

PEI CHUN PUBLIC SCHOOL
CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT, 2013
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 2: LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION
PRIMARY 3

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary 3 ()

Subject Teacher: _____

Date: 27 August 2013

Parent's Signature: _____

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Component	Marks obtained	Maximum marks for each component
Paper 1 (Writing)		20
Paper 2 (Language Use and Comprehension)		80
Total marks for all components		100

Section A: Vocabulary (13 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

1. The pupils went to the _____ to view the art exhibits.
(1) museum (2) park
(3) boutique (4) cinema ()

2. Children in some countries have to _____ the boats through the waterways to school.
(1) waddle (2) swim
(3) paddle (4) drive ()

3. Xiao Ming sent _____ to ask Aisha to attend his birthday party.
(1) a poster (2) a report card
(3) an advertisement (4) an invitation card ()

4. Miss Gopal _____ the pupils for misbehaving themselves at the zoo yesterday.
(1) pacified (2) reprimanded
(3) praised (4) replied ()

5. The stray dog looked _____ as it had not eaten for a few days.
(1) muscular (2) scrawny
(3) smart (4) untidy ()

6. Father ordered our food from the _____ at the restaurant.
(1) diary (2) recipe
(3) menu (4) programme ()

7. The burglar crept _____ across the room in order not to be heard by someone.

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| (1) noisily | (2) politely | |
| (3) patiently | (4) quietly | () |

8. Anne could have scored better for her Mathematics if not for her _____.

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| (1) carelessness | (2) happiness | |
| (3) selflessness | (4) tidiness | () |

9. Vincent Van Gogh is a talented painter because his paintings are _____ by many people.

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| (1) pacified | (2) warned | |
| (3) admired | (4) translated | () |

10. The robber grabbed the old woman's arm but she managed to _____ herself free.

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| (1) pat | (2) wrench | |
| (3) jiggle | (4) sneak | () |

11. The _____ finally solved the case which he had been investigating for a while.

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| (1) detective | (2) victim | |
| (3) culprit | (4) suspect | () |

12. We must not _____ the sea with rubbish as there are many creatures living in it.

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| (1) damage | (2) protect | |
| (3) decorate | (4) pollute | () |

13. Mr Muthu _____ ice sculptures for a living.

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| (1) carves | (2) knocks | |
| (3) peels | (4) flattens | () |

Section B: Grammar (12 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

14. Mother cooked _____ porridge for breakfast.

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| (1) a few | (2) some | |
| (3) several | (4) many | () |

15. Sam sat in his bed and _____ to read his book.

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| (1) tried | (2) try | |
| (3) tries | (4) is trying | () |

16. Bala did not score well for his test _____ he did not study for it.

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| (1) and | (2) but | |
| (3) because | (4) so | () |

17. Mary and Tom have to _____ for their swimming lessons every Saturday.

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| (1) go | (2) went | |
| (3) goes | (4) going | () |

18. The old man, _____ is Weiliang's grandfather, exercises at the park every day.

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| (1) who | (2) which | |
| (3) whose | (4) where | () |

19. Ahmad was running frantically _____ place to place to look for his lost pet dog.

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| (1) at | (2) for | |
| (3) by | (4) from | () |

Section C: Vocabulary Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

Read passage 1 and 2 carefully. Choose the correct word in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

Passage 1

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) arrested	(C) peace	(E) scene	(G) treasured
(B) mess	(D) released	(F) trash	(H) valuables

One day, while walking home, I saw many people gathering outside my neighbour's house. Being curious, I went to take a look. The house was in a (26) _____ . Drawers were pulled out and a metal safe was broken open. Mrs

Lola was crying frantically as her favourite ruby necklace was stolen. She

(27) _____ that necklace as it was her first wedding anniversary gift.

When the policemen arrived at the (28) _____ , they searched the place for clues. A few days later, the policemen (29) _____ a suspect. They searched his house and managed to find Mrs Lola's necklace.

The policemen returned all the stolen cash and (30) _____ to Mrs Lola. She was very grateful to them.

Passage 2

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

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|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| (A) decorate | (C) listen | (E) retiring | (G) welcome |
| (B) farewell | (D) remember | (F) talk | (H) working |

Mr Singh had been working in our school for more than forty years. He was the school's security guard. Everyone loved Mr Singh. During recess, all of us would gather around Mr Singh to (31) _____ to his stories.

One day, we learnt that Mr Singh would be (32) _____ soon. He would be going to Australia to stay with his son. Sheyenne, Pei Hua and I decided to give Mr Singh a surprise (33) _____ party. Sheyenne would buy a cake, Pei Hua would (34) _____ Mr Singh's office and I would make him a card.

