



**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**2024**

**PRIMARY 3**

**END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1**

**Additional Materials:** Foolscap paper

**Total Time for Paper:** 50 min

**Total marks:** 20 marks

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. Write your name, index number and class in the space provided below.
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3. Follow all instructions carefully.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

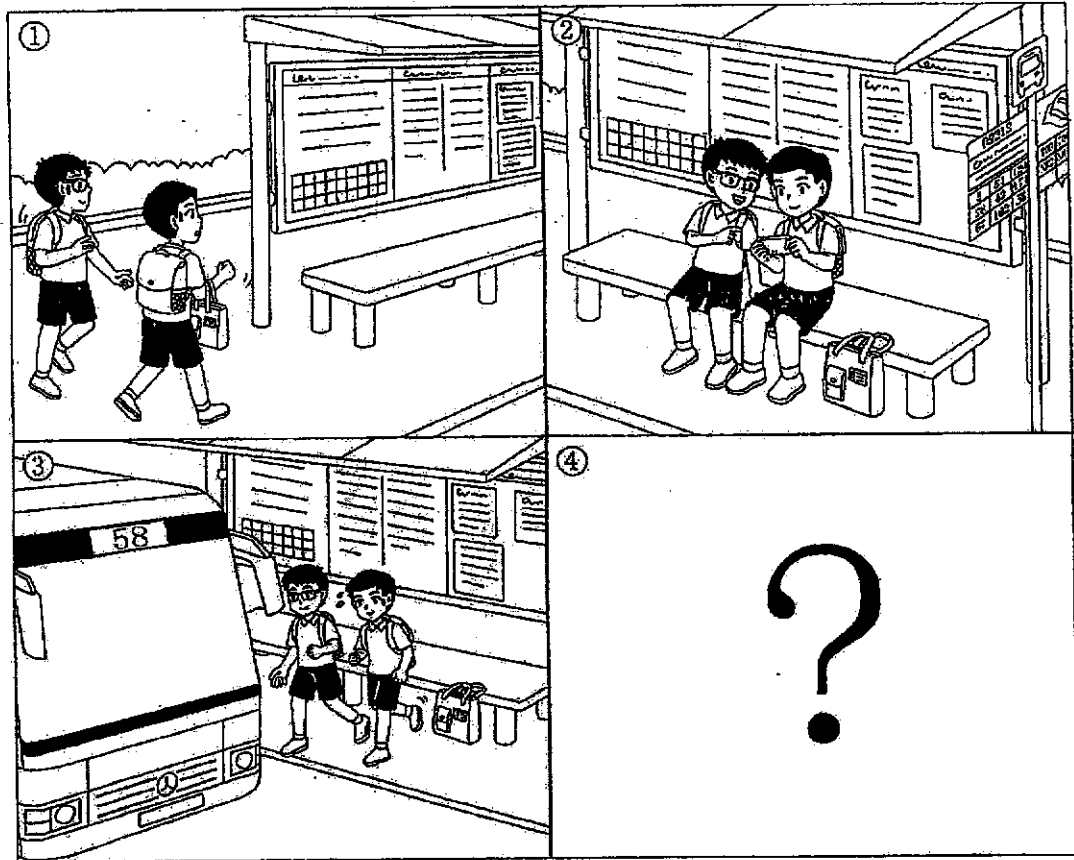
Class: Primary 3 ( )

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Picture Composition (20 marks)

Look at the pictures below carefully. Write a story of at least 100 words based on the pictures below. You may use the words in the box to help you.

#### A Careless Act



#### Helping words

bus-stop

tote bag

took out

handphone

engrossed

arrived

scrambled to board

left behind



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**ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2**

**Total Time: 1 h 15 min**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. Write your name, index number and class in the space provided below.
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 for Q1 to Q16 on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.
6. Write your answers for Q17 to Q45 in this booklet.

