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AI TONG SCHOOL

2005

CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT (1)

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1

PRIMARY 6

DURATION : 1 hour 10 minutes

DATE: 25.02.05

INSTRUCTIONS

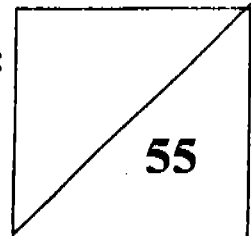
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There are two parts to this paper; Part 1 and Part 2.

Answer the question in Part 1 and one question from Part 2.

Name : _____ ()

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Class : Primary _____

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Date : _____

Part 1 : Situational Writing (15 marks)

(1) Below is an advertisement.

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- Jo-Jo, the juggling bear
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- ★ Russia's most exciting troupe - 80 strong
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- Eight-year-old Nadia, the youngest trapeze artist in the world
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Venue : The Singapore Exhibition Centre
Show Time : 8 p.m.
Admission : \$ 10, \$15, \$20, \$30

Mystery gifts for all at the Special Opening Performance
Free photographs of Din-Din for the first 100 children

Your Task

You came across the advertisement on page 1 while reading the newspaper. Write a friendly letter to your cousin, Roy, asking him to join you for the show. ①

In your letter, include the following information :

- why you are writing to him
- where the troupe is from
- the venue and time of the show
- when you intend to go so as to enjoy the benefits
- one interesting item you are looking forward to

You may reorder the points. You should write in complete sentences.

Part 2: Continuous Writing (40marks)

There are two questions in Part 2.
Answer only one of them.

- (2) Write a story based on the picture below. Your story should be at least 150 words long.



For your story, make use of the following points below:

- where and when this incident took place
- what had happened earlier
- how the people reacted and what they did
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.

- (3) You were doing your homework in your bedroom one afternoon when you heard a man banging on the door of your neighbour's flat.

Based on the above situation, write a composition of **at least 150 words**.

In your composition, make use of the points below:

- who that man was and what he wanted
- how you felt and what you did
- what happened in the end

You may reorder the points. You may also include other relevant points.



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CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT (1)

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2

PRIMARY 6

DURATION : 1 hour 50 minutes

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INSTRUCTIONS

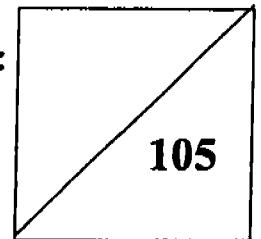
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Follow all instructions.

Answer all questions.

Name : _____ ()

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Class : Primary _____

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Section A: Comprehension (Graphic Stimulus) (5 marks)

Study the following text and answer questions 1 to 5.

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- effective use of Hanyu Pinyin dictionary

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- sentence formation
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For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1. What is the main objective of Oriental Language Centre in setting up the Children's Mandarin Classes?
 - (1) To provide a Mandarin speaking environment.
 - (2) To teach children to use Hanyu Pinyin effectively.
 - (3) To help children learn Mandarin the fun-filled way.
 - (4) To improve reading, writing and comprehension skills.
2. How does Oriental Language Centre teach essay and précis writing?
It is through _____.
 - (1) the use of creative thinking
 - (2) repetitious and routine training
 - (3) the memorizing of idioms and proverbs
 - (4) the effective use of Hanyu Pinyin dictionary
3. Through 'tongue twister' and 'poetry recitation', children will be able to _____.
 - (1) write better compositions
 - (2) think creatively and write confidently
 - (3) read and speak Mandarin more confidently
 - (4) unveil the secrecy behind the formation of Chinese characters
4. Molly wants to be a novelist when she grows up. Which one of the Mandarin classes at Oriental Language Centre is most suitable for her?
 - (1) Chinese Immersion Class
 - (2) Hanyu Pinyin Class
 - (3) Fun With Words
 - (4) Drills In Writing
5. The Chinese Immersion Class is most suitable for _____.
 - (1) young children from English speaking homes
 - (2) young children who want to improve their pronunciation
 - (3) children who want to improve their comprehension skills
 - (4) children who love to learn more about the history of Chinese culture

Section B: Grammar MCQ (15 marks)

