

NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL 2023 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION PRIMARY 6 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1 - WRITING

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Class:	Primary	6	E	 			

Part 1	Total: 15
Part 2	Total: 40
Parts 1 & 2	Total: 55

Duration: 1 hour 10 minutes

Date: 21 August 2023

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

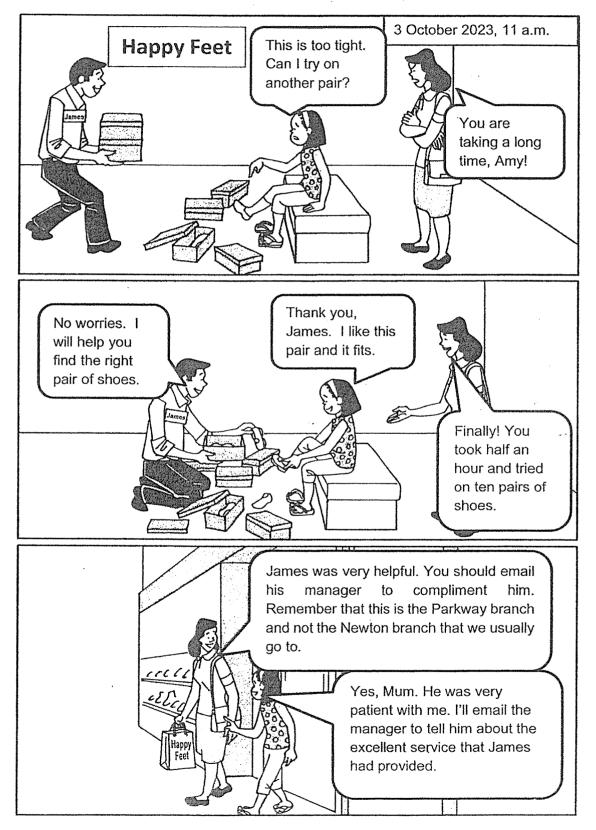
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Part 1: Situational Writing (15 marks)

Study the pictures carefully.

The pictures below show Amy and her mother at a shoe shop.



Your Task

Imagine you are Amy.

Write an email to the manager, Mr Muthu, to tell him about the excellent customer service you received at his shoe shop.

You are to refer to the pictures and information on page 1 for your email.

In your email, include the following key information:

- · when and where you received excellent customer service
- the name of the salesperson
- how many pairs of shoes you tried on and how long you took
- · what you and your mother liked about the salesperson

You may reorder the points. Remember to write in complete sentences.

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Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

Write a composition of <u>at least 150</u> words about **an opportunity.**

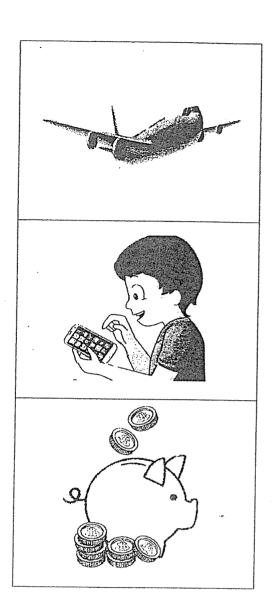
The pictures are provided to help you think about this topic.

Your composition should be based on one or more of these pictures.

Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

- What was the opportunity?
- How was the opportunity used?

You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.



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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2 – LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION BOOKLET A

Booklet A	/ 28
Booklet B	/ 67
TOTAL	/ 95

Name:()	
Class: Primary 6E	
	Parent's Signature
Date: 21 August 2023	
Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 50 minutes	

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	swer. M swer Sh	ake your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical neet. (10 marks)
1	Pra	ctically every member of my family when they sleep.
	(1)	snore
	(2)	snores
	(3)	snored
	(4)	snoring
2		man told the tourist, "I'm afraid there is information that give you about this place. I have not visited the place myself either."
	(1)	few
	(2)	little
	(3)	much
	(4)	many
3	The awa	judges made unanimous decision to give Mark honorary rd.
	(1)	a a
	(2)	a an
	(3)	an a
	(4)	an an
4	Mary ——	's mother is very strict. She will not be allowed to attend the picnic she finishes her homework.
	(1)	if
	(2)	while
	(3)	unless
	(4)	because
5	Melo	dy's father prefers books to watching television in his free
	(1)	read
	(2)	reading
	(3)	has read
	(4)	having read

