

**NANYANG PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**2023  
PRIMARY 6  
TERM 1: WEIGHTED ASSESSMENT**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2  
(BOOKLET A)**

Additional Materials: Optical Answer Sheet (OAS)

**Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 h 50 min**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. Write your name, index number and class in the space provided below.
2. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.
5. Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

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Class: Primary 6 ( )



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) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

(10 marks)

1. This is by far \_\_\_\_\_ dress she has tried on this morning.
  - (1) an adorable
  - (2) a very adorable
  - (3) the most adorable
  - (4) the more adorable
  
2. "\_\_\_\_\_ to visit your grandparents this weekend?" asked John. "Take these with you," he smiled and passed Sally a bag of fruits.
  - (1) Will you plan
  - (2) Should you plan
  - (3) Are you planning
  - (4) Have you planned
  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ had the accident happened than a crowd gathered.
  - (1) Even
  - (2) No later
  - (3) No sooner
  - (4) Nonetheless
  
4. At the start of the outing, the children have been briefed what to do \_\_\_\_\_ they get lost.
  - (1) will
  - (2) shall
  - (3) would
  - (4) should
  
5. The rude customer never returned to the restaurant again, \_\_\_\_\_ he?
  - (1) did
  - (2) had
  - (3) does
  - (4) have

6. Did you hear what our parents are going to buy for my twin sister and \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ birthday?
- (1) I ... her
  - (2) I ... our
  - (3) me ... her
  - (4) me ... our
7. Janelle \_\_\_\_\_ in bed last night reading her new novel.
- (1) lay
  - (2) lies
  - (3) laid
  - (4) lain
8. Of all her cookies, \_\_\_\_\_ have sold as well as the chocolate chips ones.
- (1) all
  - (2) any
  - (3) none
  - (4) every
9. Neither of the dancers \_\_\_\_\_ keen to join the camp when their instructor asked them
- (1) is
  - (2) are
  - (3) was
  - (4) were
10. Randy saw John \_\_\_\_\_ to the teacher before he left the classroom.
- (1) spoke
  - (2) speaks
  - (3) spoken
  - (4) speaking

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For each question from 11 to 17, 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 (OAS).

(7 marks)

11. Jenny went to the hospital to visit her friend but she was \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) turned up
- (2) turned off
- (3) turned away
- (4) turned down

12. Daisy wore her sunglasses to shield her eyes from the \_\_\_\_\_ sun.

- (1) glaring
- (2) shining
- (3) flashing
- (4) sparkling

13. It was \_\_\_\_\_ of Jacob to make such a remarkable sculpture from ordinary materials.

- (1) intuitive
- (2) indelible
- (3) indistinct
- (4) ingenious

14. The celebrity \_\_\_\_\_ almost every question posed by the reporter.

- (1) emitted
- (2) evaded
- (3) evicted
- (4) evoked

15. A signalling fault had caused a/an \_\_\_\_\_ of the train services and commuters had to wait another hour for the next train.

- (1) termination
- (2) cancellation
- (3) advancement
- (4) postponement

16. After the initial shock, Sean quickly \_\_\_\_\_ himself and directed his staff to clear up the mess before the guests arrived.

- (1) restored
- (2) regained
- (3) resumed
- (4) recovered

17. "When you are ready, \_\_\_\_\_ your registration form at the first counter," explained the receptionist patiently.

- (1) pass
- (2) submit
- (3) deliver
- (4) display

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For each question from 18 to 22, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

(5 marks)

After 52 years, Yulang Bird Park is about to close. The closure will allow its staff members and avian residents to prepare for the move to Avian Park in the Palm Tree precinct.

Before this familiar landmark is torn down, members of the public are invited to celebrate its legacy through a series of activities. Visitors can go on a self-guided trail peppered with displays of the key milestones in the park's journey or sign up for a tour where seasoned guides share the park's history and little-known anecdotes about its birds and architecture. Those wanting to relive a little bit of nostalgia will be glad to know that the old Panorail Station has reopened, complete with a recreation of the Panorail.

