

ROSYTH SCHOOL MID YEAR EXAMINATION 2021 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2 PRIMARY 6

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Class: Pr 6-____

Register No.

Date: <u>4 May 2021</u>

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TOTAL TIME FOR BOOKLETS A & B: 1 h 50 min

BOOKLET A

Instructions to students:

- 1. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
- 2. Follow all instructions carefully.

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3. Answer all questions.

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4. Shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) provided.

* This paper consists of **10** printed pages and **1** blank page.

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) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(10 marks)

1. Mathilda, together with her siblings, _____ badminton every evening.

- (1) play
- (2) plays
- (3) played
- (4) playing

2. You cannot borrow books from the library _____ you are a member.

- (1) if
- (2) as
- (3) while
- (4) unless

3. "They rarely visit their grandmother, _____ they?" Candice asked me.

- (1) do
- (2) did
- (3) don't
- (4) didn't

4. These days, the number of visitors to Singapore _____ declining due to the pandemic.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

5. The boy would have passed his examination if he _____ hard enough.

- (1) worked
- (2) would work
- (3) had worked
- (4) was working

- 6.
- As Sally's mother made most of the decisions for her, she had ______ choice in the matter.

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- (1)few
- (2)little
- (3)many
- much (4)
- "Please discuss among ______ before presenting it to the class," the teacher told 7. the group members.
 - (1) yourself
 - (2) ourselves
 - yourselves (3)
 - themselves (4)
- The children ______ football in the field since 9 a.m. this morning. 8.
 - (1) play
 - played (2)
 - had played (3)
 - (4) had been playing
- Dave helped the elderly lady _____ her heavy bags when he saw her struggling 9. with them.
 - (1)carry
 - (2)carried
 - (3) carrying
 - (4) had carried

This rare species of fish can be found this stretch of the river. 10.

- (1)into
- with (2)
- (3) onto
- (4) along

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For each question from 11 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(5 marks)

- 11. The group leader was trying to _____ his ideas clearly to his teammates.
 - (1) put up
 - (2) put off
 - (3) put across
 - (4) put through
- **12.** Strong winds and loose rocks from recent thunderstorms have made the trail ______. Hikers are advised against climbing the mountain.
 - (1) dire
 - (2) remote
 - (3) obscure
 - (4) treacherous

13. Please walk ______ to the class as we are going to be late for lessons.

- (1) briskly
- (2) rapidly
- (3) instantly
- (4) energetically
- 14. James and his group members were _____ as they could not agree with one another's ideas.

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- (1) on cloud nine
- (2) over the moon
- (3) at loggerheads
- (4) barking up the wrong tree
- **15.** The presenter uses the microphone to ______ his voice so that the audience in the hall can hear him clearly.
 - (1) amplify
 - (2) enlarge
 - (3) magnify
 - (4) escalate

For each question from 16 to 20, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined word(s). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet. (5 marks)

In 2012, Abraham Yeo went to Japan. He was there to help the homeless tsunami survivors, as part of a disaster effort. On returning home, he was <u>spurred</u> to set up a (16) volunteer group, "Hearts of Singapore", to <u>aid</u> the homeless. Abraham was quick to <u>stress</u> (17) (18) that besides providing the homeless with food and shelter, it was also important to build relationships with them by meeting and talking to them.

At one such meeting, Uncle Lawrence, who was once homeless, turned to greet

Abraham with a welcoming <u>motion</u>. Abraham then accompanied him for a walk and listened (19)

intently as he talked about his younger days.

(20)

It is clear that being a friend to those he meets is important for Abraham because

many homeless people are in need of someone who will give them a listening ear.

Adapted from CNA, 'An Extraordinary Friend to the Homeless'

16. (1) nudged

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- (2) triggered
- (3) provoked
- (4) motivated
- 17. (1) sustain
 - (2) comfort
 - (3) support
 - (4) encourage
- 18. (1) say
 - (2) affirm
 - (3) repeat
 - (4) emphasise

- 19. (1)
- signal gesture (2)
 - (3) reaction
 - ۵ expression (4)

