

METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)

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MID-YEAR EXAMINATION 2015 PRIMARY 3 ENGLISH

PAPER 2 (BOOKLET A)

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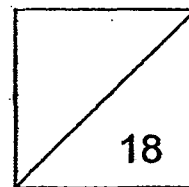
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Section A: Vocabulary (6 marks)

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'm very tired. I don't want to do it anymore!" _____ Jacob after Mother had told him to complete his project.
- (1) agreed
 - (2) reminded
 - (3) protested
 - (4) challenged
- 2 Aunt Lisa is arriving in Singapore tomorrow so she might _____ to visit us some time this week.
- (1) drop by
 - (2) drop off
 - (3) drop out
 - (4) drop back
- 3 The man looked _____ so the residents called the police to the scene.
- (1) doubtful
 - (2) ordinary
 - (3) innocent
 - (4) suspicious
- 4 The book fair is held _____. It takes place once every two weeks.
- (1) weekly
 - (2) annually
 - (3) quarterly
 - (4) fortnightly

5 Cycling is a form of _____ that enables one to relax and exercise at the same time.

- 1) holiday
- 2) festivity
- 3) recreation
- 4) performance

6 Even though Suriani loves to play the violin, she should not spend too much time on it and _____ her studies.

- 1) cherish
- 2) neglect
- 3) decrease
- 4) appreciate

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 _____ you ever watched a performance at the Esplanade?

- 1) Has
- 2) Had
- 3) Have
- 4) Having

8 She _____ not bake the cake. It was her brother who baked it.

- (1) do
- (2) did
- (3) does
- (4) done

9 Nadia's sister is pretty. Compared to her sister, Nadia is _____.

- (1) pretty
- (2) prettier
- (3) the prettiest
- (4) the most pretty

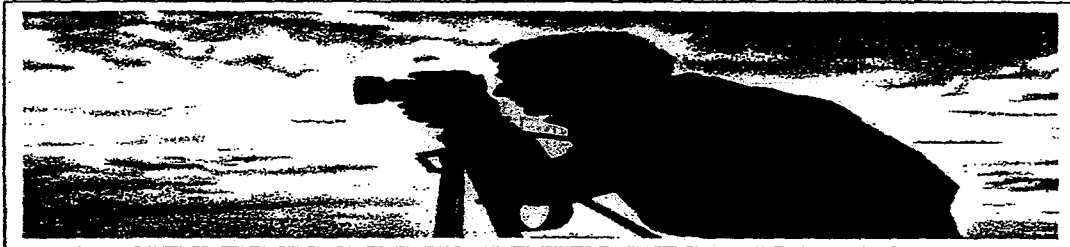
10 Bingo, my dog, _____ greedily at me every time I am eating.

- (1) stares
- (2) stared
- (3) is staring
- (4) was staring

- 11 Sally was deeply _____ when her grandmother passed away.
- 1) sad
 - 2) sadly
 - 3) sadder
 - 4) saddened
- 12 Mr Tan is not concerned about his health. He is always _____ snacks and fast food.
- (1) ate
 - (2) eat
 - (3) eaten
 - (4) eating
- 13 " _____ anyone coming with me to the supermarket?" asked Mdm Lim just before she left.
- (1) Is
 - (2) Are
 - (3) Was
 - (4) Were
- 14 We enjoyed our camping trip _____ it rained every day.
- (1) as
 - (2) when
 - (3) although
 - (4) because

Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (4 marks)

Study the following poster and answer questions 15 to 18.



10th AVIA PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

10th – 23rd April 2015
11 a.m. – 7 p.m. daily

Avia Exhibition Hall
88 Grand Road
Singapore 240512

- FREE ADMISSION -

Course: 12-Hour Outdoor Photography

4 x 3-HOUR SESSIONS OVER 2 WEEKS
\$390 PER PERSON
MAXIMUM OF 20 PARTICIPANTS

- Interested participants **must** attend the workshop on Introduction to Outdoor Photography before registering for this course.

For more information, please visit
www.avia.com.sg/12hpop2015

To register, please email pop@avia.com.sg

Workshop: Introduction to Outdoor Photography

Speaker: Mr Lim Teck An
Date: 11 Apr 2015 (Sat)
Time: 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Venue: Avia Cultural Room (Level 2)
Cost: \$15 per person

Register online at www.avia.com.sg/iop2015

Photographer of the Year 2015

Mr Lim Teck An

Many successful local photographers recognise Mr Lim as their role model and teacher. He has more than 40 years of teaching experience.

