Name : _____ ( )

Class : Primary 5 _____

CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)

Primary 5

End-of-Year Assessment

21 October 2019

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet A

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

28 questions
28 marks

Instructions to Candidates:
Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
Follow all instructions carefully.
Answer all questions.

This booklet consists of 10 printed pages and 1 blank page.

For each question from 1 to 10, shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(10 marks)

1 The woman was walking home when a flower pot _____ and hit her head.

(1) fall
(2) fell
(3) fallen
(4) falling

2 "Please describe the accident _____ detail," the policeman said to the witness.

(1) in
(2) by
(3) for
(4) with

3 _____ Agnes was feeling exhausted, she could not sleep well that night.

(1) Unless
(2) Although
(3) However
(4) Therefore

4 There is a sign that says 'wet paint'. Please do not lean _____ the wall.

(1) on
(2) over
(3) around
(4) against

5 Should Jenny _____ to turn up for the birthday party, please remind her to bring a present along.

(1) decide
(2) decides
(3) decided
(4) deciding

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6 My mother took my brother and _____ to the library to borrow books.

(1) I
(2) me
(3) mine
(4) Myself

7 Neither my siblings nor I _____ in school yesterday.

(1) is
(2) am
(3) was
(4) were

8 Despite her mother's nagging, Sally _____ on the computer for the past three hours.

(1) is playing
(2) are playing
(3) has been playing
(4) have been playing

9 An angry customer complained that the iced lemon tea she _____ contained some ants in it.

(1) drinks
(2) had drunk
(3) is drinking
(4) has been drinking

10 "We need to hand in our project by next week, _____ we?" asked Alex.

(1) do
(2) can
(3) can't
(4) don't

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11 The parents _____, each holding two jobs, to put their child through university.

(1) broke their backs
(2) went the extra mile
(3) pulled up their socks
(4) worked against the clock

12 Instead of being dejected after losing her job, Josephine _____ to look for another one.

(1) obliged
(2) conformed
(3) persevered
(4) accommodated

13 Judy graciously _____ to my request to help me with recess duty.

(1) adhered
(2) acceded
(3) exceeded
(4) consented

14 The explorers used a compass to _____ their ship to the island.

(1) venture
(2) wander
(3) journey
(4) navigate

15 It is _____ for children to attend the safety briefing before the camp.

(1) valid
(2) crucial
(3) accurate
(4) symbolic

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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)

The 100 passengers on board a flight from Kuala Lumpur had a frightening experience when their plane landed in Kota Kinabalu.

One of the passengers said that she felt the plane hitting a puddle of water. Then the plane **swerved** (16) to the left of the runway and **slid off** (17) onto the muddy field. A small fire broke out at the tail of the plane, drawing horrified gasps from the passengers. Fire engines and ambulances rushed to the scene **without delay** (18).

The crew **directed** (19) the passengers to exit through the emergency chutes in an orderly manner. Two passengers suffered **minor** (20) injuries while the rest of the passengers escaped unscathed.

The cause of the mishap is still under investigation.

Adapted from https://airasia-skidded-off-the-runway

16 (1) veered
(2) swayed
(3) weaved
(4) zoomed

17 (1) flew off
(2) glided off
(3) pulled off
(4) drifted off

18 (1) deliberately
(2) punctually
(3) promptly
(4) directly

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19 (1) advised
(2) reminded
(3) instructed
(4) commanded

20 (1) slight
(2) minute
(3) secondary
(4) insignificant

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Study this brochure carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28. For each of the questions from 21 to 28, 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.

(8 marks)

PETS FOR LIFE

Consider Carefully

Before Getting A Pet

Should You Get A Pet?

Ask yourself these questions before getting a pet:

- Is everyone in your household able to accept this pet?
- Are you committed to taking care of it throughout its lifespan?
- Do you have enough time and money to take care of it?
- Will you be able to obey the laws governing pet ownership: cleaning up after your pet when in public and ensuring that your pet does not disturb others?

What Pet Should You Get?

Here are some tips when choosing a pet:

- Different pets require different levels of care. For example, dogs require a lot of time and attention whereas cats do not.
- The cost of caring for different types of pets varies. You can check with a pet store or ask existing pet owners for an estimation of the cost.
- Like humans, pets have their distinctive temperaments. Do your homework before committing to owning a pet.

MY PET RABBIT

My mother, wanting to surprise me on my birthday, bought me a rabbit recently. She was finally convinced that I would be able to take care of it. My rabbit, Sasa, is quiet and does not disturb me when I study. I put food in its feeding bowl and top up its water dispenser every day. I clean the litter box every week. Keeping Sasa has helped me realise how important it is to be a responsible pet owner. I hope my rabbit can be with me forever! I love my rabbit. It is like family to me!