nor each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct

having read

U		done.
	(1) (2) (3)	itself myself himself
	(4)	themselves
7	The	restaurant is only open the day.
	(1)	at
	(2)	from
	(3)	during
	(4)	between
8	"She	's been studying Mandarin for years,?" asked John.
	(1)	is she
	(2)	has she
	(3)	isn't she
	(4)	hasn't she
9		ough the weather forecast has predicted heavy rains, the group of friends still going to the park.
	(1)	is
	(2)	are
	(3)	was
	(4)	were
10	ł	to reach the internet company all morning but I cannot seem
•	to ge	t through. I will try again later.
	(1)	shall try
	(2)	am trying
	(3)	has been trying
	(4)	have been trying

		1	(5 marks
11		birthday planner organized aus of the affluent family.	party which matched the
	(1)	vivacious	
	(2)	delectable	
	(3)	sumptuous	
	(4)	scrumptious	. •
12		pite having lived in Japan for five years	
	(1)	informally	
		effectively	
	(3)	exclusively	
	(4)	interestingly	
13	The	shoes are the perfect	to the entire outfit. Now she is
		y for the ball.	
	(1)	compliant	
	(2)	completion	
	(3)	compliment	
	(4)	complement	
14	Philip	o was clearly wrong but he refused to _	and apologise.
	(1)	back up	
	(2)	back out	
	(3)	back away	
	(4)	back down	
15		lational Day, I enjoyed watching the my room window.	display of fireworks
	(1)	radiant	
	(2)	shocking	
	(3)	mediocre	
	(4)	exemplary	

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) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

ror each question from 15 to 20, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

Tommy was a mischievous boy who loved to play pranks on his friends and family. One day, his aunt, who was easily startled, paid him a visit. That gave him a perfect opportunity to come up with a prank. The plan was going to be foolproof.

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Crouched in a dark corner of the house, he lay in wait for his aunt to stroll past. As his unsuspecting aunt passed by, Tommy jumped out, shouting at the top of his lungs. Taken aback, his aunt stumbled and fell, letting out a sharp cry. She (18) was then taken to the hospital for treatment.

Tommy felt an overwhelming sense of guilt and regret. His <u>plan</u> to make his (19) aunt laugh had backfired, causing her harm. Realising the <u>gravity</u> of his actions, he (20) promised to change his ways and never play a prank again. It was a painful lesson learnt.

- 16 (1) devise
 - (2) construct
 - (3) reproduce
 - (4) implement
- 17 (1) infallible
 - (2) invincible
 - (3) incredible
 - (4) indescribable
- 18 (1) infuriated
 - (2) dismayed
 - (3) aggravated
 - (4) flabbergasted
- 19 (1) ambition
 - (2) intention
 - (3) resolution
 - (4) proposition
- 20 (1) foolishness
 - (2) seriousness
 - (3) recklessness
 - (4) inappropriateness

Join us at our 1st Chess Fair at the Riverville Community Club!



16 - 19 November 2023

This fair organised by the Riverville Community Club features various activities that will teach you more about chess!

Take part in a workshop to learn chess techniques or play a game of speed chess with friends. You may even get a chance to participate in a friendly match with a Grand Master!

You do not have to know how to play chess to participate. Visit the fair to begin your learning!

Thursday 16 November

10 a.m. to 11 a.m. – Beginner Workshop
11 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. – Friendly match with Grand Master John Woo
1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. – Open boards / Free play*

Friday 17 November

10 a.m. to 12 p.m. – Intermediate Workshop 12 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. – Chess matches 1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. – Open boards / Free play*

Saturday 18 November

10 a.m. to 12 p.m. – Special Workshop by Mr Christian Owen
12 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. – Chess matches
1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. – Open boards / Free play*

Sunday 19 November

10 a.m. to 12 p.m. – Advanced Workshop 12 p.m. to 12.45 p.m. – Open boards / Free play* 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. – Prize Presentation

*Open boards / Free play is open to players of all levels.

All workshops are held at Lecture Theatre 1.

Matches are held in the Main Hall.

Take part in the matches for a chance to win attractive prizes!

Registration for workshops/matches and entry is free-of-charge and open to all.

