Section A : MCQ Grammar (8 x 1 mark = 8 marks)
For each question, from 1 to 8, write your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

1. The coffee is not sweet enough. It has too ___________ sugar in it.
   (1) few
   (2) little
   (3) many
   (4) much

2. If you sign up early for the competition, you ___________ a goodie bag.
   (1) will receive
   (2) would receive
   (3) will have received
   (4) would have received

3. The little boy ___________ when he saw a spider crawling out of his box of toys.
   (1) screams
   (2) screamed
   (3) is screaming
   (4) had screamed

4. ___________ he got a promotion, Mr Tan gave everyone in his office a lunch treat.
   (1) If
   (2) Since
   (3) Unless
   (4) Although
5. "Nurin nearly missed the movie, ____________ she?" Mei Xin asked.

(1) did  
(2) didn’t  
(3) could  
(4) couldn't

6. My parents introduced a colleague of ____________ to me during a dinner party.

(1) themselves  
(2) theirs  
(3) them  
(4) their

7. "Could Sally ____________ to sweep the floor?" the teacher asked.

(1) help  
(2) helps  
(3) helped  
(4) helping

8. Everybody, except the twins, ____________ dessert a moment ago.

(1) is eating  
(2) are eating  
(3) was eating  
(4) were eating
Mariam and Aini were at the supermarket in Tampines. Aini needed to buy some milk powder for her baby brother.

“Do you know where I can find Maxwell’s milk (9) __________” Aini asked a shop assistant. The shop assistant asked them to follow her. She walked to an aisle close to them, grabbed a huge tin of milk powder and (10) __________

“Here you go! It’s on offer today for only ten dollars.”

The lady then handed the tin over to Aini and walked away. Aini was happy to have saved some money for her mother.

9. (1) powder.
   (2) powder,
   (3) powder!
   (4) powder?

10. (1) said.
    (2) said,
    (3) said:
    (4) said;

    (  )
Section C: Vocabulary (5 x 1 mark = 5 marks)

For each question from 11 to 15, write your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

11. The bully ___________ Rafi down the stairs. Fortunately, Rafi was not seriously injured.
   (1) poked  
   (2) pulled  
   (3) patted  
   (4) pushed

12. The dog handler put a ___________ on the dog to prevent it from biting anyone.
   (1) cage  
   (2) leash  
   (3) shield  
   (4) muzzle

13. Alice was on the ___________ of tears when her teacher reprimanded her for not completing her homework.
   (1) rim  
   (2) top  
   (3) verge  
   (4) border

14. The lady was very upset with the service she received at the store. She ___________ on seeing the store manager.
   (1) insisted  
   (2) resisted  
   (3) assisted  
   (4) persisted
15. After much questioning, the suspect finally ______________ that he was behind all the robberies in the area.

(1) admitted
(2) disclosed
(3) mentioned
(4) acknowledged

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Section D: Visual Text Comprehension (5 x 1 mark = 5 marks)
Study the following flyer and answer questions 16 to 20.

Come mark National Day with us at Our Esplanade Estate during the month of August. Celebrate it with the people of Singapore and our vibrant Esplanade community with free performances, craft activities, exhibitions, a festival village, and more!

**ESPLANADE FESTIVAL VILLAGE**
Come on down to the Esplanade Waterfront and experience the hustle and bustle of the Esplanade Festival Village which features over 50 stalls selling delicious treats, local crafts and other specialty goods.

**RAINDROPS ARE FALLING!**
Join Pam as she weaves interactive tales about animals and nature in this storytelling session. Learn how we can do our part to save our environment!

**CARDBOARD SCULPTURES UPSIZED!**
Be amazed by the works of art created by cardboard sculptor Bartholomew Ting, as he guides you through the building of larger-than-life sculptures at the Esplanade. Join in the team effort to build giant Esplanade-inspired sculptures!

There are limited spaces at the workshops so do come early to register.

**DIY MINI CARDBOARD FIGURES**
Assemble your own mini cardboard figure to take home!

This is a self-guided activity. There are limited spaces at the workshops so do come early to register.

