

ANGLO-CHINESE SCHOOL (JUNIOR)



SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2 - 2010

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PRIMARY 3

Name : _____ ()

Class : P 3 . ()

Date : 27 October 2010

BOOKLET A

30 Questions

30 Marks

Total Time For Booklet A and B : 1 hour 20 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1 Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.
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Part 1 : Vocabulary (11 marks)

Choose the most suitable answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. Angie tries to _____ with her friends in her new class.
 - (1) get on
 - (2) get off
 - (3) get along
 - (4) get down

2. "I have a _____ fan in my room. It is light enough to be carried to your room," Randall told his grandmother.
 - (1) private
 - (2) perfect
 - (3) popular
 - (4) portable

3. After listening to his uncle's _____ story, Ben was motivated to be a doctor when he grows up.
 - (1) comical
 - (2) magical
 - (3) instructional
 - (4) inspirational

4. Little Tommy _____ his father in many ways. Everyone says he speaks just like him.
 - (1) takes on
 - (2) takes up
 - (3) takes after
 - (4) takes away

5. The pupils were instructed to pack their _____ in clear pencil cases for the written examinations.
 - (1) cutlery
 - (2) utensils
 - (3) jewellery
 - (4) stationery

6. The stray cat looked _____ as it did not have much to eat.
- (1) untidy
 - (2) strange
 - (3) scrawny
 - (4) enormous
7. "I think it is too _____ to buy a new watch to wear each time you go to a party," my mother told her sister.
- (1) wealthy
 - (2) beautiful
 - (3) affordable
 - (4) extravagant
8. My cousin _____ a new hairstyle when he returned from Australia.
- (1) used
 - (2) carried
 - (3) sported
 - (4) arranged
9. The wealthy businessman opened a _____ of western restaurants in Malaysia.
- (1) mall
 - (2) store
 - (3) chain
 - (4) branch
10. My mother _____ me when she saw the poor grades in my report book.
- (1) praised
 - (2) thanked
 - (3) reprimanded
 - (4) congratulated
11. "I think the teacher is being unfair," _____ Ming Wei angrily under his breath.
- (1) moaned
 - (2) shouted
 - (3) muttered
 - (4) demanded

Part 2 : Grammar (11 marks)

Choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet.

12. Terence _____ to dance at the community centre in the evenings while his elder brother exercises at the fitness centre.
- (1) learn
 - (2) learnt
 - (3) is learning
 - (4) are learning
13. I brushed my teeth hurriedly _____ I woke up in the morning.
- (1) so
 - (2) after
 - (3) while
 - (4) before
14. Mr and Mrs Wong were late for the wedding dinner, _____?
- (1) are they
 - (2) were they
 - (3) aren't they
 - (4) weren't they
15. "Don't rub too _____ oil on your hair. It will become sticky and smelly," said Mrs Sim.
- (1) few
 - (2) little
 - (3) many
 - (4) much
16. Leon went to the library after dismissal _____ he wanted to gather some information from the reference books.
- (1) so
 - (2) or
 - (3) although
 - (4) because

17. My neighbour built a shed _____ his garden.
- (1) in
 - (2) to
 - (3) on
 - (4) through
18. "Carry the glass bottles _____," the teacher reminded the class monitors.
- (1) care
 - (2) caring
 - (3) carefully
 - (4) carelessly
19. The twins _____ across the river every day in the water-taxi as the bus only stops on the opposite bank.
- (1) travel
 - (2) travels
 - (3) travelled
 - (4) travelling
20. The performers _____ and danced during the Racial Harmony concert last week.
- (1) sing
 - (2) sang
 - (3) are singing
 - (4) were singing
21. Mr Lin _____ an experiment in the science laboratory when the fire alarm rang.
- (1) conducts
 - (2) conducted
 - (3) was conducting
 - (4) were conducting
22. During the parade, two helicopters were hovering _____ the spectators' stand.
- (1) on
 - (2) along
 - (3) above
 - (4) between

Part 3 : Punctuation (3 marks)

Read the passage carefully. For questions 23 to 25, choose the correct answer and shade the correct oval in the Optical Answer Sheet.

Last Saturday, Mrs Lee took her younger daughter, Crystal, to a new shopping centre. When they reached a shop selling necklaces (23) Crystal went straight in as she was fascinated with the different designs.

When Crystal had finally decided on a suitable one for her elder sister, she looked around for her mother to ask for her opinion. To her horror, Mrs Lee was nowhere in sight (24) Crystal approached the information counter for help.