PAPER 2 – Language Use and Comprehension

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Class: Primary 3 ( )

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**Please sign and return the exam paper the next day. Any queries should be raised at the same time when returning the paper.**

**(A) Grammar**

For each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS). (10 marks)

1. Nellie will meet her friend \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday.

- (1) in
- (2) at
- (3) on
- (4) into

2. The students \_\_\_\_\_ late for football practice yesterday.

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

3. As I \_\_\_\_\_ the school, it started raining.

- (1) leave
- (2) have left
- (3) will leave
- (4) was leaving

4. Jim and Dave \_\_\_\_\_ very excited when they found the treasure.

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

5. James \_\_\_\_\_ a book on unusual plants at the school book fair yesterday.

- (1) buys
- (2) bought
- (3) has bought
- (4) was buying

6. "Liam \_\_\_\_\_ a picture in Art class now," Mrs Chan informed the principal.
- (1) paints
  - (2) painted
  - (3) is painting
  - (4) has painted
7. "Give me \_\_\_\_\_ pen over there," demanded Ken.
- (1) this
  - (2) that
  - (3) these
  - (4) those
8. I wanted to go to the park, \_\_\_\_\_ Mother did not allow me to.
- (1) or
  - (2) but
  - (3) since
  - (4) because
9. Let us make a trip to the supermarket as we do not have \_\_\_\_\_ milk left.
- (1) few
  - (2) little
  - (3) many
  - (4) much
10. There were only \_\_\_\_\_ people at the party even though it started hours ago.
- (1) many
  - (2) a few
  - (3) a little
  - (4) a lot of

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**(B) Vocabulary**

For each question from 11 to 16, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS). (6 marks)

11. The wider entrance made it \_\_\_\_\_ for people in wheelchairs to enter the store.
- (1) easier
  - (2) harder
  - (3) difficult
  - (4) comfortable
12. Amy's dog is so protective of her puppies that she would \_\_\_\_\_ at anyone who goes near them.
- (1) hiss
  - (2) hoot
  - (3) snort
  - (4) growl
13. The discipline master caught the \_\_\_\_\_ who stole the wallet.
- (1) victim
  - (2) target
  - (3) culprit
  - (4) witness
14. Mei Ling is a \_\_\_\_\_ girl. She always hides in her room whenever there are visitors around.
- (1) bold
  - (2) bashful
  - (3) curious
  - (4) confident
15. Shanti has trained hard the whole morning and does not look tired at all. She makes running look \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) smooth
  - (2) effortless
  - (3) exhausting
  - (4) challenging
16. Held once every four years, the Olympic Games \_\_\_\_\_ the world's best athletes against each other.
- (1) pit
  - (2) play
  - (3) push
  - (4) present

**(C) Grammar Cloze**

There are 4 blanks, numbered 17 to 20 in the passage below. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. **Use each word once only.** (4 marks)

(A) he	(B) her	(C) him
(D) she	(E) they	(F) you

Last week, Lily's father taught her to ride a bicycle. At first, (17) \_\_\_\_\_ held onto the back of the bicycle as Lily had difficulty balancing on the bicycle. With each pedal, Lily was riding more steadily. Her father said encouragingly, "Lily, (18) \_\_\_\_\_ can do this!"

After a few tries, Lily's father released his grip on the back of the bicycle. Lily pedalled confidently with a big smile on (19) \_\_\_\_\_ face. Then, (20) \_\_\_\_\_ celebrated by having ice cream together. What a great day!

For each question from 21 to 24, two options are given. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets. (4 marks)

Dolphins are intelligent animals that live in oceans around the world. They (21) [ has / have ] a sleek body and a fin on their back, which help them move quickly through the water. The largest dolphin (22) [ is / are ] called the Orca, or Killer Whale, and it can grow up to 10 metres long. Dolphins have smooth, rubbery skin. It (23) [ protect / protects ] them from getting hurt while swimming. They communicate using clicks and whistles. This (24) [ allow / allows ] them to talk to each other even in deep waters. However, the pollution in the oceans could harm many dolphins and their environment.

