

PRIMARY 6 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2024

Name:	()	Date: <u>16 August 2024</u>
Class: Primary 6 ()		Time: 8.00 a.m 9.10 a.m.
Duration: <u>1 hour 10</u>	minutes		

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1

SITUATIONAL WRITING (15 Marks)

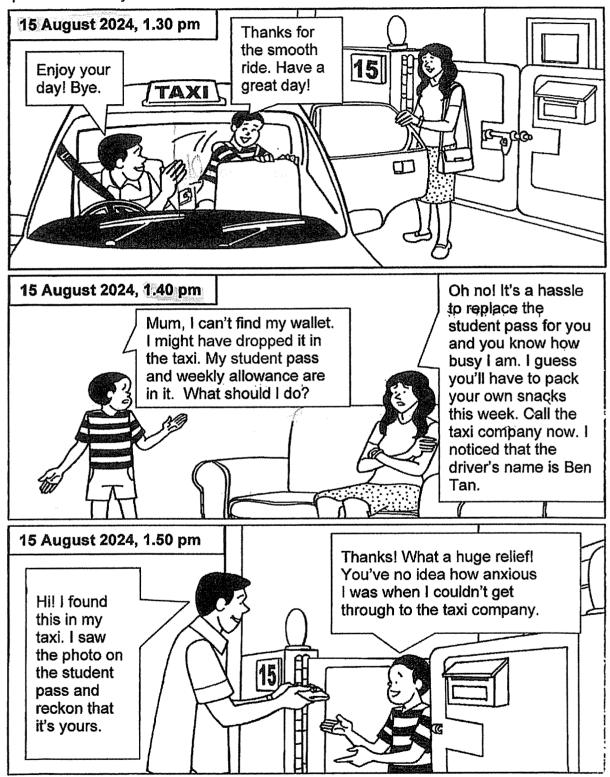
CONTINUOUS WRITING (40 Marks)

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- 5. Write your answers on the answer sheets provided.

Part 1: Situational Writing (15 marks)

1. The pictures below show what happened after John alighted from a taxi. Study the pictures carefully.



Your Task

Imagine you are John Lee.

Write an email to the manager of the taxi company, Mr Fandi, to inform him about his staff's good deed.

You are to refer to the pictures and information on page 2 for your email.

In your email, include the following key information:

- the date of the incident
- when and where you discovered that you had misplaced your wallet
- what the inconvenience to your mother was
- why you were still worried in spite of taking up your mother's suggestion
- how the taxi driver found out who the wallet's owner was

You may reorder the points. Remember to write in complete sentences.

Part 2: Continuous Writing (40 marks)

2. Write a composition of <u>at least 150 words</u> about working hard for a reward.

The pictures are provided to help you think about this topic.

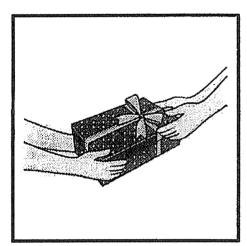
Your composition should be based on one or more of these pictures.

Consider the following points when you plan your composition.

- What was the reward?
- How was the reward earned?

You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.







End of Paper



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ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2 (BOOKLET A)

Booklet A	/28
Booklet B	/67
Total	/95

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

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- 4. Answer all questions.
- 5. Use a 2B pencil to shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).

This booklet consists of 10 printed pages.

For ea	ach qu er. Mal	estion from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct se your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the OAS. (10 marks)
1.		t hesitate to contact me you need any kind of help," said my er reassuringly.
	(⁴) (2) (3) (4)	might could would should
2.	contin	their lunch break, the construction workers have been working auously since nine in the morning.
	(1)	Besides
	(2)	Owing to
	(3) (4)	Apart from In addition to
	(-7)	
3.	"She's	s never attended any of the meetings,?" Muthu asked me.
	(1)	did she
	(2)	has she
	(3) (4)	didn't she hasn't she
	(4)	Tradit one
4.	Mr Ku	mar is the teacher you must report to at the campsite.
	(1)	who
	(2)	which
	(3)	whom whose
	(4)	WHOSE
5.	The so	cientist could not conclude the experiment because there isation to support it.
	(1)	few
	(2)	little
	(3)	much
	(4)	many