"Is that lady over there your mother (25) the receptionist asked.

Crystal was very relieved to see her mother.

23. (1) [-] hyphen
(2) [.] full-stop
(3) [,] comma
(4) [!] exclamation mark
24. (1) [-] hyphen
(2) [,] comma
(3) [?] question mark
(4) [!] exclamation mark
25. (1) [,"] comma and inverted commas
(2) [."] full-stop and inverted commas
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

Part 4 : Comprehension MCQ (5 marks)

Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions 26 to 30.

"I'm missing two flowers, Peter," said my mother, standing by the dining table.

I stared at her silver vase. There were at least a dozen of them left but when I took a closer look, I saw two stems with nothing on them.

Both of us looked at Fudge. "No take," he mumbled while his mouth was chewing on something. My mother picked him up and forced his mouth open. She fished out a rose petal.

"What did you do with Mommy's flowers?" she screamed. Kitty, our cat, darted behind the curtains in fright.

"Yummy!" said Fudge and he laughed. He did not realise that my mother was upset.

A look of horror crossed her face before she dashed to the telephone to call the doctor. There was a long pause while my mother listened to whatever the doctor had to say. Then she hung up and quickly gave Fudge a spoonful of peppermint-flavoured medicine, the kind I had to take when I had stomach pains. After that, she carried Fudge off to have his bath.

"Leave it to my brother to eat flowers! I wonder how they tasted. Maybe they are delicious," I thought. I decided to find out. I plucked off one petal from a pink rose and put it in my mouth. It tasted terrible! At least I was not missing anything great.

My mother returned shortly and fed Fudge his dinner in the kitchen. While he was eating, I heard her reminding him to be a good boy that night. I took my bath and changed while Fudge finished his dinner. I was going to eat with the guests. **Being nine has its advantages!**

By the time my father arrived home with his guests, he would never have guessed that my mother had spent most of the day in the kitchen. He would also not have realised that Fudge had eaten two flowers and was feeling fine. My brother even smelled nice, like baby powder.

Adapted from Tales Of A Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume.

For each question from 26 to 30, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

26. Peter was looking at the silver vase because his mother _____.

- (1) wanted to put flowers in it
- (2) needed to buy a new vase
- (3) wanted to count all the flowers again
- (4) discovered she had lost some flowers

27. Peter's mother thought that _____ was up to mischief.

- (1) Kitty
- (2) Peter
- (3) Fudge
- (4) Father

28. Peter's mother forced open Fudge's mouth because he _____.

- (1) was smiling
- (2) was laughing
- (3) had something in his mouth
- (4) could not answer her question

29. *Being nine has its advantages.* One advantage Peter was thinking of would be to _____.

- (1) dine with the adults
- (2) laugh at his brother
- (3) take his medicine first
- (4) change his own clothes

30. When Peter's father came home, he found _____.

- (1) his children looking messy
- (2) everything prepared and ready
- (3) everyone feeling tired and sleepy
- (4) his wife still cooking in the kitchen

End of Booklet A

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BOOKLET B

25 Questions

35 Marks

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A		30	
B	Grammar Cloze	5	
	Editing for Spelling & Grammar	5	
	Synthesis and Transformation	10	
	Comprehension Cloze	5	
	Comprehension OE	10	
	Total	35	

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Part 5: Grammar Cloze (5 marks)

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

Each word can be used **only once**.

(A) and	(C) behind	(E) feeding	(G) pricked	(J) sang
(B) astonishment	(D) eating	(F) read	(H) sadness	(K) tossed

Cappy the caterpillar did nothing all day except eat and eat. As she ate, she (31) _____ a happy little song. All the other caterpillars laughed at her.

The rabbits, who were (32) _____ on their favourite vegetables nearby, giggled as they (33) _____ up their long ears to listen to Cappy's song. One of the rabbits stood on his hind legs and peered at her. He stared at the little caterpillar in (34) _____. She had grown bigger and fatter in the past few days.

"When are you going to stop eating?" he asked.

Cappy laughed as she moved along the leaf. She had many tiny legs which grew beneath her body. The first three pairs that were found (35) _____ her head helped her to move forward. The rest helped her to cling to the leaf so that she would not fall.

The rabbit was worried. Cappy was growing so fast that he was afraid her skin might split. And suddenly it did!

Adapted from *Animal Friends* by Jessie Wee

Part 6 : Editing for Spelling and Grammar (5 marks)

Read the letter carefully. The words with spelling errors are in **bold** and the words with grammatical errors are underlined. Write the correct spelling or form in each box.