On Mr Singh's last day at work, we had a great time eating and chatting during the party. He was so touched by our actions that he was moved to tears. We would always (35) _____ Mr Singh and his wonderful stories. All of us would continue to keep in touch with him.

Section D: Grammar Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

Read passage 1 and 2 carefully. Choose the correct word in the box and write its letter (A to H) in each blank.

Passage 1

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) across	(C) by	(E) from	(G) through
(B) along	(D) down	(F) out	(H) up

Once, there lived a greedy fox called Foxy. Foxy happened to pass (36)_____ the house of a rich merchant. Foxy saw many juicy fruits growing on the trees in the merchant's garden and wanted to have some of them.

However, the garden was surrounded by a wall. Foxy walked (37)_____ the wall and spotted a hole. He squeezed (38)_____ it to enter the garden. Then, he climbed (39)_____ the fruit trees and ate the fruits greedily.

Suddenly, the merchant came out of his house and fired a few shots at Foxy. Foxy tried to escape (40)_____ of the garden. However, he found that he could not do so as he had grown fatter from eating too many fruits.

Passage 2

USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.

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| (A) he | (C) himself | (E) their | (G) themselves |
| (B) him | (D) his | (F) them | (H) they |

Long time ago, there was a beautiful garden in the forest. All the animals in the forest loved to visit that garden because (41) _____ could admire its beauty. Even the children in the village loved to play there. However, there was a giant living in the garden. He did not like the children at all. He was selfish and wanted the garden all to (42) _____.

The giant built a tall wall around the garden so that no one could enter it except (43) _____. He could enjoy the beauty of the garden but the tall walls were blocking out the sunlight. Many plants began to wither. The giant was sad to see what had happened to the garden because of (44) _____ selfish act. Finally, (45) _____ destroyed the tall walls. All the animals could play in the garden again.

Section E: Graphic-Stimulus (5 x 1 mark)

Look at the advertisement below and answer questions 46 to 50.

Join us for 3 days of fun at Gardens by the Sea



Date: 14, 15 and 16 September 2013

Time: 8.30 am to 12:30 pm



Entrance Fee

Adult: \$10

Children (below 12 years): \$5

Special package: Family of 2 adults and 2 children (below 12 years old): \$25

Register by **1 September 2013** for the following activities you wish to participate in.

Date	Activity
14 September 2013	Drawing and painting of garden plants
15 September 2013	Making a mini bottled plant
15 September 2013	Taking care of your plants at home
16 September 2013	Making of bookmarks with pressed leaves

- For more information, call Mr James Ong at 62213347 or visit the website at www.gardensbythesea.com.sg.
- For registration, call Miss Lynn at 62211334.

Each participant will receive a keychain with
pressed flowers as a door gift.

Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

46. Which activity should Jenny join if she wants to learn how to grow plants in bottles?

- (1) Making a mini bottled plant
- (2) Taking care of your plants at home
- (3) Drawing and painting of garden plants
- (4) Making of bookmarks with pressed leaves ()

47. Mr and Mrs Ho would like to bring their 10-year-old twins to the event. How much must Mr Ho pay for his family?

- (1) \$5
- (2) \$10
- (3) \$25
- (4) \$35 ()

48. Xiao Li loves to draw. She has to register for the drawing and painting of garden plants by _____ September 2013.

- (1) 16
- (2) 15
- (3) 14
- (4) 1 ()

49. Susan can _____ to register for the activities.

- (1) call Miss Lynn
- (2) visit the website
- (3) sign up on the day
- (4) call Mr James Ong ()

50. Each participant will receive a _____ as a door gift.

- (1) bookmark with pressed leaves
- (2) keychain with pressed flowers
- (3) painting of garden plants
- (4) mini bottled plant ()

Section F: Editing (10 x 1 mark)

Read Passage 1 and Passage 2 carefully.

In Passage 1, correct each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

Passage 1

(51)

Water covers three quarters of the Earth's surface. The ocean have a great

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impact on all living organisms. It provide the basic needs such as oxygen, food, water and minerals for us to stay alive.

Scientists who study about the ocean are known as oceanographers. They

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study the temperature, currents and living organisms on the ocean. The ocean is very important to us. Unfortunately, oil spills from ships and dumping of

(54)

poisonous wastes have caused the ocean to became polluted.

In order to protect the ocean, we should recycle our things as much as

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possible. In addition, we should dispose our rubbish proper and not dump them in the ocean. We must also clean up oil spills and be responsible for our actions.