For each question from 6 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

6. If we switch on the air-conditioner day and night, our electricity bill _____.
- (1) increase
 - (2) increases
 - (3) will increase
 - (4) has increased
7. Hamid _____ model planes ever since he was ten years old.
- (1) builds
 - (2) was built
 - (3) will build
 - (4) has been building
8. Mr Ng seems to _____ his memory. Last night, he could not even remember his home address.
- (1) lose
 - (2) lost
 - (3) loses
 - (4) have lost
9. My secretary has gone to the airport to _____ the representatives who have arrived from Beijing.
- (1) fetch
 - (2) bring
 - (3) send
 - (4) take
10. Did Mr Lu manage to _____ the mortgage for the house?
- (1) pay up
 - (2) pay off
 - (3) pay out
 - (4) pay back

11. _____ you take the short cut through the alley, you won't be able to make it to the cinema on time.
- (1) If
 - (2) When
 - (3) Unless
 - (4) Despite
12. Mrs Ong, _____ we have known for ten years, has emigrated to Canada.
- (1) who
 - (2) which
 - (3) whose
 - (4) whom
13. Of the twins, Henry is the _____ boy.
- (1) fat
 - (2) fatter
 - (3) fattest
 - (4) more fat
14. Since the theft, Mdm Cheong _____ to be wary of strangers.
- (1) learns
 - (2) learned
 - (3) is learning
 - (4) has learned
15. This is the dress _____ I paid three hundred dollars for.
- (1) who
 - (2) whom
 - (3) which
 - (4) whose
16. Dinah told Sam that if she _____ an heiress, she would donate half her wealth to charity.
- (1) is
 - (2) has
 - (3) were
 - (4) being

17. Either the class monitor or the librarians _____ to lock the library cupboard. Now some of our class library books are lost.
- (1) forget
 - (2) forgets
 - (3) has forgotten
 - (4) have forgotten
18. Yesterday, I saw a well-dressed man _____ an old lady's purse from her handbag.
- (1) steal
 - (2) stole
 - (3) steals
 - (4) stolen
19. Are you interested _____ Uno with us?
- (1) to play
 - (2) in playing
 - (3) for playing
 - (4) on playing
20. My sister will be turning twenty-one _____ June this year.
- (1) in
 - (2) at
 - (3) by
 - (4) on

Section C: Punctuation MCO (5 marks)

For each question from 21 to 25, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

On the last day of the year 2004 (21) Uncle William paid us a visit and we began to talk about New Year's resolution (22) Uncle William told each of us to make a resolution for 2005. We thought about it for a while and then I said (23) My New Year's resolution is not to bite my fingernails!" I had the bad habit of biting my fingernails, especially when I was nervous and Mother was always scolding me about it.

"My New Year's resolution is to get up immediately when the alarm clock rings (24) said my brother Nick. We all laughed, for every morning Mother had to drag Nick out of bed.

"What about you, Uncle (25) I asked, turning to Uncle William.

21. (1) [:] colon
(2) [,] comma
(3) [.] full-stop
(4) [;] semi-colon
22. (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full-stop
(3) [;] semi-colon
(4) [!] exclamation mark
23. (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full-stop
(3) [, ""] comma and inverted comma
(4) [: ""] colon and inverted comma
24. (1) [,] comma
(2) [.] full-stop
(3) [, ""] comma and inverted comma
(4) [.""] full-stop and inverted comma
25. (1) [",] inverted comma and comma
(2) [,""] comma and inverted comma
(3) ["?"] inverted comma and question mark
(4) [?""] question mark and inverted comma

Section D: Vocabulary MCQ (5 marks)

For each question from 26 to 30 four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

26. The travellers finally _____ the town after a long and tedious journey.
- (1) joined
 - (2) landed
 - (3) arrived
 - (4) reached
27. Mabel is not _____ of learning Japanese in six months.
- (1) keen
 - (2) capable
 - (3) inclined
 - (4) interested
28. Owing to the good weather, there is a _____ of rice crops this year.
- (1) plenty
 - (2) surplus
 - (3) harvest
 - (4) production
29. The police were called in to _____ order after a riot broke out on the busy street.
- (1) restore
 - (2) ensure
 - (3) create
 - (4) impose
30. Mrs Wong _____ when her maid destroyed her expensive orchids.
- (1) saw red
 - (2) looked blue
 - (3) turned green
 - (4) turned yellow

Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (5 marks)

For each question from 31 to 35, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet.

To escape from enemies and avoid being eaten is an (31) important part of life for most animals. Some of them, (32) especially animals that live in open country, rely on speed to (33) get away from their enemies. Others are protected by spines or other weapons which may be poisonous. Then there are those which simply pretend to be poisonous, (34) harmful or even dead. But most small animals escape the attentions of their predators by using some form of (35) camouflage.

