

**RIVER VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 / 2015
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
PRIMARY 3**

Name: _____ () Total Mark: _____ / 14

Class: Primary 3 _____ Parent's Signature:

Date: 7th May 2015 _____

Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A and B): **1 hour 15 minutes**

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 14 questions (Questions 1 to 14).
4. Answer all questions.
5. Shade you answers in the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

Section A: Grammar MCQ (8 x 1 mark)

For each question from 1 to 8, 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. This is _____ cosy restaurant for a birthday celebration.
- (1) a
 - (2) an
 - (3) the
 - (4) one
- ()

2. The planes flew _____ the Singapore River during the National Day parade.
- (1) out
 - (2) over
 - (3) down
 - (4) under
- ()

3. When I told my friend that I was going to the zoo, he wanted to _____ along too.
- (1) came
 - (2) come
 - (3) comes
 - (4) coming
- ()

4. The _____ children were waiting eagerly for the performance to begin.
- (1) excite
 - (2) excited
 - (3) excites
 - (4) excitement
- ()

5. _____ bouquet of flowers on the table here is beautifully arranged.

(1) This

(2) That

(3) These

(4) Those

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6. We _____ our school uniform daily to school.

(1) wear

(2) wore

(3) worn

(4) wears

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7. The children screamed for help _____ they were trapped in the lift.

(1) so

(2) and

(3) when

(4) before

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8. Jenny woke up late and had very _____ time to eat her breakfast.

(1) few

(2) little

(3) many

(4) much

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Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)

For each question from 1 to 8, 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.

9. The strong bodybuilder _____ his muscles in front of the judges at the competition.

(1) flexed

(2) flashed

(3) showed

(4) stretched

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10. What a _____! The tickets to the movie we were looking forward to are sold out.

(1) pity

(2) sight

(3) fright

(4) disgust

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11. The cars sped around the racing track and were as quick as _____.

(1) wind

(2) storm

(3) thunder

(4) lightning

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12. A tailor uses a needle and _____ to sew buttons on shirts.

(1) wire

(2) rope

(3) chain

(4) thread

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13. "This worksheet is a _____ of cake! I can finish it in a few minutes!"
exclaimed Adam.

(1) bit

(2) slice

(3) piece

(4) whole

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14. The audience clapped their hands with _____ when the comedian told
a funny joke.

