



**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SECOND SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2010**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**PRIMARY FOUR**

**BOOKLET B:  
LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION  
(MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS)**

TOTAL TIME: 1 hour 35 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.  
Follow all instructions carefully.  
Answer all questions.

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

Class: Pr 4 ( )

You would have completed questions 1 to 4 from Booklet A: Listening. Continue with the next section, Section D.

SECTION D: GRAMMAR (6 x 1 m = 6 marks)

For each question from 5 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

5. We followed the instructions from the recipe book and baked a cake

- (1) myself
- (2) herself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) themselves

6. John woke up late this morning and he \_\_\_\_\_ late for school.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

7. I \_\_\_\_\_ a television programme when the burglar broke into my neighbour's house.

- (1) watched
- (2) am watching
- (3) was watching
- (4) were watching

8. The twins \_\_\_\_\_ ill last week.

- (1) fall
- (2) fell
- (3) are falling
- (4) were falling

9. \_\_\_\_\_ men squatting over there are my father's workers.

- (1) This
- (2) That
- (3) These
- (4) Those



10. The plate of noodles is spicy as my mother had added too \_\_\_\_\_ chilli.

- (1) few
- (2) little
- (3) many
- (4) much

SECTION E: VOCABULARY (6 x 1 m = 6 marks)

For each question from 11 to 16, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

11. The \_\_\_\_\_ jeered loudly when the team lost the match at the stadium.

- (1) audience
- (2) onlookers
- (3) spectators
- (4) passers-by

12. The postman \_\_\_\_\_ a parcel to Jenny's house yesterday.

- (1) ejected
- (2) injected
- (3) delivered
- (4) displayed

13. I was \_\_\_\_\_ when my sister lost my favourite toy and I shouted at her.

- (1) pleased
- (2) annoyed
- (3) frightened
- (4) embarrassed

14. You have to show \_\_\_\_\_ to your teacher.  
How can you make funny faces at her?

- (1) respect
- (2) integrity
- (3) harmony
- (4) resilience

15. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to smuggle drugs.

- (1) illegal
- (2) illegible
- (3) illiterate
- (4) illegitimate

16. Every day, Farmer Brown goes to the \_\_\_\_\_ to feed the chickens.

- (1) den
- (2) coop
- (3) hutch
- (4) stable

SECTION F: COMPREHENSION (5 x 2 m = 10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. For each question from 17 to 21, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

The dining table was laden with food. Nina wanted to eat them all. She gobbled up a few cookies.

Suddenly, Nina woke up with a start to realize that she was chewing on a bedsheet. She was sleeping in her bed in the dormitory. It was pitch dark. Her growling stomach reminded her of the terrible mistake she had made. She had refused to eat her dinner earlier on. She hated camp food. She missed her mother's cooking terribly!

Pushing the musty-smelling blanket aside, Nina got out of bed. She paced up and down her dormitory. She **looked enviously** at her fellow campers, peacefully asleep. All she could think of at that moment were the cookies her mother had prepared for her in case she felt hungry in the middle of the night.

Unfortunately, to get to the cookies would be an uphill-task for Nina. She would have to venture out into the eerie hallway to get to her locker. That would definitely wake the fierce Camp Commandant up!

17. Nina dreamt about \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) lockers
- 2) cookies
- 3) bedsheet
- 4) camp food

18. Nina was \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) at a camp
- 2) in a kitchen
- 3) in the locker room
- 4) at home in her bed

19. Nina paced up and down her dormitory because \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) she was hungry and could not sleep
- 2) her fellow campers were snoring loudly
- 3) she was frightened of the eerie hallway
- 4) her musty-smelling blanket kept her awake

20. Nina 'looked enviously' at her fellow campers because \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) they had a better meal than she did
- 2) they could sleep soundly but she could not
- 3) their beds were more comfortable than hers
- 4) they were allowed to eat cookies but she was not

21. Getting the cookies would be an uphill-task for Nina because \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1) she had to climb up a hill
- 2) she might wake her Camp Commandant up
- 3) she did not have the keys to unlock the locker
- 4) she did not know where the cookies were kept



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**BOOKLET C:  
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(OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS)**

TOTAL TIME: 1 hour 35 minutes

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Class : Pr 4 ( )

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

Booklet A : Listening Comprehension (Note-taking & Unseen Dictation)	/12
Booklet B : Multiple-choice Questions (including Listening MCQ)	/26
Booklet C : Language Use & Comprehension	/26
Writing	/20
Oral	/16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>/100</b>

SECTION G: GRAMMAR CLOZE (8 X 1m = 8 marks)

**Passage 1**

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

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|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| A) <del>he</del> | B) <del>she</del> | C) <del>I</del>    |
| D) <del>it</del> | E) <del>you</del> | F) <del>them</del> |

Joe was holding the precious vase. Then he dropped (22) \_\_\_\_\_ onto the ground. The broken pieces were strewn on the floor. At that moment, Joe's mother entered the room. (23) \_\_\_\_\_ asked him about the vase. As Joe did not wish to be punished, (24) \_\_\_\_\_ quickly thought of an excuse.