The Panorail system was a popular means of travelling in the park before it was removed and replaced by electric trams in 2013.

Adapted from TODAY


18. (1) locals  
(2) tenants  
(3) citizens  
(4) inhabitants
19. (1) popular  
(2) common  
(3) well-known  
(4) respectable
20. (1) steps  
(2) events  
(3) features  
(4) buildings
21. (1) aged  
(2) refined  
(3) qualified  
(4) experienced
22. (1) funny stories  
(2) unusual facts  
(3) cautionary tales  
(4) horrific experiences

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Study this article from a magazine, The Healthy Lifestyle, and then answer questions 23 to 30.



## 2023 Healthy SG

1 – 31 Mar 2023

This annual event is organised as part of Singapore's push for a healthier nation since 1994 and has evolved from a one-day event to a month-long campaign of healthy festivities, culminating in the Keep Fit Bazaar held on 31 March at Lalang Mall. This year, the Healthy Lifestyle Board (HLB) aims to raise awareness of how Singaporeans can eat more healthily and prepare tasty and healthy dishes at home, get more active, build up their mental well-being through positive thinking and take better care of their health through health screenings.

### Weekend Road Show

**10.30 a.m. – 8 p.m.**

- Free basic health screening for all
- Free flu vaccination for citizens above 60 years old
- Live cooking demonstrations using healthier choice products from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- Talks on mental health and tips on managing parenting stress



Road shows will be held at various locations. Check our social media page (<https://www.socialbook.com/hlbsg/>) or sign up for our news feed ([me.live/2023healthysg](https://me.live/2023healthysg)) for more details.

20% Early bird discount  
Sign up by 1 Mar 2023!

### Virtual Run

1. Download the Happy Health App.
2. Sign up for your choice of event and complete the in-app payment to start clocking your running distance.
3. Complete the required distance by 30 Mar to redeem an exclusive goodie bag (finisher medal, sports towel and isotonic drink) at the Keep Fit Bazaar.
4. Stand a chance to win lucky draw prizes like a smart watch, a digital scale and health supplements when you sign up for the event.

Event Category	Required Distance	Cost (per pax)
Individual	10 km	\$10
Group (max. 12 pax)	100 km	\$6



For more details, scan the QR code.

## Keep Fit Bazaar

With more than 100 stalls selling healthier choice food and drinks as well as health and fitness equipment, attendees are in for a real treat. Try out a variety of healthy and tasty food samples. Get products at special bundle deal prices and more!

31 Mar 2023  
9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

### **Workout with Fitness Gym\***

#### Gym Ball Juniors\*\*

Improve your balancing and motor skills while singing along to popular kids' songs.

Suitable for children 3-6 years old (adult supervision required)

Cost: \$10 per parent-child pair (includes a gym ball)

Duration: 30 min

Available sessions: 10.15 a.m. | 11.15 a.m. | 3.15 p.m.



#### Easy Resistant Band Stretch\*\*

Stretch to soothing instrumental music and build muscle strength.

Suitable for the elderly

Not suitable for children under 5 years old

Cost: \$5/pax (includes a resistant band)

Duration: 40 min

Available sessions: 9 a.m. | 10 a.m. | 2 p.m.

#### Pop Dance Moves

Work out and get your blood pumping to our in-house music mix.

Suitable for all ages

No registration or fees required

Duration: 60 min

Available sessions: 9.15 a.m. | 2.15 p.m.

\*All participants will receive a voucher for 15% off membership fees with Fitness Gym.

\*\*Register online at [2023healthysg.com](http://2023healthysg.com) to secure your place in advance.

### **Healthy & Tasty Cook-Off Competition**

Watch the top 4 contestants battle it out at the Healthy & Tasty Cook-Off Competition finals. Sample the competing dishes and vote for your favourite. The competition will also be televised live on TV 8.

31 Mar, 4 p.m. Finals

Recipes used will be available for download from [2023healthysg.com](http://2023healthysg.com) after the finals.



