



HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
2017 SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION ONE
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY FIVE
PAPER 2 BOOKLET A

NAME : _____
 CLASS : P5 _____
 INDEX NO : _____

28 QUESTIONS

28 MARKS

TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 HOUR 50 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

Parent's signature: _____

Booklet A	: _____ / 28
Booklet B	: _____ / 67
TOTAL	: _____ / 95

Section	Marks	
Grammar		10
Vocabulary		5
Vocabulary Cloze		5
Visual Text Comprehension		8
Total		28

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). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (10 marks)

1. I saw the man _____ Mrs Lim's wallet and pass it to his friend.
- (1) steal
 - (2) steals
 - (3) stole
 - (4) has stolen
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2. Marcus is only seven years old, _____ he spoke about the harmful effects of video games in a conference attended by professionals around the world.
- (1) so
 - (2) yet
 - (3) for
 - (4) since
- ()
3. "Has anyone here ever _____ in a hot air balloon before?" Mr Tan asked the class.
- (1) fly
 - (2) flies
 - (3) flew
 - (4) flown
- ()
4. Ethan and Zack _____ for you for the past one hour. They are still looking for you in the hall now.
- (1) searched
 - (2) are searching
 - (3) have searched
 - (4) have been searching
- ()
5. My father advised me _____ playing computer games just before the examination.
- (1) to
 - (2) for
 - (3) from
 - (4) against
- ()

6. Bill suggested to his sister that she _____ accept May's birthday invitation.

- (1) will
- (2) shall
- (3) would
- (4) should

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7. Either the waiters or the manager _____ the customers at the door every morning.

- (1) greet
- (2) greets
- (3) greeted
- (4) has greeted

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8. If the lift _____ and you find yourself trapped in it, do not attempt to force open the door.

- (1) fail
- (2) falls
- (3) failed
- (4) has failed

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9. "Please behave _____ when you go for the learning journey tomorrow," Mrs Fong told one of her sons .

- (1) himself
- (2) yourself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) yourselves

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10. _____ being in the intense heat, the fireman risked his life to save the toddler.

- (1) As
- (2) While
- (3) Despite
- (4) Although

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For each question from 11 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. (5 marks)

11. The restaurant had to suspend its operation as it was found to be _____ with cockroaches.
- (1) infected
 - (2) polluted
 - (3) infested
 - (4) contaminated
- ()
12. The students need to go to the library to do some _____ before they can start on their project.
- (1) research
 - (2) information
 - (3) expeditions
 - (4) experiments
- ()
13. A man had tipped over a woman's cup of tea, _____ her skirt.
- (1) staining
 - (2) crushing
 - (3) shrinking
 - (4) crumpling
- ()
14. My father told me to always be _____ whenever I used the shortcut through the dark alley on my way home from school.
- (1) vigilant
 - (2) confused
 - (3) determined
 - (4) imaginative
- ()
15. When we were in Malacca, we decided to _____ an old friend whom we had not seen for ages.
- (1) call to
 - (2) call on
 - (3) call off
 - (4) call through
- ()

For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.
(5 marks)

Under ideal conditions, the egg of an Aedes mosquito can hatch into a larva in less than a day. The larva then takes about four days to develop into a pupa, from which an adult mosquito will appear after two days. Three days after the mosquito has bitten a person and taken in blood, it will lay eggs. Then, the cycle begins again.

Only the female Aedes mosquito bites as it needs the protein in blood to develop its eggs. The mosquito becomes infectious approximately seven days after it has bitten a person carrying the virus. This is the incubation period, during which the virus multiplies in the mosquito.

Mosquitoes are most active at dawn and dusk. The average lifespan of an Aedes mosquito in nature is two weeks. The mosquito can lay eggs about three times in its lifetime, and about a hundred eggs are produced each time.

The eggs can lie dormant in dry conditions for up to about nine months. After which, they can hatch if exposed to favourable conditions, that is, water and food. Finally, they begin their adult life.