"(25) \_\_\_\_\_ saw our cat knock over the vase," Joe said.

Joe's mother believed him. He felt guilty for lying to her.

**Passage 2**

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

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| A) against       | B) <del>away</del> | C) <del>into</del> |
| D) <del>of</del> | E) <del>off</del>  | F) <del>from</del> |

A scientist from India's capital, Delhi, has made an important discovery. Her team of researchers has found that peppermint oil chases mosquitoes (26) \_\_\_\_\_. It can also kill the mosquito larvae, the wingless forms that hatch (27) \_\_\_\_\_ insect eggs. The best news (28) \_\_\_\_\_ all is that it has been proven to be very effective. Peppermint oil can also be sprayed (29) \_\_\_\_\_ drains to kill the Anopheles mosquitoes which spread malaria. This discovery will definitely save lives.

SECTION H: VOCABULARY CLOZE ( 8 X 1m = 8 marks )

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

Each word can be used once only.

(A) believe	<del>(B) contain</del>	(C) created	<del>(D) extinct</del>
<del>(E) insisted</del>	(F) loudly	<del>(G) moment</del>	<del>(H) pounced</del>
<del>(J) recognised</del>	<del>(K) stealthily</del>	(M) stepped	<del>(N) stop</del>

I was on my way home when I spotted it. I could not (30)\_\_\_\_\_ my eyes. It was the Usara Rabbit! I had (31)\_\_\_\_\_ it instantly from its red-coloured mop of fur at the top of its head. It was supposed to have been (32)\_\_\_\_\_ three hundred years ago! I should have believed Professor Brown when he (33)\_\_\_\_\_ that he had seen it.

At that (34)\_\_\_\_\_, I knew I had to act fast. Not wanting to alarm it, I advanced (35)\_\_\_\_\_ like a lion stalking its prey. I took off my jacket in slow-motion.

When I got close enough, I (36)\_\_\_\_\_ on it. With one quick swoop, I had the rabbit wrapped up in my jacket. I could not (37)\_\_\_\_\_ my excitement as I tried to tie a knot with the sleeves of my jacket. I wrapped my arms securely around the struggling animal and hurried back to the laboratory, careful not to hurt it.

SECTION I: COMPREHENSION ( 5 X 2m = 10 marks )

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

The telephone rang as I heard the thunder roar. I answered the telephone. It was my mother. She relayed the news that she was stuck with my brother at Sunshine Shopping Mall.

"Hail a taxi to fetch us home," she said.

Stunned, I could not utter a word. It was raining hard. It was late. Thunder roared every few minutes. I was only ten! Who knew what danger awaited me out there in the dark?

"Sure, no problem," I replied.

I put the telephone down. I could not believe I had agreed. I wanted to kick myself.

But then, I stopped. "Grown men face up to challenges. I am a grown man!" With that, I resolved to face the challenge that lay before me. I felt **like a knight in shining armour** as I put on my yellow Bugs Bunny raincoat and stepped out of the house.

Answer these questions. Write your answers in complete sentences.

38. Who telephoned the writer?

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39. What had happened to the writer's mother and brother?

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40. Which word in the passage suggests that the writer was shocked by his mother's request at first?

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41. 'I felt like a knight in shining armour as I put on my yellow Bugs Bunny raincoat...' How did the writer feel?

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42. What did the writer do after stepping out of the house?

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**CHECK YOUR WORK CAREFULLY  
END OF PAPER**

# **ANSWER SHEET**

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**EXAM PAPER 2010**

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**SUBJECT : PRIMARY 4 ENGLISH**

**TERM : SA2**

**Booklet B**

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

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21
1	1	2	2

22) D 23) B 24) A 25) C 26) B 27) F 28) D 29) C

30) A 31) J 32) D 33) E 34) G 35) K 36) H 37) B

38) The writer's mother telephoned the writer.

39) They were stuck at Sunshine Shopping Mall because of the heavy rain.

40) The word is "Stunned".

41) The writer felt like a hero.

42) He might have walked to the road to fetch his mother and brother at the Sunshine Shopping Mall.