



**AI TONG SCHOOL  
2020  
END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION  
PRIMARY 4**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PAPER 2 (LANGUAGE USE AND COMPREHENSION)**

Total Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Do not open the booklets until you are told to do so.

Follow all instructions carefully.

Answer all questions.

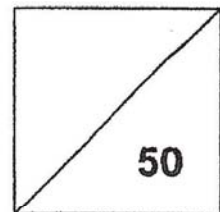
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Class: Primary 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 30 October 2020

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Paper 1	Paper 2	Paper 3	Paper 4	Total Marks
20	50	14	16	100

**Section A: Grammar MCQ (10 x 1 mark)**

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). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. Susan's friends \_\_\_\_\_ in class when the bell rang.  
(1) is  
(2) are  
(3) was  
(4) were
  
2. Charlie, who is a doctor, has to work \_\_\_\_\_ weekends.  
(1) on  
(2) by  
(3) for  
(4) with
  
3. Mary wants to buy \_\_\_\_\_ shoes on the display shelf over there.  
(1) this  
(2) that  
(3) these  
(4) those
  
4. "Are there \_\_\_\_\_ packets of milk left?" Cayla asked her mother.  
(1) any  
(2) little  
(3) none  
(4) much
  
5. While cleaning her bedroom yesterday, Anne \_\_\_\_\_ shocked when a cockroach suddenly dashed across her room.  
(1) is  
(2) are  
(3) was  
(4) were

6. Bobby needed a new water bottle \_\_\_\_\_ he lost the one he had.
- (1) or
  - (2) but
  - (3) and
  - (4) because
7. "Don't disturb me now. I \_\_\_\_\_ dinner," Mother told me.
- (1) prepare
  - (2) prepared
  - (3) am preparing
  - (4) have prepared
8. As there is too \_\_\_\_\_ sand in the pail, Tom cannot lift it by himself.
- (1) few
  - (2) little
  - (3) many
  - (4) much
9. Last month, we \_\_\_\_\_ a computer during the Great Singapore Sale.
- (1) buy
  - (2) bought
  - (3) were buying
  - (4) have bought
10. While everyone \_\_\_\_\_ in the canteen during recess, Jack stayed in the classroom to finish his work.
- (1) eats
  - (2) will eat
  - (3) has eaten
  - (4) was eating

**Section B: Vocabulary MCQ (6 x 1 mark)**

For each question from 11 to 16, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

11. Mr Ong \_\_\_\_\_ his student for having fallen asleep during the lesson.
- (1) alerted
  - (2) reminded
  - (3) commanded
  - (4) reprimanded
12. John was so \_\_\_\_\_ that he could not eat or sleep well for several days after he heard about the tragic accident.
- (1) upset
  - (2) anxious
  - (3) confused
  - (4) displeased
13. During the 100-metre race, the \_\_\_\_\_ seated at the stadium cheered wildly for the athletes.
- (1) audience
  - (2) witnesses
  - (3) spectators
  - (4) competitors
14. Clumsily, Sam tripped over the steps and \_\_\_\_\_ his cup of apple juice all over the floor.
- (1) spilled
  - (2) toppled
  - (3) dropped
  - (4) scattered

15. Hoping to get into the school's basketball team, Kaden \_\_\_\_\_ practises bouncing and dribbling at the court every evening.

- (1) skilfully
- (2) carefully
- (3) diligently
- (4) accurately

16. "You will remember better if you \_\_\_\_\_ your revision notes every day," the teacher told his students.

- (1) go into
- (2) go over
- (3) go after
- (4) go about

**Section C: Grammar Cloze (8 x 1 mark)**

**Passage 1**

There are four blanks, numbered 17 to 20, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the correct answer for each blank. Write the letter (A to F) in the blank.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) I	(B) he	(C) she
(D) our	(E) us	(F) you

Hi Mr Wonka,

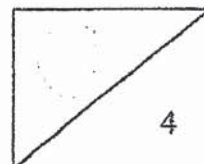
How have you been? (17) \_\_\_\_\_ miss you.