The Wonderful Game of Chess

History of Chess

Chess is a popular board game relying on strategy and skill to win. Originating in India in the early 7th century, the game spread to Persia before reaching Russia. It evolved into what we know as chess around the 16th century. One of the first masters of the game was a Spanish priest named Ruy Lopez.

As the rules of chess evolved over time so did the approach to it. Many brilliant players throughout history have developed theories and tactics bringing the game to where it is today.

Now, it is enjoyed by people of all ages and from all walks of life. Its popularity has grown to the point where global competitions and tournaments are regularly held. Chess players now make up one of the largest communities in the world: 605 million adults play chess regularly.

Benefits of Playing Chess

Exercises both sides of the brain

Studies show that in order to play chess well, a player must develop and utilise his brain's left hemisphere which deals with object recognition. It also develops the right hemisphere which deals with pattern recognition. Over time, playing chess exercises and develops not one but both sides of your brain.

Improves children's thinking and problem-solving skills

Chess enhances brain development, especially in children between 7 and 9. Research shows that playing chess improves a child's thinking, problemsolving, reading, and Maths scores. Educators and chess experts generally agree the age of 7 is the ideal time to introduce children to chess, although some as young as four or five may be ready to learn and play the game.

Helps with rehabilitation and therapy

Chess can be used to help rehabilitate patients recovering from a stroke or an accident. It can also be used as a form of therapy for those with brain injuries. Moving chess pieces across the board can help develop and fine-tune a patient's motor skills. Moreover, playing chess brings about a sense of deep concentration and calm which can help to relax patients who are experiencing various degrees of anxiety.



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) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(8 marks)

21 Why is an exclamation mark (!) used in the heading: "Join us at our 1st Chess Fair at Riverville Community Club!"? to show enthusiasm for the fair (1)to emphasise the venue of the fair (2)(3)to highlight the importance of the fair (4) to stress that the club is organising the fair 22 Wei Xiong wants to attend the Advanced Workshop as well as play a friendly match with a Grand Master. He should be at the fair on ____ 16 Nov at 10 a.m. and 17 Nov at 10 a.m. (1)16 Nov at 11 a.m. and 18 Nov at 12 p.m. (2)(3)16 Nov at 11 a.m. and 19 Nov at 10 a.m. (4)16 Nov at 1.30 p.m. and 19 Nov at 10 a.m. 23 Linda does not know how to play chess at all. Which of the following activities would suit her the most? (1) Beginner Workshop and Free play (2)Intermediate Workshop and Open boards (3)Advanced Workshop and Chess matches (4)Special Workshop and Friendly match with a Grand Master 24 Which of the following statements is true about the Chess Fair? All visitors have to pay a small entrance fee. (1) (2)Workshops will be conducted in the Main Hall. (3)There is no age restriction for the chess matches. (4) It will start and end at the same time for the 4 days. 25 Which of the following shows that chess has become a popular game? (1)Many brilliant players enjoy playing the game. (2)It requires many different strategies and skills. (3)The rules of the game have evolved over the years. (4)There are many chess competitions held worldwide.

26	What is the most important benefit of playing chess for 7- to 9-year-olds?
(1) (2) (3) (4)	It helps to boost their brain development. It enhances their object recognition skills. It helps with the rehabilitation and therapy. It improves their test scores in all subjects.
27	According to the flyer, patients recovering from an accident play chess to
(1) (2) (3) (4)	heighten their senses improve their motor skills enhance their reading ability develop their pattern recognition skill
28	The main purpose of the flyer is to
(1) (2) (3) (4)	introduce people to the history of chess educate people on the many benefits of chess encourage people to participate in the chess fair get people to play with their friends during the chess fair

Please note that the passage for Comprehension questions 71 to 80 in Booklet B is on page 10. You may now go on to Booklet B.

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It was a freezing night. The **weary** couple trudged through the snow against the bitter winds, seeking shelter. The **anxious** father-to-be scanned the roadside for a home, an inn or a stable. He looked over at his struggling companion frequently. She laboured along without complaint, her way made heavier by the new life growing inside her. They needed a warm, dry place for the night, safe from the elements. When the time for her delivery came, it must not be out here along the road. The couple was a pair of dogs, on a rural highway.

