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2011 CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1
ENGLISH LANGUAGE – PAPER 2
LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION
PRIMARY 6

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BOOKLET A

35 Questions

35 Marks

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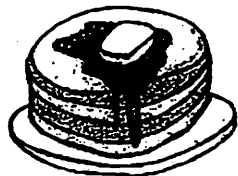
Note:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read carefully the instructions given at the beginning of each part of the booklet.
3. Do not waste time. If a question is difficult for you, go on to the next one.
4. Check your answers thoroughly and make sure you attempt every question.
5. In this booklet, you should have the following:
 - a. Page 1 to Page 12
 - b. Questions 1 to 35

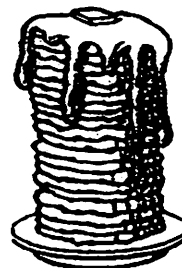
Study the following poster and then answer the questions that follow it.

Note: Monday Closed
 Tues - Thur: 9am to 10pm
 Fri - Sun: 9am to 12mn

ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES



for ONLY *\$9.99



At Johnny's Cafe & Grill

Held in conjunction with Healthy Lifestyle Campaign organised by Forks Health Promotion Board

Do you want to have unlimited pancakes for free for you and your family?

Finish 15 pancakes within 5 minutes.

For more information, call in or visit our website today!

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THE TRENDIEST
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 DELIVERY IN TOWN!

iPhone App



Pancake

Plain Pancake	\$6.99	Strawberry Pancake	\$8.99
Cheese Pancake	\$8.99	Blueberry Pancake	\$8.99
Chocolate Pancake	\$7.99	Banana Pancake	\$8.99

We also have other sumptuous feed. Check it out!

Sandwiches

Club Sandwich	\$6.99
Meatball Sandwich	\$8.99
Egg Sandwich	\$6.99

Salad

Caesar Salad	\$5.99
Garden Salad	\$4.99
Fruit Salad	\$6.99

Pasta

Meatball Pasta	\$8.99
Tuna Pasta	\$7.99
Carbonara Pasta	\$9.99
Vegetarian Pasta	\$7.99
Roast Chicken Pasta	\$11.99

Sponsored by the following:



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 Free Delivery for orders above \$30.

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North: Bishan, Yio Chu Kang, Woodlands
East: Tampines, Bedok, Paya Lebar

South: Vivo City, Pasir Panjang
West: Clementi, Jurong, Commonwealth, Redhill

*Available for weekend dine in,
 only at participating restaurants

For each question from 1 to 5, 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.

(5 marks)

- 1 The 'All You Can Eat Pancakes' event is organised by _____.
- (1) JoHnny's Cafe and Grill
 - (2) Healthy Lifestyle Campaign
 - (3) Forks Health Promotion Board
 - (4) American Express Credit Cards
- 2 According to the poster, anyone can have an unlimited number of pancakes for free if they _____.
- (1) dine in with their family members
 - (2) eat fifteen pancakes in a given time
 - (3) dine in at participating outlets during the weekends
 - (4) order any other sumptuous treats with the pancakes
- 3 Which of the following sentences from the poster is true?
- (1) Everything is sold below \$9.99.
 - (2) Pancakes are sold at only \$9.99.
 - (3) One can buy 15 pancakes for \$9.99.
 - (4) Delivery is not available for a total order of \$9.99.
- 4 The promotion is available _____.
- (1) every day
 - (2) every Monday
 - (3) every weekday
 - (4) every weekend
- 5 Which of the following shows that JoHnny's Cafe and Grill keeps up with the latest technology?
- (1) One can call in for delivery.
 - (2) They have their very own website.
 - (3) Payment can be made by credit cards.
 - (4) Orders can be placed through the iPhone App.