6.	"It was Mrs Jaya, and not her children, who walked nome by yesterday," Grandfather told us.
	(1) himself(2) herself(3) ourselves(4) themselves
7.	The sportsmanship that our athletes have been exhibiting over the years truly commendable.
	(1) is (2) are (3) was (4) were
8.	There was a surge excitemen when the school team scored a goaduring the football match.
•	(1) on (2) of (3) with (4) towards
9.	"Did you know that the earrings in the display case to a princess who will be visiting Singapore soon?" asked the museum guide.
	(1) belong(2) belongs(3) belonged(4) have belonged
10.	I have never heard my mother that song before.
	(1) sing (2) sang (3) sung (4) sings

	er. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the OAS. (5 marks)				
11.	The milk powder was immediately after a strain of bacteria was found in the test samples.				
	(1) recalled(2) revoked(3) reviewed(4) recollected				
12.	Jade spoke about attending the graduation concert with a sparkle in her eyes.				
	(1) heatedly(2) forcefully(3) vigorously(4) animatedly				
13.	The son ensured that his retired parents were financially taken care of by starting a savings account for them.				
	(1) filial(2) loyal(3) tactful(4) faithful				
14.	As Mr Jiang was a man of dignity, he refused to do anything that would his principles.				
	(1) guard(2) oppose(3) degrade(4) compromise				
15.	We are confident that the management team will use theirto select deserving recipients for the scholarship.				
	(1) selection(2) operation(3) discretion(4) permission				

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 OAS. (5 marks)

It was my turn to wash the dishes that night. Unwinding from the day's work, my parents were lounging in the living room, sipping tea and watching television.

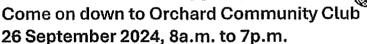
Meanwhile, my brother had retired to his room. I whistled a tune as I gave the greasy (16) saucepan a good scrub, the bottom charred with stubborn bits of food. "Why not inject (17) some fun into such a mundane task?" I thought. Setting the timer on the oven, I (18) challenged myself to finish cleaning the saucepan in three minutes. I scrubbed relentlessly, my hands nearly giving out from the effort. Shortly after, I had completed (19) the task. It had just taken me two and a half minutes! Surpassing my goal, I pranced (20) around the kitchen but stopped abruptly. The sight of the mountain of plates awaiting my attention made me sigh in resignation.

- 16. (1) rejoined
 - (2) marched
 - (3) withdrawn
 - (4) surrendered
- 17. (1) stuck
 - (2) burnt
 - (3) ablaze
 - (4) studded
- 18. (1) tedious
 - (2) daunting
 - (3) complicated
 - (4) monotonous
- 19. (1) In no time
 - (2) Out of the blue
 - (3) All of a sudden
 - (4) Without warning
- 20. (1) Beating
 - (2) Achieving
 - (3) Exceeding
 - (4) Overcoming

Study this article from a magazine and then answer questions 21 to 28.



Eat More Fruit and Vegetables Day For a healthier and happier you!









In conjunction with The Health Organisation (THO), we are celebrating Eat More Fruit and Vegetables Day once again to remind us of the importance of including fresh food in our meals to promote a healthy lifestyle. Daily consumption of fruit and vegetables can prevent or control obesity and chronic diseases such as arthritis and asthma.

Participants wearing green will receive a mystery gift sponsored by Jolly Cafe. Come dressed in green to support eating more greens and promote a healthy lifestyle.

Farmer's Market

Shop for fresh produce from local farmers. Show this cut-out to receive a 10% discount.

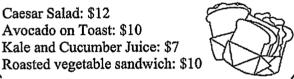
Time: 8a.m. to 6p.m. Venue: Atrium



Award-Winning Jolly Café

Enjoy a scrumptious, healthy farm-to-table brunch from 11a,m to 3p.m. Walk-in only.

