

2021 PSLE ENGLISH – PAPER 2 (ANSWER KEY)

Section A: Grammar MCQ

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| 1. (1) | 3. (2) | 5. (4) | 7. (3) | 9. (1) |
| 2. (3) | 4. (4) | 6. (3) | 8. (1) | 10. (2) |

Section B: Vocabulary MCQ

- 11. (2)
- 12. (3)
- 13. (3)
- 14. (4)
- 15. (3)

Section C: Vocabulary Cloze MCQ

- 16. (3)
- 17. (3)
- 18. (2)
- 19. (4)
- 20. (1)

Section D: Visual Text Comprehension

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| 21. (3) | 23. (4) | 25. (3) | 27. (1) |
| 22. (4) | 24. (1) | 26. (1) | 28. (2) |

Section E: Grammar Cloze

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| 29. (P) | 34. (C) |
| 30. (G) | 35. (F) |
| 31. (K) | 36. (L) |
| 32. (M) | 37. (B) |
| 33. (J) | 38. (H) |

Section F: Editing

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| 39. realised | 43. tremble | 47. between |
| 40. resonant | 44. fallen | 48. trail |
| 41. them | 45. goddess | 49. barked |
| 42. startled | 46. relief | 50. off |

Section G: Comprehension Cloze

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|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 51. bricks | 57. derived | 63. bring/provide |
| 52. poor | 58. importance | 64. based |
| 53. meet | 59. position/role | 65. famous/
recognisable |
| 54. at | 60. after/before | |
| 55. name/brand | 61. further | |
| 56. make/produce/sell | 62. themed | |

Section H: Synthesis and Transformation

- 66. **Unless** the lift is stuck, you should not press the emergency button.
- 67. **The iPad** was dropped accidentally by someone.
The iPad was accidentally dropped by someone.
- 68. You cannot unlock the phone **without** keying in the correct password.
- 69. **Ariff complained** he had done all the chores on his own that day.
Ariff complained that he had done all the chores on his own that day.
- 70. **It was with** great enthusiasm that the students practised for the play.

Section I: Comprehension Open-ended (accept other sensible answers)

71. [1m each]

An adjective to describe the writer	Evidence
accomplished	The writer had won three league titles, one continental trophy and four domestic cup titles
loyal	The writer had spent his entire playing career playing only for his hometown club.
determined	The writer was intent on bringing glory to his club by leading his team to earn one more title.

72. He was grateful. / It is gratitude [1m].

73. (1) The match was the last match of the writer's career [1m].

(2) If the writer's win the match, his team would win the league [1m].

74. They needed to score [1m] to win the match *and* the league title [1m].

75. However, instead of letting my frustration result in mistakes, I urged myself to stay calm and think of ways to overcome the obstacle. [1m]

76. [1m each]

(a) prevented from accomplishing	thwarted
(b) stole	nicked
(c) exemplifying or characterising	defining

77. [1m each]

Word from the passage	What the word refers to
we (line 8)	the writer's club
us (line 16)	both teams
we (line 27)	the writer and his teammates on the field

78. [1m for all correct. No partial mark]

 2 The writer got past the last defender.

 3 The writer received the lobbed pass.

 1 The writer pretended to shoot.

79. The writer could not wait for the match to end [1m] as that would mean his team would win the title [1m].

80. [1m each. Reason must “match” True/False for mark to be awarded]

	True/False	Reason
The writer believed it would be an easy win.	False	The writer’s team were missing key players through injury.
The win was solely due to the effort of the writer as he had scored the winning goal.	False	If it was not for the teammate who lobbed the ball, the writer would not have been in position to score the winning goal.
The final score was 1-0, with the writer’s team winning and the opposing team did not score.	False	The final score was 2-1. The opponent had earlier scored an equalising goal after the writer’s team had scored first.