For each question from 6 to 15, 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. (10 marks)

6 Amy asked, "Did you _____ someone knock on the door a few minutes ago?"

- (1) hear
- (2) hears
- (3) heard
- (4) hearing

7 He could not buy many books for he had _____ money.

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

8 Keep the door _____ at all times.

- (1) close
- (2) closes
- (3) closed
- (4) closing

9 Gymnastics _____ helpful if we want to develop our agility.

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

10 The discipline master wants to know on _____ the prank was pulled.

- (1) who
- (2) which
- (3) whom
- (4) whose

- 11 A lot _____ done to protect endangered species of tigers by bringing awareness to the young.
- (1) can be
 - (2) may be
 - (3) is being
 - (4) should be
- 12 One of the qualities of a pupil leader is _____ others in need.
- (1) help
 - (2) helps
 - (3) helped
 - (4) helping
- 13 Tommy was not feeling well, _____ he went to school and sat for his examination.
- (1) or
 - (2) so
 - (3) yet
 - (4) for
- 14 I am better at writing than drawing, _____ ?
- (1) is I
 - (2) am I
 - (3) isn't I
 - (4) aren't I
- 15 My parents decided _____ painting my room black for it would make it look too dark.
- (1) for
 - (2) from
 - (3) about
 - (4) against

For each question from 16 to 18, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (3 marks)

The atmosphere in the classroom was tense. The ~~papers~~ ^{bags and water bottles} were placed neatly outside. Everyone was silent as they watched the second hand on the clock make its round.

"The time is 9 am (17) ~~you~~ ^{you} may begin," the invigilator's voice echoed through the dead quiet room.

Just then, Meiling raised her hand and asked, "Mrs Lee (18) may I go to the toilet?" Mrs Lee frowned and shook her head.

- 16 (1) [-] dash
(2) [:] colon
(3) [,] comma
(4) ['] apostrophe

- 17 (1) [;] semicolon
(2) [.] full stop
(3) [-] hyphen
(4) [,] comma

- 18 (1) [,] comma
(2) [?] question mark
(3) [, "] comma and inverted commas
(4) [? "] question mark and inverted commas

For each question from 19 to 20, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage.
Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (2 marks)

Captain! Quick! That is an island up ahead, isn't it (19) ~~shouted the sailor.~~ ^{shouted the sailor.}
Captain Doolittle rushed to the deck upon hearing his call, took the binoculars and looked out ahead of the ship. The ship had been sailing in the sea way too long and the crew needed to rest on some solid ground for a change.
"Yes, you are right. It is indeed an (20) ~~said the~~ ^{said the} captain when he was ~~interrupted~~ ^{interrupted} by a sudden explosion from the back of the ship.

- 19 (1) [, °] comma and inverted commas
- (2) [. °] full stop and inverted commas
- (3) [? °] question mark and inverted commas
- (4) [! °] exclamation mark and inverted commas

- 20 (1) [,] comma
- (2) [.] full stop
- (3) [...] ellipsis points
- (4) [!] exclamation mark

For each question from 21 to 25, 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. (5 marks)

- 21 Winning the 2010 World Cup was a matter of national _____ for the Spanish team.
- (1) virtue
 - (2) honour
 - (3) respect
 - (4) righteousness
- 22 In my _____, we should try to save water by washing the car with a bucket instead of a hose.
- (1) belief
 - (2) feeling
 - (3) opinion
 - (4) thought
- 23 Because of his quiet and _____ character, Ali's vast knowledge of soccer went unnoticed.
- (1) assertive
 - (2) flamboyant
 - (3) outstanding
 - (4) unassuming
- 24 _____ driving can cause deadly accidents.
- (1) Wary
 - (2) Brash
 - (3) Reckless
 - (4) Cautious
- 25 My brother _____ with chicken pox during the school holidays and could not go to the beach with his friends.
- (1) came down
 - (2) came apart
 - (3) came across
 - (4) came forward

For each question from 26 to 30, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

When John visited his grandparents one day, he was given a slingshot to play with in the fields. His grandfather reminded him to take care at all times of what he aimed at.

John practised aiming at picket fences and shot them with small stones gathered from the ground. In just one morning, he had mastered the little weapon and every parting of the missile

from his slingshot was a hit. Instinctively, he would place a stone missile on his slingshot, aim

and shoot at the potential target whenever he saw one.