Gus, a wildlife officer, was driving home from work when he spotted the dogs. The snowstorm made it difficult to see, but Gus's keen eyes detected the reflection of their collar tags in the flash of his headlights. What were they doing out on this stretch of road in this harsh weather? Gus parked his truck and approached the animals. He squatted and stretched out his hands to the dogs which made no effort to escape. He read their tags by his truck's headlights: The female was named Pepper, and the male was Cooper. He pulled out his phone to call the number listed on **them**, but it was snowing so hard that his screen blurred. He would have to make the call from his truck.

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He placed the dogs in his truck, below the passenger seat. By the time he came around to the driver's side, they had climbed onto the fabric seat where it was warm. Gus dried his phone, snapped a picture of the pair snuggling, and sent it to his wife, Katie.

Then he called the number again. A man who identified himself as Marc answered and immediately grew defensive when Gus told him why he was calling.

"Those dogs aren't mine anymore. I've given them away," Marc replied 25 in an irritated tone.

"Well, who did you give them to?" Gus asked hopefully.

"I don't know," came the curt reply.

"Well, do you want them back?" Gus probed.

"No. I can't take care of them." With that, Marc hung up abruptly.

Thus, these dogs were abandoned, left with no place to call home. The dogs, known for their intelligence, gazed at Gus with pleading eyes. Gus called an animal shelter, but it was too late in the night. So, he left a message. Then he called Katie. "You cannot put them back out in the snowstorm," she said. "Bring them home."

Katie prepared a bed for the dogs in the study room. Soft blankets were arranged with care, providing a haven of comfort against the chilly night air. Katie, then lovingly placed bowls of food and water where the exhausted animals lay together. Every now and then, Cooper lifted his head to check on Pepper. This scene stirred within Katie a desire to adopt them.

When she told Gus about it, he shook his head. Keeping this pair was out of the question — they already had a family dog. The next day, he called the animal shelter again. Katie took the dogs to the shelter to drop them off on **one condition**. "I'm not signing the dogs over to you if you're going to separate them," she said. The staff promised her that the couple would stay together.

In the days following, Katie phoned the shelter repeatedly. Soon after Christmas, the dogs were adopted by a loving family, much to the relief of Gus and Katie. The dogs had experienced a miracle in which kindness triumphed over cruelty.

Adapted from: https://www.rd.com/article/pair-of-dogs-rescued/



NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL 2023 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION PRIMARY 6 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2 – LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION

BOOKLET B

Booklet B	/ 67

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- 4. Use a dark blue or black ballpoint pen to write your answers in the space provided for each question.
- 5. Do not use correction fluid/tape or highlighters.

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) a (D) how (G) might (K) some (N) their (B) an (E) in (H) more (L) still (P) while (C) by (F) its (J) should (M) the (Q) who
Dreams remain a mystery that sleep experts are determined to solve. Differen
cultures have developed own ways of understanding what our dreams mea
psychology, the process of assigning meaning to dreams is referred to a (30)
dream interpretation. It is seen as a helpful way to learn about our mind
(31) work. Dreams are thought to show our deepest wants, fears, and worries. By looking a
our dreams, we can learn about our hidden thoughts and feelings.
There are many ways to interpret dreams are traditional, like looking (32)
at the symbols in the dream, while others are modern, like keeping a dream (33)
journal or trying to control your dreams. Some people think that dreams are(34)
way for our unconscious mind which contains feelings and thoughts we are unaware of, to
talk to us and show us we really are.
Even though lots of people are interested in interpreting dreams, there is
a debate about whether it is a scientifically valid practice. Some studies (36)
have shown that certain symbols in dreams be connected to specific
feelings or experiences, others have not found any proof that dreams (37)
have a definite meaning.
No matter what the outcome of the debate is, it is tun to explore the meanings o
dreams. Adapted from Dreams Wikipedia
Score:

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

	Ms. Lui has an incredible story to share. When she was a child, she face	гd
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	diskriminasion because she has a disability. People would bully, tease, and stare at he	er
	(40)	
	because she was different. But something amaze happened. With the support of he	er
	(41)	
	family and a charity organisation, she was able to follow her interests and grow in	to
	(42)	
	the talented, artistic, and passhunate individual she is today.	
	(43)	
	Ms. Lui has a deep love <u>of</u> singing, but that's not all. She also has a keen interes	st
	(44)	
	in drawing, writing, and dancing. Her heart-warming jurney is now being featured in	а
	(45)	
	new film created by Community Chest. This film tell the stories of individuals wh	10
(46)	(47)	
	have overcoming challenges in their lives and are shining bright. It calls upon th	ie
	(48)	
	public to join in supporting and championing the potenshual of people with disabilities	S.
	(49)	
	In addition to her creative <u>pursoots</u> , Ms. Lui also has a part-time job as a reta	il
	(50)	
	assistant. She <u>recived</u> support from a job placement programme funded by Communit	У
	Chest. This programme helps individuals with disabilities find suitable employmen	it
	opportunities that match their aspirations and capabilities.	
	Adapted from The Straits Time	s
	Score:	