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For each question from 23 to 30, 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 (OAS).

(8 marks)

23. What is the main objective of the 2023 Healthy SG?
- (1) inspire children to improve their sense of balance
  - (2) encourage Singaporeans to adopt a healthier lifestyle
  - (3) persuade the elderly to have regular health screenings
  - (4) remind parents to take better care of their mental health
24. Suzy is interested in attending the weekend road shows. What should she do to find out more about them?
- (1) Scan the QR code given
  - (2) Sign up for the news feed
  - (3) Log in to the Happy Health App
  - (4) Visit the website "2023healthysg.com"
25. Based on the Virtual Run section, which of the following statements is true?
- (1) Participants must form groups of 12 to join the group event.
  - (2) Participants need to track their progress using the Happy Health App.
  - (3) Participants need to complete the required distance by 1 Mar 2023.
  - (4) Participants must complete the required distance in order to join the lucky draw.
26. What is the purpose of the "Early bird discount" sticker at the Virtual Run section?
- (1) To draw attention to the Virtual Run
  - (2) To highlight the registration deadline
  - (3) To show excitement for the 20% discount
  - (4) To encourage early registration for the activity
27. Based on the Workout with Fitness Gym section, in what way are the workout sessions similar?
- (1) All the workout sessions cater to children.
  - (2) Participants will move to fast and invigorating music.
  - (3) There are three workout sessions available for each workout activity.
  - (4) Participants get a discount when they sign up for a membership with Fitness Gym.

28. Mrs Tan wants to bring her three-year-old son to the Keep Fit Bazaar after noon and she wants to watch the Cook-Off Competition. Which of the workout sessions would be suitable for them?
- (1) Pop Dance Moves (2.15 p.m.) and Gym Ball Juniors (3.15 p.m.)
  - (2) Gym Ball Juniors (11.15 a.m.) and Pop Dance Moves (2.15 p.m.)
  - (3) Pop Dance Moves (9.15 a.m.) and Gym Ball Juniors (11.15 a.m.)
  - (4) Easy Resistant Band Stretch (2 p.m.) and Gym Ball Juniors (3.15 p.m.)
29. Based on the article, which of the following statements is not true?
- (1) The elderly can get free vaccination at the weekend road shows.
  - (2) 2023 Healthy SG activities will go on for an entire month.
  - (3) The public can buy healthier food products at a special price at the Keep Fit Bazaar.
  - (4) Healthy and Tasty Cook-Off competition will be broadcast live on their website (2023healthysg.com).
30. 2023 Healthy SG is organised by \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) Fitness Gym and Rocky's Apparel
  - (2) Fitness Gym and People's Club
  - (3) Healthy Lifestyle Board and Lalang Mall
  - (4) Healthy Lifestyle Board and People's Club

Please note that the passage for Comprehension questions 75 to 84 in Booklet B is on the next page. You may now go on to Booklet B.

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Refer to the passage below when you answer questions 75 to 84 in Booklet B.

Weirdos. That was what the other students called them, much to their chagrin, especially Alex, who was always prepared to retaliate whenever he heard that name. Sarah, Alex and Michael were a tight-knit group, bonded by their shared love for activities that others would not even consider doing – from conducting extreme experiments to trying on bizarre fashion trends. Once, their experiment resulted in the release of such an overpowering stench that their class had to be relocated to another venue for a week. Such antics sometimes ended up with them being punished. Most recently, they had been warned that they would face suspension if they got into trouble again. To them, these shared experiences only made their bond stronger each time.

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One day, the three friends stumbled upon a poster advertising a competition to design a new school shirt for the school. "This looks interesting," remarked Sarah.

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"It is just a waste of time. With our talents, we can win this with our eyes closed," Alex snorted.

"Ha! These weirdos are so full of themselves," a boy scoffed loudly within the trio's earshot. His friends sniggered. "Weirdos!" they echoed.

