



**HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
2022 SA1 PRACTICE PAPER 1
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY FOUR**

NAME: _____ ()

CLASS: Primary 4 _____

Duration of Paper: 1 h 15 min

Part I	16
Part II	36
TOTAL	52

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

PART I

SECTION A: Vocabulary (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

1. John managed to escape before his friend could _____ a bucket of cold water on him.

- (1) shoot
- (2) spray
- (3) squirt
- (4) splash

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2. The runners were called to _____ at the starting line as the 100 metre race was about to start.

- (1) unite
- (2) mingle
- (3) assemble
- (4) participate

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3. Tim was given a badge by his English teacher as a small _____ for successfully completing his reading assignment.

(1) relic
(2) token
(3) voucher
(4) souvenir

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4. The four friends managed to overcome most of the _____ that they had faced earlier and continued to work cooperatively on their English project.

(1) worries
(2) irritations
(3) difficulties
(4) embarrassments

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5. May Ling felt _____ for buying a glittery diary which cost her her whole month's pocket money.

(1) offensive
(2) ornamental
(3) extravagant
(4) exaggerated

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6. The spectators were relieved when the race car driver appeared _____ from the flaming vehicle.

(1) unscathed
(2) untouched
(3) undamaged
(4) unblemished

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SECTION B: Grammar (10 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. Then shade your answers on the OAS provided.

7. The television set was very heavy but Uncle Jim picked it up _____ ease.

(1) in
(2) at
(3) for
(4) with

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8. Volunteers from SPCA has rescued a litter of kittens which _____ left inside a cardboard box by the side of a busy expressway yesterday afternoon.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

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9. If I had not looked where I was going, I _____ into that deep drain.

(1) would fall
(2) had fallen
(3) was falling
(4) would have fallen

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10. "My mum can't speak to you now as she _____. May I take a message for her?" I asked.

(1) cooks
(2) will cook
(3) is cooking
(4) has cooked

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11. Mrs Tan went to the toy store and _____ a toy train for her son's first birthday.

- (1) buys
- (2) bought
- (3) has bought
- (4) was buying

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12. The witch and her accomplice _____ a spell on the prince when the guards broke down the door and rescued him.

- (1) is casting
- (2) are casting
- (3) was casting
- (4) were casting

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13. "I am not sure where _____ students standing over there are supposed to sit, but my friends and I are in our assigned seats here," Tom explained.

- (1) this
- (2) that
- (3) these
- (4) those

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14. My brothers want to buy the latest games _____ they do not have enough money.

- (1) or
- (2) as
- (3) but
- (4) then

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15. Jane and her family had _____ enjoyable experiences during her holiday in Spain last year.

- (1) any
- (2) many
- (3) much
- (4) a little

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16. "Can you **both** make _____ less noise, please?" begged Kim who was trying to do her homework.

- (1) any
- (2) many
- (3) much
- (4) a little

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PART II**SECTION C: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)****Part 1**

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

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

Ali and his brother came to a river when they were out hunting. They knew it was a magical river because (17) _____ father used to tell them about it. Ali remembered (18) _____ father warned them not to go near it. However, Ali's brother was curious. He jumped in and swam to the other side. When (19) _____ got out of the river, something strange happened. He could not hear (20) _____ when he spoke. Ali was so frightened and he did not know how he could help his brother.

Part 2

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

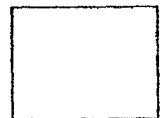
Today is the School Sports Day. Jane is taking part in the 100 m race. She has been training every day. Yesterday, her father (21) [buys / bought] her a new pair of running shoes and she (22) [is / was] overjoyed. Jane (23) [hope / hopes] to win a gold medal. Many of her friends and teachers are at the stadium to (24) [cheer / cheers] her on.



SECTION D: Comprehension Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Last week, Mrs Wong was waiting for the
(25) _____ at the bus stop. Suddenly, a man appeared and
snatched her handbag. She shouted for (26) _____. A young man
nearby saw what had happened. He chased (27) _____ the snatch
thief and pinned him to the floor. A policeman was passing
(28) _____ and he arrested the thief.



SECTION E: Synthesis (4 x 1 mark)

Rewrite the given sentences using the word provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentences.

29. David was playing the piano. David's mother slipped and fell.

_____ when

30. Mei Mei wants to get well. Mei Mei must take the medication.

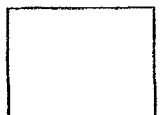
_____ if

31. The hunter wore a black shirt. The hunter shot a man-eating tiger.

_____ who _____

32. Hai Ming does not like strawberries. Kelly does not like strawberries.

Neither _____



SECTION F: Comprehension

Comprehension 1 (8 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions 33 to 39.