Pet owner, Lulu, 8 years old

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A Guide for Pet Owners

1) Animals Approved as Pets

Not all animals can be kept as pets. Star tortoises, iguanas, snakes and sugar gliders are some animals which are not approved by the authorities to be kept as pets.

2) Dog Licensing

It is required by law that all dogs three months and older must be licensed.

Rabies is a disease caused by a virus. It can spread from infected dogs to humans through bites or saliva. Licensing a dog can help the authorities to trace dogs with rabies to control the spread of the disease.

Licensing a dog can help the authorities reunite a lost dog with its owners. It can also help to discourage pet abandonment.

3) Cruelty to Animals

As a pet owner, you should not subject your pets to cruelty or permit cruelty to be inflicted on them.

Forms of cruelty to animals include:

- Brutally beating, kicking, torturing, provoking or terrifying an animal
- Failing to supply an animal with sufficient food and water
- Abandoning your pet as they are unable to take care of themselves. They may get into accidents and/or become ill

4) Dog Leashing

All dogs have to be leashed in public areas. In addition to leashing, some species of dogs must be muzzled by law.

Message brought to you by:

Animals for Life

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21 The purpose of the questions in the section "Should you Get a Pet?" is _____.

(1) to arouse readers' interest in getting a pet
(2) to tell readers to consider carefully prior to getting a pet
(3) to give readers some ideas what would make a suitable pet
(4) to help readers understand the benefit of owning a pet for life

22 Based on the brochure, which of the following is true?

(1) Star tortoises cannot be kept as pets.
(2) All dogs must be muzzled by law when in public.
(3) Cats require as much time and attention as dogs.
(4) Puppies must be licensed within three weeks of birth.

23 Refer to the section "My Pet Rabbit" on page 8. Which of the following words describes how Lulu feels about keeping a rabbit?

(1) responsible
(2) convinced
(3) surprised
(4) loving

24 Some of the information in the brochure are facts, while others are opinions. Which of the following is an **opinion**?

(1) Rabies is a contagious disease.
(2) All dogs must be leashed in public areas.
(3) Abandoned pets may become injured or ill.
(4) A pet is like a family member to the pet owner.

25 The **main** purpose of this brochure is to _____.

(1) convince the reader not to be cruel to animals
(2) inform the public about the importance of dog licensing
(3) allow Lulu to share about her experience as a pet owner
(4) raise awareness of the responsibilities of being a pet owner.

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26 Look at the section on Dog Licensing on page 9. What does 'it' in the second line of the third paragraph refer to?

(1) a lost dog
(2) licensing a dog
(3) pet abandonment
(4) the owner of a lost dog

27 Which of the following statements is <u>not</u> a reason for dog licensing?

(1) to find the dog owners when dogs are lost
(2) to prevent infected dogs from biting humans
(3) to trace the dog owners when dogs are abandoned
(4) to contact owners in order to control the spread of rabies

28 The use of colon (:) in "Forms of cruelty to animals include: " (page 9) is to _____.

(1) stress the importance of supplying pets with sufficient food and water
(2) emphasise that animal cruelty should be discouraged
(3) show the order of the severity of animal cruelty
(4) list the different forms of animal cruelty

END OF BOOKLET A

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21 October 2019

English Language

Paper 2 Booklet B

Duration of Paper (Booklets A & B): 1 h 50 min

52 questions
67 marks

Instructions to Candidates:
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Answer all questions.

Parent's Signature: _____

Booklet A	28
Booklet B	67
Total	95

This booklet consists of 9 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)	across	(D)	can	(G)	from	(K)	must	(N)	that
(B)	between	(E)	even	(H)	in	(L)	often	(P)	they
(C)	by	(F)	for	(J)	its	(M)	since	(Q)	while

The sloth is the world's slowest mammal. It is so inactive that algae grows on its furry coat. The algae gives it a greenish tint _____ (29) is useful camouflage in the trees of _____ (30) rainforest home.

All sloths spend their lives in the treetops. They spend nearly all of their time hanging _____ (31) branches with a powerful grip aided by their long claws. Sloths sleep _____ (32) 15 and 20 hours every day. _____ (33) when awake, they often remain motionless. At night, they eat leaves, shoots, and fruit from the trees and get almost all of the water _____ (34) need from juicy plants.

Sloths mate and give birth _____ (35) hanging in the trees. Sloth babies are _____ (36) seen clinging to their mothers for the first nine months of their lives.