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**(D) Editing for Spelling**

Each of the underlined words contains a spelling error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (4 marks)

*During a school assembly, Sue Lynn had to give a speech in front of the*

*whole school. She (25) delligently prepared for it, but her mind went blank when*

*she got up on stage. Everyone stared at her and some children (26) geegled. In a*

*comforting tone, her teacher smiled and said, "Take a deep (27) brefth, Sue Lynn."*

*Gradually, Sue Lynn remembered her speech. Although she felt extremely*

*(28) embaressed, she persevered and finished her speech. This experience taught*

*her that making mistakes is how one learns and improves.*

Score



**(E) Sentence Synthesis**

For each of the questions 29 and 30, 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). (4 marks)

29. I can go for the dance lesson on Monday. I can go for the dance lesson on Tuesday.

\_\_\_\_\_

or \_\_\_\_\_

30. My grandmother likes cooking. She does not like washing the dishes.

\_\_\_\_\_

but \_\_\_\_\_

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**(F) Comprehension 1**

Read this passage and answer questions 31 to 37.

(8 marks)

Sam wandered aimlessly around the garden of his new house. He spotted a ball and gave it a mighty kick. He watched the ball soar over the garden wall into a neighbouring garden that looked like a thick jungle.

Sam began imagining himself in the garden with wild animals lurking around and grew worried. "Oh no, how will I get my ball back?" he thought anxiously.

"Hello, anyone there?" he called, hoping for a response. There was silence. Suddenly, a voice cried out.

"Up here!" Glancing up, Sam saw a girl perched in a tree. "Hi, I am Ava," she greeted.

Sam introduced himself and explained about his ball. Ava agreed to help.

"I can see your ball, but I have some bad news for you," said Ava. "There's a wolf and three tigers guarding the ball! Stay there, I will get the ball back for you."

Sam started imagining wild beasts climbing over the wall. He crouched down with his eyes closed tightly. Just as he was expecting a wild beast to pounce on him, a hand touched him on the shoulder. He nearly jumped out of his skin. Thankfully, it was just Ava!

Ava led Sam through a hidden door in the wall. Inside the garden, Sam's fears disappeared. The "wolf" was actually Ava's playful dog, and the "tigers" were her three curious cats. Sam smiled. In this unexpected adventure, he found not only the ball but also a friend in Ava. With Ava's imaginative tales, even the most ordinary garden turned into a thrilling jungle filled with "wolves" and "tigers".

31. Based on the first paragraph, tick ✓ one word that best describes how Sam was feeling. [1m]

angry       excited       bored

Do not  
write in this  
space

For questions 32 to 33, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False".  
The first example has been done for you. [2m]

Do not write in this space

	Statement	True	False
Example	Sam had recently moved house.	✓	
32.	Sam was planning to get the ball back on his own.		
33.	Sam kicked the ball into his neighbour's garden.		

34. Based on paragraph 6, what was the bad news that Ava was referring to? [2m]

She saw \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
guarding Sam's ball.

35. Which five-word phrase from paragraph 7 has the same meaning as 'startled'? [1m]



36. In the last paragraph, Sam smiled because \_\_\_\_\_. [1m]

- (A) there were no wild beasts
- (B) he was invited to Ava's house
- (C) he found his ball and made a new friend ( )

37. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to show the events that happened first, next and last in the story. [1m]

	Ava promised Sam that she would get his ball back.
	Sam kicked the ball over the garden wall.
	Ava led Sam to her garden.

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**(G) Comprehension 2**

Read this passage and answer questions 38 to 45.

(10 marks)

Theo, **buzzing with excitement**, clutched his new bug kit as he walked out of his room. His mind briefly wandered to bullies at the park. They would make threats and push younger children around. However, Theo pushed his fear aside, eager to explore with his kit at the park.

At the park, Theo's eyes sparkled as he searched the bushes for bugs. Magnifying glass in hand, he marvelled as he examined a beetle. "Wow! Look at this enormous beetle!"

Venturing further, engrossed in his bug hunt, Theo was unaware of the older boys walking towards him. "Hey! What are you doing?" one sneered, blocking Theo's path. Theo froze and his heart was pounding. Then, Theo remembered his father's advice: "When you meet a bully, stay calm. Fighting back can make things worse."

"Want to see the bugs I found?" Theo asked, trying to stand tall and sound confident, "They have pinchers!" The bullies scoffed and laughed at him. Calmly, Theo continued to respond with kindness. The boys were not interested.

