

Maha Bodhi School
2025 End-of-Year Examination
English Language (Paper 1)

Name : _____ ()

Date : 10 October 2025

Class : Primary 5 _____

Total Marks :

Duration : 1 h 10 min

50

There are two parts to this paper: Part I and Part II.
Answer **both** questions in Part I and Part II.

Part I: Situational Writing (14 marks)

The pictures below show a conversation between a boy and his mother. They are planning to receive a guest from overseas. Study the pictures carefully.

Melvin! I've got good news for you.

What is it, Mum?

Your cousin, Kayla, from Australia, will be coming to visit us for two weeks, later this year. Why don't you plan to bring her to one of our tourist attractions since it's her first visit here?

That's wonderful! She's been wanting to visit the Singapore Zoo. When is she scheduled to arrive in Singapore?

She mentioned that she would be arriving in a month's time. Is that enough time for you to plan everything?

Yes. That'll be fine. I can start my research after my examinations. Hopefully she replies quickly as I will need to spend at least a week to plan our itinerary for the outing.

That sounds like a good plan, Melvin!

Your Task

Imagine you are Melvin.

Write an article in your class newsletter telling readers how you hosted your cousin when she visited Singapore.

You are to refer to the pictures and information on the previous page for your article. The bullet point underlined below requires you to come up with your own information.

In your article, include the following key information:

- who your cousin is and where she is from
- the place of interest you went to
- when you started researching for the outing
- how long you needed to prepare your itinerary
- exactly how you did your research to plan the outing

You may re-order the points. Remember to write in complete sentences.

Model Composition - Situational Writing

Hosting My Cousin from Australia

I am excited to share with you my experience of hosting my cousin, Kayla, from Australia, when she visited Singapore for two weeks. As soon as I found out that she was coming, I knew I had to plan a special outing for her. Since it was her first visit to Singapore, I wanted to make sure she had a memorable time.

After my examinations, I started researching for the outing, and I knew exactly where I wanted to take her - the Singapore Zoo. Kayla had always wanted to visit the zoo, and I was determined to make it a fun and educational experience for her. I had about a week to plan our itinerary, which was just enough time to get everything right.

To plan the outing, **I started by browsing the Singapore Zoo's website, where I found out about the different animal exhibits, showtimes, and facilities. I also read reviews from other visitors to get an idea of what to expect. Additionally, I checked the zoo's social media pages to see what special events or promotions were happening during Kayla's visit. I even asked my friends who had visited the zoo recently for their recommendations on what not to miss. With all this information, I was able to create a detailed itinerary for our day at the zoo, including what time we should arrive, which exhibits to visit first, and when to take breaks.**

A month after my mother told me about Kayla's visit, she finally arrived in Singapore. I was eager to take her to the Singapore Zoo and show her all the amazing animals and exhibits I had researched. We had a fantastic time at the zoo, and Kayla was thrilled to see all the animals up close. It was a great experience hosting my cousin, and I'm glad I could make her visit to Singapore a memorable one.

Melvin

Part II: Continuous Writing (36 marks)

Write a composition of at least 150 words about making an improvement.

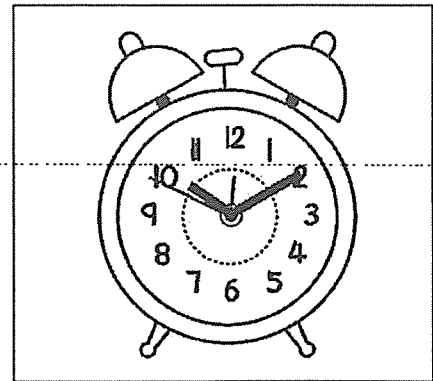
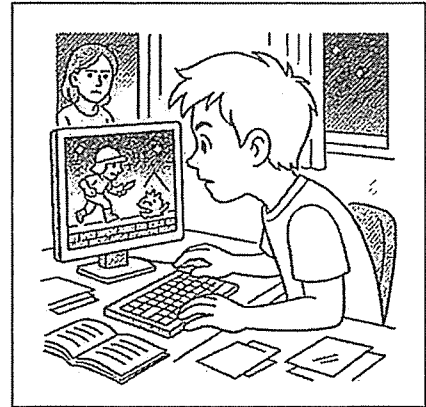
The pictures are provided to help you think about this topic. Your composition should be based on **one or more of these pictures**.

Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

- Why did the character want to make an improvement?
- What challenges did the character face and how did he/she overcome them?

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

**Do plan your story on the following page.
Do not spend more than 10 minutes on the planning.**



- End of Paper -



Please remember to check your work thoroughly.



Model Composition - Continuous Writing

Making an improvement

Making an improvement is a process that requires dedication and perseverance. I recall a time when I wanted to make an improvement in my study habits. I had fallen into a bad habit of playing computer games instead of doing my homework, and my mother was always reminding me to focus on my studies. One night, I realized that it was already 10:10 pm, and I had not started my homework yet. I knew I had to make a change, so I decided to set a goal to improve my study habits.

The main reason I wanted to make an improvement was that I was falling behind in my schoolwork, and I was worried that my grades would suffer. I also wanted to prove to my mother that I was capable of managing my time effectively. However, I faced several challenges on my journey to improvement. My bedroom was a mess, with clothing, shoes, and bags all over the place, which made it difficult for me to concentrate on my studies. I had to overcome the temptation of playing computer games and tidy up my room to create a conducive study environment.

To overcome these challenges, I created a study schedule and stuck to it. I also made sure to clean up my room every day, which helped me to stay focused and avoid distractions. It was not easy, but I was determined to make an improvement. With time and effort, I was able to develop better study habits and improve my grades. I learned that making an improvement requires commitment and perseverance, and it is essential to identify and overcome the challenges that hinder our progress. By making a conscious effort to change my study habits and tidy up my room, I was able to achieve my goal and develop a sense of pride and accomplishment.