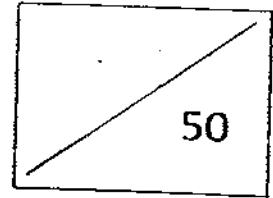


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Section A (8 marks)

Vocabulary (MCQ)

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

1. C.S. Lewis is a famous _____. He has written many books.

- 1) editor
- 2) author
- 3) illustrator
- 4) journalist

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2. The boy is _____. He did not steal your money.

- 1) guilty
- 2) cunning
- 3) innocent
- 4) embarrassed

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3. There are _____ in the library to remind visitors not to talk loudly.

- 1) rules
- 2) signs
- 3) displays
- 4) exhibits

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4. Mrs Lee asked Madam Fong for the _____ so that she could bake a chocolate cake for her daughter's birthday.

- 1) menu
- 2) recipe
- 3) report
- 4) manual

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5. After tying a hook to the end of the fishing line, Gary put the _____ on it.

- 1) rod
- 2) trap
- 3) bait
- 4) float

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6. Miss Goh is a good storyteller. Whenever she tells a story, the children listen to her _____.

- 1) devotedly
- 2) amazingly
- 3) attentively
- 4) thoughtfully

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7. She was _____ to the firefighter who rescued her daughter from the burning house.

- 1) tearful
- 2) helpful
- 3) grateful
- 4) thoughtful

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8. Jack came across this book when he was _____ around for some story books in the bookshop.

- 1) finding
- 2) probing
- 3) standing
- 4) browsing

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Section B (6 marks)

Grammar (MCQ)

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

9. Ann is the only child in the family; she does not _____ any brothers and sisters.
- 1) has
 - 2) had
 - 3) have
 - 4) having
- ()
10. Yesterday, Rajoo saw a cat _____ a mouse down the drain.
- ~~1)~~ chase
 - ~~2)~~ chases
 - ~~3)~~ chased
 - ~~4)~~ was chasing
- ()
11. Did your sister _____ the firework display on National Day?
- ~~1)~~ watch
 - ~~2)~~ watches
 - ~~3)~~ watched
 - ~~4)~~ watching
- ()
12. Peter usually eats _____ rice than his sister.
- 1) most
 - 2) more
 - 3) much
 - 4) many
- ()
13. Jane and her family _____ to the library every Saturday.
- ~~1)~~ go
 - ~~2)~~ goes
 - ~~3)~~ is going
 - ~~4)~~ are going
- ()
14. This box of cookies cost _____ dollars only.
- ~~1)~~ much
 - ~~2)~~ some
 - ~~3)~~ a few
 - ~~4)~~ a little
- ()

Section C (8 marks)

Vocabulary Cloze

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

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| (A) appropriately | (B) fairly | (C) information |
| (D) programmes | (E) reading | (F) scanning |

Many people like to watch television. They spend many hours each day watching their favourite (15) _____. As a result, they spend less time (16) _____ books or talking to each other. However, if watched (17) _____ some programmes allow people to gather up-to-date (18) _____ and obtain good entertainment.

Vocabulary Cloze

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank. Use each letter ONCE ONLY.

(A) big	(B) breathe	(C) burn	(D) cold
(E) hot	(F) life	(G) world	

Robots are amazing machines. Robots can help people understand the

(19) _____ we live in.

They do not need air to (20) _____. They do not need to eat. They

can go where it is very, very hot or very, very (21) _____.

They can be made to do certain things that people cannot do.

For instance, people cannot walk inside volcanoes. Volcanoes are too

(22) _____, so scientists can make a robot walk in a volcano to find

out what gases burn inside it to learn more about volcanoes.

Section D (8 marks)

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable word from the words in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank. Use each letter ONCE ONLY.

(A) are	(B) was	(C) were	(D) has
(E) have	(F) or	(G) can	

Herbs are plants whose leaves and stalks contain nice-smelling oils.

Dried (23) _____ fresh herbs are used to add flavours to cooked food.

Fresh herbs (24) _____ also be eaten raw.

