



AI TONG SCHOOL
2011
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1
PRIMARY 3
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 3 (LISTENING COMPREHENSION)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open the question booklet until you are told to do so.

Answer all questions.

Name: _____ () Marks: _____/16

Class: Primary _____

Date: _____

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Part 1: Picture Matching

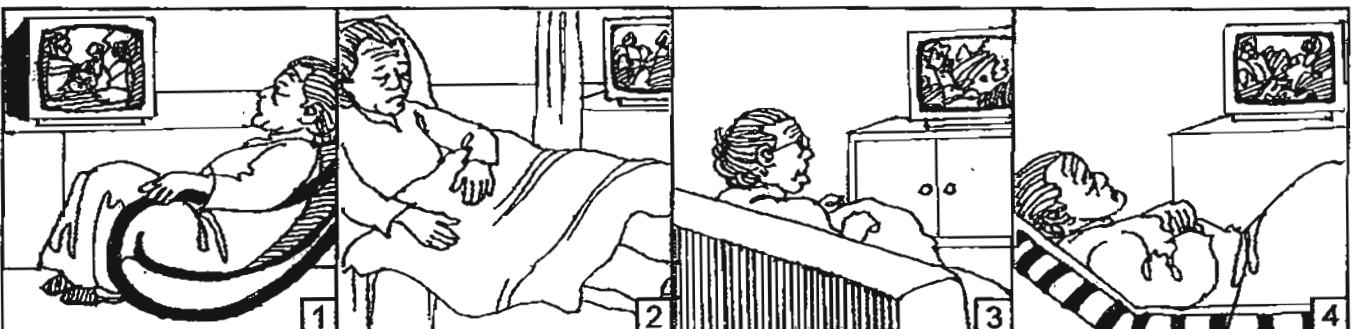
Look at the set of pictures. I am going to read to you some statements. Then choose the picture that shows what I have read. Match the sentences to the correct picture. Write the number 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the brackets provided.



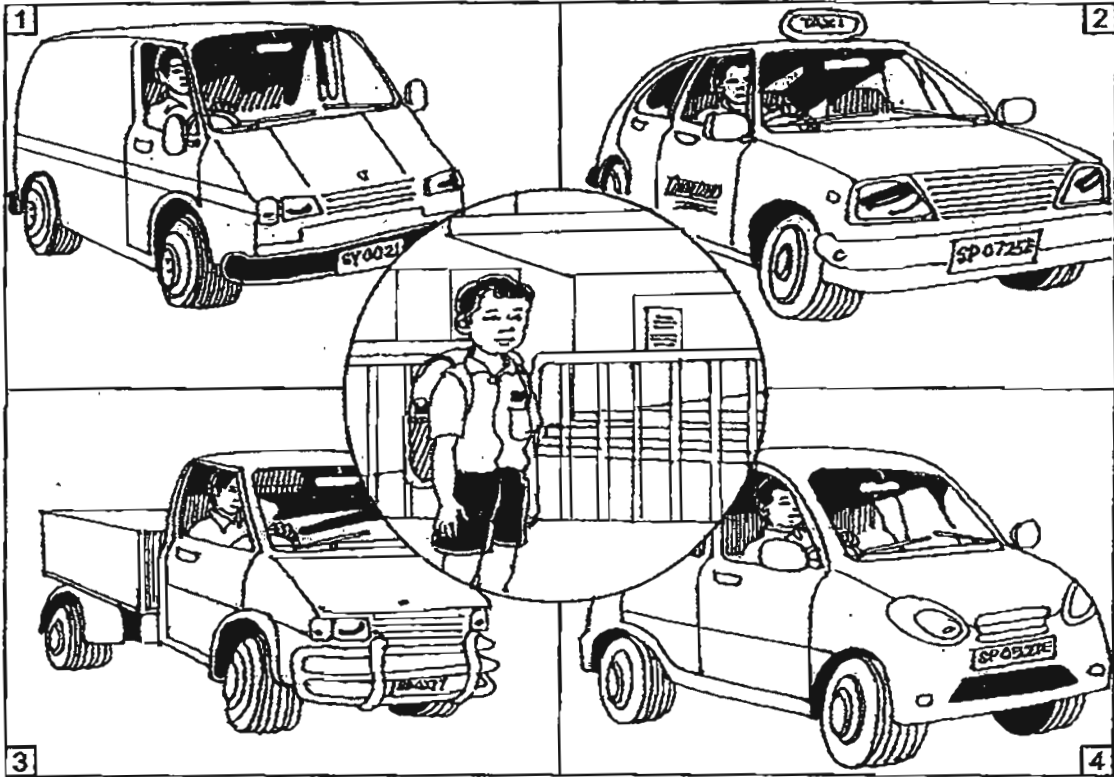
Q1..... ()



Q2..... ()



Q3..... ()



Q4..... ()

Part 2 – Note-taking & Dictation

Q5 to Q10 is a note-taking test.
 Q11 is a dictation test.