One day he saw his grandmother's pet duck and on impulse, shot the duck in the head

and killed it. He panicked at first but then gathered enough courage to confess what had

happened to his grandparents. He was truly sorry for what he had done.

Adapted from 'Remember, the duck?', Pages of Knowledge

- 26 (1) averting
(2) deflecting
(3) pinpointing
(4) sidetracking

- 27 (1) outdone
(2) conquered
(3) disregarded
(4) surrendered

- 28 (1) Carefully
(2) Consciously
(3) Meticulously
(4) Spontaneously

- 29 (1) actual
(2) planned
(3) possible
(4) confirmed

- 30 (1) own up
(2) hold up
(3) rake up
(4) double up

During the first spring in our new house, my wife, Linda, began persuading me to get a rabbit. I never had a pet in my life for I found that they were in need of constant attention and that would disrupt my life entirely. However, she said that a rabbit just hops around and stays still at its favourite spot.

A visit to a friend's house seemed to confirm the trouble-free nature of owning a rabbit. As we sat in his living room, I asked him if he might let Drusilla, his pet rabbit, out of her cage. I was surprised that he said that she was already let loose around the house. 5

I caught the barest glimpse of grey fur backing into the shadows. Compared to the lap-bounding behaviour of a cat or the pet-me persistence of a dog, Drusilla's reticence appealed to me. "Is this all she ever does?" I asked him, thinking it hated guests. 10

"Besides chewing everything in her way, she'll run all over the place and then stay in one spot unless you can convince her to come out," he replied. This sounded so ideal. The road to rabbit ownership suddenly seemed as smooth and straight. 15

I made a game effort at bonding with the white pet we named Binky. I tried communicating with him by going down on all fours and walking around that way with him. However, Binky seemed oblivious. We found after that the most alarming habit was gnawing. Rabbit's teeth grow continuously and the act of chewing grinds them down. Binky gnawed on our woodwork. He pulled out carpet fibres. He decimated chair legs, computer cables, wires, books and shoes despite our efforts to stop him. 20

What truly seemed eerie was his muteness. Rabbits are sonic blank slates in contrast to a happy cat that purrs and an unhappy dog that whines. They convey their desires differently. Binky would bang his own water dish against his cage to show his dissatisfaction at being locked up. He would bite your toe if you made changes to the living room arrangement. 25

As he grew and became wilder, we knew that the small cage was not big enough for him. So, I built a backyard pen for him, six square metres. At first, escaping was simply a matter of Binky hurdling the metre-high fence. When I raised the fence by 60 centimetres, he would run in circles until he built up enough speed for an impressive launch over the fence. In the end, I had to add more fencing. 30

One day while I was in the study, Linda shouted from outside saying that she could not see Binky in the backyard pen. Looking out of the window, I could not see him either. The cage seemed calm and quite empty. I ran down and out the side door and nearly tripped over him. Binky sat there, coolly triumphant. His presence at the door and the look in his eyes seemed to say, "I managed to escape the pen again. Want to add more fence?" 35

How did he pull it off? I inspected the pen and discovered the tunnel that he had dug. "I wonder how long he has been working on this," Linda marvelled.

"This is our last rabbit," I fumed. "He belongs in a barn with all the wild animals and not here in a garden where he can try having fun escaping." But that was the last time Binky ever tried to escape. 40

Months passed and the day came when Binky fell ill. He did not eat much and the next morning, he barely moved. Linda hurried him to the vet, returning home less than ten minutes later with the news that Binky had died before she could see the doctor. She wailed as I put my hands around her. You would think that I would have thought that life would be simpler now. No, I ended up crying too. 45

A rabbit was just a rabbit, right? Never did I realise that buying Binky was one of the most pivotal actions of my adult life. Because of him, I learnt to love animals and appreciate them for how they are. I still feel connected to Binky by some invisible wire. If only he were alive to chew through it. 50

Adapted from "Hare-Brained" by Bob Tarte, Reader's Digest, December 2004

For each question from 31 to 35, 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. (5 marks)

31 What was the main reason the author decided to keep a rabbit as a pet?

- (1) It hates guests.
- (2) It has the pet-me persistence of a dog.
- (3) It has the lap-bounding behaviour of a cat.
- (4) It stays still in its favourite spot and does not bother anyone.