Gaming addiction affects people of all ages, particularly young people. Symptoms
of gaming addiction include obsessive thinking about the game, of (51)
interest in other activities, poor concentration and work performance, strained relationships,
social isolation, and decline in physical health and hygiene to scientific (52)
research, addiction is brought about by psychological, social, and environmental factors.
One major cause of any kind of addiction a brain chemical called (53)
dopamine, also as the 'feel-good' hormone. It is released in response
a pleasurable experience. It also makes a person develop a strong (55)
to seek out that same pleasure again and again. When gamers (56)
a goal or a new level, dopamine is released, motivating them to keep (57)
Eventually, they get stuck in a cycle in which they are increasingly (58)
engrossed in gaming while other important tasks. (59)
factor that contributes to gaming addiction is socialization.
Many online games allow players to interact with one another. This develops a
of belonging to their online communities. However, in extreme cases,
shy and introverted individuals may to gaming as their main source of (62)
social life, resulting in addiction.
The home environment is a key factor in gaming addiction too. Children and teens
who have access to gaming devices and little supervision from their (63)
parents are more io form an addiction.
Gaming addiction is no laughing By understanding its (65)
contributing factors, we may prevent its formation among our friends and loved ones.
Adapted from The health effects of too much gaming
Score:

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) All the pupils in class 6J are attending the party. Mr Tan is also attending the 66. party. _ together with 67. Cindy asked Jack, "Where can I pass you the book later?" Cindy asked Jack _____ 68. The manager amended the plan before presenting it to his client. The manager made _____ Her parents shook their heads. They disapproved of her decision. 69. 70. John did not do his part for the group project. Ken was annoyed. Much to _____

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Which two words in parag					eary'-(line [2
Give two reasons why Co	oper was 'a	anxious' (lir	ne 2) to se	eek shelter	somewh [2
How did Gus spot the dog	s on the hiç	ghway in th	e heavy	snow?	[1
Based on lines 9-21, state or false, then give one rea				e table belo	w is true
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or false, then give one rea	son why yo		[3m]		ow is true

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he table below shows G re reasons for his action	Gus's actions in li	nes 31-35. Fi	ll in the blanks	to
Action	Reason for ac		assage.	
called an animal shelter				
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What Katie provided	d to create "a hav	en of comfor	t" against the o	chil
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26	a) them (line 16)		93			
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	b) This scene (line 40)					
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۷I	hy do you think Katie "pho	oned th	e shelter repe	eatedly" (l	line 46)?	
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Q39)	discrimination
Q40)	amazing
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Q42)	passionate
Q43)	for
Q44)	journey
Q45)	tells
Q46)	overcome
Q47)	brighter
Q48)	potential
Q49)	pursuits
Q50)	received
Q51)	lack / loss

Q52)	According
	is / involves
Q54)	know / termed / named
Q55)	to
Q56)	urge / need / drive /will / determination / temptation
Q57)	reach / complete / achieve
Q58)	playing /trying / going / gaming
Q59)	ignoring / forgetting / neglecting
Q60)	Another
Q61)	sense
Q62)	turn /stick / take / resort
Q63)	more / free / easy / ready / complete
Q64)	likely
Q65)	matter
Q66)	All the pupils in class 6J, together with Mr Tan, are attending the
	party.
Q67)	Cindy asked Jack where she could pass him the book later.
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}	his client.
Q69)	Her parents shook their heads in disapproval of her decision.
Q70)	Much to Ken's annoyance, John did not do his part in the group
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Q71)	struggling / laboured
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	elements and Pepper was going to deliver soon and it must away
	from the road.
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	stretched out his hands to them.
	b)True / It was showing very hard so his screen blurred. He could
	only make the call from inside his truck.

