



RED SWASTIKA SCHOOL
2019 SEMESTRAL ASSESSMENT 2
ENGLISH LANGUAGE – PAPER 2
LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION
PRIMARY 3

Name : _____ ()

Class : Primary 3 / _____

Date : 24 October 2019

Note:

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. Read carefully the instructions given at the beginning of each section.
3. Do not waste time. If a question is difficult for you, go on to the next one.
4. Check your answers thoroughly and make sure you attempt every question.

43 Questions

50 Marks

Duration of Paper: 1 hour 15 minutes

ITEMS	OBTAINED	POSSIBLE
MCQ		22
Qn 19 – 43		28
TOTAL		50

Parent's Signature : _____

Section A: Vocabulary (6 marks)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

- 1 The toddler was _____ about how the biscuit would taste like, so he took a small bite.
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| (1) curious | (2) jealous |
| (3) anxious | (4) annoyed |
- 2 - Sally was bitten by a _____ snake and had to be rushed to the hospital for emergency treatment.
- | | |
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| (1) cruel | (2) fierce |
| (3) powerful | (4) poisonous |
- 3 The _____ examined the glass for fingerprints as he looked for clues at the crime scene.
- | | |
|---------------|---------------|
| (1) judge | (2) soldier |
| (3) detective | (4) scientist |
- 4 Josh's mother _____ at him angrily when he refused to turn off the television and do his homework.
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| (1) gazed | (2) stared |
| (3) winked | (4) blinked |
- 5 "Ben, come here _____ and pack your things now! They are all over the floor!" Father said angrily.
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| (1) rapidly | (2) shortly |
| (3) urgently | (4) immediately |
- 6 Ailing enjoys writing about the things that happen each day in her _____.
- | | |
|---------------|---------------|
| (1) diary | (2) calendar |
| (3) storybook | (4) scrapbook |

Section B: Grammar (8 marks)

Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

- 7 While walking to school yesterday, Shaun _____ surprised to see an injured kitten.
- | | |
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| (1) is | (2) are |
| (3) was | (4) were |
- 8 You _____ so generous when you donated all of your savings to help the poor children.
- | | |
|---------|----------|
| (1) is | (2) are |
| (3) was | (4) were |
- 9 "Do not disturb Grandmother now. She _____," my mother whispered to me.
- | | |
|---------------|-----------------|
| (1) slept | (2) sleeps |
| (3) has slept | (4) is sleeping |
- 10 There is _____ water in the pail. Please empty it to prevent mosquitoes from breeding.
- | | |
|----------|-----------|
| (1) no | (2) some |
| (3) many | (4) a few |
- 11 "Do you _____ the teachers when you see them?" Mr Lee asked the students.
- | | |
|-------------|--------------|
| (1) greet | (2) greets |
| (3) greeted | (4) greeting |
- 12 "_____ bags are these? They need to be placed at the side of the classroom," Mrs Lim said as she moved the students' bags.
- | | |
|-----------|-----------|
| (1) Who | (2) What |
| (3) Whose | (4) Which |

13 We can start the meeting now as _____ has arrived.

- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| (1) anyone | (2) nobody |
| (3) somebody | (4) everyone |

14 The train is a mode of transport which is used _____ travelling to different places fast.

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| (1) to | (2) on |
| (3) for | (4) after |

Section C: Visual Text Comprehension (8 marks)

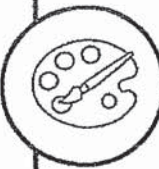
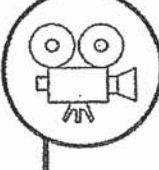
Read the poster carefully and answer the questions that follow. Choose the correct answer and shade its number on the OAS provided.

**Merry Children's Club
Presents
Holiday Fun at the Fun Gym**

 **Date:** 7 December & 14 December 2019
Time: 12.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
Venue: Fun Gym at Ruby Shopping Centre

Entrance fee: \$10 per child

**We offer a full day of holiday activities for children.
Join us for some 'Holiday Fun'!**

Activities to enjoy	
7 December 2019	14 December 2019
 • Superhero Films • Arts and Crafts • Storytelling 	 • Board Games • Action Films • Baking 

Take note of the following details:

- packed meals are allowed
- refreshments will be provided at tea time
- activities are for children between the age of 5 and 12

To purchase tickets, contact Stella at 6569 0402

Details of activities can be found online at www.mcc.com.sg.
Sign up for the activities before 1 December to get a free goodie bag.



15 Who is the organiser of 'Holiday Fun'?

- (1) Stella
- (2) Fun Gym
- (3) Merry Children's Club
- (4) Ruby Shopping Centre

16 Janice wants to find out more about the holiday activities. According to the poster, she can _____.

- (1) call Stella
- (2) visit Fun Gym
- (3) drop by Ruby Shopping Centre
- (4) visit the Merry Children's Club website

17 Dan intends to purchase tickets for 7 December 2019. Which activity is not available that day?

- (1) listening to a story
- (2) creating a model car
- (3) playing a board game
- (4) watching a superhero film

18 Which of the following statements is true?

- (1) Lunch will be provided.
- (2) Children are allowed to bring their own food.
- (3) Goodie bags will be given to all who sign up.
- (4) The baking activity is available on both days.

Section D: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

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

USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.