As you listen, take down the missing information by filling in each blank numbered Q5 to Q10 with **one word or a short phrase**.

Q5. Name of experiment: _____

Materials that you will need:

Q6. _____

Q7. _____ card

Q8. Hole _____

Q9. Some coloured _____

Q10. What do you need to do to see a rainbow?
 Spin the card on the _____

Dictation

Take down the journal entry in full in the space provided for Q11.

Q11.

Sir Isaac Newton was one of the greatest scientists and mathematicians of his generation.



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PRIMARY 3

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)

Total Time For Part 1 and Part 2: 1 hour 45 minutes

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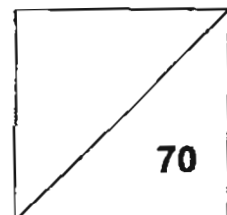
Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary _____

Date: 10 May 2011

Parent's Signature: _____

Total Marks:



Section A: Grammar MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

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. "Did you paint the pictures _____, children?" Mrs. Tan asked the class.
 - (1) herself
 - (2) himself
 - (3) yourself
 - (4) yourselves

2. The album of photographs _____ so precious that Dad always keeps it under lock and key.
 - (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were

3. Tom _____ five laps in the pool last evening.
 - (1) swim
 - (2) swam
 - (3) swum
 - (4) swims

4. Kelly is unable to sleep because she is _____ about the trip tomorrow.
 - (1) excite
 - (2) excites
 - (3) excited
 - (4) exciting

5. She is going to _____ her shoes this weekend.
 - (1) wash
 - (2) washes
 - (3) washed
 - (4) washing

6. Your favourite subject is English, _____ it?
 - (1) is
 - (2) isn't
 - (3) aren't
 - (4) wasn't

Section B: Punctuation MCQ (3 x 1 mark)

For each question from 7 to 9, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

As I came closer, I realised he was crying.

"Ted, why are you crying (7) I asked.

"Sister, it's just not fair (8) he cried.

Ted went on to explain how hard he had worked for his examinations but the grades he obtained were disappointing. I shared with him the story of eagles in the storm. Instead of fearing the obstacle (9) eagles make use of strong winds to soar above the storm.

I told him he would be able to ride above the storm of difficulties just like eagles do.

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7. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [?] question mark
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

8. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [,] ~~question mark~~ **COMMA**
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas

9. (1) [.] full stop
(2) [,] comma
(3) [."] full stop and inverted commas
(4) [, "] comma and inverted commas

Section C: Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

For each question from 10 to 15, 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.

10. To avoid being overheard, I _____ the secret to my friend.
- (1) wailed
 - (2) shrieked
 - (3) bellowed
 - (4) whispered
11. Gary, the discipline master, has eyes like a hawk as he can _____ any mischief from afar.
- (1) spot
 - (2) locate
 - (3) search
 - (4) recognise
12. The boys were _____ by the principal for misbehaving in the school bus.
- (1) rejected
 - (2) objected
 - 3(2) disapproved
 - 4(3) reprimanded
13. Tom is the famous _____ who had drawn pictures for that popular series of story books.
- (1) artist
 - (2) painter
 - (3) sculptor
 - (4) illustrator
14. The pupils were _____ after running in the field for six rounds.
- (1) worried
 - (2) agitated
 - (3) flustered
 - (4) exhausted
15. Kelly dropped the kettle of boiling water and the hot liquid _____ her hand.
- (1) pierced
 - (2) slashed
 - (3) charred
 - (4) scalded

Section D: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 16 to 20.

Adam opened his eyes and pulled the blanket covers up to his chin. He stared around his room, searching the darkness for the thing that was making those scary sounds. The closet door moved as something banged on it from the inside.

"Who's there?" Adam asked in a shaky voice.

The closet slowly began to open. Adam jumped out of bed and ran to the closet door, slamming it shut with his palms. Then, he ran out of his room and down the hall to his brother's room. 5

"Adam?" David yawned and asked in a **groggy** voice. "What are you doing in here?"

Adam tugged on David's arm. "There's something in my closet!"

David sighed. He had worked hard preparing for his examinations and needed to rest. However, he decided to help his brother. He reached into his desk drawer and pulled out a torchlight. They then headed to Adam's room. Adam stopped suddenly in the doorway. He had heard the same scratching sound against his closet door. 10

"Do you hear that?" Adam asked.