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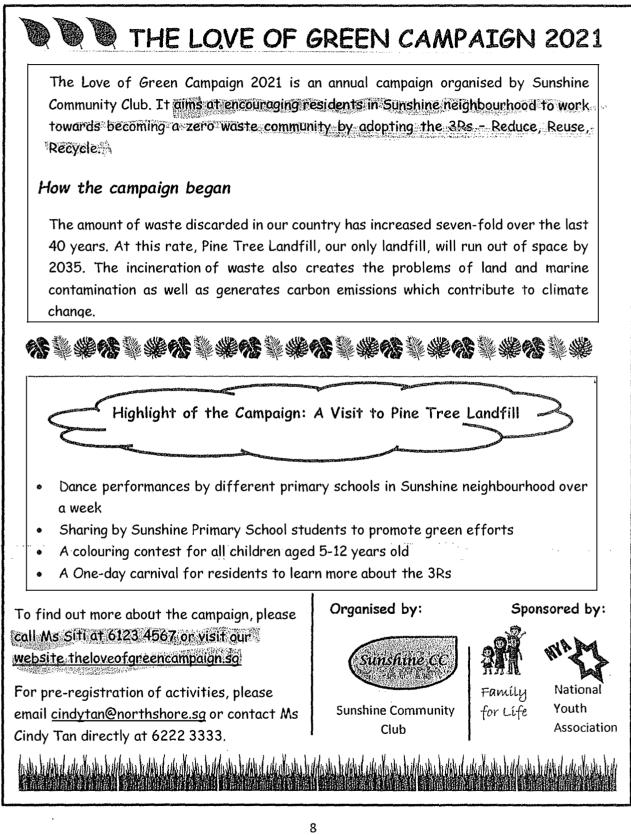
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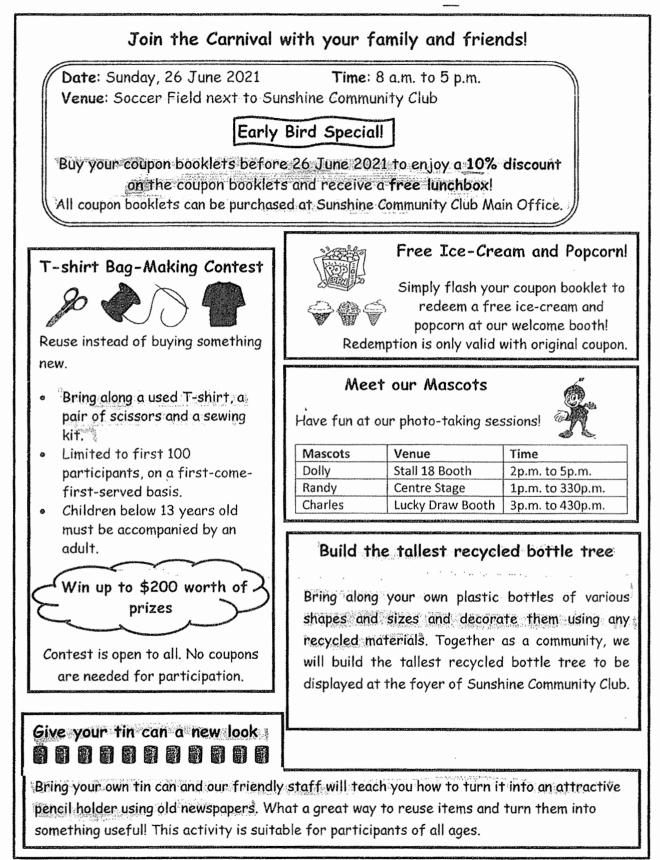
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Study this poster and then answer questions 21 to 28.





For each question from 21 to 28, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet. (8 marks)

- 21. The main purpose of the poster is to _____.
 - (1) inform people about Pine Tree Landfill
 - (2) provide a platform for students to promote green efforts
 - (3) bring families closer together through the one-day Carnival
 - (4) encourage residents to work towards a zero waste community
- 22. Coupons can be purchased _____.
 - (1) from Ms Cindy Tan
 - (2) online at theloveofgreencampaign.sg
 - (3) at Sunshine Community Club Main Office
 - (4) at the soccer field next to Sunshine Community Club

23. Anyone who has bought a coupon booklet will _____.

- (1) receive a free lunchbox
- (2) win up to \$200 worth of prizes
- (3) get a free popcorn and ice-cream
- (4) be provided with all the recycled materials
- 24. Emily, an 8-year-old girl, wants to take part in the T-shirt Bag-Making Contest. She must
 - (1) be the first 100 participants to sign up
 - (2) be accompanied by her 12-year-old brother
 - (3) purchase a coupon booklet before participation
 - (4) bring along a new T-shirt, a pair of scissors and a sewing kit

25. The visitors will be able to take photographs with ______ at 2 p.m.

- (1) Dolly and Randy
- (2) Charles and Dolly
- (3) Charles and Randy
- (4) Charles, Dolly and Randy

- 26. For "Build the tallest recycled bottle tree" and "Give your tin can a new look" activities, the participants _____.
 - (1) must be above the age of 12
 - (2) can bring home their finished product
 - (3) have to bring along their own materials
 - (4) can use any recycled materials in the activities
- 27. For more information about the campaign, _____.
 - (1) call 6222 3333
 - (2) contact Ms Siti
 - (3) register for Pine Tree Landfill visit
 - (4) visit the National Youth Association
- 28. Which one of the following statements is true about 'The Love of Green Campaign 2021'?
 - (1) It started 40 years ago.
 - (2) Its highlight is the one-day Carnival.
 - (3) It is organised yearly by Sunshine Community Club.
 - (4) It targets mainly at schools in Sunshine neighbourhood.