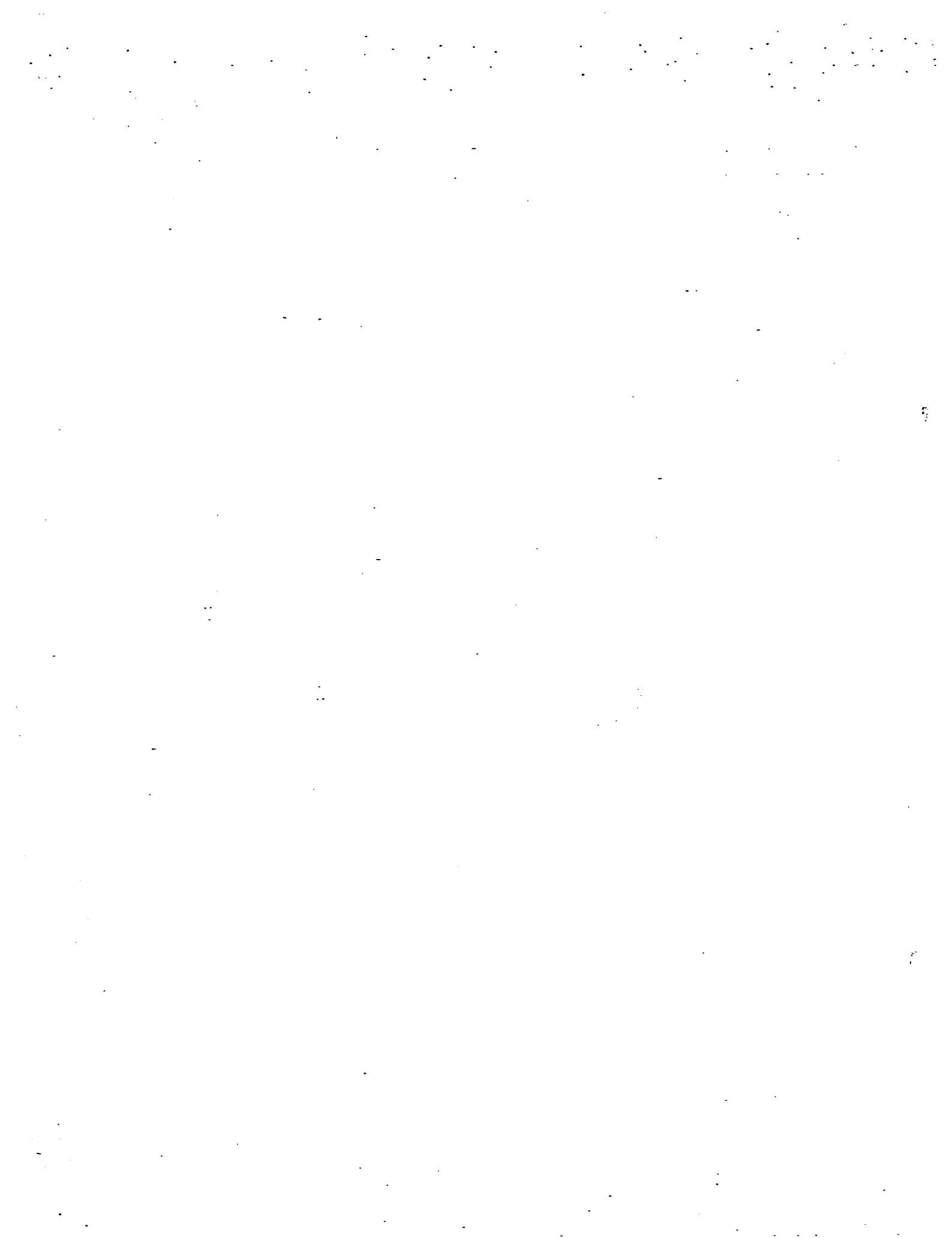
(1) glee

(2) grace

(3) gloom

(4) glamour

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**RIVER VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
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ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
PRIMARY 3**

Name: _____ () Total Mark: _____ / 36

Class: Primary 3 _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Date: 7th May 2015

Booklet B

Duration of Paper (Booklets A and B): 1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 29 questions (Questions 15 to 43).
4. Answer all questions.
5. Write all your answers in this booklet.

	Mark Obtained	Maximum Mark
Booklet A		14
Booklet B		36
Total		50

Section C: Comprehension 1 (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Hundreds of people at the circus gathered around, watching Brad. Word had spread that he was selling something fascinating.

Brad went over to his truck and took out a tube of glue. It said - 'Brad's Great Glue. It will stick anything!' "This glue can mend anything and everything that is broken. Who has something that is broken?" he hollered.

A small boy came forward with a bow and arrow. "My bow is broken," he said sadly. Brad took the bow, put a bit of glue on the broken ends and joined them together. Then, he put the arrow in the bow and shot it in the air. The people cheered.

"Oh, that is nothing!" said Brad. He went over to the back of his truck where he had a big crane. Brad stuck the rope to the end of the crane with a dab of glue. "This glue can hold an elephant!" he exclaimed as he put the rope around one of the circus elephants. The elephant was lifted with only the rope holding it.

"Now, who wants to buy some of Brad's Great Glue?" he said.

Brad sold two hundred tubes of glue and made two thousand dollars! "Silly people! They will soon find out that the glue stops working after four hours," he laughed to himself.

*Adapted from "The Strap Box Flyer"
Flesch-Kincaid grade level 3.2*

For questions 15 and 16, tick \checkmark your chosen answer.

15. Why had the people gathered at the circus to see Brad? (1m)

	He was fascinating.
	He was selling something fascinating.
	He was performing a fascinating show for the people.

16. Brad put a bit of glue on the broken ends and joined them together _____ . (1m)

	before he shot the arrow
	while he was shooting the arrow
	after he had shot the arrow

17. Which word from paragraph 2 has the same meaning as 'fix'? (1m)

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18. Based on the passage, arrange the following statements in the correct order of sequence by writing 1, 2 and 3 in the right column. (1m)

The circus elephant was hanging by only a rope from a crane.	
Brad shot an arrow.	
Brad made a lot of money that day.	

For Questions Q19 - 20, read each statement and tick (✓) "True" or "False". Refer to the passage to help you. The first one has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	Brad was a clever salesman.	✓	
19.	Brad owned the truck.		
20.	Brad told the people that the glue will be strong forever.		

21. Why do you think Brad did not tell the people that his glue "stops working after four hours"? (2m)

Section D: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)

Read each passage carefully. Choose the correct answer from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. USE EACH ANSWER ONCE ONLY.

(A) by	(B) for	(C) at
(D) on	(E) during	(F) with

It was 4th of January 2015. Drums were played (22) _____ this day to celebrate Singapore's 50th birthday. More than two thousand people attended the concert that was held (23) _____ the Singapore Botanic Gardens.

They were gathered (24) _____ the pond, enjoying the music. The concert was conducted by Mr Ngoh, a musician (25) _____ the Singapore Chinese Orchestra.