School has just reopened. We have a new teacher, Miss Trunchbell, this year. We like her because (18) \_\_\_\_\_ gives Wonka Chocolates as a reward when we do well in (19) \_\_\_\_\_ spelling quizzes. All of (20) \_\_\_\_\_ really enjoy her lessons.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Cheers,

Charlie



## Passage 2

There are four questions, numbered 21 to 24, in the passage below. Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

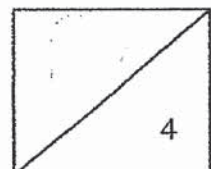
Mr Lee is one of the few mobile ice-cream vendors left in Singapore. He has been selling the much-loved Singaporean ice-cream sandwich for forty years.

Every day, he (21) [ set / sets ] off to a different neighbourhood on his motorcycle. A big colourful umbrella and an ice-cream cart (22) [ is / are ] strapped to it.

Once Mr Lee (23) [ reach / reaches ] a void deck, he will ring a bell that attracts children to buy his scoops of ice cream wrapped in rainbow-coloured bread. As most children (24) [ love / loves ] chocolate-flavoured ice cream, it is his best-selling item.

"Rain or shine, I sell my ice cream daily," declared Mr Lee proudly.

*Written by: Mrs Regine Ang*



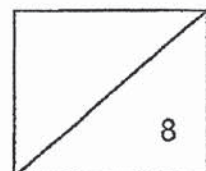
**Section D: Comprehension Cloze (8 x 1 mark)**

There are eight blanks numbered 25 to 32. Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

Alex opened the letterbox and saw a card addressed to him. It was (25) \_\_\_\_\_ the library, informing him that the three books he had borrowed were overdue. "Oh no! How could I have (26) \_\_\_\_\_ to return the library books?" exclaimed Alex.

When Alex arrived home, he (27) \_\_\_\_\_ his bedroom thoroughly. After looking for a long while, he only (28) \_\_\_\_\_ to locate two of them. Alex felt remorseful that he had not taken good (29) \_\_\_\_\_ of the library books. He decided to report the (30) \_\_\_\_\_ book to the library and (31) \_\_\_\_\_ his savings to pay for it.

When Alex's father learnt about what Alex was going to do, he was (32) \_\_\_\_\_ of Alex and praised him for his honesty. Alex was glad that he had decided to do the right thing.





**Section E: Comprehension 1 (8 marks)**

Read the passage below and answer questions 33 to 40.

Mother told Sharon and Kim that she would be trying on some dresses in a fitting room nearby. Before walking away, she instructed them to wait for her at the entrance of the clothing store.

Feeling bored, both girls grew restless. Kim then suggested to Sharon that they play hide-and-seek. 5

Once Mother was out of sight, the sisters began their game of hide-and-seek in the store. Sharon locked herself in an empty fitting room, stifling soft giggles with her hand.

"Kim will never find me **here**," she thought gleefully.

After some time, there was a knock on the door. Sharon opened it and found a store assistant staring at her in surprise. Embarrassed, Sharon dashed out to look for Mother and Kim but they were not in the store. A pale and trembling Sharon walked up to the store assistant and mumbled, "Can you call my mother please?" Immediately, the store assistant did so. 10

Meanwhile, Mother and Kim were looking for Sharon in a nearby toy store when Mother's handphone rang. Both of them hurried back to the clothing store after receiving the call. Mother thanked the store assistant and explained that she thought Sharon had left the store while playing hide-and-seek. 15

The sisters felt remorseful for being disobedient. To their relief, Mother accepted their sincere apology. 20

*Written by: Ho Hsien Lin*

33. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story. [1m]

\_\_\_\_\_ Sharon tried to prevent her laughter from being heard.

\_\_\_\_\_ The store assistant knocked on the door of the fitting room.

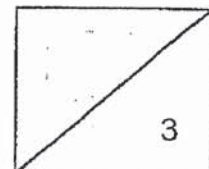
\_\_\_\_\_ The sisters agreed to obey Mother's instructions.

34. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.

What does "here" in line 9 refer to? [1m]

<input type="checkbox"/>	the clothing store
<input type="checkbox"/>	the fitting room
<input type="checkbox"/>	the toy store

35. Which three-word phrase from lines 10-14 shows how Sharon was frightened when she found out that her family had left the clothing store? [1m]



For Q36-38, read each statement and tick ✓ "True" or "False". Refer to lines 6 to 14 to help you. The first example has been done for you. [3m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	Sharon went to a toy store to look for her family.		✓
36.	Kim could not find Sharon during the game of hide-and-seek.		
37.	Sharon was surprised when she saw the store assistant.		
38.	Sharon made a phone call to her mother.		