In Passage 2, correct each word in **bold** for spelling. Wrong or missing punctuation marks are circled. Write the correct spelling word and put the correct punctuation mark in the boxes provided.

Passage 2

(56)

One day, Milly Goat was crossing a narrow bridge. As it trotted to the **middle** of the bridge, it met Jilly Goat. However, there was no room on the bridge for both of them to cross at the same time.

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“Go back,” said Milly Goat. “Why should I go back (,)” asked Jilly Goat.

“You must go back because I am stronger than you,” said Milly Goat. On hearing

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that, Jilly Goat became even more annoyed (? “You are not stronger than I!”

(59)

exclaimed Jilly Goat and he lowared his horns to fight. “Stop!” shouted Milly Goat.

“If we fight, both of us will fall into the river. I have a plan. I’ll lie down and you

(60)

may walk over me (.)” said Milly Goat. Milly Goat lay down on the bridge and

Jilly goat walked lightly over him. They went on their separate ways after that.

Section G: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

The shark's fin soup has always been considered the most expensive delicacy in Asian countries. It is usually served to guests at Chinese restaurants. When shark's fin soup is served at the table, guests may add a dash of pepper and some vinegar to suit their taste buds.

Shark's fin soup is prepared by cooking the shark's fins together with other ingredients such as crab meat, scallions, mushrooms or shredded chicken in chicken stock. Over the years, the high demand for shark's fin soup has threatened the survival of sharks. 5

Do you know that about 38 million sharks are killed for fins annually? The fishermen will catch the sharks alive, cut off their fins and throw the bleeding sharks back into the ocean. Unable to move or defend themselves, these injured sharks eventually become the victims of other sea creatures or die. This cruel way of fishing has caused a sharp decrease in the sharks' population. If this cruel way of killing sharks for fins continues, sharks will become extinct soon. 10 15

In Singapore, some supermarkets have banned the sale of all shark's fins products at their outlets. We can also play a part by not eating shark's fin soup. This will help to prevent sharks from becoming extinct in the near future.

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.

61. Which ingredient is not used for cooking shark's fin soup?

- (1) vinegar
- (2) scallops
- (3) crab meat
- (4) mushrooms

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62. There is _____ for shark's fin soup over the past years.

- (1) an increase in demand
- (2) a decrease in demand
- (3) sufficient demand
- (4) no demand

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63. The fishermen will catch the sharks and _____.

- (1) breed them in aquariums
- (2) make shark's fins products
- (3) prevent them from becoming extinct
- (4) remove their fins before throwing them back into the ocean

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64. The word "victims" in line 12 refers to _____.

- (1) sharks
- (2) chickens
- (3) fishermen
- (4) sea creatures

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65. This passage is about _____.

- (1) sharks and their habitat
- (2) how to cook shark's fin soup
- (3) selling shark's fin in supermarkets
- (4) sharks becoming extinct as a result of human actions

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Section H: Comprehension OE (5 x 2 marks)

Read the following passage carefully.

Xiao Li and Si Min had been wandering aimlessly in the woods for the past few hours. Both of them were feeling hungry and exhausted as they looked around for a place to spend the night. They were exploring some interesting sites on the island and had lost their way. They did not know how to walk back to their campsite as they had no compass or map with them.

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They saw an abandoned building beside the path they were walking on and went inside. It was empty and the two girls put their rucksacks on the floor. They took a sip of water from their water bottles and shared a packet of cookies. Then they lay down and fell asleep almost immediately. Suddenly, they were awakened by loud voices and the barking of dogs. Immediately, they got up and ran out of the building. There were a few policemen shining their torches around the area.

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“They are here!” One of the policemen shouted when he saw the girls. The two brownies were overjoyed to be found. They followed the policemen back to the campsite. Later, as they gobbled down their late dinner, they heard how their teachers and friends had called the policemen for help. Without the help of the policemen, the girls would not have been found so quickly.

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Answer the following questions in complete sentences.