32 How did the author try to get along with the rabbit when it first arrived?

- (1) He followed the rabbit's walking style.
- (2) He built a backyard pen for the rabbit.
- (3) He gave the rabbit books and shoes to gnaw on.
- (4) He tried not to make changes to the living room furniture.

33 According to the passage, which of the following statements is not true?

- (1) Binky had grey fur.
- (2) Binky was a very active rabbit.
- (3) The author's wife wanted a pet.
- (4) Rabbits need to gnaw things due to their growing teeth.

34 The phrase 'sonic blank slates' (line 22) tells us that rabbits are _____.

- (1) fast
- (2) quiet
- (3) noisy
- (4) aggressive

35 What was Binky's last attempt of escaping?

- (1) He jumped over the fence.
- (2) He gnawed through the fence.
- (3) He dug a tunnel under the fence.
- (4) He loosened the fence by banging it with his water dish.



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BOOKLET B

50 Questions

65 Marks

In this booklet, you should have the following:

- a. Page 13 to Page 21
- b. Questions 36 to 85

BOOKLET	OBTAINED	POSSIBLE
BOOKLET A		35
BOOKLET B		65
TOTAL		100

Parent's Signature : _____

There are 10 blanks, numbered 36 to 45, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

- | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| (A) among | (D) being | (G) in | (K) moreover | (N) was |
| (B) as | (E) by | (H) is | (L) on | (P) with |
| (C) at | (F) if | (J) it | (M) them | (Q) whenever |

Jackie Heinreicher is crazy over bamboos. Her love for _____ started in her
(36)

backyard. As a child, she remembers playing _____ the golden bamboos that her
(37)

father had planted. _____ there was a breeze, the bamboos sounded incredibly
(38)

musical.

Heinreicher later started her bamboo business _____ 1998. She found out
(39)

that a bamboo _____ versatile and earth-friendly. It absorbs four times as much
(40)

carbon dioxide _____ hardwood trees and releases 35 percent more oxygen.
(41)

However, she also found out that bamboo forests are _____ rapidly depleted and
(42)

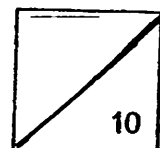
as many as half of the world's species are threatened _____ extinction.
(43)

Heinreicher knew that bamboos could make a significant impact _____
(44)

carbon emissions and world economies, but only _____ massive numbers could be
(45)

produced.

Adapted from 'Wild for Bamboo' by Margaret Heffernan, Reader's Digest, December 2008



Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box. (10 marks)

(46)

(47)

*Polar bears have **erkuired** great publicity due for the impact that*

(48)

(49)

*climate chnges has on the Arctic. The ice is getting **unyously** thin and*

(50)

*polar bears have to beware of **falling thru**e. No ice means no polar bears.*

(51)

*The species needs **pack** ice to **sirvife**. When the seals haul out to rest*

(52)

or give birth, the bear has a chance of catch them unaware. Without ice,

(53)

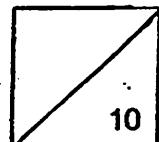
(54)

*it experiences hungry. Hence, to play our part in ensuring its **kontinewous***

(55)

*existence, **shé** have to make the effort to protect the Earth and all it contains.*

Adapted from 'Portfolio: Polar Bears' Knowledge Magazine Vol 2 issue 1



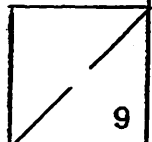
Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

Each week, I set aside several hours to bring a little joy into the lives of the women at a nearby home. On one particular day, I was going to _____ them freshly cut
(56)
flowers: red and yellow snapdragons and mammoth zinnias.