More than eighty musicians were involved in the special event.

Adapted from "Music to mark SG50", The Straits Times

(A) happen	(B) happens	(C) happened
(D) happening	(E) is happening	(F) was happening

Our pet dog, Whistles, was munching on toilet paper. "What (26) _____ here?" Mother asked.

"Mom, I do not know what (27) _____!" I pleaded.

"Why do such things (28) _____ whenever I leave you alone at home?" Mother shook her head. "Luckily, it (29) _____ that I am in a good mood today. You better clean up this mess before I change my mind!"

Mother smiled and walked away.

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Section E: Sentence Combining (3 x 2 marks)

Combine each pair of sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

(30) The librarian was not around. I could not borrow the books.

_____ because

(31) Ravi rushed off for school. Ravi had a quick shower.

_____ then

(32) I saw many butterflies. I walked around the park.

As _____

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Section F: Comprehension 2 (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

There lived a greedy baker who cheated people who came to his shop. His daughter, Nana, helped him in his shop. Seeing her father's way of treating people, she, too, learnt his mean and dishonest ways.

One day, Nana was left to look after the shop. An old woman wearing a cloak came into the shop and said, "I am old and poor. I cannot afford a loaf of bread. Please be kind and give me a bit of dough."

Nana refused and told the old woman to leave the shop. The old woman continued asking. Nana took a small piece of dough, gave it to the old woman and shouted, "Now, be off! Do not trouble me anymore!"

"My dear, please let me bake it in your oven for I have no home to call my own," begged the old woman.

Wanting to get rid of the old woman, Nana agreed to bake it. They both sat down to wait. After some time, when Nana thought that the bread should be ready, she looked into the oven to find a very, very large loaf of bread.

"What magic is this?" thought Nana to herself. "I am sorry. I cannot find the bread. It must have tumbled into the fire and got burnt," she lied.

The old woman knew that Nana was trying to cheat her. To teach Nana a lesson, she pulled out a stick from under her cloak and touched her with it. All of a sudden, Nana changed into an owl! She flew out the door and was never seen again.

*Adepled from "The Baker's Daughter"
Fisch-Kincaid Grade level 3.6*

33. Why did the baker cheat the people who came to his shop? (1m)

34. Which two-word phrase in paragraph 2 has the same meaning as 'unable to pay'? (1m)

35. Why did Nana agree to bake the dough for the old woman? (2m)

36. Based on the story, state whether each of the statements in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. (2m)

	True / False	Reason
(a) The old woman asked for a bit of dough because she did not have enough money.		
(b) The old woman turned Nana into an owl as a reward to Nana.		

37. Why did Nana lie and say that she could not find the bread? (2m)

Section G: Comprehension Cloze (6 x 1 mark)
Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word.

My name is Percy. I am one of the pigs from the story, "The Three Little Pigs".
The time has come for me to tell you my story.

We were terrified (38) _____ Wolf came looking for us. We
wanted to flee but it was (39) _____ late. He was already at our
door.

"Mmm... What are you pigs cooking? It (40) _____ so good!"
asked Wolf.

"Mind your own (41) _____ and go away!" we screamed.

"What a shame. You are so rude!" Wolf replied, sounding sad.

We were sorry for being rude and decided to tell him. "We are cooking sardine
and broccoli muffins."

"I want some. Please, please. I am hungry and my
(42) _____ is rumbling," pleaded Wolf.

We packed some (43) _____ the muffins in a container and
threw it out of the window. Wolf picked up the food, ate it and left quietly.

Teacher's own

EXAM PAPER 2015

SCHOOL : RIVER VALLEY

SUBJECT : P3 ENGLISH

TERM : SA1

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

15)He was selling something fascinating.

16)before he shot the arrow.

17)Mend

18)2, 1,3

19)T

20)F

21) Brad want to sell out his glue so he did not tell people stop working after four hour and earned two thousand dollar.

22) (D) on 23) (C) at 24) (A) by 25) (B) for

26) (A) happen 27)(C) happened 28)(D) happens

29)(B) happens

30) I could not borrow the books because the librarian was not around.

31) Ravi had a quick shower then he rushrd off for school.

32) As I walked around the park , I saw many butterflies.

33) It was because the baker was greedy .

34) cannot afford

35) It was because she wanted to get rid of the old woman and told the woman to leave the shop.

36)a) true. It was because she cannot afford to buy a loaf of bread.

b) false . It was because the old woman knew the Nana was trying to cheat her.

37) Nana wanted the bread for herself. Nana didn't want to give the bread to the old lady.

38) that 39) too 40) smells 41) business 42)stomach

43) of