

Section A: Grammar (8 x 1 = 8 marks)

For each question from 1 to 8, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. The athlete had to _____ her competitor to reach the finish line first.
 - (1) overtake
 - (2) overtook
 - (3) overtakes
 - (4) overtaking

2. The tourists followed the directions given in the guide and found their way to the zoo _____.
 - (1) yourself
 - (2) ourselves
 - (3) yourselves
 - (4) themselves

3. Last Friday, my brother _____ on his way to the bus stop when he slipped and fell.
 - (1) is
 - (2) are
 - (3) was
 - (4) were

4. _____ children seated there are waiting for the magic show to begin.
 - (1) This
 - (2) That
 - (3) These
 - (4) Those

5. There is not _____ porridge left in the pot.
 - (1) few
 - (2) much
 - (3) many
 - (4) some

6. Uncle Tom heard a woman _____ for help.

- (1) scream
- (2) screams
- (3) screamed
- (4) is screaming

7. The tall boy leaning _____ the lamp post is my cousin.

- (1) over
- (2) along
- (3) around
- (4) against

8. _____ he continues to work hard, Mark should be able to score well in his examination.

- (1) If
- (2) And
- (3) Until
- (4) Though

Section B: Punctuation (2 x 1 = 2 marks)

For each question from 9 to 10, choose the word with the correct punctuation to complete the text. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

A large crowd had gathered to witness the race. When it finally started, Anika dug deep inside her. "I must win **(9)** _____ she whispered to herself. When the whistle blew, the runners made a beeline for the finish line. But where was **(10)** _____ She was nowhere to be seen. The spectators gasped in disbelief as she saw Anika hobbling along the track, wincing in pain.

9. (1) this."
(2) this,"
(3) this!"
(4) this?"

10. (1) Anika.
(2) Anika,
(3) Anika!
(4) Anika?

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

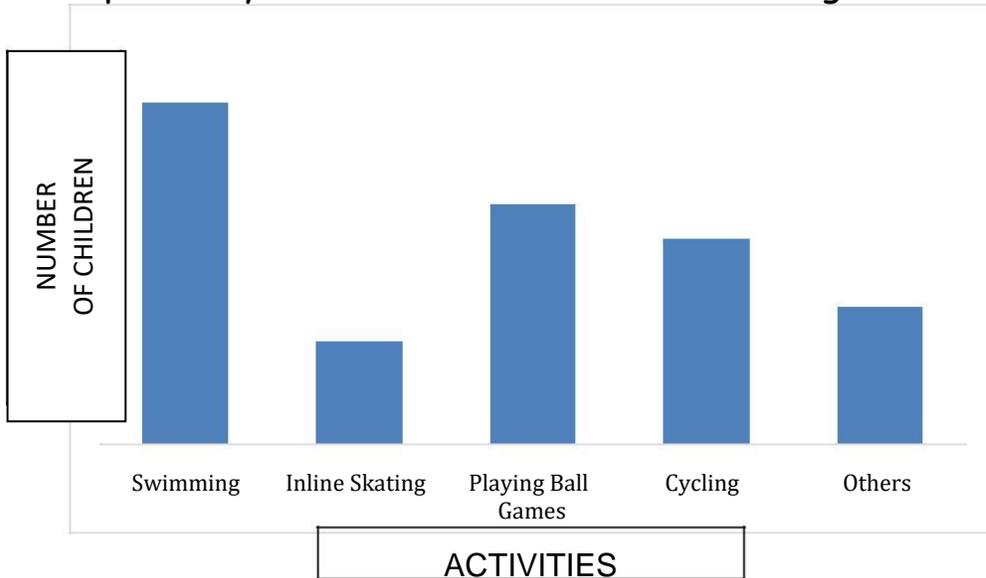
For each question from 11 to 15, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

11. The customer was very _____ with the rude salesgirl.
- (1) bored
 - (2) satisfied
 - (3) annoyed
 - (4) delighted
12. Siti was cycling on the road when she fell and landed painfully on the _____. She sustained several scrapes and bruises.
- (1) hallway
 - (2) corridor
 - (3) shortcut
 - (4) pavement
13. Mrs Lim was _____ by the noise in her class and ended up punishing them.
- (1) put on
 - (2) put up
 - (3) put off
 - (4) put through
14. The police interviewed the _____ of the accident.
- (1) audience
 - (2) witnesses
 - (3) spectators
 - (4) participants
15. After the game, the thirsty players _____ the cold drinks placed on the bench.
- (1) cried out
 - (2) pigged out
 - (3) piped down
 - (4) gulped down