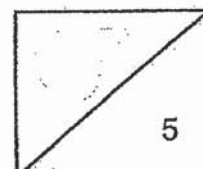
39. Tick ✓ your chosen answer.  
 Mother was grateful to the shop assistant for \_\_\_\_\_. [1m]

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|  | telling her where Sharon was                    |
|  | picking dresses for her to try on               |
|  | informing her that the sisters were disobedient |

40. Sharon was left by herself in the clothing store because \_\_\_\_\_. [1m]

- (1) the store assistant had agreed to take care of her
- (2) Mother did not see her and went to look for her
- (3) Kim had locked her in the fitting room

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**Section F: Comprehension 2 (10 marks)**

Read the passage below and answer questions 41 to 46.

One day after work, Tim heard a strange noise behind some trees near his house. Curious, he went to find out more about it. To his surprise, he found a stray dog with a litter of puppies. The puppies seemed to be a few days old.

“Maybe I should set up a cosy place for the dog and her puppies in the storeroom,” Tim thought. An hour later, he laid out a dish of water and a large cardboard box lined with a towel on the floor. The storeroom was ready for its new occupants.

Next, Tim faced the challenging task of coaxing the dog to move into the room with her puppies. When he approached her, she was cautious at first. Not giving up, he personally delivered food to her for the next two days. By the third day, he had earned the dog’s trust. She finally allowed him to pet her. However, he did not touch her puppies as he might upset the protective mother. On the fourth day, Tim knew he had succeeded when she followed him into the storeroom and drank from the dish of water next to the cardboard box. As the weeks passed, she was certainly happier living in the storeroom with her puppies.

Tim decided to keep her as a pet and named her Sunny. He took Sunny and her puppies to the vet for a check-up. Later, he found loving owners for three of the puppies but kept one with him. Tim’s family members, who were not exactly dog lovers, had also grown to adore his new pets for their loyalty and obedience.

*Written by: Ho Hsien Lin*

41. What does the word "it" in line 2 refer to? [1m]

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42. How did Tim prepare a suitable place in the storeroom for the dog and her puppies? [2m]

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43. Which three-word phrase from lines 8-15 shows that Tim was determined to let the dog stay in his storeroom? [1m]

44. What did Tim do to earn the dog's trust? [1m]

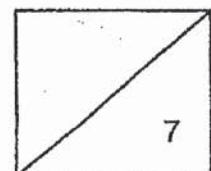
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45. How did Tim know that the dog was ready to stay in his storeroom? [2m]

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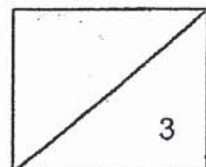
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46. Based on the passage, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/False	Reason
a) Tim was aware that the dog was a protective mother.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
b) The dog could not get used to living in the storeroom.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
c) Tim kept all the puppies.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

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Please check your work carefully.



## ANSWER KEY

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### PAPER 2

#### SECTION A-D

Q1	4	Q2	1	Q3	4	Q4	1	Q5	3
Q6	4	Q7	3	Q8	4	Q9	2	Q10	4
Q11	4	Q12	1	Q13	3	Q14	1	Q15	3
Q16	2	Q17	A	Q18	C	Q19	D	Q20	E
Q21	Sets	Q22	Are	Q23	Reaches	Q24	Love	Q25	From
Q26	Forgotten	Q27	Searched	Q28	Managed	Q29	Care	Q30	Missing
Q31	Use	Q32	Proud						

#### SECTION E

Q33	2, 3, 1
Q34	The fitting room
Q35	Pale and trembling
Q36	True
Q37	False
Q38	False
Q39	Telling her where Sharon was
Q40	Mother did not see her <sup>and</sup> went to look for her
Q41	It refers to the sound, coming from the back of a tree that was near his house.
Q42	Tim laid out a dish of water and a large cardboard with a towel lined on the floor.
Q43	Not giving up
Q44	Tim delivered food to the dog for two days.
Q45	The dog followed Tim and drank the water from the cardboard.

Q46		True / False	Reason
	a) Tim was aware that the dog was a protective mother.	True	Tim did not want to touch the puppies as he might upset the protective mother.
	b) The dog could not get used to living in the storeroom.	False	The storeroom was ready for its new occupants.
	c) Tim kept all the puppies.	False	Tim found loving owners for the puppies but kept one with him.