



CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT 1 - 2010
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 3

Name : _____ ()

Class : P 3 . ()

Date : 5 March 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. On my birthday, my grandparents gave me a/an _____ from the local bookshop so that I can choose something I like.
(1) movie ticket (2) gift certificate
(3) invitation card (4) greeting card

2. "I would like to come to your party. Let me ask my parents for _____ first," Ravi told his best friend.
(1) information (2) suggestion
(3) permission (4) question

3. Jane spoke _____ because her baby sister was sleeping.
(1) loudly (2) softly
(3) proudly (4) kindly

4. Mrs Lim was waving _____ at every taxi that went past as she was late.
(1) happily (2) sadly
(3) frantically (4) quickly

5. The children _____ in fright when they watched the horror movie.
(1) screamed (2) cried
(3) laughed (4) answered

6. When the discipline master came, the naughty boys _____ back to their classes.
(1) strolled (2) scurried
(3) crawled (4) wandered

7. The English teacher wrote a long _____ for the school magazine about our National Day celebrations.
(1) article (2) caption
(3) headline (4) passage

8. The snake _____ away when the farmer approached it.
- (1) squirmed (2) galloped
(3) slithered (4) fluttered
9. "The tomato sauce left a _____ on my T-shirt. I will have to wash it off," said Ricky.
- (1) stain (2) colour
(3) scar (4) dot
10. Mother reminded me to _____ my aunt and uncle after the visit.
- (1) wish (2) greet
(3) thank (4) praise
11. The children _____ the chicks with care when they visited the school ecogarden last Monday.
- (1) played (2) handled
(3) hugged (4) loved

Part 2 : Grammar (11 marks)

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

12. Mr Tan _____ to work every day as he has a car.
- (1) drive (2) drives
(3) drove (4) driven
13. _____ Susie left for Australia, she gave her pet hamsters to her neighbours.
- (1) After (2) During
(3) Before (4) So
14. As Benny's mother was working late yesterday, he had to prepare dinner for _____.
- (1) themselves (2) himself
(3) ourselves (4) herself

15. "There isn't _____ sugar left in the jar," said Mrs Lee.
- (1) few (2) some
(3) little (4) much
16. Henry was watching the news on TV _____ he heard someone calling his name.
- (1) because (2) so
(3) when (4) as
17. My uncle lives _____ Malaysia.
- (1) at (2) in
(3) on (4) to
18. "Take care of _____," Mother Pig reminded her piglets as they set off.
- (1) yourself (2) himself
(3) yourselves (4) themselves
19. The hungry fishes _____ for a share of the food pellets when the farmer dropped some into the pond.
- (1) fight (2) fights
(3) fought (4) fighting
20. "Very _____ people in my family enjoy eating fish head curry," said Ming Lee.
- (1) many (2) few
(3) little (4) some
21. Mr Hassan _____ the school soccer team to Indonesia for a combined training camp next week.
- (1) takes (2) has taken
(3) took (4) will be taking
22. James helped the blind man _____ the road as there was no pedestrian crossing nearby.
- (1) along (2) between
(3) across (4) over

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.

A lion and a monkey lived in a jungle together. They were good friends and would often spend a long time chatting together. One day, the monkey decided to go to the lion(23)s house without informing him first. The lion was having an afternoon nap. He was very irritated when the monkey woke him rudely.

“That was an inconsiderate thing to do(24) the lion roared angrily.

“Oh! I am so sorry! I will visit you some other day(25)” said the monkey worriedly. Then he hurried home.

23. (1) apostrophe
(2) comma
(3) full-stop
(4) hyphen
24. (1) exclamation mark
(2) full-stop
(3) open inverted commas and exclamation mark
(4) exclamation mark and close inverted commas
25. (1) comma
(2) full-stop
(3) question mark
(4) exclamation mark

Part 4 : Comprehension MCQ (5 marks)

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

Once upon a time, there was a rich man who liked to collect carvings of animals. He had many sculptures of animals but he had no carved mouse so he called for two skilled sculptors.

"I want each of you to carve a mouse for me. I want them to be so life-like that my cat will think they are real mice and pounce on them. The first mouse that my cat pounces on will win for the sculptor this bag of gold."