<p>Tim was excited. He was on the bus, on his way to stay with his grandfather over the weekends. Tim really liked him. He was very intelligent and adventurous. Despite his old age, he was willing to try and experience new activities. When Tim stayed with him the last December holidays, Grandpa taught him how to fish. They went to the river and caught three huge fish. He could not forget the excitement when he felt his line tugging hard. Grandpa came to lend a hand. Both of them reeled the fish in together. Every time, he caught one, Tim was immensely proud of himself.</p>	5
<p>Soon, Tim reached Grandpa's house. The housekeeper took his bag from him and told him that Grandpa was in the study. He hurried into the study. "Hello, Grandpa," he began. Then, he stopped in surprise. Grandpa was sitting in an armchair with a huge cast on his foot.</p>	10
<p>"What happened?" Tim exclaimed. "I fell when I was trimming the plants in the garden last week. I'm sorry. I won't be able to do much with you." Grandpa explained.</p>	15
<p>Tim was disappointed for a while but he cheered up when he thought of how he could spend time with Grandpa. He made Grandpa tell him exciting stories of his childhood and also tales of explorers who used to sail across the oceans and travel across deserts to distant lands. Tim learnt a lot and he enjoyed his time spent with Grandpa as always.</p>	20

33. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

Tim was excited because _____. [1m]

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he was allowed to take the bus on his own

his grandfather was going to teach him how to fish

he was going to stay with his grandfather for the weekends

34. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

Tim was surprised when he saw his grandfather because _____. [1m]

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his leg was in a cast

he apologized to him

he was reading in the study

35. Which word in the sentence shows that Grandpa was brave in trying new things?

Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

(A)	(B)
He was very intelligent and adventurous .	

For Q36 – 37, decide who did the following activities. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

The first example has been done for you.

[2m]

Activities described in paragraph 1		Grandpa	Tim
Example	He stayed with him the last December holidays.		✓
36.	He taught him how to fish.		
37.	He needed help to reel the fish in.		

For Q36-37, tick (✓) whether the statements describe Grandpa or Tim. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

Statement		Grandpa	Tim
Example	He was resting on his arm chair in the study.	✓	
36.	He trimmed the plants last week.		
37.	He was disappointed for a while but cheered up after that.		

38. What does the word 'one' in Line 7 refer to? [1m]

39. Since Grandpa was not able to move about freely, how did they spend their weekends together?

(i) _____ [1m]

(ii) _____ [1m]

Comprehension 2 (10 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions 40 to 47.

It was an old building with an old rickety elevator. Martin, an eight-year-old, felt nervous in it from the first day he and his father moved into the apartment. He had been living on the farmhouse since he was born. He had never been in a place so high up in the air. He was afraid the elevator would fall.

Coming home from school the day after they moved in, Martin decided to climb up the stairs. But they were almost as bad, windowless with several dark landings where the light bulbs had burned out. By the time he reached the seventeenth floor, he was gasping from running all the way up.

His father asked, "Why are you so out of breath? Why didn't you take the elevator? Why are you so fearful?" Martin did not get used to it. He remained tense in the little trembling box.

One morning, the elevator stopped at the fourteenth floor. A boy got in. When their eyes met, Martin's eyes widened and he exclaimed, Tom! Why are you here?" Tom was Martin's classmate. He was thrilled to know that from now on, he would have someone to accompany him to and from school. They got along well and even made plans to go to each other's homes to study and play. The elevator was no longer scary with a friend to talk to in it.

40. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

Martin was nervous because he _____.

[1m]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | missed the farmhouse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | was not used to living on a high level |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | did not know anyone at the new house |

41. Why was climbing the stairs just as bad for Martin? [1m]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | There were no windows and it was dark. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | He was not fit enough to climb the stairs. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | His father refused to climb the stairs with him. |

42. Read each statement and tick (✓) "True" or "False". The first example has been done for you.

[2m]

Statement		True	False
Example	Martin moved into an old building with an old rickety elevator.	✓	
a.	Martin and his father lived on the seventeenth storey.		
b.	Martin's father agreed to accompany him up and down the elevator since he was fearful.		

43. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes below to show what the writer did first, next and last in paragraph 1.

[1m]

	Martin met Tom in the elevator.
	Martin had to move out of the farmhouse.
	Martin had someone to go to school with.