(Adapted from The National Environment Agency Website, as of February 2017)

16. (1) breed
(2) mature
(3) acquire
(4) enlarge

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17. (1) often
(2) about
(3) seldom
(4) occasionally

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18. (1) returns
(2) resides
(3) respire
(4) reproduces

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19. (1) stable
(2) lifeless
(3) extinct
(4) inactive

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20. (1) useful
(2) suitable
(3) beneficial
(4) convenient

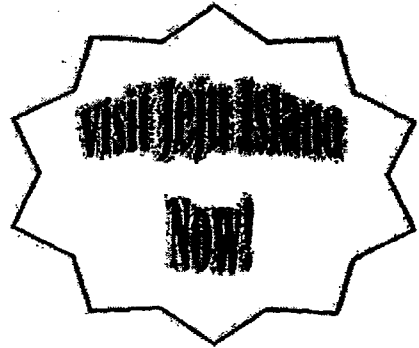
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Study this flyer carefully and answer questions 21 to 28.



Have you heard? Jeju Island has been chosen as one of the **New Seven Wonders of Nature!**

Jeju Tourism Organisation will be presenting a unique Korean cultural exhibition! Visit us at Singapore Changi Airport to discover more about Korea and indulge in the local food and beverages.



WIN A TRIP TO JEJU ISLAND!



Stand a chance to win **FOUR** tickets to Jeju Island.

Step 1: Post a photo that best describes the Korean culture that you have experienced at Singapore Changi Airport on our website.

Step 2: Complete the caption with "I love Jeju Island because..." (Your submission should not be more than 300 words)

Contest Dates: 20 April - 1 May

CAN YOU SPOT THE 'STONE GRANDFATHER' STATUE?

Dates: 1 April - 20 April

Take a photo with any of the 5 'stone grandfather' statues displayed around Singapore Changi Airport to redeem a limited edition souvenir.



SPECIAL TRAVEL OFFERS

Dates: 15 April - 1 May

Enjoy exclusive travel deals to Korea from a range of travel agencies!



DELICIOUS KOREAN FOOD & BEVERAGES

Dates: 1 April - 14 April

Enjoy the best of Korean cuisine with seafood flown directly from Jeju Island. Come and savour the true taste of Korea!



REDEMPTION OF PRIZES AND SOUVENIRS

Dates: 1 May - 11 June

Time: 10am to 12pm

Venue: Changi Airport, Terminal 3, Redemption Counter (Level 2)

Hurry up! What are you waiting for?

Jeju

Jeju Tourism Organisation

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ABOUT JEJU ISLAND

PEOPLE & LANGUAGE

Due to the relative isolation of the island, the people of Jeju Island have developed a culture and language that is distinct from those of mainland Korea. It is a magical place known for 3 things: roaring winds, magnificent rocks and women since there is a bigger population of women.

'Sea' Women of Jeju Island

For hundreds of years, many women in Jeju Island have made their living through harvesting seafood by hand from the ocean floor. The 'sea' women do not use any breathing equipment although a typical dive might last around two minutes!



GEOGRAPHY

The island was created entirely from volcanic eruptions approximately 2 million years ago.

A central feature of Jeju is Hallasan, the tallest mountain in South Korea and a dormant volcano. The peak of the mountain looks like a giant crater. There are 360 other smaller volcanoes around the main volcano.

NATURE AND WILDLIFE

Jeju Island is a popular honeymoon destination for Korean newlyweds. It has beautiful beaches and waterfalls that take one's breath away. It is a tropical paradise.



FOOD

Jeju Island is famous for its abundance of saltwater seafood, in particular its abalone. Thus, local dishes are mainly made with seafood, vegetables and seaweed.

If you are in Jeju Island during the winter or spring season, be sure to try some of their famous sweet tangerines!



WEATHER

It has a humid subtropical climate with four distinct weather seasons. Winters are cool and dry while summers are hot, humid, and sometimes rainy.