Caesar Salad: \$12 Avocado on Toast: \$10 Kale and Cucumber Juice: \$7



Fun activities for children 6 to 12 years old

- Enjoy playing on the world's first vegetable-themed bouncy castle.
- Meet-and-Greet: Miss Lettuce, Mr Kale and Mrs Cauliflower.
- Free food-tasting sessions: 10a.m. to 11a.m. and 11a.m. to 12p.m. Only 50 vacancies are

available for each tasting session.

More hydration. More life!

Eat water-rich foods to stay hydrated. Cucumbers and lettuces contain over 95% water. The high-water content helps to maintain energy and optimise our heart and muscle function. Proper hydration is essential for good health.

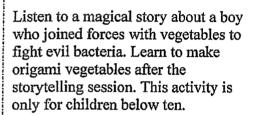


- A pomegranate can hold up to 1400 seeds.
- Green beans are fruit.
- Each pineapple plant produces one pineapple a year.
- Blackberries and strawberries are not berries, but a banana is.

Check out the following fun activities:

Free Storytelling Session

Time: 9a.m. to 10a.m. Venue: Reading Room



Cooking Classes

Session 1: 4p.m. to 5p.m. Session 2: 5p.m. to 6p.m.

Venue: Cafe

Fee: \$10 per participant

(recommended for 12 and above)

Take part in Session 1 to learn to make tasty and flavourful dishes like vegetable curry and *Gobi* (fried cauliflowers). You could also make a plant-based burger with mushrooms and tofu in Session 2. Recipes will be given out after the workshop.

Alternative Farming

Time: 2p.m. to 3p.m. Venue: Room 1

Fee: \$20 per person (materials included)



Discover the science of hydroponics. Instead of soil, use water to grow vegetables. You can even build your own hydroponic planter with your child at the workshop.

Grow Your Own Vegetables

Time: 6p.m. to 7p.m. Venue: Garden

Fee: \$30 per participant (must be at least five

vears old)

From ginger to spinach, we will teach you how to grow vegetables at home from vegetable scraps that would otherwise end up in the trash. Receive a seed packet to get you started at home.

Home Composting

Time: 3p.m. to 5p.m. Venue: Garden

Fee: \$10 per adult (all materials included)

COMPOST

Make your own compost to reduce the amount of waste sent to the landfill. This hands-on workshop will teach you what kind of food waste you can use and how to transform it into nutrient-rich compost for your plants.

An apple a day keeps the blues away!

Research shows fruit and vegetables can boost emotional well-being in just two years. They can increase creativity and curiosity too. So, what are you waiting for? Incorporate more fruit and vegetables into your daily food intake!



THO recommends 5 A Day

(5 portions of fruit and

vegetables)

Reasons for 5 A Day:

- > Fruit and vegetables are packed with vitamins.
- > They can prevent digestion problems.
- > They taste delicious.
- > Many varieties to choose from!

Register for all activities at www.orchardcc.sg by 15 September 2024. For enquiries, email ask@orchardcc.sg or call 6234 5688.

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 OAS. (8 marks)

- 21. All participants will _____.
 - (1) have a good time at the bouncy castle
 - (2) need to make a reservation to dine at Jolly Café
 - (3) get a 10% discount at the Orchard Community Club
 - (4) be rewarded if they are correctly attired to support the event
- 22. Which of these statements is not true?
 - (1) Children will get to meet a few vegetable mascots.
 - (2) Jolly Café contributes to the cost of organising the event.
 - (3) This is not the first time that the event is being organised.
 - (4) Children who arrive before noon will enjoy the free food-tasting sessions.
- 23. Ravi is five years old. Which activities can he participate in on his own?
 - (1) Alternative Farming and Storytelling
 - (2) Food Tasting and Cooking Classes
 - (3) Bouncy Castle and Cooking Classes
 - (4) Storytelling and Grow Your Own Vegetables Workshop
- 24. Which one of the following words **best** describes the section '**DID YOU KNOW**?'
 - (1) intriguing
 - (2) imaginary
 - (3) far-fetched
 - (4) inspirational
- 25. Mr Han is attending the workshop held at the Garden at 3 p.m. He will