44. Which **sentence** in the passage tells us that Martin was no longer fearful in the elevator? [1m]

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45. What does the phrase "**the little trembling box**" in line 10-11 refer to? [1m]

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46. State whether each statement below is true or false. Give a reason for your answer. [2m]

	Statement	True/False	Evidence
(a)	Martin enjoyed climbing the stairs as it was cool and windy.		<div></div> <div></div> <div></div>
(b)	Tom and Martin got along well.		<div></div> <div></div> <div></div>

47. Give a reason why Martin ran all the way up the stairs home after returning from school. [1m]

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**HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
2022 SA1 PRACTICE PAPER 2
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY FOUR**

NAME: _____ ()

CLASS: Primary 4 _____

Duration of Paper: 1h 15min

Part I	14
Part II	36
TOTAL	50

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

PART I

SECTION A: Vocabulary (6 x 1 mark)

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

- During Sports Day, the _____ cheered loudly as their classmates competed against one another.

(1) viewers
(2) listeners
(3) audience
(4) spectators ()
- "Start working on your _____ so that you will be able to confidently share your solutions to the questions with your classmates on that day," Mrs Lim reminded her students.

(1) rehearsals
(2) equipment
(3) ingredients
(4) presentations ()

3. As soon as the children at the playground heard the roar of the thunder, they quickly _____ back into their homes for shelter.

(1) drifted
(2) scurried
(3) trudged
(4) wandered

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4. Jacob has a _____ memory. He can hardly remember meeting his new neighbour last week.

(1) long
(2) poor
(3) deep
(4) bitter

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5. The children were disappointed that their efforts proved _____ when they could not persuade their parents to bring them out to the beach.

(1) idle
(2) futile
(3) petty
(4) effective

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6. Mrs Rose _____ around the restaurant looking for her friend.

(1) stared
(2) peered
(3) glanced
(4) browsed

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SECTION B: Grammar (8 x 1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. Then shade your answers on the OAS provided.

7. The sun _____ in the east and sets in the west.

- (1) rise
- (2) rose
- (3) rises
- (4) risen

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8. Sam, together with his friends, _____ at the library during recess yesterday.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

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9. "Mary _____ her bag now. She will be ready soon," Jane told her friends.

- (1) packs
- (2) packed
- (3) is packing
- (4) was packing

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10. They _____ for the bus when the accident happened last night.

- (1) waited
- (2) have waited
- (3) was waiting
- (4) were waiting

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11. "Stop mumbling to _____ and speak up," Mr Toh told his daughters.

(1) herself

(2) yourself

(3) yourselves

(4) themselves

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12. If you have _____ time to spare, come and cheer for me at the National Swimming Competition.

(1) no

(2) a few

(3) some

(4) much

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13. Mr Tan missed _____ point and lost the tennis match.

(1) a

(2) any

(3) some

(4) many

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14. "Look across the street! There is a big crowd in front of _____ grocery store," said Mrs Lee to her friend.

(1) this

(2) that

(3) these

(4) those

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PART II**SECTION C: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)****Part 1**

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. **USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) about	(B) at	(C) for
(D) of	(E) off	(F) to

Last Sunday, Jenny and her parents were having breakfast together. They were (15) _____ a coffee shop near their home. While they were eating, Jenny talked (16) _____ what she did in school that day.

Jenny excitedly shared that she enjoyed her batik painting lessons in school. She also told them that her artwork was selected (17) _____ an exhibition in the Art Museum. Her parents were proud (18) _____ her achievement. They smiled and congratulated her.

Part 2

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

Sally went cycling with her friends at the East Coast Park last Monday. They (19) [have / had] been cycling for a distance when they heard sounds coming from the bushes. They stopped cycling and walked (20) [towards / through] the source of the sound. Upon reaching there, they were shocked to see a frail, abandoned dog in the bushes. Sally (21) [decides / decided] to call the animal shelter for help.

Soon, an officer from the animal shelter came and rescued (22) [it / them]. Sally and her friends felt pleased with themselves for helping the poor dog.

SECTION D: Comprehension Cloze (4 x 1 mark)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Elena's parents took her to the Night Safari for her tenth birthday.

She was excited yet nervous. She was worried that the walking trails might not be lit up and they might have to walk in total (23) _____. Once they reached the park, Elena was relieved to see the lights along the trail and they could walk on it safely.

