

PSLE English Answer Key

Section A: Grammar MCQ

1. (4) – S
2. (4) – M
3. (3) – C
4. (4) – S
5. (4) – M
6. (4) – S
7. (4) - C
8. (3) – M
9. (3) – S
- 10.(3) – M

Section B: Vocabulary MCQ

- 11.(1) - C
- 12.(2) - C
- 13.(4) - M
- 14.(4) - S
- 15.(1) - C

Section C: Vocabulary Cloze MCQ

- 16.(2) – M
- 17.(1) - M
- 18.(1) - C
- 19.(2) - C
- 20.(1) – C

Section D: Visual Text Comprehension

21. (1) – S
22. (4) – S
23. (1) – S
24. (4) – M
25. (4) – M
26. (4) – M
27. (3) – S
28. (3) – S

Section E: Grammar Cloze

- 29.(Q) - S
- 30.(D) - S
- 31.(H) - S
- 32.(P) - M
- 33.(M) - S
- 34.(K) - S
- 35.(J) - S

- 36. (E) – M
- 37. (B) - M
- 38. (L) – M

Section F: Editing for Spelling & Grammar

- 39. precious - S
- 40. past - S
- 41. trying - S
- 42. racket - S
- 43. However - C
- 44. clearer - S
- 45. torn - C
- 46. glimpse – M
- 47. rummaged – M
- 48. hastily - M
- 49. prominent - S
- 50. burdened - S

Section G: Vocabulary Cloze

- 51. started - S
- 52. part – S
- 53. bringing – M
- 54. providing – M
- 55. reach - S
- 56. rest - S
- 57. following – M
- 58. other/opposite - M
- 59. more - S
- 60. nothing - S
- 61. look - S
- 62. food - S
- 63. thanked - S
- 64. survived - S
- 65. understand - S

Section H: Synthesis/Transformation

- 66. The storm was so violent that it swept away all the wooden huts. (S)
- 67. The rude boy's behavior angered the teachers. (M)
- 68. The man's survival was dependent on the fruits and water found on the island.
(M)
- 69. Lucy has no intention of leaving the city. (C)
- 70. Mother asked James how he had fared in the English examination. (M)

Section I: Comprehension Open-Ended

71. He intended to take a second wife. (S)
 72. It was clear that none of Sultan’s close female relations wanted to have anything to do with his potential second marriage. (S)
 73. 1. They were fond of his first wife. (S)
 2. They thought that one wife would suffice. (S)
 74.

	True/False	Reason
Sonya’s parents were pleased that her suitor was an old man.(M)	True	The older the man, the higher the price he could offer for their daughter’s hand in marriage.
Sultan’s friend wanted to marry Sonya. (S)	False	Sultan wanted to marry Sonya.
Sonya’s parents rejected Sultan’s offer as they did not want their daughter to get married. (M)	False	They rejected Sultan’s offer in order to get a better price for her hand in marriage.

75.

tradition (S)	custom
inspection (M)	once-over
suit (S)	fit

76. Sultan was a trusted family friend and was considered a generous man and a visit from him was always welcome. (M)
 77. (S)

The female members of Sultan’s family objected strongly to his plan.	2
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Sultan visited Sonya's parents.	3
Sultan told his mother that he wanted a second wife.	1

78. They wanted to know about the suitor's age and status. (S)

79.

Cause	Effect
None of Sultan's female relatives would help him in his plan to take a second wife. (M)	He met Sonya's parents himself
Sonya's father's back had been injured during a brawl. (M)	He was no longer able to work.

80. I think Sonya's family would be pleased to know that the mysterious suitor was Sultan. Sultan was a trusted family friend and is also affluent. (M)