Adapted from https://www.esplanade.com/festivals-and-series/national-day-celebrations/2016
For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. Write your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

16. The activities are organised as part of the ____________ celebrations.
   (1) National Day
   (2) Festival Village
   (3) Falling Raindrops
   (4) Esplanade community

17. At the Esplanade Festival Village, you can buy ____________.
   (1) tasty food
   (2) large sculptures
   (3) interactive storybooks
   (4) DIY mini cardboard figures

18. Pam, the storyteller, will tell stories about ________________.
   (1) raindrops
   (2) teamwork
   (3) animals and nature
   (4) the hustle and bustle of a village

19. In order to participate in the ‘CARDBOARD SCULPTURES UPSIZED!’ , you must ________________.
   (1) know how to build cardboard sculpture
   (2) join with a family member
   (3) come early to register
   (4) be amazed by the artworks
20. Which of the statements about the ‘DIY MINI CARDBOARD FIGURES’ activity is not true?

(1) There are limited spaces.
(2) Instructors will guide participants.
(3) The figures built will be small in size.
(4) Participants can bring home their figures.

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End of Booklet A
Section E: Form Filling (5 marks)
Read the following information and complete the registration form by answering the questions numbered 21 to 25.

Your friend, Risa Sanders, wants to sign up for one of the enrichment classes organised by Wheelock Community Club. As she is away in Australia with her family, you have agreed to help her complete the registration form. Risa is 12 years old and lives at Block 19, Wheelock Lane, #07-36, Singapore 789019. She would like a class that can help her to improve her artistic talent.

Enrichment Classes  
Wheelock Community Club  
Registration Form

21. Full Name (in BLOCK LETTERS):

________________________________________________________________________

22. Age: ________________

23. Gender: Male / Female* (*delete accordingly)

24. Address: ________________________________________________________________
              ________________________________________________________________
Singapore (________________________)

25. Please indicate your choice of class by putting a tick ☑ in one of the boxes:

   Batik Painting  ☐
   Creative Writing ☐
   Hip Hop Dancing ☐
Section F: Editing for Grammar (6 x 1 mark = 6 marks)

Each of the underlined words contains a grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes.

Mr Amos and his family were at Calrose Shopping Mall. They were there to **buying** some books at ABC Bookstore. As they walked to the store, the lift’s alarm suddenly **ring** loudly. They were shocked. They could hear a baby **cried** in the elevator. Some women were also screaming. Mr Amos and his daughter rushed to the lift to try to help them. Suddenly, the lights **go** off. The people stuck in the lift were in total darkness. The baby cried even **loudest**.

Mr Amos thought of an idea. He ran **quick** to the security officers to ask them for a crowbar. With the security officer’s help, he managed to pry open the door and free the people trapped inside.
Section G : Editing for Spelling (6 x 1 mark = 6 marks)

Each of the underlined words contains a spelling error. Write the correct spelling of the word in each of the boxes.

Mdm Dory Neo ricides in an old folks’ home. Last week, the elderly lady was found oneding in the streets aimlessly. She was in a dayze and her clothes was torn. She was later seen being heressed by a group of youths. Fortunately, a police officer on patrol duty came to her rescue. It was later diskaverd that Mdm Neo acktually owned a bungalow! The house is now occupied by her son who has thrown her out of it.

Adapted from “Vulnerable Seniors Need Protection from Abuse”, The Straits Times, 2014
Section H: Comprehension (Completion of sentences) – (5 x 1 mark = 5 marks)
Read the following advertisement carefully and use the information to complete the sentences in questions 38 to 42.

**Eat Healthy @ Han’s Choice**

*Healthy Cakes you can’t resist!*
A subsidiary of Happy Family Restaurants
105 Tanglin Road, Singapore 567105

**Special Offers**
- Free delivery for those who spend above $100 in one single receipt.
- Free cup of fruit juice for every customer (limited to one per person)

10% discount for the first 100 customers

Han’s Choice reaches your home on the day it is baked. We use the finest fresh ingredients and LOW FAT CREAM. We are the Healthier Choice.
Based on the information given, complete each sentence by filling in a suitable word or words.

38. Han’s Choice is a __________________________ of the Happy Family Restaurants.

39. Every customer who visits Han’s Choice will get ____________________________

________________________________________________________.

40. The cheese cake demonstration will last for _____________________ days.

41. The first 100 customers will get a ____________________________

on the items bought.