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Alex clenched his fists, ready to lunge at the group. "Stop! There are better ways to shut them up. We cannot afford to get into trouble again," Michael warned as he and Sarah quickly restrained Alex, pulling him back. "Let's sign up and prove them wrong. If we win, we even get to set the school's fashion trend!" Sarah exclaimed. "Fine!" Alex spat.

The next day, the trio gathered at their usual hideout. "I still have second thoughts about the competition. We have to make sure our submission is really the best," said Michael. "Remember how we teased John endlessly when his entry for the class camp shirt was rejected?"

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"Oh, come on, Michael. We have gone through this before," said Alex, rolling his eyes. "There are three of us working on this whereas John was working alone. Surely three heads are better than one."

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As the deadline for the competition approached, tensions began to rise within the group. The trio was under a lot of pressure to deliver a winning design, and they were starting to get frustrated with their lack of progress. Arguments broke out, and tempers flared as they struggled to reach a consensus on the final design. Alex kept insisting on getting his way despite Sarah and Michael's protests that his designs were impractical.

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"The boy was right. You are so full of yourself, Alex," Sarah muttered. "You've stopped listening to our views since we started on this. Can't you see how it is affecting us?" Alex stared at Sarah and then at his feet. He uttered, "I know I can be a little insistent at times. I just want to win so badly. Can't you see that?" Sarah let out a sigh. "We want to win too. Can't YOU see that? We are a team. You cannot let your fixation on winning cloud your judgement. We have to work together."

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Turning his attention back to their plans, Alex began embracing his teammates' suggestions. They began building on each other's ideas. In the end, the team managed to submit their design just before the deadline. As they waited for the results to be announced, they were apprehensive and wondered if they would face the same outcome as John.

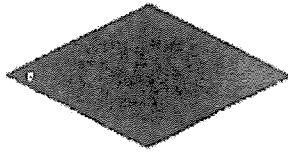
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When the results were finally announced, the team was elated to find that they had won first place! "Told you we can win this with our eyes closed!" Alex grinned. Sarah rolled her eyes and laughed, "Yeah, right." Alex admitted, "Fine, only because we worked together." "That's more like it," Michael added.

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**ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2  
(BOOKLET B)**

**Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 h 50 min**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. Write your name, index number and class in the space provided below.
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5. Write all your answers in this booklet.

Paper 2 – Language Use and Comprehension	Booklet A:	/30
	Booklet B:	/70
TOTAL		/100

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

Class: Primary 6 ( )

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

**Please sign and return the exam paper the next day.  
Any queries should be raised at the same time when returning the paper.**

There are 10 blanks, numbered 31 to 40, 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) by	G) only	K) than	N) were
B) although	E) for	H) out	L) to	P) when
C) are	F) of	J) since	M) today	Q) with

Do you have the dream of blasting off on space adventures? Richard Branson, a billionaire businessman, achieved his childhood dream in July last year. He flew \_\_\_\_\_ the edge of space. The experience was even better than he had (31) expected. "I have dreamt about this moment \_\_\_\_\_ I was a child, but (32) nothing could have prepared me \_\_\_\_\_ the view of earth from space," he (33) said.

Mr Branson, who is 70 years old, travelled in a spacecraft belonging to Virgin Galactic, a company that he founded in 2004. Before private space travel was available, \_\_\_\_\_ governments of big countries had the resources for space flights. (34) Even \_\_\_\_\_, most space missions are carried out \_\_\_\_\_ (35) government agencies. However, Mr Branson is part of an emerging group of (36) entrepreneurs \_\_\_\_\_ bold ambitions to venture into space. Another (37) billionaire-spaceman is Jeff Bezos, the founder \_\_\_\_\_ Amazon, an online (38) shopping company.

Space missions sponsored by governments \_\_\_\_\_ mainly (39) conducted for scientific purposes, but Mr Branson's company wants to promote space tourism. Some people find the idea very exciting. Others say it is a huge waste of money at a time \_\_\_\_\_ there are more pressing challenges to solve. What do you (40) think?

