



Nan Hua Primary School
Primary 6 English Language
Term 1 Non-Weighted Assessment 2024

| Marks | |
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| Section A: | /10 |
| Section B: | /20 |
| Total: | /30 |

Name: _____ ()

Class: Primary 6 ___ E ___ Date: _____

Answer all questions.

👍 Well Done

Section A: Synthesis and Transformation (5 x 2 marks = 10 marks)

For each of the questions 1 to 5, 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).

1. "Do not drive after taking this medicine," the doctor instructed Mrs Liew.

The doctor instructed Mrs Liew _____

2. The cookies were eaten by Dave last night.

Dave _____

1. I admire Sam. He won the competition.

_____ whom _____

2. It was raining so heavily that the football match had to stop.

because of a _____

3. Kim helped me collect my homework during my absence from school.

When I _____

Read the passage below and answer questions 6 to 15. (20 marks)

Jen pricked up her ears. She thought she had heard some giggles behind her. When she turned around, she saw Sally and Tina looking at her while trying to hide their smiles. Although slightly irritated, Jen ignored them completely.

Mr. Sim had been talking about his students' aspirations and what their parents' jobs were. "My parents are professional athletes. They hope I will be like them but what I truly want to be is an actor!" Bill shared and gave a sigh.

When it was Jen's turn, Sally blurted, "Jen's father is a rubbish collector. It is a stinky job!" Sally then made a face and pretended to faint on the spot. Everybody in the class laughed loudly at her actions. Jen's face turned red. She fought hard to hold back her tears. Mr. Sim, whose brows were furrowed and lips pursed thin, raised his voice for the class to be quiet. Almost immediately, only the whirring of the fans could be heard.

"All of you should be ashamed!" Mr. Sim said, "This is an extremely difficult but meaningful job. Can you imagine what it would be like without someone who clears the litter from the rubbish collection points where we live?"

Just then Mr. Sim caught Tina rolling her eyes and cast a long and hard stare at her. That was like a final warning that stopped anyone else from jeering again. "It's not funny," Mr. Sim said firmly, "All of you owe Jen an apology. Her father works extremely hard to keep the city clean."

Everyone in class apologised, but Jen felt that some were insincere.

When Jen arrived home, she went to cry in her room. Worried, Father tried to get her to talk but she was hesitant as she did not want to hurt his feelings. After a while, Jen grudgingly confided in him. She was taken aback by Father's unexpected response. He smiled widely and nodded.

Jen was puzzled. Father explained, "The truth is, your classmates are absolutely right about how dirty my job is. Rubbish is filthy. Every day, I see litter everywhere and it can make one's head spin. However, my co-workers and I would clear this up. Jen, I like my job. I play a part in keeping this city clean. Many residents appreciate what I do and even stop to thank me personally."

To Jen's surprise, Father invited her to join him at work that Saturday to see what he really meant. However, she was in a dilemma. While she was excited to experience it, the thought of the stench put her off. On second thought, she decided to bear with the discomfort and not pass up the opportunity.

It was still dark when Father woke Jen up on Saturday morning. At the rubbish processing plant, many people were already at work. They were cheerfully going about their different tasks. This reminded Jen of Father's statement that he liked his job. When it was time to ride the rubbish truck, she whipped out a handkerchief, preparing to cover her nose with it. However, her worry was unfounded. There was hardly any foul smell.

The truck then stopped at a rubbish collection point. Jen and Father jumped off. Father started picking up big trash bags which weighed at least 100 kg and tossing them into the back of the truck. Watching Father hard at work, Jen was touched. "Let me help you with the smaller bags, Pa!" she volunteered. By noon, they had covered all the rubbish collection points on the assigned route.

Jen realised that clearing rubbish was hard work, but it was definitely a meaningful job. "I am proud of you, Pa! Without you, the city will not be clean!" she exclaimed, hugging Father.

Adapted from, *Jodie's Daddy is a Garbage Man* by Michael Licht

6. Which word in paragraph 1 shows that Jen was affected by Sally and Tina's behaviour towards her? [1m]

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7. Refer to lines 4-6.

a) Give an adjective to describe how Bill could have felt about his situation. [1m]

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b) Which phrase tells you so? [1m]

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8. What did Sally do to make the children laugh? [1m]

9. Fill in the following table by identifying the correct word(s) from lines 20-23. [2m]

| Question | Word(s) from the passage |
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| Which two words suggest that Jen did not want to tell her father what had happened in school at first? Each word is found in a separate sentence. | (i) _____ (ii) _____ |

10. Based on lines 7-19 state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

| | True / False | Reason |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------|
| Mr. Sim looked upset when the students laughed at the work Jen's father did. | | |
| The students continued to laugh after Mr. Sim told them to keep quiet. | | |
| All the students were sorry for their actions. | | |

11. Based on lines 24-28, list two reasons why Jen's father liked what he did for a living. [2m]

1. _____
2. _____

12. 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 |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Example: their (line 4)</i> | <i>the students</i> |
| that (line 16) | |
| unexpected response (line 22) | |
| the opportunity (line 32) | |

13. At the rubbish processing plant, what made Jen recall Father saying that he liked his job? [1m]

14. Based on the information from the story, fill in the blanks in the following table. (3m)

| How Jen felt | Why Jen felt this way | What Jen did as a result |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| | Sally poked fun at Father's job. | She tried to stop herself from crying. |
| worried | | She got ready a handkerchief to cover her nose with. |
| touched | She watched Father toss the heavy trash bags into the truck. | |

15. Why did Jen think well of Father and the job of rubbish collection in the end? Support your answer with evidence from the text. [2m]

a) Father:

b) The job of rubbish collection:

End of Paper