On land, the weak hind legs of sloths provide no power and their long claws are a hindrance to their movement. They _____ (37) dig into the earth with their front claws and use their strong front legs to pull themselves along, dragging their bellies _____ (38) the ground. If caught on land, these animals have no chance of evading predators, and can only defend themselves by clawing and biting.

Adapted from 'Three-toed Sloths', National Geographic

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

(12 marks)

Though it is often said that you cannot choose your family, you can certainly choose your

(39) ☐

friends. My mother had always urged me to make new friends, but never at the expanse of losing

(40) ☐

old ones. She had a saying about new friends and old friends that has stayed to me – one is silver

and the other is gold.

(41) ☐

I found that making friends become much easier when I started being interested in people

(42) ☐ **(43)** ☐

rather to trying to get people interested in me. This change of etitude not only helped me make

(44) ☐

many new friends, and also helped me become a happier person.

Of course, not every person can be a good friend. Our teachers and parents taught us to

(45) ☐

choose our friends wisely, warning us that their charakters were likely to rub off on ours. It is true

(46) ☐

that good friends help lift you away, but bad friends will drag you down. If your friends have

(47) ☐ **(48)** ☐

undesirable treits and habits, there is a good chance they will afact you. Hence, if you cannot

(49) ☐

perswayde them to change their ways, it might be better for you to walk away and find new friends.

As the years go by, good friends become more important than ever. After all, the only

(50) ☐

constant in life is change. Bad times are unavoided. But when they come, the good friends will

remain by your side.

Adapted from 'Friends' by Anthony Goh

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

A well-known church in France was engulfed in a massive fire last evening.

The fire brigade soon arrived at the scene. After some brave _____ (51) battled the relentless flames for hours, the church's two main rectangular towers were saved and preserved. _____ (52), much of the monument's roof had been destroyed. The actual _____ (53) to the rest of the church is not yet clear. Authorities are still trying to establish _____ (54) much has been lost.

_____ (55) the blaze erupted in the ancient church, news of the fire spread rapidly on social _____ (56) as people shared photos showing bright-orange flames and thick, black _____ (57) billowing from the rooftop of the church. Videos online later showed the church's rooftop collapsing, swallowed _____ (58) by the blaze.

The _____ (59) of the fire is not yet clear. The police suspect that it was started by accident as some workers were _____ (60) some restoration work in the 800-year-old church.

Tourists were reportedly inside the _____ (61) at that time. Fortunately, they were evacuated to _____ (62) not long after the fire _____ (63) out. There have been no reports of any injuries, though, a few people were _____ (64) to a local hospital for smoke inhalation.

"The worst has been avoided, even if the battle is not yet totally _____ (65)," said the French President. He vowed to rebuild the church.

Adapted from https://time.com

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For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) 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)

66 Sally likes exercising in the park. Tania likes exercising in the park too.

Both _____

_____.

67 Mr Wong is my teacher. He lives next door to me.

_____ who _____

_____

68 The children were allowed to go out and play. They did their homework first.

Having _____

_____

69 John is able to do well although he is frequently absent from school.

Despite his _____

_____

70 Father did not agree so he shook his head.

_____ in

_____

Read this passage and answer questions 71 to 80. (20 marks)

Two weeks after Grandfather died, Grandmother came to live with us. I would try to joke with her and make her laugh like she used to, but she would just nod sadly and continued rocking in her rocking chair.

One day, I noticed Grandmother looking out the window. I stood up, stretched my cramped legs and walked over to her. "What are you looking at, Grandmother?" I asked. 5

Grandmother stared at me, as if seeing me for the first time in the weeks since she had moved in. I pointed to her lap. "Why do you keep that red bag with you?"

Grandmother fingered ***the bright velvet*** lovingly. "Everything I've ever learnt is in this bag," she said. Grandmother took a strand of large, silvery-white pearls from it.

"It's beautiful!" I gasped. Leaning closer, I realised the huge pearls were strung on a 10 slender length of leather.

"My grandmother gave this to my mother, who gave it to me." Her eyes glistened. "I remember ***it*** like it was yesterday. She gave me this leather strap, with one pearl strung on it. She called it a pearl of wisdom. She gave it to me for befriending two unpopular and shy girls. Even though that caused me to lose my other friends for a while, I knew that I had 15 done the right thing. Ever since then, she would give me a pearl to string each time she felt I'd done something special, learnt some kind of lesson, or had done something she felt was wise."

"So, ***every pearl is a pearl of wisdom***," I whispered, running my hand over them.

"Your grandfather gave me the last one, on our fiftieth wedding anniversary, because 20 he said marrying him was the wisest thing I'd ever done." We both laughed.