42. People who are concerned about their weight need not worry because the cakes sold at Han’s Choice are made with ____________________________

________________________________________________________. 
Section I: Synthesis (3 x 1 mark = 3 marks)

For each of the following questions from 43 to 45, 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.

43. The necklace is expensive. The diamond ring is more expensive.

   ________________________________________________________________
   than _________________________________________________________.

44. Mr Tan listened to Remy. Mr Tan punished him for playing truant.

   After _________________________________________________________
   _____________________________________________________________

45. Zenny walked out of the room. She did not make a sound.

   _____________________________________________________________ without
   _____________________________________________________________.
My best friend, Jolie, invited me to a picnic by the beach last weekend. Since I had no plans that day, I accepted her invitation happily. I woke up that Sunday morning feeling joyful. I was really looking forward to spending a fun day at the beach.

I went to Jolie’s house at ten in the morning. We loaded the picnic basket into her father’s car. Suddenly, Jolie’s older brother, Tom, rushed towards us. He warned us about the bad weather. However, Jolie refused to listen to him. When we arrived at our destination, it started raining cats and dogs. We were terribly disappointed.

Jolie said, “I have an idea! Let’s have a picnic indoors!” I agreed. Jolie’s father drove us back to the house. We had a great picnic in the living room.
Passage A

Space Rockets

Space rockets put men on the Moon and launched satellites that sent back dramatic pictures of Earth. They gave people an understanding of the Universe that they could never have gained from normal telescopes.

Who invented space rockets?

Chinese inventors made rockets possible when they invented gunpowder. The first rockets were actually firework missiles used by the Chinese to defend the city of Kaifeng against a Mongolian invasion. Today, rockets are still the cheapest way of putting satellites into space.

How rockets work

It is a common mistake to think that rockets work by "pushing back against the air". There is no air in space to push against. Space is literally that: empty space! How, then, do rockets work?

Like jet airplanes, space rockets work on a principle called action and reaction. The massive force (action) generated by hot gases firing backward from a rocket’s engines produces an equal force (reaction) that pushes the rocket forward through space. The great force enables the rocket to escape Earth's gravity.

Based on Passage A, answer questions 51 to 53.

51. In the first paragraph, what does ‘They’ in bold refer to? [1m]

52. Explain how the first rockets were used. [2m]

53. What is the common mistake people make about how space rockets work? [1m]
“Oh no,” Ben thought with a sinking feeling in his stomach. “We’ve been walking around in circles for the last hour.” He recognised the funny-shaped rock that stood before him.

Ben, Amin and Varun were hiking on St John’s Island. They had decided to explore an interesting but narrow dirt track. The track had led them into a forest and then it disappeared altogether. After two hours, the boys’ initial excitement wore off.

Not wanting to give up, the boys studied the map again. The jetty was just a few kilometres to the east of the forest. They had been walking towards the east but were still unable to find their way out. It was then that Amin discovered that the compass – the only one they had – was faulty as the compass needle was pointing in random directions as he was trying to point the compass towards the East.

“No wonder we’ve been walking around in circles!” exclaimed Varun. The boys were confused as to what they should do next to get out of their predicament. They were completely exhausted.

All of a sudden, a low rumbling sound broke the silence. It took the boys a few minutes to realise what it was. “It’s a vehicle!” Ben shouted excitedly as he jumped to his feet in a hurry. “Quick! We’ve got to make sure that we catch that vehicle!”

As quick as lightning, the boys grabbed their backpacks and rushed in the direction of the rumbling sound. As they emerged from the forest, a wave of relief swept over them as they saw a green army truck in the clearing.

Based on Passage B, answer questions 54 to 57.

54. In paragraph 1, what made Ben realise that they had been “walking around in circles”? (1m)
55. Refer to **paragraph 3 and 4**. Find a word which has a similar meaning as the following: [2m]

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56. Based on the passage, how did the boys feel at each of the following event in the story? (2m)

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<td>(i) The boys discovered that the only compass they had was faulty.</td>
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<td>(ii) The boys heard the rumbling sound of a vehicle.</td>
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57. How do you think the boys got out of the forest? (1m)

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~ End of Booklet B ~