



PEI HWA PRESBYTERIAN PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2

PRIMARY 4  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2

26 OCTOBER 2017

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (      )

Class: Teamwork \_\_\_\_\_

Total time: 1h 15min

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. Write your Name, Class and Register No. in the spaces provided above.
2. DO NOT turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.
5. Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.  
(Section A – B) (Questions 1 – 14)
6. Write all your answers in this booklet. (Section C – G) (Questions 15 – 42)

Marks (Section A – B) :	14
Marks (Section C – G) :	36
Total Marks:	50

This booklet consists of 12 printed pages, excluding the cover page.

**Section A: Vocabulary (6 marks)**

For each question from 1 to 6, 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.

1. I feel \_\_\_\_\_ after eating a heavy meal.

- (1) aching
- (2) painful
- (3) bloated
- (4) disturbed

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2. The book was so \_\_\_\_\_ that James finished reading it in one day.

- (1) boring
- (2) charming
- (3) interesting
- (4) frightening

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3. During the race, the strongest \_\_\_\_\_ dashed for the finishing line to come in first.

- (1) audience
- (2) spectator
- (3) supporter
- (4) competitor

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4. Can you help me to \_\_\_\_\_ my composition for spelling mistakes?

- (1) look up
- (2) look for
- (3) look into
- (4) look over

( )

5. My brother \_\_\_\_\_ his hand when he accidentally spilled some hot chocolate on himself.

- (1) cut
- (2) bruised
- (3) scalded
- (4) steamed

( )

6. John was late for work. He dressed \_\_\_\_\_ and left the house without having his breakfast.

- (1) slowly
- (2) carefully
- (3) patiently
- (4) hurriedly

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**Section B: Grammar (8 marks)**

For each question from 7 to 14, 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.

7. \_\_\_\_\_ ladies talking over there are my teachers.

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

( )

8. My sister referred to the recipe and baked the muffins by \_\_\_\_\_.

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

( )

9. West Mall is a one-stop shopping place for everyone as there are \_\_\_\_\_ products being sold there.

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

( )

10. As we walk \_\_\_\_\_ this path, we can watch the animals playing and the birds flying in the nature park.

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

( )

11. While the toddler \_\_\_\_\_, Father swept the floor in the living room.
- (1) sleep
  - (2) has slept
  - (3) will sleep
  - (4) was sleeping
- (      )
12. Lucy \_\_\_\_\_ to her tomato plant in the garden. I see her there now.
- (1) tends
  - (2) tended
  - (3) is tending
  - (4) was tending
- (      )
13. My sisters \_\_\_\_\_ happy to hear the good news over dinner just now.
- (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were
- (      )
14. Today we have learnt that animals \_\_\_\_\_ be sensitive to changes in weather.
- (1) can
  - (2) must
  - (3) shall
  - (4) should
- (      )

**Section C: Grammar Cloze (8 marks)**

Read Passage 1 carefully and answer questions 15 to 18. 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.

Passage 1

(A) we	(B) them	(C) us
(D) our	(E) they	(F) your

We get our energy from the food we eat. We will increase in weight if

(15) \_\_\_\_\_ eat too much sweet and fatty food like burgers and ice cream. (16) \_\_\_\_\_ are usually high in sugar, salt and fat. These types of food are bad for (17) \_\_\_\_\_ health.

The best way to be healthy is to eat a variety of food and maintain a balanced diet. A nutritious breakfast provides (18) \_\_\_\_\_ with the energy for the whole day.

Read Passage 2 carefully and answer questions 19 to 22. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Passage 2

Mother took Jane to the shopping centre. She held her hand tightly as the mall (19) [ was / were ] very crowded. Mother stopped and looked at the handbags.

Then Jane (20) [ walks / walked ] to the toy section. It (21) [ has / had ] hundreds of toys. She wanted to buy a soft rabbit and looked for Mother to get money. However, Jane (22) [ realises / realised ] that she had lost sight of Mother and started crying. Luckily, a security guard appeared and took her to the reception counter to look for help.

**Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (4 marks)**

There are four blanks numbered 23 to 26 in the passage below. Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Over the past few centuries, human activities have destroyed countless animal habitats. One example is deforestation. The burning of trees in forests has (23) \_\_\_\_\_ in many forest animals losing their homes.

In addition, human activities result in the pollution of our (24) \_\_\_\_\_ and decrease animal numbers. Oil spills have caused the (25) \_\_\_\_\_ of many marine animals. Animals like the pandas and white tigers have been hunted to near (26) \_\_\_\_\_. We will never see them again once they are extinct so it is important that we do our best to protect them.

**Section E: Sentence Manipulation / Combining (4 marks)**

For questions 27 to 30, combine the sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

27. The pupils brought a cake for the party. They also brought desserts.

\_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_

28. We postponed the campfire. It was raining.

\_\_\_\_\_ so  
\_\_\_\_\_

29. Jia Jia found a purse. The purse contained forty dollars.

\_\_\_\_\_ which  
\_\_\_\_\_

30. I have not finished my homework. I cannot go out and play with you.

\_\_\_\_\_ unless  
\_\_\_\_\_



**Section F: Comprehension (10 marks)**

Study the passage carefully and answer questions 31 to 36.

**Keeping Dogs Safe From Haze**

Have you ever wondered how to take care of dogs during a haze?