David nodded. He walked over to Adam's bed and pulled the case off one of the pillows. He held the mouth of the pillowcase open. 15

"Open the door Adam, and I'll grab whatever it is."

Adam took a deep breath and flung the door wide open. A small furry creature ran right into the pillowcase.

David put the pillowcase on the bed and an orange cat climbed out. Adam scooped the cat up. 20

"Apricot? How did you get trapped in my closet?" David laughed. "The poor cat. If I was trapped in your closet with your stinky shoes, I'd be banging on the door to get out too!"

Adapted from "The Closet Creature" by Kelly Hashway

For each question from 16 to 20, 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.

16. Why did Adam pull the covers up to his chin?
- (1) He felt cold.
 - (2) He was irritated.
 - (3) He was frightened.
 - (4) He was hiding from David.
17. Why do you think David sighed when he heard his brother tell him there was something in his closet?
- (1) David was sleepy and wanted more sleep.
 - (2) David was annoyed that he could not find his torchlight.
 - (3) David was upset that Adam was disturbing his preparation for his examinations.
 - (4) David was irritated that Adam was lying to him about the strange sounds coming from his closet.
18. In line 8, David's **groggy** voice tells us that he was _____.
- (1) angry
 - (2) upset
 - (3) sleepy
 - (4) irritated
19. In line 12, Adam stopped in the doorway because he _____.
- (1) wanted to get a torchlight
 - (2) saw the door of the closet move
 - (3) heard a sound coming from the closet
 - (4) was waiting for David to get out of bed
20. David pulled the case off one of the pillows because he wanted to _____.
- (1) put his torchlight in the pillowcase
 - (2) keep his stinky shoes in the pillow case
 - (3) use the pillow to hit the creature in the closet
 - (4) catch the creature in the closet with the pillowcase

End of Booklet A

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English Language
Primary Three
Booklet B

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Class: _____ Marks: _____ /45

Section E: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

Passage 1

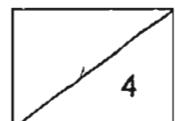
There are 4 blanks numbered 21 to 24 in the passages below. From the list of words given, choose the correct answer for each blank. Write the letter (A to G) in the blank.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) above	(B) from	(C) in	(D) out
(E) over	(F) up	(G) when with	

A crocodile is a big reptile. It has a large, long mouth (21) _____ a lot of sharp teeth. A mother crocodile lays its eggs (22) _____ shallow holes at the river bank and covers them with mud. If the mother crocodile is not around when the babies break (23) _____ of their shells, they may be gobbled (24) _____ by other animals such as storks or snakes. Therefore, she makes sure she is never far from where her eggs are buried.

Adapted from "Crocodile Facts" at www.buzzle.com/



Passage 2

There are 4 blanks numbered 25 to 28 in the passages below. From the list of words given, choose the correct answer for each blank. Write the letter (A to G) in the blank.

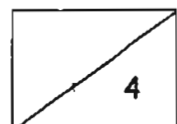
EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) her	(B) it	(C) its	(D) mine
(E) my	(F) you	(G) yours	

I sat at the edge of my bed looking at old photographs. I looked fondly at each photograph before putting (25) _____ away. One photograph struck a cord in (26) _____ heart. The woman in the picture smiled brilliantly. She was very encouraging and it was (27) _____ kind words that helped me overcome my difficulties.

“Believe in yourself. Challenges help you to discover who (28) _____ are.” I will never forget those words of my wise teacher, Miss Tan.

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Section F: Vocabulary Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

There are 8 blanks numbered 29 to 36 in the passages below. From the list of words given, choose the correct answer for each blank. Write the letter (A to M) in the blank. The letter "I" has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

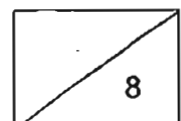
EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) borrowed	(B) collected	(C) cuddled	(D) followed
(E) given	(F) listening	(G) picked	(H) recognise
(J) scampered	(K) stared	(L) understand	(M) wag

Husky was a birthday present (29) _____ to me by my parents. I remembered how the tiny puppy (30) _____ at me with big, adorable eyes wanting to be (31) _____ up from the basket. When I (32) _____ it in my arms, I knew it would be my best friend forever.

The loyal friend (33) _____ me everywhere I went. It would bark, (34) _____ its tail and jump onto me the moment I returned from school each day. I was not sure if Husky could (35) _____ my words, but it would sit patiently for hours (36) _____ to all the stories I had to share with him.

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Section G : Editing for Spelling and Grammar (3 x 1 mark)

Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box:

"Ouch! My tooth hurts!" I drew a sharp breath and tossed the buttered toast

(37)

back onto my plate. My gums was throbbing with pain. I decided to gulp down a glass of

(38)

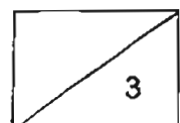
milk – my **brakefast** for the day!