Score:
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Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (13 marks)

(41)

Whales are the largest animals on Earth. The massive mammals range with the  
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200-kilogram dwarf sperm whale to the colassol blue whale, which can weigh more  
(43)   
than 200 tonnes. A blue whale calf weighs two tonnes in birth and gains an extra 90  
(44)   
kilograms each day from it first day.

(45)   
Despite their incredabel bulk, blue whales are surprisingly graceful swimmers  
(46)  (47)   
and very comferttable in the deep blue ocean where buoyancy helped them to surface  
(48)   
for air with ease. These giants are migratery animals and travel to where food is  
(49)   
abundernt. They feed on tiny shrimp-like animals called krills. Blue whales are found in  
(50)   
all the world's oceans and either swim in small groups and alone.

Blue whales have been hunted for many years for their blubber almost to the  
(51)  (52)   
point of extinksiion. Only a few thousand blue whales are belivied to swim the world's  
(53)   
oceans today. Thankfully, this endangering species is protected under the 1966  
International Whaling Convention. Hence, the hunting of blue whales has largely ceased.

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Score:

Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

It was early in the morning. The fire department received a call about a fire in an industrial estate. The blaring (54) \_\_\_\_\_ of the fire truck echoed through the streets, signalling for vehicles to give (55) \_\_\_\_\_ as it rushed to the site of the inferno. Black smoke billowed from the burning building, and the flames seemed to be devouring everything (56) \_\_\_\_\_ its way.

The fire crew knew they had to act quickly (57) \_\_\_\_\_ they were to save anyone trapped inside the fireworks factory. As they (58) \_\_\_\_\_ their protective gear, they braced (59) \_\_\_\_\_ for the worst.

Entering the building, they (60) \_\_\_\_\_ a series of unforeseen difficulties. The floorboards were (61) \_\_\_\_\_ only shaky and vibrated upon each step taken, intermittent and explosive detonations also greeted the firefighters at every turn they took. The intense heat was almost unbearable. Nevertheless, the firefighters had to navigate their way (62) \_\_\_\_\_ the chaos with bravery.

In the end, they managed to rescue all of the trapped (63) \_\_\_\_\_, thanks to their expertise and unshakeable determination. It had been a harrowing experience, but the fire crew knew that it was (64) \_\_\_\_\_ in a day's work for heroes like them. Eventually, the fire was (65) \_\_\_\_\_ and lives were saved. Later, investigations by the Fire Department revealed the (66) \_\_\_\_\_ of the fire to be a cigarette lit by a worker (67) \_\_\_\_\_ took a puff during his short break inside the factory. He did not snuff out his cigarette and (68) \_\_\_\_\_ of it carelessly by throwing it near a pile of old fireworks. The worker was disciplined and all workers were banned from smoking within fifty metres of the factory. Prevention is better than cure and one should not compromise on safety.

Score: \_\_\_\_\_

For each of the questions 69 to 74, 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). (12 marks)

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69. Kai En is stubborn. She refuses to heed her sister's warning.

\_\_\_\_\_ because  
\_\_\_\_\_.

70. The dog sensed the presence of a stranger. It began to bark furiously.

Sensing \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

71. Ben did not make it past the singing audition. Ali did not make it past the singing audition too.

Neither did \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

72. The box was too heavy to be lifted.

The box was so \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

73. I ate too many fried chicken wings. I ended up with a sore throat.

\_\_\_\_\_ from  
\_\_\_\_\_.

74. Bala asked his father, "Can you help me with my homework?"

Bala asked his father \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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Read the passage on page 12 of Booklet A and answer questions 75 to 84.

(20 marks)

75. In the first paragraph, which four-word phrase suggests that the trio did not like being called weirdos? [1m]

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space.