66. What were Xiao Li and Si Min doing before they were lost?

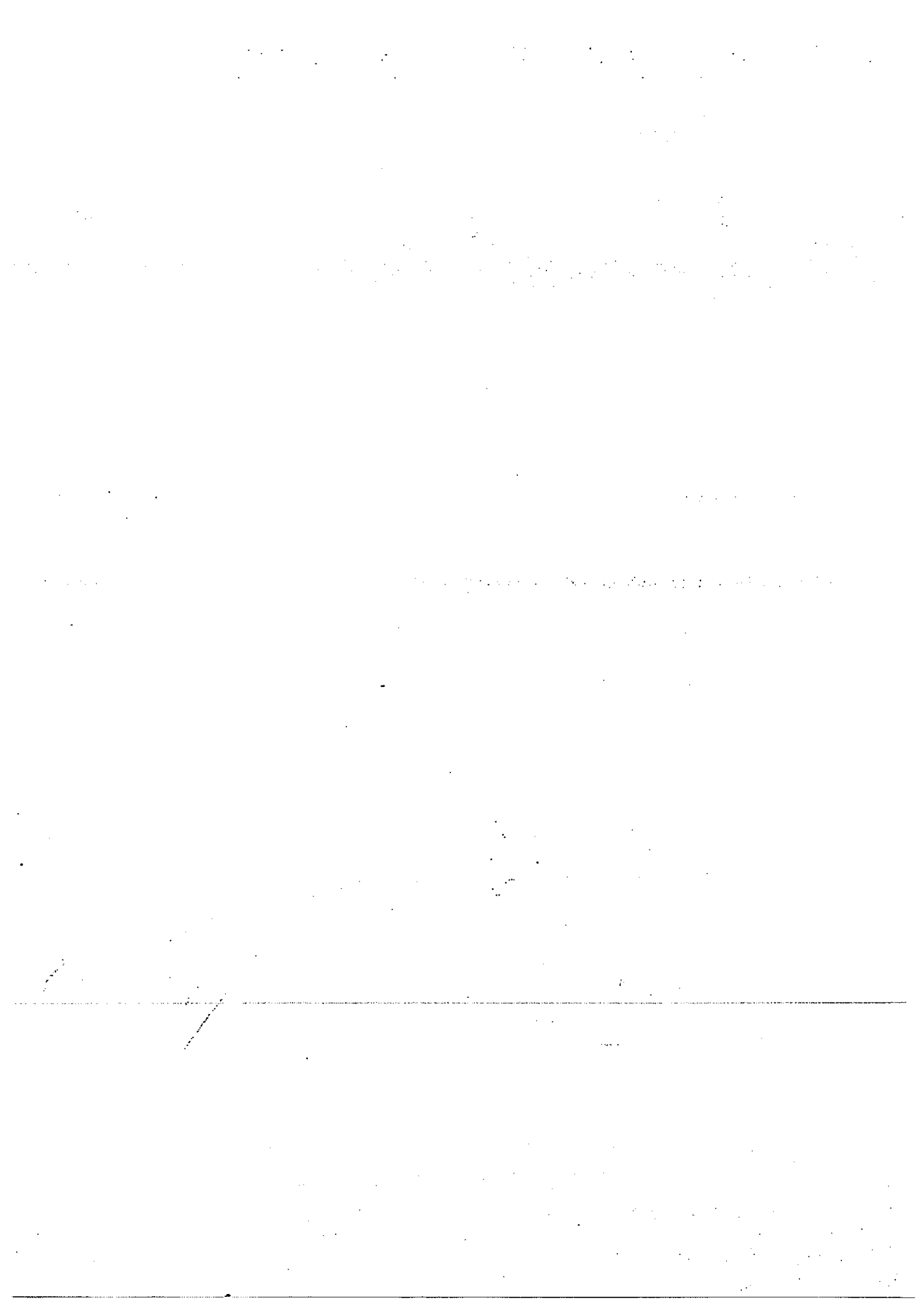
67. Why were the girls unable to make their way back to the campsite?

68. Where did the girls spend the night?

69. Which sentence in the passage tells you that it was dark when the policemen found the girls?

70. How did the policemen know that the girls were lost?

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ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2013

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SUBJECT : PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

TERM : CA2

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
1	3	4	2	2	3	4	1	2	2	1	4	1	2	1	3	1

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25
1	4	1	3	2	4	2	3

Section B

Q26) B

Q27) G

Q28) E

Q29) A

Q30) H

Q31) C

Q32) E

Q33) B

Q34) A

Q35) D

Section D

Q36) C

Q37) B

Q38) G

Q39) H

Q40) F

Q41) H

Q42) C

Q43) B

Q44) D

Q45) A

Section E

Q46	Q47	Q48	Q49	Q50
1	3	4	1	2

Section F

Q51) has

Q52) provides

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Section G

Q61	Q62	Q63	Q64	Q65
1	1	4	1	4

Section H

Q66) They were exploring some interesting sites on the island before they were lost

Q67) They did not know how to walk back to their campsite as they had no compass or map

Q68) They spent the night in an abandoned building in the woods

Q69) The sentence is "There were a few policemen shining torches around the area".

Q70) Their teacher and friends had called the policemen for help