For each question from 21 to 28, 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. (8 marks)

- 21 The event, Only Jeju Island is organised by _____.
- (1) New 7 Wonders
 - (2) Only Jeju Island
 - (3) Jeju Tourism Organisation
 - (4) Singapore Changi Airport ()
- 22 The main purpose of this flyer is to _____.
- (1) advertise travel offers
 - (2) promote participation of a contest
 - (3) promote Jeju Island as a travel destination
 - (4) introduce Jeju Island's local food and beverages ()
- 23 Based on the flyer, which of the following is not a natural feature of Jeju Island?
- (1) grasslands
 - (2) mountains
 - (3) volcanoes
 - (4) waterfalls ()
- 24 The exclamation mark in 'Visit Jeju Island Now!' is used to _____.
- (1) demand that readers visit Jeju Island
 - (2) show how easy it is to visit Jeju Island
 - (3) draw readers' attention to the advertisement
 - (4) create a sense of urgency to attend the exhibition ()

25 John plans to take photographs with the 'stone grandfather' statues and find out more about special travel offers. When should he visit Singapore Changi Airport?

(1) 2 April

(2) 14 April

(3) 15 April

(4) 1 May

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26 Which of the following is not a rule in the contest to win four tickets to Jeju Island?

(1) All entries must be submitted online.

(2) Entries submitted on 2 May will be accepted.

(3) The photo must be taken at Singapore Changi Airport.

(4) The caption accompanying the picture should be 300 words or less.

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27 Julia managed to take a photo with a 'stone grandfather' statue and wants to redeem a limited edition souvenir. What time should she visit the redemption counter?

(1) 9 am

(2) 11 am

(3) 3 pm

(4) 10 pm

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28 Based on the information provided in the poster, which of the following statements is true?

(1) There are two seasons in Jeju Island.

(2) Sweet tangerines are in season all year round.

(3) The tallest mountain in South Korea is an active volcano.

(4) 'Sea' women of Jeju Island swim without any diving equipment.

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PARENT'S SIGNATURE:

**2017 SEMESTRAL EXAMINATION ONE
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Name: _____ () Class: P5 _____

Section	Marks	
Grammar Cloze		10
Editing for Spelling and Grammar		12
Comprehension Cloze		15
Synthesis / Transformation		10
Comprehension Open Ended		20
Total		67

There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

(10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

(A) at	(D) on	(G) that	(K) though	(N) where
(B) its	(E) out	(H) then	(L) until	(P) who
(C) it's	(F) over	(J) to	(M) when	(Q) without

"Contestants and coaches, you have ten minutes before the start of the competition. Please proceed (29)_____ your booths and prepare for pre-judging," a voice boomed over the loudspeaker.

Ben jumped at the loud declaration — he was in deep thought, pondering (30)_____ all possible rules the judges might throw at the team at the last minute. Lily tapped Ben (31)_____ the shoulder. "It's time to go, Ben," she said.

The two gathered their materials and followed their two other teammates, Deepa and Marcus, down the side of the big school hall (32)_____ the robotics competition was taking place. The four gathered in their designated booth and laid (33)_____ all their equipment on the table provided.

The contestants were to build a robot (34)_____ would have to autonomously work (35)_____ way around an obstacle course on the stage, (36)_____ being commanded by a remote control or any other signalling device. (37)_____, a final rule was announced — the robots were to remove the space debris' that were scattered along the course (38)_____ the end. Once the competition started, Ben and his teammates quickly brainstormed for ideas that might work for that last-minute rule.

Adapted from www.readworks.org, 'The Race for Robots'



Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error.
Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

If you ever go trekking in Central or South American rainforests, you might

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hear one of the loudest animals in the world: the howler monkey. Using its large

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throats and specialised, shell-like vocel chambers, howler monkeys grunt, bark,

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howl and roar in order to comunnicate with each other and give territorial calls to

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defend their turf. The monkeys' calls are so loud that they can be heard in five

kilometres away! These noisy monkeys spend most of their time high in the trees.