⁽¹⁾ have to bring his own materials

⁽²⁾ have to pay a fee of thirty dollars

⁽³⁾ learn how to grow vegetables at home

⁽⁴⁾ be turning food waste into plant fertilisers

- 26. Why is the colon (:) used in 'Reasons for 5 A Day:'?
 - (1) to state the benefits of eating apples
 - (2) to further elaborate the information from THO
 - (3) to simplify the facts about fruit and vegetables
 - (4) to list information on why we should eat those foods
- 27. What is the similarity between Cooking Classes and Grow Your Own Vegetables?
 - (1) They are held in the afternoon.
 - (2) They are conducted concurrently.
 - (3) They provide the chance for experiential learning.
 - (4) They require online registration on 15 September 2024.
- 28. What is the main purpose of this article?
 - (1) to urge readers to lead a healthy lifestyle
 - (2) to advertise Farmer's Market and Jolly Café
 - (3) to organise fun activities for the young and old
 - (4) to educate the public on how they can prevent chronic diseases

Please note that the passage for Comprehension questions 71 to 80 in Booklet B is on the next page. You may now go on to Booklet B.

Refer to the passage below when you answer questions 71 to 80 in Booklet B.

The villagers gathered eagerly at the bus stop at the crack of dawn. The level of excitement was further heightened by the arrival of Anna, who had eamed herself a place in her dream school – a prestigious one – in the bustling city with her stellar results. "Congrats! We are so proud of you!" the people chanted in unison.

Although flattered, she felt awkward. Anna blushed and waved away the praises. Her father was obviously heartened by **that**. "My sweetie, no matter where you go, always value what you have, use what you have and trust what you have." His words of wisdom were a constant source of empowerment for her. Giving her father a long loving hug, Anna promised him that she would do him proud. Soon, the bus pulled over, breaking the morning serenity with its cheerful rumble.

Arriving at the new school and navigating through unfamiliar corridors, Anna eventually found her classroom. Despite the flutter in her stomach, she summoned all her resolve to confront her apprehension head-on. Unsurprised, she was met with curious stares. Her simple clothing and the innocent sparkle of village life in her eyes became the subject of whispers and giggles among the city-bred children. At that precise moment, someone entered the room. Her commanding presence ushered in silence. Much to Anna's delight, she spoke in a warm voice, easing the tension she felt in her stomach. "Class, we have a new friend joining us today. Let's welcome Anna." Linda, the monitor, yawned audibly. Jim sniggered. Murmurs filled the room until Mrs Yan declared, "Now, a quiz. Write down the seven wonders of the world." Everyone immediately wrote down feverishly the answers as they recalled the previous day's lesson, except Anna, whose pen was hovering over the paper. Noticing that, the teacher approached her. "Don't worry, Anna. Just write what comes to your mind."

Anna looked up, her eyes sincere. "It's just that there are so many wonders. I'm thinking about which to select," she explained. With a gentle nod, Mrs Yan gestured for her 25 to proceed. After the papers were collected, she began to read the answers aloud. The entire classroom was filled with a sense of achievement as the students had penned down 'The Great Wall of China, The Colosseum in Italy, Giza Pyramids in Egypt' and so on. However, Mrs Yan paused for a while when it came to Anna's response.

Then she carried on, "The Seven Wonders are — To be able to see, to be able to hear, to be able to feel, to laugh, to think, to be kind and to love." A profound silence enveloped the room. Visibly moved, the children looked at Anna, their eyes reflecting a mixture of admiration and enlightenment.

Jim and Linda exchanged sheepish smiles. Then Jim spoke, "I never thought of it that way. That's really cool. You've reminded us of something very important." His voice was 35 tinged with newfound reverence.

Linda gave the thumbs up before chiming in, "Wow! I've lots to learn from you. Sorry about just now." The children's affirmation had created a welcoming atmosphere, showing acceptance and inclusion towards the new student.