Section D: Visual Text Comprehension (5 x 1 = 5 marks)

Study the following advertisement carefully and answer questions 16 to 20. Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

Popular Physical Activities of Children during School Holidays



Tips to promote healthy living for children 4 to 17 years of age

- Limit recreational screen time (including television, computers and handheld gaming devices) to no more than two hours a day
- Avoid spending extended periods of time indoors
- Exercise regularly



Advantages of regular exercise for children

- ❖ Strengthens heart and muscles
- ❖ Maintains a healthy weight and blood pressure
- ❖ Reduces the risk of developing heart disease and stroke when older
- ❖ Increases attentiveness

Children who exercise regularly will become healthy adults!

What parents can do:

- ✓ Plan physical activities for children on most days of the week
- ✓ Encourage children to take part in physical activities for at least 30 minutes a day
- ✓ Help children learn about health and environmental benefits of walking or cycling instead of driving them around



For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

16. Based on the bar graph, how many types of physical activities are specifically mentioned?
- (1) five
 - (2) two
 - (3) three
 - (4) four
17. According to the brochure, one way to promote healthy living is by _____.
- (1) exercising regularly
 - (2) playing handheld games
 - (3) spending more time indoors
 - (4) watching television more than two hours per day
18. As indicated in the brochure, which one of the following is a benefit for children who exercise regularly?
- (1) Excessive weight gain
 - (2) Increased inattentiveness
 - (3) Strong heart and muscles
 - (4) Higher risk of stroke with age
19. To encourage the children to take part in physical activities, it is recommended that parents _____.
- (1) exercise at least thirty minutes a day
 - (2) drive their children from one place to another
 - (3) teach the children about the positive effects of exercise
 - (4) ensure their children have physical activities once a week
20. Which one of the following sentences is true?
- (1) Walking and cycling benefit only the environment.
 - (2) Children should not do physical activities during the school holidays.
 - (3) The brochure provides tips to promote healthy living for children aged 7 to 14.
 - (4) Playing ball games is one of the more popular activities amongst children.

Section E: Information Transfer (5 x 1 = 5 marks)

Your grandmother, Aminah Atan, wishes to learn a new language at Springdale Community Club. She has asked you to help by getting the application form and completing it for her. She will only be available on weekday afternoons. Her NRIC number is S0038727J. She stays at Block 909, Marsiling Lane, #11-564, Singapore 750909. She wishes to be contacted on her mobile phone at 84627012.

Use the information given above to complete the application form by filling in the blanks numbered 21 to 25.

Springdale Community Club

APPLICATION FORM

21 Full Name (in block letters) : _____

22 NRIC Number : _____

23 Address : _____

S (_____)

24 Telephone Number : _____

25 Preferred session*:

Language	Day	Timing	Tick (✓)
English	Fridays	2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	
English	Saturdays	2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	
Mandarin	Fridays	8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.	
Mandarin	Saturdays	7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.	
Malay	Fridays	7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.	
Malay	Saturdays	2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.	

* Please tick accordingly.

* Closing date: 1 December 2017

Section F: Editing for Grammar (6 x 1 = 6 marks)

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

Our teacher, Miss Sandra, took us to an Old Folks' Home during the school

(26)

holidays. Along the way, Miss Sandra explained to us that volunteering in a Old Folks'

(27)

Home could be a rewarding and life-changing experience for them.

(28)

When we reached our destination, much old folks received us with open arms.

(29)

(30)

Most of the old folks was energetic and bubbly, although age was catching over with

some of them. They were very grateful when we distributed the gifts like canned food,

(31)

sacks of rice, biscuits or beverages. It was truly an eye-opening experience for all of

us.

Section G: Editing for Spelling (6 x 1 = 6 marks)

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

The Children's Cancer Foundation (CCF) is the organiser of 'Hair for Hope'. Into

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its fourteenth consecutive year, this fund raicing event saw more than 5000 participants

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in 2016 and managed to raise \$2.5 million to help chiwdren suffering from cancer and

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their families. The participants of this event shave their heads as a symbal of

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awareness and understanding of what the sick patients go threw. It helps the cancer

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patients to feel better about being bowld.

