

**RIVER VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 / 2017  
ENGLISH  
PRIMARY 4**

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ (     )

Class : P4 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Mark : \_\_\_\_\_ /24

Date : Thursday, May 4, 2017

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

**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. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 19 questions.
4. Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.
5. ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.

**Section A: Grammar MCQ (8 x 1 mark)**

**For each question from 1 to 8, four options are given. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the OAS.**

1. Henry is the boy \_\_\_\_\_ dog went missing last Sunday.
  - (1) who
  - (2) who's
  - (3) whom
  - (4) whose
  
2. The soldiers \_\_\_\_\_ smartly at attention as the Guest-of-Honour reviewed them.
  - (1) stand
  - (2) stood
  - (3) are standing
  - (4) have been standing
  
3. Mother placed her hand \_\_\_\_\_ Kit Mun's forehead. He was running a fever.
  - (1) in
  - (2) on
  - (3) up
  - (4) over
  
4. Mrs Leong was \_\_\_\_\_ the house when the phone rang. She hurried to answer it.
  - (1) left
  - (2) leave
  - (3) leaves
  - (4) leaving
  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ the sound of the emergency alarm, the children left their classrooms in an orderly manner.
  - (1) At
  - (2) By
  - (3) With
  - (4) Upon

6. "Add a little pepper to your fried rice \_\_\_\_\_ it will be tasteless," the head chef told his cook.

- (1) if
- (2) so
- (3) and
- (4) otherwise

7. Fei Li \_\_\_\_\_ to Quinn's house later this afternoon to make plans for Limin's surprise birthday party.

- (1) go
- (2) is going
- (3) had gone
- (4) will be gone

8. \_\_\_\_\_ not observing the traffic rules and running a red light, Charlotte was given a fine by the traffic policeman.

- (1) For
- (2) While
- (3) Since
- (4) Although

**Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)**

**For each question from 9 to 14, four options are given. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the OAS.**

9. You have to \_\_\_\_\_ to your mistakes, Jim. That's called integrity," said Bertha.
- (1) own up
  - (2) count on
  - (3) take after
  - (4) turn around
10. "What a \_\_\_\_\_ meal. I enjoyed every dish we ordered!" exclaimed Raja.
- (1) wanting
  - (2) satisfying
  - (3) beautifying
  - (4) demanding
11. Francesca asked the taxi driver to drive \_\_\_\_\_ to the airport. She did not want to miss her flight.
- (1) briskly
  - (2) quickly
  - (3) recklessly
  - (4) punctually
12. The mystery of the passenger plane's disappearance remains \_\_\_\_\_ to this day.
- (1) untold
  - (2) unsure
  - (3) unknown
  - (4) unsolved

13. Elizabeth and Victoria were tired after a long day so they decided to \_\_\_\_\_ early for the night.

- (1) turn in
- (2) turn up
- (3) turn off
- (4) turn over

14. Poh Choo was \_\_\_\_\_ at the constant banging noise coming from her neighbour's house. She decided to lodge a complaint with the town council the next day.

- (1) bugged
- (2) annoyed
- (3) defeated
- (4) exhilarated

**SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 1 / 2017  
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PRIMARY 4**

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ (      )

Class : P4 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Mark : \_\_\_\_\_/26

Date : Thursday, May 4, 2017

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

**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. Read the questions and follow all the instructions carefully.
3. This booklet consists of 23 questions.
4. ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.

	Mark obtained	Total
Booklet A		24
Booklet B		26
Total		50

**Section C: Comprehension MCQ (5 x 2 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions.**

<p>Clement's family was getting ready for dinner when Father announced that the family would be visiting Legoland Nusajaya, Johor Bahru, during the June school holidays. Clement was elated by the news.</p>	
<p>"Two more weeks to go!" cried Clement in anticipation of the upcoming trip. He began planning for the overnight trip immediately.</p>	5
<p>"Don't forget to study hard for your upcoming examinations before that, Clement. Dinner's ready," Mother reminded him.</p>	
<p>"I won't, Mom," replied Clement, his senses already tingling with glee.</p>	
<p>Soon it was time for the trip. As they drove towards the Tuas Checkpoint, Clement could see that there was a massive jam. Cars were lined up all the way back. His face fell. They would be stuck in traffic for quite a while. After two hours of slow-moving traffic, they finally cleared customs and were headed for their destination.</p>	10
<p>After crossing the toll barrier at Pak Kechil, Father suggested stopping at Niyor Mall in Tanjung Kupang for a toilet break. They finally arrived at Legoland after another half-hour drive. They checked in to the Legoland Hotel. Clement was amazed that the hotel looked like one giant Lego castle. His eyes lit up. There was even a Lego pirate ship in the lobby!</p>	15
<p>After a sumptuous lunch, Clement headed for the water park where he enjoyed himself tremendously with the <i>Brick Blaster</i> and <i>Slide Racers</i>. That evening, as he was about to fall sleep, he imagined what wonderful experiences he would have the following day .</p>	20
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15. Where is Legoland located?

- (1) Nusajaya
- (2) Niyor Mall
- (3) Pak Kechil
- (4) Tanjung Kupang

16. Which one of the following words has the same meaning as "massive" in paragraph 5?

- (1) huge
- (2) mighty
- (3) intense
- (4) weighty

17. How many nights would Clement and his family be staying at the Legoland Hotel?

- (1) One
- (2) Two
- (3) Three
- (4) None. It would be a day trip.

18. When Clement replied, "I won't Mom," in line 8, what was he referring to?

- (1) His dinner.
- (2) The visit to Legoland.
- (3) His planning for the trip..
- (4) Studying for his examinations.