Anna replied, "It's alright. These are the wonders we live by every day in our village." 40

Seizing the teachable moment, Mrs Yan proposed, "Let's dedicate today to exploring these everyday wonders. Share what each of them means to you." While her classmates were actively engaged, Anna was deep in her thoughts. **Her father was right.** Had she not valued what she had, would she have won her classmates' love and respect? Her father would be pleased to know that her day had ended on a high note of camaraderie.

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PAPER 2 (BOOKLET B)

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This booklet consists of 8 printed pages.

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) although	(៦) being	(ে) consequently	(1) however	(N) of
(B) any	(E) by	(I·I) even	(L) its	(P) to
(C) as	(F) cannot	(J) how	(M) must	(Q) what
Half vour	world is overhead.	So why not look up a	nd get to know	
				•
unknown realm	better? Stargazing	might not be a commo	on activity in Sing	apore but that
does not mean t	hat you(30)	do it at all.		
Simple a	nd accessible	almost e	veryone, everywh	ere, it is the
perfect way to dis	sconnect from the s	creens. Embarking on	ne	w hobby might
sometimes come	with a hefty price t	ag, fo	or stargazing, the	essential tools
to start with are r	not sophisticated and	d expensive gadgets b	ut the ones we're i	oorn with - our
eyes. Additionall	y, having a sky map	and tapping on variou	ıs apps are	you 34)
can significantly	enhance the experi	ence of navigating thro	ough the dazzling	constellations.
You can	heighten your s	targazing experience	at Upper Selet	ar Reservoir.
(35)	you cannot blast o	off into space when yo	u visit the rocket-	shaped tower
* "	you a closer look a	t a star-filled sky at nig	htl(36)	_ if we are not
		lps us realise how sm		
(37)	things. More so, it	reminds us of	good st	ewards of our
= ::	All we have to do is		*	

Adapted from A Magical Way to Escape

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

The people of Darwin, an Australian city, eat, sleep and dream about Laksa.

Without a doubt, this spicy noodle is a signature Singapore dish. Nonetheless, Laksa
(39)
has gained popular in Darwin. There, this dish is now the meal of choice for breakfast,
(40)
lunch and dinner, weekday or weekend, from food courts to restraunts in Darwin. If
(41)
you ask anyone living there, they will say it is his now. An indisputable fact, this delicacy
(42)
is now an intergre! part of Darwin.
(43)
Praise from many Australians were heaped on this Asian dish, entice long
(45)
queues of patient and salivating customers. Taking the love of Laksa by a whole new
(46)
level, some chefs have become local <u>celebretis</u> . Every mealtime, like clockwork, crowds
form lines in front of these eateries. During the food festival in October, many streets
(47)
are decked out with banners promoting everything Laksa to satisting everyone's
tastebuds.
(48)
"We've <u>contrakted</u> this Laksa fever!" Jason, a chef, said. "It's <u>iresisteble</u> ! Who
knows? Laksa ice cream, Laksa sausages, Laksa chocolate and Laksa cheese could be
(50)
the taste of tomorrow!" he added with a <u>mischevius</u> wink. Only time will tell.

The problem with mobile phones is that people look at them too much. Many people			
today find it to put their smartphones away even for a short while. They			
always make sure that they are within their This is an observation made			
by Mr Cooper, an engineer dubbed as the 'father of mobile phones', who(53)			
the first handheld wireless phone some fifty years ago. To him, it was an unintended			
outcome when he came up with the device.			
Understandably, smartphones are equipped multiple functions, (54)			
resulting in most users becoming on them. The digital camera is one (55)			
such function that enables us to thousands of pictures without having (56)			
toabout insufficient storage space. The instant image viewing means (57)			
you can edit the images on the phone as and you wish. Another reason (58)			
for the prolonged smartphone is the messaging apps such as WhatsApp.			
Unlike many people, Mr Cooper uses his phone to make or(60)			
calls rather than to search for vast amount of information or entertainment online. Given			
the plethora of apps, we are surely for choice. The once weighty and			
bulky phone had become a thing of the The first mobile phone			
more than a kilogram, a huge contrast with today's smartphones which			
are so sophisticated and that it can easily fit into one's pocket.			
Indeed, smartphones have transformed our way of life and will			
to change due to the many benefits they can provide.			
Although Mr Cooper did not envisage every development, he always thought the			
device he and his team came up with would change the world rapidly.			