Besides being a full-time trainer, Mr Lim has also judged many international photographic competitions.

- 15 It is free of charge to attend the _____.
- (1) 10th Avia Photographic Exhibition ✓
 - (2) talk by Photographer of the Year 2015
 - (3) Introduction to Outdoor Photography workshop
 - (4) 12-Hour Outdoor Photography course
- 16 The workshop on *Introduction to Outdoor Photography* will be conducted _____.
- (1) in two weeks
 - (2) over four sessions
 - (3) on one afternoon only
 - (4) every day from 10 April to 23 April
- 17 Which of the following is **true** about the 12-hour Practical Outdoor Photography course?
- (1) The course will take more than two weeks to complete.
 - (2) There must be at least 20 participants attending the course.
 - (3) Interested participants should send an email to register for the course.
 - (4) A person who has attended the workshop on Introduction to Outdoor Photography cannot attend the course.
- 18 According to the poster, Mr Lim Teck An has _____.
- 1) never been a full-time trainer
 - 2) won many photographic competitions
 - 3) less than 40 years of teaching experience
 - 4) judged many international photographic competitions

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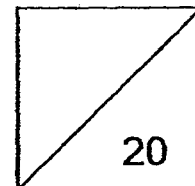
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Section D: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

There once lived a blind man in a small town. He (19) [carry / carries] a lighted lamp in his hand whenever he (20) [go / goes] out at night.

One dark night, he was walking with his lighted lamp in his hand. A group of men (21) [was / were] passing that way. One of the men said, "Why do you carry the lighted lamp? You are blind and cannot see anything!"

The blind man politely said, "This lamp is not for me, but for those who (22) [has / have] eyes. You may not see a blind man coming and knock into him."

They felt ashamed and left quickly.

Section E: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to F) in the blank. **USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) at

(B) in

(C) of

(D) on

(E) or

(F) to

Why do we have flags? _____ the earlier centuries, certain groups
(23)

_____ people decorated spears and poles which showed their cultural
(24)

symbols. Later, people used ribbons, leather or other decorations on the spears

_____ distinguish one group from another.
(25)

The early explorers always put crosses _____ sculptures up when
(26)

they landed on unknown territory. However, later, they used flags with symbols sewn on

them to declare their rule over the land.

Section F: Editing (4 marks)

There are spelling and grammatical errors in the underlined words. Write the correct word in the boxes provided.

Musical instruments are devices created to make musical sounds.

(27)

Anything that make a sound can be used as a musical instrument. The history of

(28)

musical instruments goes back to the bigining of culture. People first used

instruments to perform rituals. A hunter might use a trumpet to signal a successful

(29)

hunt, while a drum might be used in a religious cerimoni.

(30)

Over the years, different cultures composes and performed a set of

sounds called a melody using different musical instruments. This was largely for

entertainment.

Section G: Comprehension Cloze (6 marks)

Read the passage carefully. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to H) in the blank. **USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) able	(B) across	(C) change	(D) correct
(E) dangerous	(F) direction	(G) safe	(H) time

Animals migrate with the change of the weather and the seasons. They migrate to find warmer weather, better food supplies, or a _____ place to give birth to their young.
(31)

Different signals such as a _____ in weather, the length of days or the availability of food may indicate to the animals that it is _____ to move.
(32)
(33)

Scientists are not sure how animals know which _____ to go. Animals do not have maps to find their destination, yet each year they manage to find their way _____ thousands of kilometres of land and sea. Some animals use the Sun and the stars to figure out the _____ direction while others use wind patterns or landmarks such as mountains, rivers and lakes. It is amazing what animals can do!
(34)
(35)
(36)

Section H: Synthesis (2 marks)

For each of the questions 37 and 38, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

37 Anita was late for school. Anita did not get into trouble.

_____ but

38 The sun was glaring. Mrs Wee put on her sunglasses.

_____ so

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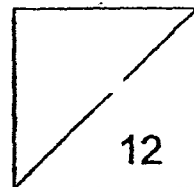
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Section I: Comprehension: Selected Response (4 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions 39 to 42.

"What happened, Jodie? Why do you look so troubled?" asked Father.

Jodie looked up and hesitated. She did not want to hurt her father's feelings.

"The...the other kids mocked and shunned me because you're a rubbish collector. They said your job is dirty and you smell bad."