"I am tired of this. Let's go," said one of them. The boy grabbed Theo's bug kit and threw it on the ground as they walked away. Theo hurried to check on his bugs. Despite the bullies' actions, he remained strong inside. "I'm glad I followed Father's advice," he thought. Just then, a clicking sound from a nearby bush caught his attention.

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38. Why was Theo "buzzing with excitement" (line 1)? [2m]

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39. In paragraph 2, Theo's eyes sparkled because \_\_\_\_\_ . [1m]

- (A) he reached the park
- (B) there were bushes at the park
- (C) he was searching the bushes for bugs ( )

Do not write in this space

40. In paragraph 3, how can you tell that Theo was afraid of the bullies at first. [2m]

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do not write in this space

41. Which of these words has the same meaning as "giving full attention"? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

Venturing further, engrossed in his bug hunt, Theo was unaware of the older boys walking towards him.

(A) (B)

42. In paragraph 3, Theo felt \_\_\_\_\_ after remembering his father's advice. [1m]

- (A) nervous
- (B) amused
- (C) calm

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For questions 43 to 44, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	At first, Theo was concerned about the bullies at the park.	✓	
43.	Theo caught only one insect.		
44.	The bullies were fascinated by Theo's bug kit.		

45. Pick a three-word phrase from the last paragraph which shows that Theo was not disturbed or upset by what had happened. [1m]

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ANSWER KEY

**Paper 2**

Grammar (10m)			
1.	3	6.	3
2.	4	7.	2
3.	4	8.	2
4.	4	9.	4
5.	2	10.	2

Vocab (6m)	
11.	1
12.	4
13.	3
14.	2
15.	2
16.	1

Grammar Cloze (4m)	
17.	A (he)
18.	F (you)
19.	B (her)
20.	E (they)

Grammar Cloze (4m)	
21.	have
22.	is
23.	protects
24.	allows

Editing for Spelling (4m)	
25.	diligently
26.	giggled
27.	breath
28.	embarrassed

**SYNTHESIS & TRANSFORMATION (4 marks)**

29.	I can go for the dance lesson on Monday. I can go for the dance lesson on Tuesday.
	I can go for the dance lesson on Monday or Tuesday.
30.	My grandmother likes cooking. She does not like washing the dishes.
	My grandmother likes cooking but she does not like washing the dishes.
	My grandmother likes cooking but does not like washing the dishes. My grandmother likes cooking but not washing the dishes.

**COMPREHENSION 1 (8 marks)**

31	Based on the first paragraph, tick ✓ one word that best describes how Sam was feeling. [1m]	
	bored	1m
	For questions 32 to 33, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. [2m]	
32	False	1m
33	True	1m
34	Based on paragraph 4, what was the bad news that Ava was referring to? [2m]	
	She saw <u>a wolf</u> and <u>three tigers</u> guarding the ball.	2m

35	Which five-word phrase from paragraph 5 has the same meaning as 'startled'? [1m]							
	jumped out of his skin	1m						
36	In the last paragraph, Sam smiled because _____. [1m]							
	(C) he found his ball and made a new friend	1m						
37	Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to show the events that happened first, next and last in the story. [1m]							
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3	Ava led Sam to her garden.							

**COMPREHENSION 2 (10 marks)**

38	Why was Theo "buzzing with excitement" (line 1)? [2m]	
	He was looking forward to going to the park to use his new bug kit.	2m
39	In paragraph 2, Theo's eyes sparkled because _____. [1m]	
	(C) he was searching the bushes for bugs	1m
40	In paragraph 3, how can you tell that Theo was afraid of the bullies at first. [2m]	
	He froze and his heart was pounding.	2m
41	Which of these words has the same meaning as "giving full attention"? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]	
	(A) engrossed	1m
42	In paragraph 3, Theo felt _____ after remembering his father's advice. [1m]	
	(C) calm	1m
	For questions 43 to 44, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. [2m]	
43	False	1m
44	False	1m
45	Pick a three-word phrase from the last paragraph which shows that Theo was not disturbed or upset by what had happened. [1m]	
	remained strong inside	1m