When Elena and her parents became tired of walking, they decided to (24) _____ the tram. It took them to many different Animal Zones around the park. It was an eye-opening experience for Elena to see the animals moving around in (25) _____ own environment.

Soon, it was time to leave the park. Elena had (26) _____ enjoyable time and also learned a lot about nocturnal animals. Elena thanked her parents for the wonderful birthday treat.



SECTION E: Synthesis (4 x 1 mark)

Rewrite the given sentences using the word provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentences.

27. My mother was washing the dishes. I was cleaning my room.

While _____

28. Peter will put on weight. Peter keeps eating snacks in between meals.

If _____

29. This is the necklace. My sister bought it for my birthday last year.

_____ which

30. James and his friends were exhausted. James and his friends continued to run.

_____ although



SECTION F: Comprehension

Comprehension 1 (10 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions 31 to 39.

At 13 years old, Alysa Liu is the youngest-ever champion at the 2019 United States Women's Figure Skating Championships.

At the competition, Alysa's performance was flawless. The judges were impressed with her perfect jumps and turns. Alysa had made **them** look easy although they were extremely challenging. She had to have incredible body strength and control to be the first competitor to successfully complete such a difficult routine in a competition. 5

Alysa is modest about her accomplishment. She told a reporter, "I am happy that I beat my personal record."

Alysa was 5 years old when her parents took her to the Oakland Ice Centre for her first ice skating lesson. She fell in love with ice skating and was eager to learn. Her coach, Laura Lipetsky, was a former national competitor. She told Alysa's father that Alysa has a natural talent for ice skating. Her father then enrolled her for private lessons with Laura. 10

Although Alysa's everyday routine is demanding, she takes it in her stride. She does not complain. She starts her day early in the morning and has three training sessions daily. In between practices, she does her homework. Alysa usually eats dinner in the car on her way home, and is fast asleep by 8.30 p.m. When the reporter asked her what she likes to do during her free time, Alysa replied, "I like to ride my bicycle at the park nearby with my friends." 15

Adapted from Christiansen, D. (2019, February 5). <https://www.dogonews.com>

31. How old is the youngest-ever 2019 U.S. champion in figure skating? [1m]

32. Which word in paragraph 2 tells us that Alysa's performance is perfect at the 2019 U.S. Women's Figure Skating Championships? [1m]

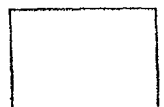
33. The word '**them**' in **Paragraph 2** refers to Alysa's _____. [1m]

Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

judges	
jumps and turns	
incredible body strength and control	

34. Which **sentence** in the passage tells you that Alysa was humble? [1m]

35. Why was Alysa able to successfully complete the difficult routine at the 2019 Championships? [1m]



36. Why did Alysa's father enrol her for private ice skating lessons? [2m]

For Q37-39, state whether each statement in the table is True or False. [3m]

	Statement	True/False
37.	Alysa met her coach when she was 5 years old.	
38.	Alysa loves the sport but she is unable to cope with her busy training schedule.	
39.	Alysa gets to have a nice dinner with her family at home after her training sessions.	



Comprehension 2 (10 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions 40 to 47.

Baobao has silky white fur which curls as it grows. Ben takes him to the dog groomer twice a year. His fur is cut really short as it tangles easily. The groomer will always tie a bright yellow bandana around his neck.

Baobao was abandoned by his previous owner. Ben had brought him home from the Animal Shelter. At first, the dog was malnourished and very 5 timid. With great patience, Ben nursed him back to good health and continued to feed him well. Since then, both Ben and Baobao formed a special bond.

Every weekday at noon, Baobao will sit at the front gate straining to hear the **familiar sound** made by Ben's school bus. As soon as he hears the screeching of brakes, he will burst into a flurry of activity. There will be plenty 10 of tail wags, happy barks and leaps into the air. Their daily reunions are joyous!

One morning, Baobao was resting on his favourite spot in the kitchen. He saw something move in the garden and ran out to investigate. Sensing danger, he jumped back. He ran back into the kitchen, barking furiously. A large creature crawled out from behind the plants. It moved towards him. 15

"What is it, boy?" asked Ben. Looking behind his dog, what he saw, made his skin crawl. Right in the centre of the kitchen was a giant monitor lizard! Its mouth was wide open showing its sharp teeth!

Wanting to protect his beloved owner, Baobao lunged at it. Quick as lightning, Ben caught him in mid-air, just as the lizard's mouth snapped shut. 20 Ben held onto his dog which was still barking in his left arm. Using his free hand, he grabbed a tennis racket. He yelled and waved it wildly at the lizard.