19. Which word accurately describes Clement's experience at Legoland?  
He had a \_\_\_\_\_ experience.

- (1) learning
- (2) revolting
- (3) shocking
- (4) fascinating



**Section D: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)**

For the passage below, there are 4 blanks. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank and write its letter in the blank. You may use each word ONLY ONCE.

(A)	them	(C)	their	(E)	he
(B)	her	(D)	his	(F)	they

Jacob has a room full of snakes. Well, if you must know, he loves snakes so much that (20)\_\_\_\_\_ does not have many friends because (21)\_\_\_\_\_ are simply terrified of them. He keeps his snakes individually in special containers in (22)\_\_\_\_\_ bedroom and feeds (23)\_\_\_\_\_ once a day. His pets consists of mainly constrictors like pythons and boas but he also has a cobra or two.

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

There is a story about a strange creature roaming the vast forests of North America and Canada. It is (24) [ describes / described ] as being over two metres tall. It makes (25) [ its / it's ] home in empty caves and forages for food at night. Many people (26) [ claim / claims ] to have seen this creature but to this day, there is no conclusive evidence that it actually [ exists / existed ]. This creature is the Bigfoot or Sasquatch.

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**Section E: Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark)**

**Fill in each blank with a suitable word.**

Cycling home from school one Thursday afternoon, Randy noticed a peculiar sight. Across the road, he saw his friends, Marshall and Jake, huddled (28)\_\_\_\_\_ an object lying on the field. This was indeed strange seeing the (29)\_\_\_\_\_ of them together because they were sworn enemies. They were always getting into arguments and fights so much so that Mr Lim, the discipline master, had to call their parents to school on numerous occasions. Randy decided to find (30)\_\_\_\_\_ what they were up to.

As he cautiously approached them, he noticed that Marshall had knelt down to gently (31)\_\_\_\_\_ up the object. Jake cupped his hands protectively as Marshall stood up. As Randy got closer, he noticed that the object was olive green and wriggling in Marshall's hands. It was a sunbird! It had an (32)\_\_\_\_\_ wing and was not able to fly.

The three boys were discussing how best to look after the bird. Finally, they decided that Marshall would take it home to nurse it back to health, with Jake's help of course. They bade farewell to Randy and continued their journey home, gently cradling the little bird.

A new friendship was made that day.

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**Section F: Sentence Manipulation (3 x 1 mark)**

**For each of the items from 33 to 35, combine the sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as that of the sentence given.**

33. The burglars could not lift the safe from the room. It was too heavy.

\_\_\_\_\_ so \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

34. Stanley's teacher called his home. She was worried that he had not attended school for the past two days.

As \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

35. Mix the beaten eggs with the flour. Then you put the mixture in the oven to bake.

Before \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Section G: Comprehension OE (10 marks)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions.**

Ari's mother had asked him to gather firewood for the fire. Instead of doing the chore right away, Ari thought he could play with his friends, Mitch and Joe, first.

Not long after, his mother began to wonder why he had not returned. It was already dark and she was worried. At the same time, Ari realised that he had not done as she had asked and told his friends about this. The boys then began gathering the firewood.

Meanwhile, Ari's mother came looking for him. She soon heard the boys' voices. She had mixed feelings. She was happy to know that he was safe but annoyed at the same time because Ari had disobeyed her. She decided to teach the boys a lesson.

She hid in the nearby bushes. Then she picked up a twig and threw it. It hit the ground making a sharp noise. It caught the boys' attention. They stopped what they were doing and looked at one another. She threw another twig in the opposite direction. The boys jumped. The mother moaned in a low voice, "Listen to your mother!" Terrified, the boys dropped everything and scuttled home. Ari's mother could not stop laughing.

After picking up some pieces of firewood, she headed home, where she found Ari in tears.

"Mother, Mother, I'm sorry I didn't listen to you," he sobbed.

His mother held him with love. She knew he was truly sorry and would not repeat his mistake.

Adapted from 'Always Listen' by Brenda Wright



40. State whether each sentence below is True or False. Give a reason for your answer based on the passage. [2m]

Sentence	True/ False	Reason
i) Ari's mother was not worried about him not returning from gathering firewood.		
ii) Ari was sorry for what he had failed to do.		

41. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes below to show the order in which the events took place in the passage. [1m]

	Ari and his friends played happily in the forest.
	Ari disobeyed his mother.
	Ari's mother wanted to teach the boys a lesson.

42. What kind of relationship did Ari have with his mother?  
Explain clearly to support your answer. [2m]

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**EXAM PAPER 2017 (P4)**

**SCHOOL : River Valley**

**SUBJECT : English**

**TERM : SA1**

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	2	2	4	1	4	2	1	1	2
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
2	4	1	2	1	1	1	4	4	
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30

20)E

21)F

22)D

23)A

24)described

25)its

26)claim

27)exists

28)over

29)two

30)out

31)pick

32)injured

33)The safe was so heavy than the burglars could not lift it from the room.

34)As Stanley's teacher was worried that he had not attended school for the past two days,she called his home.

35)Before you put the mixture in the oven to bake,mix the beaten eggs with the flour.

36)Ari's mother waited Ali gather firewood for the fire.

37)mixed feelings

38)A

39)Ari is a disobedient boy as he disobeyed his mother's instructions.

40)i)False -Ari's mother was worried about Are as it was already dark and he had not returned.

ii)True -Ari was sorry as he had not listen to his mother's advice.

41)2 , 1 , 3

42)They had a good relationship as his mother held him with love.