Both sculptors quickly went home and set to work. After some time, they returned to the rich man. One had carved a beautiful mouse out of wood. It was so well done that it looked exactly like a mouse. The other man, however, had done very badly. He had used a material that flaked and looked strange. It did not look like a mouse at all.

The rich man was surprised. He liked the wooden mouse very much but was not quite sure what the other piece was.

"Please bring in your cat and let it decide which one is the better mouse," the second man requested.

Although the rich man thought it was rather silly, he ordered his cat to be brought in. The moment it entered the room, it pounced on the badly carved mouse and paid no attention to the one that was carved so well.

There was nothing for the rich man to do but to give the gold to the 'unskilful' sculptor. "Well, now that you have the gold, tell me how you did it?" he asked.

"It was easy. I did not carve my mouse from wood. I carved it from dried fish. That's why the cat pounced on it swiftly," the sculptor replied.

When the rich man heard it, he could not stop laughing. The cat and everyone in the room had been fooled. Finally, he decided to give each sculptor a bag of gold: one to the man who had carved so well, and the other to the man who had carved cleverly. The rich man would keep the wooden mouse and his cat could have the other.

Adapted from Kintaro's Adventures and Other Japanese Children's Stories.

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. The rich man called for two skilled sculptors to _____.
- (1) catch some real mice for him
 - (2) help him collect some animals
 - (3) carve different kinds of animals
 - (4) make him two carved mice
27. He would give a reward if the _____.
- (1) mouse is real
 - (2) mouse looks real
 - (3) cat looks at the mouse first
 - (4) cat pounces on the mouse
28. The cat used **its sense** of _____ to choose the mouse.
- (1) sight
 - (2) smell
 - (3) touch
 - (4) taste
29. The rich man laughed because _____.
- (1) the badly carved mouse looked funny
 - (2) his pouncing cat looked funny
 - (3) he was happy to give a reward
 - (4) everyone had been fooled
30. The rich man was willing to reward **both** sculptors because he _____.
- (1) had to keep his word
 - (2) felt that it was a good joke
 - (3) wanted to recognise their talents
 - (4) noticed that his cat was very happy

End of Booklet A



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Parent's Signature

BOOKLET B

25 Questions

35 Marks

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- 1 Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.
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| Booklet | Component | Possible Marks | Marks Obtained |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| A | | 30 | |
| B | Grammar Cloze | 5 | |
| | Editing for Spelling & Grammar | 5 | |
| | Synthesis and Transformation | 10 | |
| | Comprehension Cloze | 5 | |
| | Comprehension OE | 10 | |
| | Total | 35 | |
| TOTAL for Booklets A and B | | 65 | |

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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.

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| (A) across | (C) began | (E) carrying | (G) telling | (J) what |
| (B) around | (D) behind | (F) looked | (H) there | (K) where |

An old tortoise once lived by a lake with his friends, the geese. The tortoise loved (31) _____ many tales. The geese thought that he talked too much.

One year, the rain did not fall and the lake (32) _____ to dry up.

"We must fly away from here!" said the geese. "We must fly to the Blue Mountains (33) _____ the lakes are always full."

"Don't leave me (34) _____! I need water too! Please take me with you!" the tortoise begged.

The geese thought very hard how they could take the tortoise with them. Finally they thought of an idea. They decided to carry a long and strong stick between their beaks. They told the tortoise to clamp his jaws tightly (35) _____ the stick as they fly.

The geese advised the tortoise. "Listen carefully. Do not open your mouth during the flight. If you do, you will fall."

"I can do it!" said the tortoise.

Adapted from Fables and Fairy Tales.

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

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

The bus was very crowded when Toby boarded it. He stood near the driver and glanced at ~~the~~ passengers in the bus. The bus moved slowly as there were
(36)
many **vehicles** on the road.

(37)
When the bus stoped at a traffic light, Toby noticed a teenager standing next
(38) (39)
to him. His face was pale and Toby think he was unwell. **Sarddanly** the teenager

slipped his hand into an old lady's bag and pulled out a wallet. The old lady who was
(40)
sitted in front of ~~the~~ teenager was dozing off.

Toby quickly alerted the bus driver who drove straight to a police station.