Mint, parsley, rosemary and sage are some examples of herbs. These plants

(25) _____ been used for a long time. In the past they

(26) _____ used mainly as medicine.

Grammar Cloze

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable answer from the words in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. Use each letter ONCE ONLY.

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| (A) draw | (B) draws | (C) drew |
| (D) drawing | (E) has drawn | (F) have drawn |

Megan loves to draw. She is in the garden now (27) _____ a picture of her house.

Megan (28) _____ many beautiful pictures before. Two months ago, she (29) _____ a nice portrait of the First Lady and won an award for it in an art competition. Megan hopes to (30) _____ more portraits in future.

Section E

Comprehension MCQ (10 marks)

Read the following passage carefully.

One day a farmer's donkey fell into an abandoned well. The animal cried piteously for hours as the farmer tried to think what to do. Finally, he decided the animal was old and the well needed to be covered up anyway; so it was not worth his effort to try and get the donkey out.

He invited all his neighbours to come over to help him. They each grabbed a shovel and began to shovel dirt into the well. Realising what was happening, the donkey cried and wailed. Then, a few shovels later, he became silent. The farmer peered into the well and was surprised by what he saw. With every shovel of dirt that hit his back, the donkey was doing something amazing. He would shake it off and take a step up on the new layer of dirt. As the farmer's neighbours continued to shovel dirt on top of the animal, he would shake it off and take a step up. Soon the donkey stepped up over the edge of the well and trotted off to the shock and astonishment of the farmer and all the neighbours.

Answer the following questions.

31. The well was _____.
- 1) not used at all
 - 2) too old to be used
 - 3) used by the farmer
 - 4) used by the farmer's neighbours
- ()
32. The farmer did not want the donkey anymore because the donkey _____.
- 1) was old
 - 2) was pitiful
 - 3) was trotting off
 - 4) could not be rescued
- ()
33. The dirt the farmer and his neighbours shovelled into the well helped the donkey to _____.
- 1) become silent
 - 2) step into the well
 - 3) shake the dirt off
 - 4) get nearer to the top of the well
- ()
34. The farmer wanted to _____.
- 1) bury the donkey in the well
 - 2) use all his effort to save the donkey
 - 3) take a step over the edge of the well
 - 4) have the neighbours to help save the donkey
- ()
35. The donkey became quiet because _____.
- 1) he was exhausted
 - 2) the dirt fell on his back
 - 3) he had a plan to save himself
 - 4) the farmer peered down at him
- ()

Comprehension (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions in **complete sentences**.

A 14-year-old youth has been arrested on suspicion of involvement in a series of break-ins in Sembawang Estate.

He is believed to be responsible for at least six housebreakings in the area, according to the police.

Between October and this month, a series of break-ins had been reported at Blocks 309 and 310, Canberra Road.

In each case, the thief would target units that had unsecured window panels, and reach in to fish out items that had been placed near the window.

He is thought to have stolen cash and valuables amounting to about \$10,000.

The youth was arrested yesterday morning at Block 310, Canberra Road. Through their investigations, Ang Mo Kio Police Division officers managed to identify the suspect.

Cash and valuables amounting to \$1,500 have been recovered.

Adapted from the Straits Times, 30.12.08

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1. Who was arrested by the police?

2. 31 Why was he arrested?

3. 38 Why was it easy for the thief to steal the items?

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4. Where was the suspect arrested?

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5. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as 'not firmly fixed'?

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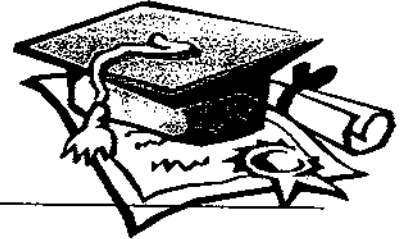


ANSWER SHEET

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36)A 14-year-old youth was arrested by the police.

37)It was because he was responsible for at least six housebreaking in Sembawang Estate.

38)It was because some units had unsecured windows panels.

39)The suspect was arrested at Block 310, Canberra Road.

40)The word "unsecured" from the passage has the same meaning as 'not firmly fixed'.

