



RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL
SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT (1)

2009

Name : _____ Class: P4 _____ Index No: _____

13 May 2009 ENGLISH (PART 1) Att: 1 h 15 min
(Part 1 and 2)

Your Score Out of 22 marks		
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Section A: Grammar (6X1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the OAS.

1. The police have questioned the man _____ car was stolen this morning.

- (1) who
 - (2) which
 - (3) whom
 - (4) whose
- ()

2. Julie, as well as her sisters, _____ in the concert next week.

- (1) has sung
 - (2) is singing
 - (3) are singing
 - (4) have sung
- ()

3. Though Janice had _____ time to study than I, she did better in the examination.

- (1) less
 - (2) little
 - (3) much
 - (4) plenty
- ()

4. Sam was tired _____ he went to sleep.

- (1) so
 - (2) but
 - (3) since
 - (4) unless
- ()

5. Last December holiday, Jay took _____ kite flying as his new hobby.

- (1) in
- (2) up
- (3) out
- (4) over

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6. Fandi knows that he has to exercise at least twice a week in order to keep _____ healthy and fit.

- (1) he
- (2) his
- (3) him
- (4) himself

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Section B: Vocabulary (6X1 mark)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the OAS.

7. This restaurant is _____ for its delicious spicy food and great service.

- (1) noted
- (2) charmed
- (3) notorious
- (4) widespread

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8. The skin and hair covering the top of the human head is called the _____.

- (1) skull
- (2) scalp
- (3) temple
- (4) forehead

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9. Jim was so _____ in his work that he did not notice his sister drawing on the wall.

- (1) fascinated
- (2) enchanted
- (3) engrossed
- (4) concentrated

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10. Kelly has to tidy her room as it is _____ with toys, books and clothes.

- (1) clouded
- (2) clattered
- (3) cluttered
- (4) clustered

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11. Mr Tan suddenly groaned and _____ back in his chair.

- (1) sloped
- (2) drooped
- (3) slumped
- (4) subsided

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12. Jason is more _____ with his spending as the economy worsens and he has less money.

- (1) frugal
- (2) stingy
- (3) diligent
- (4) extravagant

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Section C: Comprehension (MCQ) (5X2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

As a young boy, Henry had always loved outdoor activities. He loved to explore the underwater world and catch fish with his spear gun. Sometimes he would laze in the sun while lying on the deck of his boat.

Now Henry is the captain of a large fishing boat with a crew of eight men. When they have stocked the boat with water, food and diesel oil and the weather is fine, they set sail for international waters. Henry is careful because he does not want to be stopped by foreign patrol boats and be fined for fishing in their waters.

Henry hopes to make the sea his home. Not a single day goes by where he does not watch the sunset. He enjoys watching the sea turn into a brilliant gold before it disappears over the horizon. Sometimes, the dolphins swim happily alongside his boat and the seagulls fly over it.

Sometimes Henry faces typhoons and has to battle with the strong winds and huge waves. However, Henry takes on these challenges as invaluable experiences. His love for the outdoors is so great that he overlooks the dangers of a life at sea.

Choose the correct answer and shade its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the OAS.

13. When Henry was young, he enjoyed _____.

- (1) rearing fish
- (2) sleeping on his boat
- (3) exploring the marine world
- (4) feeling the sun's rays on his face ()

14. Henry sets sail when the _____.

- (1) supply of food is low
- (2) weather is favourable
- (3) the diesel oil is pumped out
- (4) the patrol boats are not present ()

15. In the passage, it is an offence to _____.

- (1) fish in foreign waters
- (2) make the sea his home
- (3) invite foreign patrol boats
- (4) stock the boat with water, food and diesel oil ()

16. Henry loves to witness the _____.

- (1) dolphins at play
- (2) fury of typhoons
- (3) glory of a sunset
- (4) sea making gold ()

17. Henry will always love the sea because of _____.

- (1) the waves and the wind
- (2) his love for the outdoors
- (3) his battles with the storms
- (4) the changes in the weather ()



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Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (8X1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to M) in each blank. The letter 'I' has been omitted in order to avoid confusion during marking.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) banned	(B) cancelled	(C) contribution
(D) disappearing	(E) extinction	(F) illegal
(G) legal	(H) part	(J) purchase
(K) skins	(L) tusks	(M) wildlife

Many animals today are on the endangered species list. They are on the verge of (1) _____ . Some of the (2) _____ on the list are the giant pandas of China and the koalas of Australia. The United Nations has (3) _____ the sale of ivory. Poaches who kill elephants for their (4) _____ will be prosecuted. The World Wildlife Foundation has made the sale of tiger skins (5) _____ so as to protect the species.

