

ANGLO-CHINESE SCHOOL (JUNIOR)



SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2 – 2008

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PAPER 2

PRIMARY 3

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ (            )

Class : P3. (            )

Date : 13 Oct 2008

**Booklet A**

28 Questions

28 marks

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 30 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
2. Follow all instructions carefully.
3. Answer all questions.

**Part: 1: Vocabulary (10 marks)**

For each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. It was a great \_\_\_\_\_ to him when he did not win the prize.
  - (1) dread
  - (2) demand
  - (3) destruction
  - (4) disappointment
  
2. In newspaper articles, each photograph is usually accompanied by a \_\_\_\_\_ so that we can better understand what the picture is about.
  - (1) note
  - (2) byline
  - (3) caption
  - (4) headline
  
3. The lion hid behind the bush and trembled with fear. What a \_\_\_\_\_ lion!
  - (1) selfish
  - (2) studious
  - (3) cowardly
  - (4) courageous
  
4. "Help!" Jane yelled as she waved her arms \_\_\_\_\_ to catch our attention.
  - (1) seriously
  - (2) gracefully
  - (3) frantically
  - (4) recklessly
  
5. A loud \_\_\_\_\_ of brakes could be heard before the car crashed into the tree.
  - (1) roar
  - (2) bang
  - (3) crash
  - (4) screech

6. We saw a \_\_\_\_\_ of black smoke rising from the burning building.

- (1) ray
- (2) flash
- (3) cloud
- (4) sheet

7. I cannot chew this meat. It is as tough as \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) silk
- (2) gold
- (3) glass
- (4) leather

Choose the most suitable word to replace the underlined word(s) and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 and 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

8. When the foolish man saw the tiger, up the tree he climbed hastily, as fast as he could.

- (1) swayed
- (2) stretched
- (3) sauntered
- (4) scrambled

9. The ice-cream seller comes to our neighbourhood once in two weeks.

- (1) weekly
- (2) monthly
- (3) annually
- (4) fortnightly

10. It is getting late and we have yet to confirm our hotel rooms for staying in.

- (1) visas
- (2) airline tickets
- (3) accomodation
- (4) sightseeing package

**Part 2: Grammar (10 marks)**

For each question from 11 to 20, four options (1, 2, 3, or 4) are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice and shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

11. There \_\_\_\_\_ still a lot of rice left in the pot. Do you want some more?

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

12. Look at the magician! Is he going to \_\_\_\_\_ a rabbit out of the hat?

- (1) pull
- (2) pulls
- (3) pulled
- (4) pulling

13. These soccer cards \_\_\_\_\_ be Tom's. I saw him arranging them just now.

- (1) will
- (2) shall
- (3) must
- (4) need

14. He goes to bed at nine o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ night.

- (1) all
- (2) any
- (3) most
- (4) every

15. Tom and Jerry \_\_\_\_\_ soccer when it started to rain.

- (1) played
- (2) had played
- (3) was playing
- (4) were playing

16. The firemen very quickly put \_\_\_\_\_ the fire.
- (1) in
  - (2) off
  - (3) out
  - (4) away
17. They checked their luggage one last time \_\_\_\_\_ heading for the airport.
- (1) as
  - (2) since
  - (3) before
  - (4) whenever
18. "\_\_\_\_\_ is the lady in the green dress?" asked Mother.  
"She is Mrs Tan, my Art teacher," replied John.
- (1) Who
  - (2) Why
  - (3) Which
  - (4) Where
19. "It's not fair. He has so \_\_\_\_\_, and I have so \_\_\_\_\_!"  
exclaimed little Bobo, when he realised that his brother had more.
- (1) many.....much
  - (2) much.....little
  - (3) few.....little
  - (4) a lot..... few
20. "I have called \_\_\_\_\_ parents today and have told \_\_\_\_\_ that  
you have not handed in your work," the teacher informed his student.
- (1) his ..... him
  - (2) their..... him
  - (3) my ..... them
  - (4) your.....them

**Part 3: Punctuation (3 marks)**

For each question from 21 to 23, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

**Silence is Golden**

Once upon a time, a student once went to his teacher. He asked his teacher a question, "Sir, is there any good in talking a lot (21) "

The teacher replied, "Toads and frogs croak night and day, but no one pays any attention to them. But the cock crows at a certain time of night and wakes everyone up. (22)

The teacher smiled at his student and said (23) "This proves that nothing good is achieved by talking a lot. What is important is to say the right thing at the right time."