"You have to go to the dentist now," my mother insisted.

(39)

I shake my head but my **mun** held my hand firmly and led me out of the door. I dreaded dental visits.

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Section H: Comprehension Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

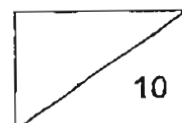
The bell rang shrilly. Pupils swarmed into the (40) _____
for recess. Within minutes, the place was packed (41) _____
sardines.

Emily and I hurried to our favourite noodle stall. There was a long
(42) _____ in front of it. We chatted excitedly while waiting for
our turn to (43) _____ our food.

"Excuse me, please." A pupil with a bowl of hot soup in her
(44) _____ was making her way to her seat. Before she could
put the bowl of soup (45) _____ the table, a boy who was
chasing his friends collided into her. The hot soup splattered on her. The poor girl
wincing in (46) _____ as some of the hot liquid had landed on her
legs. Tears welled up in her (47) _____.

Immediately, I rushed to the drink stall and asked (48) _____ a
packet of ice. I then applied the ice pack on the injured girl's leg. Miss Lim, my teacher,
saw what had happened. She beamed and (49) _____ me for being
helpful. I was glad I had done a good deed.

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Section J : Synthesis / Transformation (5 x 2 marks)

For each of the questions from 50 to 52, 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).

50. Ken enjoys jogging. Ken enjoys swimming.

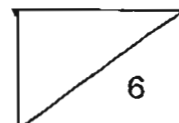
_____ and

51. Mrs Wong was baking. The telephone rang.

_____ when

52. Janet switched on the lights. The room was dark.

_____ as



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Section K: Comprehension OE (5 x 2 marks)

Read the passage below and answer Questions 53 to 57.

Your answers must be based on the passage.

The Sembawang Park, with a spectacular view overseeing the sea of water, was a hit among campers and it was the Lee family's favourite campsite.

A little rumble was heard coming from Tom's stomach. Embarrassed, he lowered his head and spoke softly, "I need more noodles as I am still hungry." His mum smiled and began preparing a bowl of instant noodles for him..

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As Tom waited patiently for his snack to be ready, he suddenly exclaimed, "I saw something yellow fly by! Is that a ghost?" He hugged his mother tightly. Jane trembled and her face turned pale.

While Mother put her arms round the two frightened children, Dad went to investigate. He returned with a reassuring smile and said, "The strange yellow light is actually ..." Slowly, he lifted his hands and a gleam of yellow luminous light lit the darkness. The light seemed to have a life of its own and flew high into the night sky.

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"A firefly!" Tom and Jane quipped excitedly.

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

53. What does "it" in line 2 refer to?

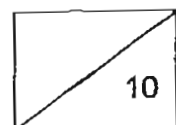
54. Why did Tom's stomach rumble?

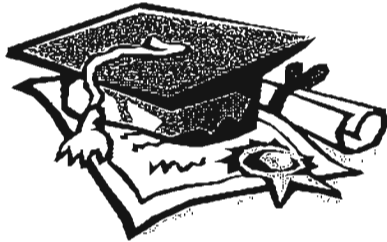
55. Which word in paragraph 4 has the same meaning as "to find out"?

56. How did ^{Tom}~~Thomas~~ feel when he first saw the yellow light? Which sentence tells you so?

57. Why did Dad return with a reassuring smile?

End of Paper
Please check your work carefully



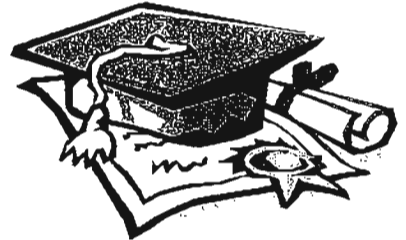


ANSWER SHEET

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SUBJECT : PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

TERM. : SA1



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

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34
3	3	4	G	C	D	F	B	E	A	F	E	K	G	C	D	M

- 35)L 36)F 37)were 38)breakfast 39)shook
- 40)canteen 41)like 42)queue 43)order 44)hands
- 45)on 46)pain 47)eyes 48)for 49)praised
- 50)Ken enjoys jogging and swimming.
- 51)Mrs Wong was baking when the telephone rang.
- 52)Janet switched on the lights as the room was dark.
- 53)"It" refers to Sembawang Park.
- 54)Tom was hungry.
- 55)The word is "investigate".
- 56)Tom felt scared. The sentence is "He hugged his mother tightly".
- 57)Dad returned with a reassuring smile as he found out that the light was a firefly, not a ghost.