(Go on to Booklet B)

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BOOKLET B

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| | Maximum | Marks Obtained |
|-----------|---------|----------------|
| Booklet A | 28 | |
| Booklet B | 67 | |
| Total | 95 | |

| Component | Question Numbers | Marks Obtained |
|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Grammar & Vocabulary | 29 - 50 66 - 70 | |
| Comprehension Cloze | 51 – 65 | |
| Comprehension Open-ended | 71– 80 | |

* This booklet consists of 9 pages altogether.

There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

(10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

| (A) a | (D) are | (G) have | (K) of | (N) to | |
|------------------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|--|
| <u>(</u> B) also | (E) had | (H) in | (L) on | (P) were | |
| (C) and | (F) has | (J) its | (M) their | (Q) why | |

The koala is an iconic Australian animal. This tree-climbing animal is a marsupial - a mammal with a pouch for the development of ______ young.

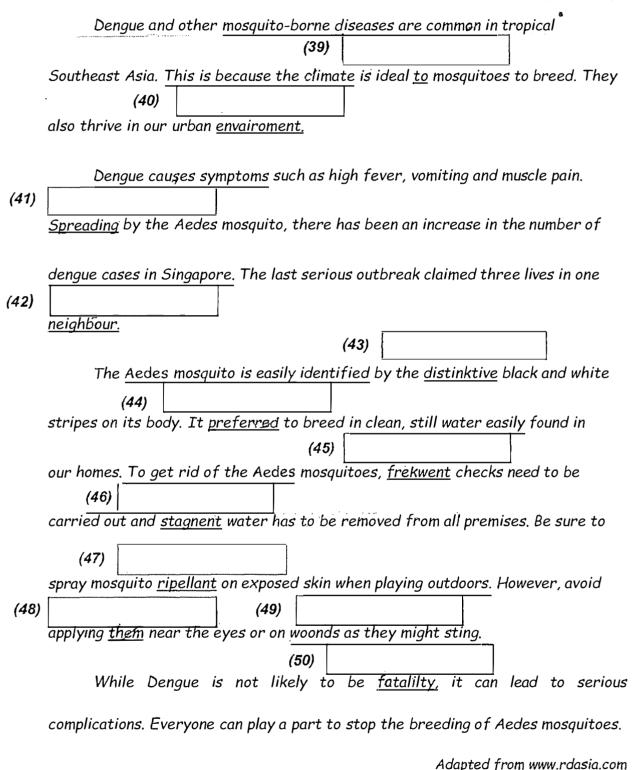
Koalas live _______ the eucalyptus forests of southeastern and eastern (30) Australia. They rely _______ the eucalyptus trees for both shelter and food. As (31) the Eucalyptus is toxic, the koala's digestive system ______ to work hard to (32) digest it, breaking down the toxins and extracting limited nutrients. This is _______ koalas sleep so much in order for this process to take place. They can (33) sleep between 18 ______ 22 hours a day. (34)

Today, koalas face serious threats from habitat loss due to land clearing and logging. Bushfires have ______ destroyed much of the forests they live in. (35) During dry seasons, koalas ______ forced to stop napping and come down (36) from the trees to find water. This can result in the koalas facing ______ higher (37) risk of attacks from predators such as dingoes and large owls.

Koalas have been identified by the Australian government as one ______(38) the 113 animals requiring their immediate attention. There are ongoing campaigns to urge landowners not to cut down eucalyptus trees in a bid to save the koala population.

Adapted from www.nationalgeographic.com

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)



Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

In 2017, Samantha Thian worked as a marine life research assistant. She had to swim in the ocean ______ up to two hours a day to collect data. Since then, she has (51) learnt that the ocean is more ______ just a wide area filled with water. Coming into close contact with marine life has ______ her awareness about its beauty. (53)

In 2019, Samantha wanted to sell more reusable products ______ as metal (58) straws. She insisted ______ selling environmentally-friendly products. However, (59) this move posed a ______ for her as these products were not easy to find. After six (60) months, she finally found someone ______ could help her. (61)

Today, half of her company's earnings are given to non-profit organisations that out marine conservation efforts. This year, it will donate \$15000 to (62) the project, 'Save Philippine Seas'. It will pay for 60 youths from coastal (68) communities in the Philippines to go on a snorkelling trip and teach ______ about (64)

Looking ahead, Samantha shares that Seastainable will be supporting more marine conservation projects through education and hands-on learning in Southeast Asia. She hopes that through her efforts, it will ______ the amount of plastic trash that pollutes the (65) oceans. These moves will definitely help sustain our marine life.