21. (1) [ , ] comma  
(2) [ . ] full stop  
(3) [ ? ] question mark  
(4) [ ! ] exclamation mark
22. (1) [ , ] comma  
(2) [ . ] full stop  
(3) [ ! ] exclamation mark  
(4) [ " ] close inverted commas
23. (1) [ , ] comma  
(2) [ . ] full stop  
(3) [ ? ] question mark  
(4) [ ! ] exclamation mark

**Part 4: Comprehension MCQ (5 marks)**

Read the e-mail below carefully and answer questions 24 to 28.

Hi Richard,

I'm on a holiday with my family at the Beach Haven. This is my third day here. I love this place. The weather is great, the food is even better and best of all, the entertainment here is wonderful!

You know, at first when I arrived with my Mum and Dad, I thought that I would be bored to tears in this place. There is no television set here, and worse still, there is no air-conditioner! But my, was I wrong about this place! The beach and water activities here are simply awesome! I am having a **whale of a time**. I swam, canoed, snorkelled, and today, we will be going wakeboarding! I think our five-day vacation here will not be enough for us. We probably need two weeks! 5 10

The food here is simply delicious. On two nights, we had beach barbecues with some of the other families here. It was really cool! I loved it when all the dads took over the cooking, fussing over the woodfire and making sure that all the food was well done and sizzling hot! All the mums were more than happy to let them take over. After dinner, we had sing-alongs as one of the families brought a guitar along. 15

I think I will try scuba diving tomorrow. There are special trainers to teach you and even swim alongside with you. I have made some new friends and they have asked me to join them. I intend to take some photographs of the sea anemones, corals and tropical fish with my new waterproof camera. I hear the colours of the corals and fish are simply brilliant! 20

We will be back next week and I will show you all the photographs that we have taken. Can't wait to show them to you. See you soon!

Your best friend,  
Wilfred

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For each question from 24 to 28, four options (1, 2, 3, or 4) are given. One of them is the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

24. At first, Wilfred did not like Beach Haven because \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) he was bored
  - (2) he did not enjoy the place
  - (3) there was no opportunity to play any games
  - (4) there was no television set nor an air-conditioner
25. In line 8, we are told that Wilfred had a 'whale of a time'. This means that he had \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) gone fishing
  - (2) caught a whale
  - (3) wasted a lot of time
  - (4) been having a great time
26. With so much to do, Wilfred thought that he and his family need to spend about \_\_\_\_\_ days at the Beach Haven.
- (1) ten
  - (2) five
  - (3) seven
  - (4) fourteen
27. What did Wilfred like about the beach barbeques?
- (1) There was a lot of food to eat.
  - (2) The fathers did all the cooking.
  - (3) The mothers helped the fathers.
  - (4) They sang songs during the dinner.
28. Wilfred planned to \_\_\_\_\_ the next day.
- (1) canoe and snorkel
  - (2) make some new friends
  - (3) try out his new waterproof camera
  - (4) collect some sea anemones and corals

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Parent's/ Guardian's signature

**Booklet B**

40 marks

Total Time for Booklets A and B: 1 hour 30 minutes

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Booklet	Component	Possible Marks	Marks Obtained
A		28	
B	Grammar Cloze	5	
	Vocabulary Cloze	10	
	Editing for Spelling and Grammar	5	
	Synthesis/Transformation	10	
	Comprehension OE	10	
	Total for Booklet B		40
<b>TOTAL for Booklets A and B</b>		<b>68</b>	

**Part 5: Grammar Cloze (5 marks)**

There are 5 blanks numbered 29 to 33 in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to H) in the blank provided.

**EACH WORD CAN ONLY BE USED ONCE.**

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|-----------|------------|------------|----------|
| (A) about | (B) before | (C) during | (D) from |
| (E) in    | (F) of     | (G) so     | (H) some |
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20<sup>th</sup> July 2008

I'm on another space mission. This would be my second mission (29) \_\_\_\_\_ three years. I have 2 other fellow astronauts with me. Our first task is to gather information (30) \_\_\_\_\_ asteroids and comets. We used all kinds of equipment like extra powerful cameras to do this. We got (31) \_\_\_\_\_ excellent shots today.

We also went close to planet Sunev. Its air is thick and poisonous (32) \_\_\_\_\_ we did not land there. By using powerful binoculars, we managed to get a good view of Sunev's rocky surface. Sunev is the closest planet to Htrae, yet scientists do not know much about it.