76. List two causes of the trio being such a tight-knit group. [2m]

i) \_\_\_\_\_

ii) \_\_\_\_\_

77. Why were Michael and Sarah so quick to restrain Alex in line 18? [2m]

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

78. Explain clearly why the trio decided to enter the competition. [2m]

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

79. Why was Michael having second thoughts about entering the competition? [2m]

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

80. Look at the table below. What do the word(s) in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [3m]

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
submission (line 21)	
it (line 33)	
that (line 36)	

Score:

81. Circle one word that best describes the tone Alex would have used in lines 24- 26 while talking to Michael.

DO NOT CIRCLE MORE THAN ONE WORD. [1m]

encouraging / exasperated / hesitant / sad

Do not write in this space.

82. Based on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/False	Reason
The team was unable to work well together initially.		
The students handed in their design slightly late.		
Alex was insistent in his design throughout the whole competition.		

83. Explain clearly what Sarah meant when she told Alex "You cannot let your fixation on winning cloud your judgement " (lines 36-37) [2m]

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84. Fill in the blanks to show the change in Alex's view of the competition. [2m]

Before taking part in the competition, Alex thought they would win due to their

\_\_\_\_\_.

After the competition, Alex realised that they won due to their \_\_\_\_\_.

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Score:



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**ANSWER KEY**

**BOOKLET A**  
**Sections A to C: Grammar B Vocab**

Grammar(10m)			
1.	3	6.	4
2.	3	7.	1
3.	3	8.	3
4.	4	9.	3
5.	1	10.	4

Vocab (7m)			
11.	3	12.	1
13.	4	14.	2
15.	4	16.	4
17.	2		

Vocab Cloze (5m)			
18.	4	19.	3
20.	2	21.	4
22.	1		

Visual Text (8m)			
23.	2	27.	4
24.	2	28.	1
25.	2	29.	4
26.	4	30.	4

**Section D: Visual Text Comprehension**

Editing & Visual Text			
Grammar Cloze(10m)			
31.	L(fo)		
32.	J(eince)		
33.	E(fo)		
34.	G(only)		
35.	M(today)		
36.	D(by)		
37.	Q(with)		
38.	F(oi)		
39.	C(are)		
40.	P(when)		

41.	from
42.	colossal
43.	at
44.	its
45.	incredible
46.	comfortable
47.	helps
48.	migratory
49.	abundant
50.	or
51.	extinction
52.	believed
53.	endangered

**Cloze Passage (15 marks)**

Answer
54. siren(s)/horri(s)
55. way
56. in
57. if
58. donned /wore
59. themselves
60. encountered
61. not
62. through/in
63. victims /workers
64. all
65. extinguished
66. cause /source
67. who /that
68. disposed

**SYNTHESES & TRANSFORMATION (12 marks)**

69	Kai En is stubborn. She refuses to heed her sister's warning.
	Kai En refuses to heed her sister's warning because of <u>her stubbornness</u> she is stubborn.(2m)
70	The dog sensed the presence of a stranger. It began to bark furiously.
	Sensing the presence of a stranger, the dog began to bark furiously. (2m)
71	Ben did not make it past the singing audition. All did not make it past the singing audition too.
	Neither did Ben nor Ali make it past the singing audition.
72.	The box was too heavy to be lifted.
	he box was so heavy/thathit could not be lifted.
73.	I ate too many fried chicken wings. I ended up with a sore throat.
	ended up with a sore throat from eating too many fried chicken wings.
74.	Bala asked his father, "Can you help me with my homework?"
	Bala asked his father if /whether he could help him with his homework.

COMPREHENSION (20 marks)

75	In the first paragraph, which four-word paras suggest that the trio did not like being called weirdos? [1m]	1m												
	much to their chagrin													
76	List two causes of the trio being such a tight-knit group. (i) shaded love/passion/interest for activities (that others would not consider) (ii) shared experiences													
77.	Why were Michael and Sarah so quick to restrain Alex in line 13? They were warned that they would face suspension if they got into trouble again and they did not want Alex to get into trouble by punching others.	2m												
78	Explain clearly why the trio decided to enter the competition. They wanted to show other students that they were not (weirdos) full of themselves and set the schools fashion trend	2m												
79	Why, was Michael having second thoughts about entering the competitions? Michael was worried about being teased if they did not win the competition.	2m												
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