That afternoon as I was about to _____ the house, the telephone rang. For
(57)
a fleeting moment, I toyed _____ the idea of not answering it but I ran back to
(58)
do so anyway. It was my husband and he called to inform me that he was not able to
_____ our son, Taylor, (up) at school that day. Not _____ to be
(59) (60)
late for my weekly visit to the home, I rushed to Taylor's school.

Accompanied _____ my son, I started the rounds with the bundles of
(61)
flowers in _____ arms and Taylor at my side. After we visited the third or
(62)
fourth room, I noticed that, just as we _____ about to leave each room, my
(63)
son _____ hug each woman and then whisper something into her ear. At
(64)



that point _____ time, I did not ask him what he was whispering to the ladies,
(65)

but he elicited a smile from each and _____ one of them.
(66)

Later that evening, during dinner, I glanced across the table at my son and asked,

"What was it that you _____ to those ladies?"
(67)

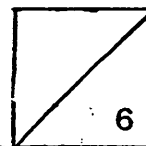
_____ at me with an angelic face, he responded, "All I said was 'I love
(68)

you, Grandma. You look so beautiful.' I wanted to make them feel good, _____
(69)

like what you did with the flowers today." I could not have felt _____ proud of
(70)

my son than I did that day.

Adapted from 'A Child's Gift', by Pamela Strome-Merewether



For each of the questions 71 to 75, 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). (10 marks)

71 James failed the examination although he worked very hard.

Despite _____

72 - All the pupils are going to the beach. Kumar is not going to the beach.

_____ except _____

73 They prevented people from driving off the road. They put up more street lamps.

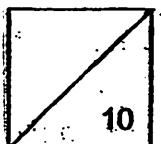
In order to _____

74 My best friend offered to help me with my work when he saw that I was frustrated.

Seeing my _____

75 "Mop the floor and wash the dishes after lunch," ordered my mother.

My mother ordered me _____



Read the passage below and answer questions 76 to 85.

(20 marks)

I was a single parent of four small children, working at a minimum-wage job. Although we were tight for money, we had a roof over our heads, food on the table, clothes on our backs and, if not a lot, always enough. My children told me that in those days, they did not know we were poor. They just thought that I, their mother, was cheap. I had always been glad about that.

5

It was Christmastime and although there was not enough money for a lot of gifts, we planned to celebrate with family, friends, parties and drives down to town to see the Christmas lights, special dinners and by decorating our home. It was that one time of the year where we would have fun and enjoy the holidays together. Most importantly was enjoying it as a family.

10

But the big excitement for the kids was the fun of Christmas shopping at the mall. They talked and planned for weeks ahead of time, asking each other and their grandparents what they wanted for Christmas. I dreaded it. I had saved \$120 for presents to be shared by all five of us. I knew that was not enough but it would have to do.

15

The big day arrived, and we started out early. I gave each of my four children a twenty-dollar bill and reminded them to look for gifts about four dollars each. Not once had they ever mentioned that it was too little. For that, I felt relieved but always cautious that one day they would feel otherwise. Once everyone had their share, they scattered. They tried hard not to be seen by the others while shopping so that their gifts would be a secret.

20

"We have two hours to shop. Not more. After, we will meet back here at the 'Santa's Workshop' display," I yelled, trying to get over the sound of the Christmas music being played all over. 'Santa's Workshop' was the biggest attraction for all children visiting the mall. They could participate in games and activities such as baking cookies and even making Christmas cards. It was also an important attraction for the parents. Being able to leave their children there under the hands of the workshop instructors, helped. They could then shop for gifts without any distractions.

25

When we all met, everyone was shouting and sharing that they got the best gift for each other. With their shopping bags in hand, we made our way to the parking lot with the children in cheerful banter.