Luckily, the lizard decided it had enough of the commotion. He crawled lazily out of the kitchen. Ben quickly shut the kitchen door.

That night, Ben gave Baobao a big juicy bone as a reward. 25

40. Baobao's fur is cut really short because it _____. [1m]

- (1) is clean
 - (2) is silky white
 - (3) tangles easily
 - (4) grows really fast
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41. Ben and Baobao formed a special bond because _____. [1m]

- (1) Ben nursed it back to health
 - (2) its previous owner abandoned it
 - (3) they first met at the Animal Shelter
 - (4) it was malnourished and extremely fearful
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42. In line 9, what does the phrase 'familiar sound' refer to? [1m]

43. Which **sentence** from **paragraph 4** tells you that Baobao was curious? [1m]

44. Write the number (1, 2 or 3) in the boxes beside the events below to show the order that they happened in the passage. [1m]

Baobao ran back into the kitchen.	
Baobao lunged at the lizard.	
Baobao was resting on the kitchen floor.	



45. State whether each statement in the table below is **True** or **False**. Use **evidence** from the passage to give a **reason** for your answer. [2m]

	Sentence	True/ False	Reason
(a)	Baobao greeted his owner by wagging his tail only.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
(b)	Ben was shocked and frightened when he first saw the lizard.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

46. Why did Baobao try to attack the lizard? [1m]

47. Complete the table below using appropriate words/phrases that best describe the change in Baobao at the beginning and at the end of the passage. [2m]

	At the beginning	In the end
(a)		Baobao is well-fed.
(b)	Baobao was timid.	

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 YEAR : 2022
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Q1	4	Q2	3	Q3	2	Q4	3	Q5	3
Q6	1	Q7	4	Q8	3	Q9	4	Q10	3
Q11	2	Q12	4	Q13	4	Q14	3	Q15	2
Q16	4								

Q17	D	Q18	B	Q19	A	Q20	C
Q21	bought	Q22	was	Q23	hopes	Q24	cheer
Q25	Bus	Q26	help	Q27	after	Q28	by

Q29	David was playing the piano when his mother slipped and fell.
Q30	Mei Mei must take the medication if she wants to get well.
Q31	The hunter who was wearing a black shirt shot a man-eating tiger.
Q32	Neither Hai Ming nor Kelly likes strawberries.
Q33	he was going to stay with his grandfather for the weekends
Q34	his leg was in a cast
Q35	B) adventurous
Q36	Grandpa
Q37	Tim
Q38	The huge fish
Q39	(i) Grandpa told Tim exciting stories of his childhood. (ii) Who used to sail across the sea.
Q40	was not used to living on a high level
Q41	There were no windows and it was dark
Q42	a. True b. False
Q43	2, 1, 3
Q44	The elevator was no longer scary with a friend to talk to in it.
Q45	The elevator
Q46	a) False. It was windowless with several dark landings where the light bulbs had burned out. b) True. Tom and Martin made plans to go to each other's houses to study and play.
Q47	He was afraid of taking the elevator.

YEAR : 2022
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Q1	4	Q2	4	Q3	2	Q4	2	Q5	2
Q6	3	Q7	3	Q8	3	Q9	3	Q10	4
Q11	3	Q12	3	Q13	1	Q14	2		

Q15	B	Q16	A	Q17	C	Q18	D
Q19	had	Q20	towards	Q21	decided	Q22	it
Q23	darkness	Q24	take	Q25	their	Q26	an

Q27	While my mother was washing the dishes, I was cleaning my room.
Q28	If Peter keeps eating snacks in between meals, he will put on weights.
Q29	This is the necklace which my sister bought for the birthday last year.
Q30	James and his friends continued to run although they were exhausted.

Q31	13 years old.
Q32	flawless
Q33	jumps and turns
Q34	Alysa is modest about her accomplishment.
Q35	She trains hard three times a day in order to perfect her routine.
Q36	Alysa has a natural talent for ice skating
Q37	True
Q38	False
Q39	False
Q40	3
Q41	1
Q42	It refers to the screeching of brakes.
Q43	He saw something move in the garden and ran out to investigate.
Q44	2 3 1
Q45	a) False. Baobao greeted his owner by wagging his tail barking happily and leaping in the air. b) True. When he first saw the lizard, his skin crawled.
Q46	Baobao wanted to protect Ben from the lizard.
Q47	(a) Baobao was malnourished (b) Baobao is brave