(A) although	(B) and	(C) because
(D) but	(E) or	(F) yet

After the birthday party, Tina felt tired and went to her room. _____
(19)

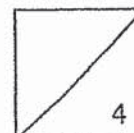
it was still early, she brushed her teeth _____ went to bed. She had wanted to open
(20)

her birthday presents _____ she was too tired to stay awake.
(21)

Despite being tired, Tina was happy _____ she had celebrated her
(22)

birthday with her family and close friends. She hoped to celebrate her birthday with them again

the following year.



Section E: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

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

USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.

(A) walk

(B) walks

(C) walked

(D) will walk

(E) were walking

(F) walking

My family often visits the zoo. We like to _____ around the park and look at
(23)

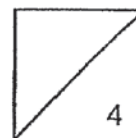
the animals.

Last week, we visited the zoo again. Along the way, we saw a peacock

_____ around the park on its own. It looked lost. While we _____ towards
(24) (25)

it, it looked at us and started making a funny sound. We quickly _____ away from it
(26)

to avoid any trouble. What an exciting day!



Section F: Editing (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Correct each word in bold for spelling. Correct each word in italics and underlined for punctuation.

There was a rose who was very proud of her beautiful looks. Her only

(27)

disapointment was that she grew next to a cactus. She looked at the cactus and

(28)

asked "Why are you so ugly?" The cactus stayed quiet.

One summer, the well in the garden became dry. There was no water for the plants.

(29)

"Why are the suns rays so hot?" the rose complained as she began to wilt. She

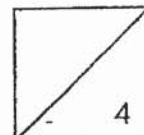
(30)

then saw a sparrow dip her **beek** into the cactus for some water. Though ashamed, she

asked the cactus if she could have some water too. The kind cactus readily agreed and

they got through the summer as friends.

Adapted from : <https://parenting.firstcry.com/articles/top-15-short-moral-stories-for-kids>



Section G: Synthesis (4 marks)

For each question from 31 and 32, combine the sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

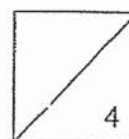
- 31 Ali likes to draw. He does not like to paint.

_____ prefers _____

to _____

- 32 Helen went to the supermarket. She bought some grapes.

_____ in order to



Section H: Comprehension Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage and fill in each blank with a suitable word.

The elephant walked through the forest looking for his friends. He saw

_____ running for their lives.
(33)

"What is happening?" the elephant _____.
(34)

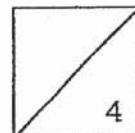
"The tiger in the forest is hungry. _____ we do not run away, it will
(35)

eat all of us!" the monkey exclaimed.

Soon, the elephant saw the tiger. "You _____ not eat the animals.
(36)

They are my friends!" The elephant gave the tiger a forceful kick, causing it to run
away.

Adapted from: <http://www.english-for-students.com/Elephant-and-Friends.html>



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Section I: Comprehension (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Ella was a pretty rabbit who had fur that was the perfect shade of snow. She and her family lived in the forest and they had the same coloured fur. However, Ella did not think she was pretty and wanted to have brown fur like her friends.

One day, she bought some paint to colour her fur. Instead of turning brown, her fur turned purple!

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"How can I turn my fur white again?" Ella pleaded with her friends. Her friends told her that she had to wait until her fur grew out. Then she would be able to cut the purple fur away. Ella waited five long months for her fur to grow out. Even though her fur was purple, her friends still treated her just the same. They even admired her fur and said that it was unique.

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Once the purple fur was gone, Ella did not colour her fur again. Because of her friends, she felt that no matter what colour her fur was, she was just like all the other rabbits in the forest.

Finally, Ella understood that all she needed to do was to accept who she was. She just needed to love herself.

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Adapted from : <http://www.shortkidstories.com/story/ella-rabbit/>

- 37 What was the original colour of Ella's fur? [1m]

- 38 Tick ✓ the chosen answer.

Ella wanted to change the colour of her fur because she wanted to _____. [1m]

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☐
☐

have the same colour of fur as her family

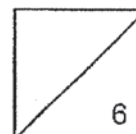
look like her friends

look unique

- 39 What did Ella have to do to get her fur back to its original colour? [2m]

For Questions 40 - 41, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to paragraph 3 to help you. The first example has been done for you. [2m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	Ella wanted to turn her fur brown again.	☐	☒
40	Ella had kind friends.	☐	☐
41	Ella waited five years for her fur to grow out.	☐	☐



- 42 Tick ✓ the chosen answer.
Ella did not colour her fur again after it grew out. This tells us that she _____. [1m]

☐
☐
☐

knew it was alright to look different from her friends

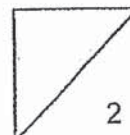
found it silly to look like her friends

did not like the colour purple

- 43 Which word has the same meaning as 'realised'? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

Finally, Ella understood that all she needed to do was to accept who she was.
(A) (B)

End of paper



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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
1	4	3	2	4	1	3	4	4	2
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
1	3	4	3	3	4	3	2	A	B
Q21	Q22	Q23							
D	C	A							

Q24)	F	Q28)	asked
Q25)	E	Q29)	sun's
Q26)	C	Q30)	beak
Q27)	disappointment		

Q31)	Ali prefers drawing to painting.
Q32)	Helen went to the supermarket in order to buy some grapes.
Q33)	them
Q34)	asked
Q35)	If
	will
	white
Q38)	look like her friends
Q39)	Ella had to wait until her fur grew out and she would be able to cut her purple fur.
Q40)	True
Q41)	False
Q42)	knew it was alright to look different from her friends.
Q43)	A