Dr Dawn Chong from The Animal Clinic says owners have been bringing dogs to her veterinary clinic for haze-related problems like asthma, coughing and breathing difficulties. Dr Chong advises that if the Pollutant Standards Index (PSI) reading goes above 100, owners should only take their dogs out for quick toilet walks. All walks must be avoided if the reading goes above 200. Owners should also try to turn on the air conditioner or fan and change water bowls regularly.

Meanwhile, Mr Ricky Yeo, a dog owner, suggests using a simple home-made daily wipe. One just needs to add two or three drops of lavender oil to a basin of water before soaking a cloth to wipe their dogs. He says owners can also use baby wipes to clean their dogs of dust particles. He also reminds dog owners to bathe their dogs occasionally as they may get a dry rash from frequent showers.

"Owners should not only take care of themselves, but also their dogs," he adds.

For Q31-32, choose ONE of the options. Tick ✓ your chosen answer. (2 marks)

31. During a haze, dog owners should take care of \_\_\_\_\_.

- themselves
- their dogs
- themselves and their dogs

32. Based on the passage, dogs suffer from \_\_\_\_\_ haze-related problems.

- Two
- Three
- Four

For Q33, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. (2 marks)

	Statement	True	False
Example	Dr Chong advised dog owners to turn on the air conditioner or fan where possible.	✓	
33	(a) Dr Chong advised dog owners to keep their dogs at home if the PSI reading is above 100.		
	(b) Dr Chong advised dog owners to change water bowls regularly.		

For questions 34 to 36, write your answers in the spaces provided. (6 marks)

34. Which word from Paragraph 3 also means regular? [2]

35. How can one make the simple home-made daily wipe? [2]

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36. Why is it advisable for dog owners to bathe their dogs occasionally? [2]

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**Section G: Comprehension (10 marks)**

Study the passage carefully and answer questions 37 to 42. Write your answers in complete sentences.

<p>Every Sunday, Alex and Joshua will wake up early and make their way to St Peter's Home, the Nursing Home for the Aged. For almost two years, the two boys have been doing so every week. Instead of going out with their friends or playing computer games at home, they choose to sacrifice their precious Sundays to serve the elderly tenants at the nursing home.</p>	5
<p>Upon arrival at St Peter's Home, the two teenagers will help the nurses make the beds of the tenants. Next, they will feed them breakfast. After that, Alex will lead the healthier group for a light morning workout. Joshua will then help the nurses bring others out for a morning stroll at the nearby park. Many tenants are feeble and handicapped. A few are bedridden and need complete nursing care. Some have been staying there for years. Sympathy towards their plight has driven Alex and Joshua to help these old people.</p>	10
<p>Last week, the teenagers were commended by their teachers and friends. Mr Tay, their principal, shared that it was a rare sight to see teenagers nowadays actively doing social work on a voluntary basis. When interviewed, both teenagers expressed their desire to help these elderly people who are being left alone and do not have anyone to cheer them up. Joshua added, "At least we could make them smile and feel wanted."</p>	20
<p>Their sincerity has definitely captured the hearts of the people from the media. Both Alex and Joshua will be featured in the television programme – "Extraordinary People" that highlights their dedication towards social work.</p>	25

37. What will Alex and Joshua do every Sunday? [2]

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38. Which word in paragraph 1 tells you that Alex and Joshua are willing to give up their precious time for a meaningful cause? [1]

39. Why were the two teenagers commended by their teachers and friends? [2]

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40. Which 3-word phrase in paragraph 4 tells you that both teenagers have won the affection of the media? [1]

41. State whether each sentence below is True or False. Give a reason for your answer. [3]

Sentence	True/False	Reason
i) Joshua will lead all tenants at St Peter's Home for a light morning workout.		
ii) Both teenagers want to cheer up the lonely elderly at the nursing home.		
iii) Only stories of popular people are featured in the television programme.		

42. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to show what happened first, next and last in the passage. [1]

\_\_\_\_\_ Alex and Joshua help to serve breakfast at the nursing home.

\_\_\_\_\_ Alex and Joshua will be featured on "Extraordinary People" television programme.

\_\_\_\_\_ Alex and Joshua help the tenants with their morning activities respectively.

**END OF PAPER**

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Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
3	3	4	3	3	4	4	2	1	3

Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18
4	3	4	1	A	E	D	C

Q19	Q20	Q 21	Q22
was	walked	had	realised

Q23)	resulted
Q24)	earth
Q25)	deaths
Q26)	extinction
Q27)	The pupils brought a cake and desserts for the party.
Q28)	It was raining so we postponed the campfire.
Q29)	Jia Jia found a purse which contained forty dollar.
Q30)	I cannot go out and play with you unless I have finished my homework.
Q31)	themselves and their dogs

Q32)	Three
Q33)	a) False b) True
Q34)	frequent
Q35)	One can add two to three drops of lavender oil to a basin of water before soaking a cloth into the basin to wipe the dogs.
Q36)	It is to prevent the dogs from getting a dry rash from frequent showers so dog owners should bathe their dogs occasionally.
Q37)	Alex and Joshua wake up early and make their way to St Peter's Nursing Home for the aged every Sunday.
Q38)	sacrifice
Q39)	The two teenagers were commended by their teacher and friends for actively doing social work voluntarily.
Q40)	captured the hearts
Q41)	<p>True → Joshua will help the nurses to bring all tenants out for a morning stroll at the nearby park.</p> <p>False → Both teenagers want to make the lonely elderly at the nursing home smile and feel wanted.</p> <p>False → Ordinary people like Joshua and Alex who do extraordinary things are featured in the television programme.</p>
Q42)	1, 3, 2