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Their long tails are able to support their body weight and acts like an extra arm for

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gripping branches. This helps to prevent the howler monkeys from falling from the tree

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tops. A howler monkey's diet consist of leaves, fruit, flowers, and nuts. When

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this monkeys are not making loud calls or eating, they are usually grooming one

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another or sleeping. Besides eagles, jaguars and snakes that pray on these

monkeys, humans do too. Sadly, these monkeys have been found to be hunted by

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poachers who sell them as exotic pets. Efforts had been made to protect this

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species by nurturing them in wildlife sanctuaries. Now you know more about these

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amazing primates! Tell someone you know what you have learnt about them.

Adapted from www.superteacherworksheets.com, A Very Loud Monkey by Guy Belleranti

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

To understand how we fall sick, we need to know what causes an infection.

When bacteria (51) _____ a virus enters our body, we become ill.

Viruses and bacteria are visible only (52) _____ the microscope.

Scientists have (53) _____ that bacteria are older than viruses but less harmful. Some bacteria are even harmless. Illnesses caused (54) _____ bacteria can be cured by taking antibiotics.

Viruses tend (55) _____ cause more serious infections. A virus has one cell. To reproduce, a virus has to penetrate the host cell. When the virus is in the host cell, it (56) _____ all the functions of that host cell, multiplies and spreads, thus causing illnesses. Some viruses are responsible for (57) _____ like the common flu. Others can cause more harm. For deadly viruses like the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) virus, there (58) _____ no medicines which are entirely efficient against (59) _____ because the virus permanently damages the host cell.

Thankfully, our immune (60) _____ allows our body to defend itself against foreign bacteria or viruses. Our bodies (61) _____ bacteria and viruses by producing substances (62) _____ as antibodies. Some antibodies remain (63) _____ the blood even after the body recovers. When (64) _____ happens, it prevents the same illness from striking again. However, there are times when the (65) _____ is unable to defend itself properly. That is when we need medication to recover.

Adapted from howstuffworksscience.com



For each of the questions 66 to 70, 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). (10 marks)

66. Mr Johnson is an American. He speaks fluent Mandarin.

Although _____

67. Siti and Mei Mei were unhappy about their seating arrangement.

Neither _____

68. "Do you want to use the telephone?" David asked me.

David asked _____

69. Do not tell me the story. Let me read it.

_____ until

70. Chitra heard the bad news. She broke down and cried.

On _____



Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80.

(20 marks)

Highly popular, Formula One (F1) racing is a motor sport in which drivers race each other in super-fast cars. Michael Schumacher was an F1 racer for nineteen years until he retired in 2012. He won the world championship seven times - a feat no one else has achieved.

Schumacher came from a poor family. His father did not earn much money from his job as a *bricklayer*. It was not easy for Schumacher's family to make ends meet. But Schumacher's incredible strength and determination made it possible for him to rise to become the most successful driver in F1 history. He did this through sheer hard work and self-discipline. His competitors admired him for his single-minded determination to overcome obstacles.

Unfortunately, some years after his retirement, Schumacher was involved in an accident. He was skiing with his son and some friends in France. Skiing is a sport in which people slide down snow-covered mountain slopes by using a pair of long, narrow strips called skis that they wear on their feet.

Schumacher was a professional skier. He was also a very careful skier. In spite of that, he crashed into a partially hidden rock. The impact flung him against another rock. He hit his head so hard that his helmet split into two pieces. He was immediately taken to a hospital.

Doctors found that his brain was damaged and terribly swollen as a result of the blow to his head. There were big blood clots in his brain, causing him to go into a coma. Doctors tried very hard to remove them. Meanwhile, his family and friends hoped that the former F1 champion would demonstrate the same grit and determination he had shown in winning F1 races to pull through and wake up.