Your	each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the sam le meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks
66.	We did not agree to bury the treasures behind the mountain.
	We objected
67.	It is worrying that many people are ignorant about the dangers of too much surexposure.
	Many people's
68.	Mrs Li asked her son, "Why did you write such an unbelievable story for your test?"
	Mrs Li asked her son
69.	Soldiers apply face paint to camouflage themselves effectively.
	Face paint

Being reckless and disobedient, the teenager was chided by his mother.

_____for his

70.

Read the passage on page 10 of Booklet A and answer questions 71 to 80.

71. Why did the villagers gather at the bus stop? [1m]

72. "Her father was obviously heartened by that." (line 6)

a) What does "that" refer to? [1m]

b) Why was Anna's father heartened by that? [1m]

73. Circle two words that best describe Anna from lines 1 - 10. [2m]

ambitious complacent indifferent industrious regretful

74. Based on lines 5-10, how did Anna respond to her father's advice? [2m]

75.

Two challenges Anna faced upon arriving at school

(a)

(b)

[1m]

76. Jim and Linda acted differently after Mrs Yan had shared Anna's response. Complete the table below to show the differences in their actions and attitudes.

When Mrs Yan introduced Anna to the class	a) What Jim did [1m]	c) What Linda did [1m]
When Mrs Yan read aloud Anna's response	b) How Jim felt [1m]	d) How Linda felt [1m]

77.	Cite a piece of evidence from the passage to show that Mrs Yan was a resourceful teacher. [2m]

78. Based on lines 11-23, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [2m]

	True / False	Reason
Anna looked forward to meeting her new classmates and teachers.		
b) Anna's classmates responded to the quiz confidently.		

79.	Which sentence shows that Jim and Linda regretted their initial behaviours towards Anna? [1m]
80.	What did Anna mean when she thought that 'Her father was right.' (line 43)? [2m]

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Booklet A

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	3	2	3	2	2	1	2	1	1
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
1	4	1	4	3	3	2	4	1	3
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28		
4	4	4	1	4	4	3	4		

Booklet B

Q29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38	
L	F	Р	В	K	J	Α	Н	N	D	

Q39	popularity	Q43	is	Q47	satiate
Q40	restaurants	Q44	enticing	Q48	irresistible
Q41	theirs	Q45	to	Q49	contracted
Q42	integral	Q46	celebrities	Q50	mischievous

Q51	hard	Q56	take	Q61	spoiled
Q52	reach	Q57	worry	Q62	past
Q53	invented	Q58	when	Q63	weight
Q54	with	Q59	usage	Q64	small
Q55	reliant	Q60	take	Q65	continue

Q66	We objected to burying the treasures behind the mountain.
Q67	Many people's ignorance about the dangers of too much sun
	exposure is worrying.
Q68	Mrs Li asked her son why he had written such an unbelievable
	story for his test.

Q69)	Face print is applied by soldiers.
Q70)	The teenager was chided by this mother for his recklessness and
	disobedience.
Q71)	They wanted to congratulate Anna.
Q72)	a) It refers to waving away the praises.
	b) He was happy that Anna was humble.
Q73)	ambitious / indifferent
Q74)	She gave her father along loving hug and promised him she would do
	him proud.
Q75)	a) navigate through unfamiliar corridors.
	b) Curious stares from the city-bred children
Q76)	a) sniggered at Anna
	b) filled with respect for anna
	c) yawned audibly
	d) there was a lot to learn from Anna
Q77)	She seized the teachable moment to get the class to share with each
	other what the wonders meant to each of them.
Q78)	a)False / she felt anxious as her stomach fluttered
	b)True / They immediately wrote down the answer feverishly
Q79)	exchanged sheepish smiles Jim and Linda.
Q80)	She took her father's advice to value, use and trust what she had. A as a
	result she won her classmates love and resprct.