart full of colourful flowers in the park.

They stopped the bird and asked him for some flowers. "With pleasure," said the flamingo and he gave them his whole cartload. The three delighted brothers started building their house near their school.

The walls were built with marigold and sunflowers. The ceiling was made of roses and floor was a carpet of purple daisies. They had water lilies in their bathtub and blue peas in their refrigerator. It was a **fragile** house and it swayed gracefully in the wind but it was extremely beautiful.

The next day, the big bad pig came prowling down the road. It saw the house of flowers that the wolves had built. He rang the doorbell and demanded that they let him enter their house.

The three frightened wolves huddled in a corner. The eldest wolf ordered the pig to go away but he refused. The pig took a deep breath and was ready to blow the house down when he smelled the soft scent of flowers. It was fantastic. The scent was so lovely that he began sniffing it.

He sniffed deeper and deeper until he was quite filled with the fragrant scent. His heart grew tender, and he realised how horrible he had been. From that day onwards, he decided to turn over a new leaf.

(Source: Adapted from The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig)

Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

29. How many characters were mentioned in the story?

- (1) six
- (2) five
- (3) four
- (4) three

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30. The little wolves built their house from _____.

- (1) straw
- (2) sticks
- (3) bricks
- (4) flowers

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31. The word 'fragile' in the third paragraph means _____.

- (1) well-built
- (2) nice to live in
- (3) easily destroyed
- (4) beautifully decorated

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32. The wolves were in _____ when the pig was at the door.

- (1) school
- (2) the park
- (3) the house
- (4) the garden

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33. The phrase 'turn over a new leaf' means to _____.

- (1) think about something carefully
- (2) take the characteristics of a leaf
- (3) become a more intelligent person
- (4) change one's behaviour for the better

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Section F: Comprehension (Open-ended) (5 X 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

20th April 2010

34 Norman Street
Queensland 4067
Australia

Dearest Dad

How are you? I am well, so are Aunt Mary and her family. I hope everyone at home is fine too.

Aunt Mary wants me to send her warmest regards to you. I like her company very much. She is extremely hospitable to me and cooks all kinds of tasty dishes for me to savour. Yesterday, she cooked my favourite chilli crabs and they were delicious.

My cousins, Jane and Jon, and I get along very well. I have been obedient and polite like what you told me to. I am delighted to be given this opportunity to stay in Australia with Aunt Mary and her family.

Uncle Lee took us on a shopping spree last Saturday. He bought me the best burger in Australia. He also took a lot of photographs of me. I will show **them** to you when I return to Singapore. I am enjoying my stay thoroughly, however, I miss all of you dearly. I hope you remember to feed my fishes. My flight has been scheduled to leave in a week's time.

I am looking forward to seeing you soon.

Your loving daughter
Wei Shuen

Write your answer in complete sentences.

34. Which country do Wei Shuen's relatives live in?

35. What does the word "them" in paragraph 4 refer to?

36. Besides cooking for Wei Shuen her favourite food, give a reason why Wei Shuen was fond of Aunt Mary?

37. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as "planned"?

38. Which sentence in the letter tells you that Wei Shuen likes to stay with her relatives but is also homesick?

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Answer Key

1. 3
2. 2
3. 4
4. 4
5. 1
6. 2
7. 3
8. 3
9. 4
10. 3
11. 2
12. 1
13. B (broad)
14. H (necklaces)
15. K (police)
16. A (armed)
17. F (masks)
18. L (weapons)
19. E (license)
20. M (witness)
21. B (behind)
22. A (at)
23. G (with)
24. E (into)
25. D (cooking)
26. B (cooks)
27. C (cooked)
28. A (cook)
29. 2
30. 4
31. 3
32. 3
33. 4
34. They live in Australia.
35. It refers to the photographs.
36. She was extremely hospitable.
37. The word is "scheduled".
38. The sentence is "I am enjoying my stay thoroughly, however, I miss all of you dearly."