30

On the drive home, everyone was still in high spirits, laughing and teasing one another with hints and clues about what they had bought. My younger daughter, Ginger, who was about eight years old, was unusually quiet. I noted she had only one small flat bag with her after her shopping spree. I could see enough through the plastic bag to tell that she had bought candy bars – fifty-cent candy bars!

35

I was very angry. I wanted to yell at her and ask what she had done with the twenty dollars that I had given her. However, I did not say anything until I got home. I called her into my bedroom and closed the door, ready to be angry again when I asked her what she had done with the money.

40

"I was looking around, thinking of what to buy and stopped to read the little cards on one of the Salvation Army's 'Giving Tree'. One of the cards was for a little girl, four years old, and all she wanted for Christmas was a doll with clothes and a hairbrush. So I took the card off the tree and bought the doll and the hairbrush for her. Then I took it to the Salvation Army booth. Maybe that is the only gift that she will even get on Christmas. I had only enough money left to buy candy bars for us," Ginger said, feeling a pang of guilt.

45

"May I ask what made you want to do that when you could have bought gifts just for yourself and your brothers and sister?" I asked, wanting to understand her.

She replied with the most innocent voice, "We have so much with us already. I just wanted to share the same joy on Christmas with another." That was the greatest gift I could have as a mother that Christmas -- knowing how big a heart my daughter had.

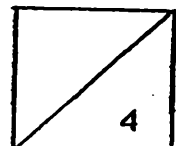
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Adapted from 'The Giving Trees', by Kathleen Dixon

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

76 Quote the three-word phrase from the first paragraph that suggests that the family was struggling financially.

77 What does 'that' in line 5 refer to?



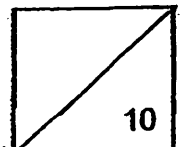
78 Why was Christmastime a special holiday for the author?

79 The author states that she 'dreaded' (line 13) the excitement the kids had for Christmas shopping. Why do you think she dreaded this?

80 What was the main purpose of looking for gifts that were about four dollars each?

81 "For that, I felt relieved but always cautious that one day they would feel otherwise." (lines 18-19) What was the author worried about?

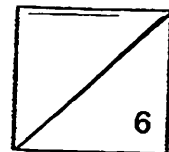
82 How did the parents benefit from 'Santa's Workshop'?



83 Explain clearly why the author 'was very angry' (line 37) with her daughter for buying the fifty-cent candy bars.

84 What reason did Ginger give for buying the doll and hairbrush for the little girl?

85 What does 'the greatest girl' (lines 51-52) refer to?



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Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34
1	3	3	2	3	4	3	1	3	2	4	3	1	4	1	1	2

Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	Q39	Q40	Q41	Q42	Q43	Q44	Q45
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| 46)acquired | 47)to | 48)change | 49)unusually | 50)through |
| 51)survive | 52)catching | 53)hunger | 54)continuous | 55)we |
| 56)bring | 57)leave | 58)with | 59)pick | 60)wanting |
| 61)by | 62)both | 63)were | 64)would | 65)in |
| 66)every | 67)whispered | 68)Looking | 69)just | 70)more |
- 71)Despite working very hard, James failed the examination.
 72)All the pupils, except Kumar, are going to the beach.
 73)In order to prevent people from driving off the road, they put up more street lamps.
 74)Seeing my frustration, mu best friend offered to help me with my work.
 75)My mother ordered me to mop the floor and wash the dishes after lunch.
 76)The three-word phrase is 'tight for money'.
 77)It refers to the (author's)children thinking that their mother was cheap.
 78)It was the one time of the year where the author and her family would/could have fun and enjoy the holidays together.
 79)The author did not have enough money for the children to enjoy Christmas shopping.
 80)It was to allow everyone to have at least a gift each.
 81)The author was worried that her children would feel that the money given for Christmas shopping was too little.
 82)The parents were able to leave their children under the hands of the workshop instructors and could shop for gifts without any distractions.
 83)She expected her daughter to have bought gifts worth four dollars each.
 84)She wanted the little gift to have at least a gift for Christmas.
 85)It refers to knowing how big a heart her daughter had.