There was a crowd outside the shopping mall. Matthew was bursting with

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curiosity to know what has happened, so he joined in.

Matthew

"What's happening?" ~~Jason~~ asked the boy next to him.

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"A **thief** has **been** caught!" the boy replied excitedly. Matthew looked

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inquisitively through the crowd and saw a burly man being questioned by two ~~sekruty~~

guards.

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Then, there was a scuffle and the burly man manage to break free and slip

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away. When the police arrived, Matthew was able to give them a complete ~~discription~~

of the suspect. He had confidence that the police would catch the criminal in no time.

Part 7: Synthesis and Transformation (10 marks)

Rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

41. Do you want the pen? Do you want the pencil?

_____ or
_____?

42. Miss Tan walks to school every day. She wants to keep fit.

Since _____

43. Ravi was doing his homework. His mother prepared dinner for the family.

_____ while

44. Alice put the ingredients on the table. Alice baked some butter cookies.

Before _____

45. This is the library. I lost my student pass here.

_____ where

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Part 8: Comprehension Cloze (5 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Way back in Once Upon A Time, I was making a birthday cake for my dear old granny. I had a terrible cold and was sneezing. I had run out of sugar so I walked down the street to ask my neighbour for a cup of sugar. Now this neighbour was a pig and he was not too bright either. He had built his whole house out of straw. The minute I (46) _____ on the door, it fell right in. I did not want to walk into someone else's house without permission, so I called, "Little Pig, Little Pig, are you in?" There was no answer. I was just about to go home (47) _____ the cup of sugar for my dear old granny's birthday cake.

That was when my nose (48) _____ to itch. I felt a sneeze coming on. Well I huffed and I snuffed, and I sneezed a great sneeze. The whole straw house fell right down. Right in the (49) _____ of the pile of straw was the First Little Pig. He was dead! He had been home the whole time while I was knocking on his door!

It seemed like a shame to (50) _____ a perfectly good ham dinner lying there in the straw. So I ate it up. Think of it as a cheeseburger just lying there. I was feeling a little better but I still did not have my cup of sugar.

Adapted from *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs*

by Jon Scieszka and Lane Smith

Part 9: Comprehension Open- Ended (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 51 to 55.

When the world was still very new and all animals had legs, there lived a very lazy animal named Sid the snake. While his friends, the animals in the jungle, were busy planting crops, Sid would just sit and watch them. When they asked for his help, he would give them excuses. He often said that he had a stomachache or headache.

Soon, it was the time of the year for the crops to be harvested. The animals had been waiting eagerly for that moment. However, on the night before the harvest, while everyone was asleep, a strange thing happened. Someone had stolen their crops before they could get to enjoy the fruits of their hard labour. All the animals were sad and disappointed.

Insy the spider, being a clever animal, had a marvellous idea. That night, with the help of the other animals, they laid sticky tar on the footpath of the plantation. The next morning, when all the animals had returned, they were shocked to find that the culprit turned out to be Sid! All the animals' faces were as black as thunderclouds.

Sid's legs were stuck in the tar. He heaved and grunted as he struggled to set himself free. Upon seeing what was happening, the other animals tied a rope around his neck and pulled Sid out of the mess.

Unfortunately, his legs could not be saved and his body became elongated from the pull. Sid slithered away in shame. That is why snakes do not have any legs.

Adapted from Why Snakes Have No Legs retold by Ann Pilling

Write your answers in complete sentences.

51. What was **one excuse** that Sid gave for not helping in the planting of the crops?

52. Why were the animals excited?

53. When were the crops stolen?

54. How was Sid rescued?

55. Which sentence in the passage shows that the animals were angry with Sid?

End of Booklet B

ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2010

SCHOOL : ACS (JUNIOR) PRIMARY
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TERM : SA2

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
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Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34
3	1	2	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	3	1	2	J	E	G	B

35)C 36)had 37)thief 38)security 39)managed

40)description

41)Do you want the pen or the pencil.

42)Since Miss Tan wants to keep fit, she walks to school every day.

43)Ravi was doing his homework while his mother prepared dinner for the family.

44)Before Alice baked some butter cookies, she put the ingredients on the table.

45)This is the library where I lost my student pass.

46)knocked 47)without 48)started 49)center 50)waste

51)Sid would sat that he had a stomachache.

52)It was the time of the year for the crops to be harvested.

53)The crops were stolen on the night before the harvest.

54)The other animals tied a rope around his neck and pulled him out of the mess.

55)The sentence is 'All the animals' faces were as black as thunderclouds.