Just (33) \_\_\_\_\_ bedtime, we saw a shooting star. It was the first one I had ever seen, so it was quite exciting. What a perfect ending for a fruitful day in space!

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**Part 6: Vocabulary Cloze (10 marks)**

Read the passage carefully and fill in the blanks with a suitable word.

My Uncle Tom hated his false teeth. As soon as he got home from work, he took them out of his (34) \_\_\_\_\_. He wrapped them in a handkerchief, put them in his pocket, and said, "Ah, that's better!"

Most evenings he kept his (35) \_\_\_\_\_ in his pocket. But sometimes he took them out and showed them to us. He hid his teeth behind his back, then he pretended to bite us with them.

One afternoon, Aunt May and Uncle Tom took us to the cinema to (36) \_\_\_\_\_ a movie. Uncle Tom bought a tub of popcorn and shared it with us while the movie was on. Halfway through the movie, he leaned over to Aunt May and whispered into her (37) \_\_\_\_\_.

"You've (38) \_\_\_\_\_ your teeth?!" cried Aunt May in disbelief. "How?"

"I don't (39) \_\_\_\_\_," said Uncle Tom. "They must have dropped out while I was eating the popcorn."

Soon we were all looking round our feet for Uncle Tom's teeth. They were not there.

"Maybe they rolled down the front," said Uncle Tom, and before we could stop him, he went along the rows of seats in front of us.

"(40) \_\_\_\_\_ me," he said. "Have you seen my teeth?"

People stared at him and shook their (41) \_\_\_\_\_.

"I dropped them," he said. "They should be down here somewhere." Some of the people laughed, others helped him to (42) \_\_\_\_\_ for them. He even crawled on his (43) \_\_\_\_\_ and knees along the next three rows.

After a few minutes, he waved at us and exclaimed, "Found them!"

*(Adapted from "Uncle Tom's Teeth" by Joy Cowley)*

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**Part 7: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (5 marks)**

Correct each word in **bold** for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

On the 21<sup>st</sup> July 1969 at 3.56am, the American astronaut Neil

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Armstrong set foot on the Moon. His words are transmitted back to

45.

Earth. He said, "That's one small step for a men, one giant leap for

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mankind." The Apollo 11 mission was a huge **sucess**. Between 1969

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and 1972, six Apollo missions took twelve **piple** to the Moon. They

48.

carried out experiments and bring back many samples of moon rocks.

Scientists are still studying them.

**Part 8: Synthesis and Transformation (10 marks)**

For each of the questions 49 to 53, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answers must be in **one** sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

49. The astronauts were landing. A terrific storm blew up.

\_\_\_\_\_ while  
\_\_\_\_\_

50. I did not go to the party. My mother did not let me.

\_\_\_\_\_ so  
\_\_\_\_\_

51. The princess wanted to marry the hunter. She had fallen in love with him.

\_\_\_\_\_ as  
\_\_\_\_\_

52. He cheered for his friends. His face turned blue.

\_\_\_\_\_ till  
\_\_\_\_\_

53. Tom loves reading. Jerry loves reading too.

Both \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.**

54. From the first paragraph, write down the two words that tell us that Joji did not help out at the farm at all.

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55. What was strange about the temple when Joji stepped inside?

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56. Why did Joji choose to sleep in the closet?

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57. When Joji awoke, what did he think was in the room?

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58. What creature must have killed the monster rat?

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# ANSWER SHEET

EXAM PAPER 2008

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17
4	3	3	3	4	3	4	4	4	3	1	1	3	4	4	3	3

Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28	Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33
1	2	4	3	4	1	4	4	4	2	3	E	A	H	G	B

- 34)mouth      35)teeth      36)watch      37)ear      38)lost
- 39)know      40)Excuse      41)heads      42)look      43)hands
- 44)were      45)man      46)success      47)people      48)brought
- 49)A terrific storm blew up while the astronauts were landing.
- 50)My mother did not let me go to the party so I did not go.
- 51)The princess wanted to marry the hunter as she had fallen in love with him.
- 52)He cheered for his friends till his face turned blue.
- 53)Both Tom and Jerry loved reading.
- 54)The two words are "did nothing."

**55)The strange thing was that nobody was in the temple.**

**56)It's because the big room bothered him and found the closet cozy.**

**57)He thought there was a large, fierce animal in the room.**

**58)The gigantic cat which Joji drew must have killed the monster rat.**