We can do our (6) _____ to protect these animals. We should not (7) _____ products which cause animals to be killed. This includes fur coats and handbags made from the (8) _____ of animals.

Section E: Grammar Cloze 1 (4X1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

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| (A) are going | (B) go | (C) goes | (D) going |
| (E) gone | (F) went | (G) were going | |

Jenny enjoys songs. Children don't particularly like (9) _____ to the theatre but not Jenny. She often (10) _____ to watch musical performances with her mother. She has (11) _____ to watch 'The Wizard of Oz' last year and next June holiday, they (12) _____ to catch the 'Alice in Wonderland' at the Esplanade.

Section F: Grammar Cloze 2 (4X1 mark)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to G) in each blank.

USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

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| (A) any | (B) few | (C) little |
| (D) much | (E) plenty | (F) some |

Reading is a great way to increase our vocabulary. Set aside (13) _____ time to read. It can be as (14) _____ as thirty minutes each day. However, you must be mindful of what you read. Read as (15) _____ as possible many challenging reading materials. Whenever you come across (16) _____ difficult word, you should look it up in a dictionary.

Section G: Comprehension (Open-ended) (5X2 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Write your answers in complete sentences.

It was early morning, just before the start of the morning rush hour at the Pan Island Expressway (PIE). Tim pressed the accelerator as he did not want to be caught in the heavy flow of traffic. He was exhausted. Both he and Nat were on the night working shift. They always went home together because Nat stayed just a few units away from him. Tim glanced at Nat and saw that he had dozed off. Tim turned on the radio and sped along the expressway.

Suddenly, a dog dashed out across the PIE, just off the Eunus exit. Tim hit the brakes and swerved to his left. He managed to avoid the dog but crashed into the railing at the side of the road. Nat was thrown forward and he groaned as his face hit the dashboard. Tim hit the steering wheel and was saved by the inflated air bag. The motorist who was tailgating his car was not able to stop in time and slammed into their car. Another two speeding cars collided into them from behind.

Trembling, Tim unfastened his seat belt. Concerned for Nat's safety, he asked, "Nat, are you all right?" "I'm fine," Nat answered in a daze and slumped his head in his hands. Tim gathered himself then pushed his door open and climbed out of the wrecked car. Few other vehicles had pulled up to check on those involved in the accident. The motorist who had failed to keep a safe distance from him was trapped in his car. Though some of the people tried to free him, they were unsuccessful. The Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) officers had to cut the driver side of the car to free the man using hydraulic equipment. Except for some cuts and bruises, all the drivers involved were lucky to escape, unscathed. The accident caused massive traffic congestion on the PIE which lasted for nearly two hours. Strangely, the dog was nowhere in sight.

Answer the following questions. Write your answers in complete sentences.

17. Why was Tim speeding along the expressway ?

18. Which word in the passage showed that Tim cared for Nat ?

19. How many cars were involved in the collision ?

20. Which sentence tells you that the accident was not a serious one ?

21. Besides Tim, why were the other cars not able to stop in time to avoid crashing into one another ?

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| <p>1. 4<br/>2. 2<br/>3. 1<br/>4. 1<br/>5. 2<br/>6. 4</p> <p>7. 1<br/>8. 2<br/>9. 3<br/>10. 3<br/>11. 3<br/>12. 1</p> | <p>Vocabulary Cloze</p> <p>1. E<br/>2. M<br/>3. A<br/>4. L<br/>5. F<br/>6. H<br/>7. J<br/>8. K</p> <p>Grammar Cloze</p> <p>9. D<br/>10. C<br/>11. E<br/>12. A</p> <p>13. F<br/>14. C<br/>15. D<br/>16. A</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <p>Comprehension(MCQ)</p> <p>13. 3<br/>14. 2<br/>15. 1<br/>16. 3<br/>17. 2</p>                                       | <p>Comprehension (OE)</p> <p>17. Tim did not want to be caught in the morning rush hour/heavy flow of traffic at the PIE.</p> <p>18. The word is 'concerned'.</p> <p>19. Four cars were involved in the collision.</p> <p>20. The sentence is "Except for some cuts and bruises, the other drivers were lucky to escape unscathed."</p> <p>21. The drivers were speeding and they failed to keep a safe distance(tailgating) from one another.</p> |