Adapted from singaporemagazine.sif.org.sg

For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentences, using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks) Tom's uncle is a diver. Tom wants to learn scuba diving. 66. ______whose 67. The playful puppy was chasing the birds. The birds You must take this medicine. You will not recover. 68. Unless Mrs Lee asked me, "Did you go to the zoo with Jane yesterday?" 69. Mrs Lee asked me _____ SamUwas absent from work frequently. He received a warning from his 70. supervisor. Due to his

| Read the passage below and answer questions 71 to 80. | Read th | ne passage | below and | answer qu | lestions 71 | to 80. |
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(20 marks)

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"Ouch!" I cried. My handphone was nowhere in sight, leaving me with no way of calling for help. I was trapped in my car alone. It all happened in a flash. I had slammed on my brakes to avoid hitting a deer which was running across the road. To my horror, the car skidded and crashed onto a lamppost near the junction of Mandai Road and Yishun Road. Without my glasses, I squinted. 5 When there was no sign of smoke, I heaved a sigh of relief. I had been worried that the car might explode. Just then, a boy rushed over from across the road despite his friends shouting out to him about the oncoming traffic.

"Madam, are you all right?" the boy asked gently. He introduced himself as Ashvin and I asked him to help me look for my glasses. I was thankful when 10 he found my glasses at the rear seat. When I put on my glasses, I saw Ashvin's friends looking at us from afar. Ashvin was adamant to stay by my side to comfort me. I smiled weakly and thanked him. From my car, I espied the deer's antlers stuck between the green metal grilles by the side of the road. The deer must have been startled by the loud bang and had charged into the metal grilles. Eventually, it had somehow managed to dislodge itself and run into the woods nearby. Not far away, I could see several bystanders using their handphones to film the scene.

"They must be snapping pictures to post on social media about this accident. However, shouldn't they be helping someone in need?" I lamented. 20 Just then, someone in the crowd shouted, "Watch out! The lamppost is falling!" It was tilting towards my vehicle. Fear pulsated through my body.

"Oh no!" I exclaimed. **Death seemed to be a certainty**. To my surprise, eight drivers got out of their cars and rushed forward to support the lamppost. They took turns to hold up the lamppost until **help** arrived. Soon, the 25 maintenance workers reached the scene. They used heavy equipment to support the lamppost. After a few minutes, an ambulance arrived and two paramedics wheeled me into the ambulance. I managed to escape with minor injuries. That was when I realised how lucky I had been.

A week later, I was invited to an award ceremony held at Woodlands Community Centre. Organised by the Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF), the Commander of SCDF presented the Public Spiritedness Award to Ashvin, the youngest recipient, before the eight drivers received their awards. After the ceremony, I took time to thank all those who had helped me, especially Ashvin.

"Well done, Ashvin! You really deserve **this**!" I commended Ashvin, 35 pointing to his award. His mother, Mdm Swares, who was also present, said she was proud of her son for going out of his way to help me. She shared that Ashvin was on his way home after a remedial lesson when he witnessed the accident. Patting Ashvin on his shoulder, Mdm Swares said, "I am thankful to his teachers for teaching him good values."

I could not agree more. I thanked Ashvin again for his selflessness.

Adapted from www.straitstimes.com

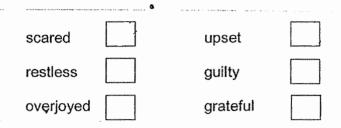
- 71. Why did the author slam on the brakes? [2m]
- 72. Which sentence in the first paragraph tells us that the author could not see clearly after the accident? [1m]

73. In line 6, why did the author heave a sigh of relief? [2m]

- 74. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story. [1m]
 - _____ The lamppost was falling.
 - _____ The deer ran into the woods.
 - Ashvin calmed the author.
- 75. Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [3m]

| Words from the passage | What the word(s) refers to | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| it (line 16) | | |
| help (line 25) | | |
| this (line 35) | | |

76. Which **two** of the following words best describe how the author felt in lines 19-22? Put a tick √ in the box beside each of your answers. [2m] DO NOT TICK MORE THAN TWO BOXES.



77. Why do you think the author said 'Death was a certainty' in Line 23? [2m]

78. Based on information from paragraphs 2 and 3, fill in the table below. [2m]

| Cause | Effect |
|---|--|
| | The deer charged into the metal grilles. |
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| The car skidded and crashed into a lamppost. | |

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

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| Statement | True/False | Reason | |
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| (a) Ashvin's friends warned him about the possible car explosion. | | | |
| (b) The author realised how lucky she had been in the accident. | - | | |
| (c) The author was appreciative of people who had helped her in the accident. | | | |

80. Do you think that Ashvin was courageous? Support your answer with evidence from the text. [2m]

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