Part 7 : Synthesis and Transformation (10 marks)

41. Raju likes to draw fighter jets. Kenny likes to draw fighter jets too.

and

42. Mr Wong exercises for one hour every day. He wants to keep fit.

because

43. Nathan did not have an umbrella. He decided to wait for the rain to stop.

so

44. Tracy completed her homework. She went out to play.

before

45. My sister screamed loudly. She saw a huge lizard.

when

Part 8: Comprehension Cloze (5 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Learning to fly a kite is like riding a bike. Once you learn how, it is hard to forget.

The traditional kite-flying season is in spring. However, winds at this time of the (46)_____ can be too strong and gusty for most paper kites. If you fly in gusty winds, you risk damaging or even losing your kite. Furthermore, if there is a thunderstorm in your area, leave your kite at (47)_____. The kite line will conduct electricity which is a fact proven by Ben Franklin's dangerous experiment.

A kite is most likely to break when flown for the first time. Check every part (48)_____ launching your kite. Watch carefully and note how the kite first reacts to the wind. Run forward so that the kite can land safely if it starts to spin. It is easier to launch a kite with some help from another (49)_____.

Try to fly in an open area away from power lines, trees, buildings, roads and airports. The golden (50)_____ of kite flying is to fly where the kite will not create a hazard to you or others. Beaches, parks and open fields are generally the best flying areas. Watch the direction of flags, trees or smoke to see if there is disturbed wind flow.

Adapted from Asian Kites by Wayne Hosking

Part 9 : Comprehension Open-Ended (10 marks)

Read the letter below carefully and answer questions 51 to 55.

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31 January 2010

Dear Grandma

Thank you for the lovely birthday card that you sent last week. I enjoy listening to the tune every time I open the card.

Last night, there was a blackout in our neighbourhood. I was playing chess with Dad after dinner while Mum was helping Tony with his mathematics homework. Little John was watching a cartoon on television.

Suddenly all the lights went out. It was pitch dark! Tony and I looked out of the window and found there was not a single light in the surrounding blocks of flats. Dad told us not to worry as it was just a power failure. He went to the kitchen and came back with a few lit candles. He placed them on the sofa table. Just then, our neighbour came knocking on our door. He wanted to borrow some candles and matches from us. Dad passed him a few.

Mum brought out a few packs of chocolate milk and told us to sit around the coffee table. She also took out a box of cookies. As we waited for the lights to come on, we spent the time telling stories by candlelight. Although little John was scared, he sat next to us because he could not stop munching the cookies.

The lights came back on one hour later. By then we were all ready for bed. Little

John refused to go to bed. He wanted to sleep with Mum and Dad. What a baby!

Please write soon, Grandma.

Lots of love from
Chris

Write your answers in complete sentences.

51. Who was the letter addressed to?

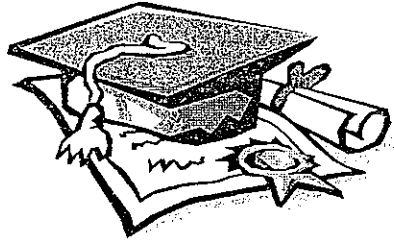
52. Who did Grandma send a birthday card to?

53. What happened suddenly while little John was watching television?

54. What did Mum do to make everyone feel comfortable?

55. Why did John want to sleep with his parents?

End of Booklet B



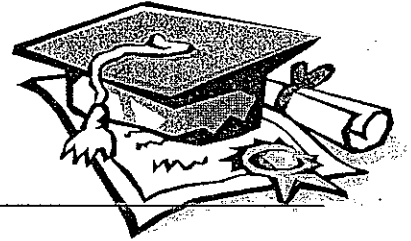
ANSWER SHEET

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SCHOOL : ACS (JUNIOR) PRIMARY

SUBJECT : PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

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35)B 36)vehicles 37)stopped 38)thought 39)Suddenly

40)sitting

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46)season 47)home 48)before 49)person 50)rule

51)The letter was addressed to Grandma.

52)Grandma sent a birthday card to Chris.

53)There was a blackout while little John was watching television.

54)Mum brought out a few packs of chocolate milk and a box of cookies to make everyone comfortable.

55)It was because John was still too scared.