CCF provides financial support to families which have problems paying their

(37)

medikal bills. It also provides social and emotional support in getting survivors back into

school.

Section H: Comprehension - Completion of Sentences (5 x 1 = 5 marks)

Study the following advertisement and use the information to complete the sentences for questions 38 to 42.

Walk-In-The-Park



Date : 6 November 2017
Time : 7 a.m.
Venue : Marina Barrage
Cost : \$5 per participant

A 1km walk/run that ends with a huge carnival!



Carnival Activities

Join us at the Carnival at the Float at Marina Bay. Admission is free for children accompanied by their parents.

Gifts for Participants

All participants will receive a free t-shirt from LA Gear. The first 100 participants to finish will receive an exclusive water bottle!



Walk-In-The-Park Lucky Draw

Every participant will also receive a Lucky Draw ticket for the Walk-In-The-Park Lucky Draw 2017. The draw will be held on 6 November 2017.

Winners will be announced on the spot and are expected to collect their prizes immediately. Unclaimed prizes will be donated to charity.

The first 3 participants to reach the finish line will win:

- 1st place - 3 Days 2 Nights staycation at Marina Bay Sands
- 2nd place - \$200 cash and a Walk-In-The-Park keychain
- 3rd place - \$100 cash and a Walk-In-The-Park keychain

Based on the information given on page 10, complete each sentence with a suitable word or words.

38. The Walk-In-The-Park will begin at _____.

39. Children need not pay to join the Carnival if they attend it with their

_____.

40. If Mary is the 90th person to finish the run, she will receive a t-shirt and

_____.

41. The Walk-In-The-Park Lucky Draw will be held on_____.

42. All prizes that are not collected will be _____.

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

For each of the items 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. Lillian attended Spanish lessons. Then, she went to Spain to work.

_____ before
_____.

44. Azry plays rugby. His brother also plays rugby.

Both _____
_____.

45. Jane asked, "Is there any food left here?"

Jane asked _____
_____.

Section J: Comprehension Cloze (5 x 1 mark = 5 marks)

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

Leela was awake even before her alarm clock rang. It was her school annual sports day and she was really excited. She was taking _____ in the (46)

100-metre race. She was determined to _____ that medal. (47)

Leela had been training hard _____ the past four months. She (48)

also made sure that she did not _____ any fried food or sweet drinks (49)

during that period of time.

Her _____ beat fast as she packed her running shoes into her (50)

bag. Although she was ready for the race, she knew that all the other participants were

as strong as she was. It was going to be a tough fight to win the race.

Section K: Comprehension OE (10 marks)

Read passages A and B carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Passage A

The giant panda is one of the world's most loved animal. It is easily identified by its black and white fur. Pandas are among the most endangered animals in the world. There are only about 1600 of them living in the wild. One of the main reasons pandas have become endangered is that their habitat is being destroyed. Humans destroy the areas that pandas live in to develop the land.

Destroying their habitat also leads to food shortages. Though they may be fed with food like carrots in zoos, nearly their entire diet in the wild consists of bamboo. Pandas consume about ten to twenty kilograms of bamboo a day.

Based on Passage A, answer questions 51 to 53.

51. How can we identify a giant panda? (2m)

52. Which word in the passage has the same meaning as 'eat'? (1m)

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53. List two reasons mentioned in the passage for the panda being endangered. (2m)

i.		(1m)
ii.		(1m)

Passage B

Rose was home and about to have breakfast when I dropped in to see her. She invited me to join her. As I had already had mine, I sat down for a cup of coffee instead. I was captivated by what Rose was having. She was enjoying a bowl of hard-boiled eggs followed by large gulps of coffee. I was afraid I might have appeared a little rude watching her eat but curiosity got the better of me.

It was the eggs that caught my attention. I could see **they** were hard-boiled and roughly mashed. However, the end result was rather black. It puzzled me.

“I like my eggs this way – hard-boiled, roughly mashed and with a generous dash of black soy sauce,” Rose explained.

Based on Passage B, answer questions 54 to 57.

54. Why did the author not have breakfast with Rose? (2m)

55. Write a word from Paragraph 1 which has the same meaning as ‘facinated’. (1m)

56. Who does ‘they’ in Paragraph 2 refer to? (1m)

57. Write **1**, **2**, and **3** in the boxes below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. (1m)

The author had coffee.	
The author was puzzled at Rose's breakfast.	
The author had breakfast.	

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