After some months, Schumacher made progress and finally regained consciousness. He is currently paralysed and needs to re-learn basic skills like walking, talking and remembering simple things. Compared to how he

had lived his life on the fast lanes of F1 where he could do everything accurately and quickly, this must be extremely difficult and frustrating for him. 30

The accident has taken a great toll on Schumacher's family. His wife, Corinna, has reportedly taken over her husband's 500 million dollar business empire as he is unable to manage his business while he receives treatment for his injuries. 35

Corinna Schumacher has sold their 25 million dollar jet and holiday home as she believes he will 'never fully recover to enjoy them again' after the life-changing skiing accident in the French Alps in 2013. She is also considering selling their winter home there, where the accident took place. To her, it is a painful reminder of the tragedy that occurred. A report in a German newspaper said, 'Corinna is now alone, alone in a golden empire.' 40

Schumacher requires round the clock care at his mansion in Gland, Switzerland. Recently, his doctors said that the 46-year-old has made little progress as he is immobile and cannot speak. 45

A well-loved personality known by many from all walks of life and around the world, Schumacher will have to summon every ounce of his courage and fighting spirit to go right back to the starting line of an entirely different race - that of a long, slow and hard recovery. 50

'I never thought I was the best or unbeatable,' Schumacher once said in an interview. Perhaps that was what kept him unbeatable in F1 racing for many years. According to the official F1 website, he is 'statistically the greatest driver the sport has ever seen'.

Adapted from 'Formula One Champion's slowest Race' by Richard Philip

**bricklayer - a person who builds walls and other structures using bricks*

71. What is F1 racing? (1m)

72. Why was Schumacher's achievement remarkable? (2m)

73. Which three-word phrase from lines 6 to 10 tells us that Schumacher came from a poor family? (1m)

74. Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write the answers in the column on the right. (2m)

Words from the passage	What the word refers to
them (line 23)	
It (line 41)	

75. Choose words from paragraph 2, 3 and 4 which have opposite meanings to the words below. (4m)

rich	
ordinary	
disrespected	
amateur	

76. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events happened in the passage. (1m)

_____ Schumacher brain was badly swollen and damaged.

_____ Schumacher and his family went for a holiday in the French Alps in 2013.

_____ Schumacher hit his head so hard against a rock that his helmet split into two pieces.

77. Based on the passage, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. (3m)

	True/ False	Reason
(a) Schumacher was injured while competing in France.		
(b) Corinna Schumacher's son will inherit the family's 25 million dollar jet and holiday home.		
(c) Schumacher was a very popular celebrity.		

78. According to his doctors, state 2 reasons why Schumacher requires round the clock care. (2m)

(a)
(b)



79. The table below shows the cause and result of some events on the story. Fill in the empty boxes using information from the story. (2m)

Cause	Result
	Schumacher hit his head.
Doctors found blood clots in Schumacher's head.	

80. Explain in your own words what the writer means when he says that Schumacher must go "back to the starting line of an entirely different race." (2m)



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Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30
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- 39) their 40) vocal 41) communicate 42) from 43) act
 44) gripping 45) consists 46) these 47) prey 48) have
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- 51) or 52) through 53) found 54) by 55) to
 56) damages 57) diseases 58) ate 59) them 60) system
 61) fight 62) such 63) in 64) that 65) body

- 66) Although Mr Johnson is an American, he speaks fluent Mandarin.
 67) Neither Siti nor Mei Mei was happy about their sitting arrangement.
 68) David asked me if I wanted to use the telephone.
 69) Do not tell me the story until I have read it.
 70) On hearing the bad news, Chitra broke down and cried.
 71) F1 is a motor sport in which drivers race each other in super fast cars.
 72) He won the world championship seven times and no one has been able to break his record.
 73) "make ends meet"
 74) Them – The big blood clots in Schumacher's brain
 It – The winter house in the French Alps
 75) rich – poor
 ordinary – incredible
 disrespected – admired
 amateur – professional
 76) 3, 1, 2
 77)
 a) False – He was skiing with his son and some friends
 b) False – Corinna has sold the family's 25 million dollar jet and holiday home
 c) True – He was a well-loved personality known by many from all walks of life and around the world
 78)
 a) He is immobile
 b) He cannot speak
 79)
 He crashed into a partially hidden rock which caused him to crash against another rock – Schumacher hit his head

Doctors found blood clots in Schumacher's head – Schumacher went into coma

80) He means that Schumacher will need to start life all over again which involves him learning to speak and walk and remembering things from his past.