Grandmother died later that year. After the funeral, my mother gave me Grandmother's red velvet pouch with a note written in her signature crooked scrawl. "I should have given these to your mother a long time ago, but I always felt like I still had things to learn. Though your mother missed out on the tradition, I hope that you will keep it 25 alive. Keep the pearls safe."

Angry that Grandmother had left us, I stuffed the pouch with its contents into the very back of my dresser's bottom drawer. "All the wisdom in the world didn't keep you from dying," I thought, wiping my tears away. I could not contain my grief.

Three years later, I was fourteen. The last thing I wanted was to start high school with 30 hideously thick glasses. I wanted contact lenses, but my parents could not afford them.

Taking on many part time jobs, I finally earned enough to buy ***them***.

That day, I was proud of myself for working for what I wanted when I could have easily wallowed in self-pity.

I took off the hated glasses and stuffed them in the very back of my bottom dresser 35 drawer, and there was Grandmother's pouch. Smiling, I took out the string of pearls. I untied the leather strap and let all the pearls, except one, fall into the pouch. I had been wise, I learnt my first lesson.

Adapted from 'Grandma's Pearls' by Sufi Epigram

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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

71 Why was Grandmother sad? [1m]

_____

72 Which 4-word phrase from lines 1-11 suggests that the writer had been sitting for a long time? [1m]

73 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]

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
the bright velvet (line 8)	
it (line 13)	
them (line 32)	

74 Why did the author say that 'every pearl is a pearl of wisdom' (line 19)? [2m]

_____

_____

75 Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story. [1m]

_____ The author kept the pearls in her bottom drawer.

_____ Grandmother went to stay with the author.

_____ The author's grandmother was given pearls.

76 Based on the passage, state whether each statement in the table is '**True**' or '**False**', then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/False	Reason
Grandmother used to be a happy person before Grandfather died.		
Grandmother had poor handwriting.		
Grandmother thought of herself as a wise woman.		

77 Based on information from **lines 6 – 21**, fill in the blanks in the following table. [2m]

Cause	Effect
	Grandmother showed the author what was in the bag.
Grandfather and Grandmother had been married for fifty years.	

78 What were Grandmother's wishes as stated in her note? [2m]

_____

_____

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79 Which **three** of the following words best describe how the author felt in **lines 27 – 29**? Put a tick (✓) in the box beside each of your answers. [3m]

irritated	☐	hopeless	☐
discouraged	☐	bitter	☐
heartbroken	☐	upset	☐

80 Explain clearly what the author meant when she said '*I had been wise, I learnt my first lesson.*' in lines 37-38. [2m]

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END OF PAPER

EXAM PAPER 2019

LEVEL : PRIMARY 5

SCHOOL : CHIJ ST NICHOLAS GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)

SUBJECT : ENGLISH LANGUAGE

TERM : SA2

BOOKLET A

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

BOOKLET B

Q29. N Q30. J Q31. G Q32. B

Q33. E Q34. p Q35. Q Q36. L

Q37. K Q38. A

Q39. expense Q40. with Q41. became

Q42. than Q43. attitude Q44. but

Q45. characters Q46. up Q47. traits

Q48. affect Q49. persuade Q50. unavoidable

Q51. firemen Q52. However Q53. damage

Q54. How Q55. After Q56. media

Q57. Smoke Q58. up Q59. cause

Q60. doing Q61. church Q62. safety

Q63. broke Q64. sent Q65. over

Q66. Both Sally and Tania like exercising in the park.

Q67. Mr Wong who lives next door to me is my teacher.

Q68. Having done their homework, the children were allowed to go out and play.

Q69. Despite his frequent absence from school, John is able to do well.

Q70. Father shook his head in disagreement.

Q71. Grandmother was sad as her husband had died.

Q72. stretched my cramped legs.

Q73. the bright velvet (line 8): Grandmother's red bag

it (line 13): Grandmother's mother giving Grandmother's first pearl

them (line 32): contact lenses

Q74. The author's Grandmother was given a pearl after a lesson learnt.

Q75. 3, 2, 1

Q76. True. If the author tried to joke with Grandmother, she would laugh. However, after Grandfather died, she would nod sadly and continue to rock her rocking chair.

True. She had a signature crooked scrawl.

False. She felt that she still had things to learn.

Q77. The author asked why did Grandmother keep her red bag with her.

Grandfather gave Grandmother her last pearl.

Q78. For the author to keep the tradition alive and keep the pearls safe.

Q79. heartbroken, bitter, upset

Q80. The author meant that she was smart enough not to wallow in her self-pity and instead, had learnt to work for what she wanted.

END OF PAPER