Jodie's father did not seem angry, hurt or sad. He simply smiled and said, "Well, I guess those kids just don't know how important it is. Tell me honestly, do I smell bad?"

"No, you smell good, like soap," said Jodie.

"Your friends were right, though. Being a rubbish collector is a dirty job. Rubbish is filthy. Every day, I see disgusting things that makes my head spin. We have to grab the slimy, stinking rubbish bags and throw them into the big green monster that gulps the nasty rubbish. Then everything is nice and clean, the way we like it. Imagine what it would be like if I didn't clear the rubbish every day?" explained Father.

He continued, "Do you know what I like most about my job? While everyone else is still working, I get to go home, clean myself up and pick you up from school every day."

Jodie gave her father a big kiss.

From then on, whenever someone asked what her father did for a living, Jodie proudly exclaimed, "He's a rubbish collector!" If they showed disgust, she would add, "Everybody has rubbish but Daddy takes them all away!"

Adapted from Jodie's Daddy is a Garbage Man by Matthew Licht

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39 Which word has the same meaning as "avoided"? Circle either (A) or (B). (1m)

The other kids mocked and shunned me because you're a rubbish collector.
 (A) (B)

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

40 Jodie was upset because _____. (1m)

- (1) her father smelt bad
- (2) her father's job was dirty
- (3) her father's feelings were hurt
- (4) her classmates made fun of her father's job

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For Q41 - 42, read each statement and tick (✓) "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you. (2m)

	Statement	True	False
Example	Jodie's father had a dirty job.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
41	Jodie's father was disturbed by what Jodie's friends had said.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
42	Jodie learnt to appreciate her father's job and she was proud of it.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section J: Comprehension: Open-Ended (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 43 to 47.

Molly, a pony, was badly attacked by a dog a few years ago. The dog bit all four of Molly's legs and left large wounds in her face. Molly's owner took her to an animal hospital.

The animal doctors were able to save Molly's life, but one of her legs became very infected. The only way to save her life was to remove the infected leg. At first, the doctors thought Molly might not survive the operation. However, Molly changed their minds. This pony, the doctors noticed, instinctively knew how to shift her weight and rest her ~~leg~~ leg from time to time. They knew that Molly was determined to live.
infected

Several animal doctors operated on Molly and successfully removed her infected leg. A false leg, or prosthesis, was made for her. Molly's prosthesis was a hollow cast with a pole at the bottom for balance. After the operation, Molly walked around on all four legs, as if nothing had happened to her.

The animal doctors had given Molly a unique horseshoe at the bottom of her prosthesis. Molly's horseshoe had a stamp of a smiling face.

From then on, wherever she went, Molly's special horseshoe stamped a smiling face into the ground. Her story left a smile on people's faces, just as clearly as her horseshoe left a mark in the sand.

Adapted from Leaving Her Mark by Liana Mohoney

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- 43 Based on the story, state whether each statement below is True or False, then give one reason why you think so. (2m)

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Sentence	True / False	Reason
i) All four of Molly's legs were infected by the attack.		
ii) From the start, the doctors were confident that Molly would live normally after the operation.		

For Q44 – 45, write your answers in complete sentences.

- 44 What did the doctors have to do to save Molly? (1m)

45 How did the doctors know that Molly had a strong will to survive? (2m)

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46 Which word in paragraph 4 has the same meaning as "special"? (1m)

For Q47, write your answer in a complete sentence.

47 What made the mark that Molly left in the sand whenever she walked? (2m)

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TERM : SA1

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
3	1	4	4	3	2	3	2	2	1
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
4	4	1	3	1	3	1	4	carries	goes
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
was	have	B	C	F	E	makes	beginning	ceremony	composed
Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36				
G	C	H	F	B	D				

Q37. Anita was late for school but she did not get into trouble.

Q38. The sun was glaring so Mrs Wee put on her sunglasses.

Q39.B Q40. 4 Q41. FALSE Q42. TRUE

Q43. (i) FASLE - Only one of Molly's legs was infected by the attack.

Q43. (ii) FALSE - At first, the doctors thought Molly might not survive the operation.

Q44. The doctors had to remove Molly's infected leg.

Q45. The doctors noticed that Molly, instinctively knew how to shift her weight and rest her infected leg from time to time and that Molly was determined to live.

Q46. Unique

Q47. Molly's special horseshoe stamped a smiling face in the sand whenever she walked.

THE END