31. (1) easy
(2) essential
(3) influential
(4) awesome
32. (1) usually
(2) decidedly
(3) particularly
(4) always
33. (1) lose
(2) travel
(3) escape
(4) disperse
34. (1) risky
(2) damaging
(3) hazardous
(4) dangerous
35. (1) cover
(2) illusion
(3) disguise
(4) masquerade

Section F: Comprehension MCQ (5 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 36 to 40.

Britney stood before her wardrobe, staring at the ~~messy~~ **messy** array of clothes in it. Then she started to pull the clothes off their hangers, throwing them on her bed after a brief glance at each outfit.

It was an important night for Britney. She was going to an expensive Chinese restaurant with her grandparents. Her father had told her to dress appropriately and she most certainly wanted to give her grandparents a good impression. Dad had mentioned something about Grandpa asking his lawyer to draw up his will soon. Britney was quite certain that this dinner with her grandparents would determine if she would secure a fat share of the will. 5

Never one to save, Britney had spent all the money that her parents had given her on branded clothes, expensive handbags, shoes, accessories and cosmetics. As she sieved through the heap of clothes on her bed, she wondered to herself how she had managed to accumulate such an enormous amount of clothes. 10

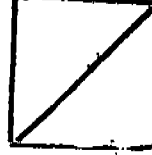
Should she wear the fluffy pink dress or the little black dress? Pink would make her look soft and charming, but too young to be an heiress. Black would make her look elegant and mature, but she did not want her grandparents to think that she was old enough to start earning her own keep. She sat there on her bed, *wringing her hands in despair* as precious minutes ticked by. 15

36. What was bothering Britney as she stood before her wardrobe?

- (1) She did not have enough clothes to wear.
- (2) She had too many clothes to choose from.
- (3) She was reluctant to meet her grandparents for dinner.
- (4) She did not know what kind of image to project for herself.

37. What was Britney's motive for having dinner with her grandparents?

- (1) She wanted to please her father.
- (2) She wanted to make her grandparents happy.
- (3) She wanted to impress her grandparents with her expensive clothes.
- (4) She wanted her grandfather to leave her a substantial amount of money in his will.



38. The phrase '**wringing her hands in despair**' in the last paragraph of the passage tells us that Britney was _____.
- (1) wasting her time
 - (2) not at all bothered
 - (3) desperate for a solution
 - (4) playing with her fingers
39. What was wrong with the little black dress?
- (1) It was way too small to fit her.
 - (2) Her grandparents did not like black colour.
 - (3) It would make her look too young to be an heiress.
 - (4) It would make her look old enough to support herself.
40. What kind of person do you think Britney was?
- (1) She was filial and respectful.
 - (2) She was considerate and caring.
 - (3) She was self-centred and calculating.
 - (4) She was self-conscious and stingy.

Section G : Grammar Cloze (10 marks)

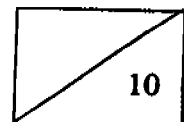
There are 10 blanks, numbered 41 to 50, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) and	(D) between	(G) for	(K) of	(N) than
(B) at	(E) but	(H) in	(L) on	(P) to
(C) about	(F) then	(J) it	(M) over	(Q) with

At night I was so hungry, my stomach growled as if I were an angry bear. At night I lay awake concentrating (41) _____ food. "Maybe tomorrow I'll get dinner," I said (42) _____ myself. Hours later, I would drift off to sleep, fantasizing (43) _____ food. I mainly dreamt of hamburgers (44) _____ all the fixings. In my dreams I seized my prize and brought (45) _____ to my lips. The meat dripped with grease, (46) _____ thick slices of cheese bubbled on top. Condiments oozed out from (47) _____ the lettuce and tomato. As I brought the hamburger closer to my face, I opened my mouth to devour my prize, (48) _____ nothing happened. No matter how hard I struggled, I could not taste a morsel (49) _____ my fantasy. Moments later I would wake up with my stomach more hollow (50) _____ before. I could not satisfy my hunger; not even in my dreams.

Adapted from *A Child Called It* by Dave Pelzer



Section H : Editing for Spelling and Grammar (10 marks)

Correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

(51)

Asia has got through three cycles of the bird flu **epedermic**. In these outbreaks, some 100

(52)

(53)

million chickens were **kulled** or died of the H5N1 virus in a zone stretching through China

(54)

and Japan to South-east Asia. This extreme method seems to have check the spread,

(55)

complemented by a ban on the movement of **poltry** in affected areas. In human morbidity

(56)

terms, fewer than 100 people have died, most of these in Vietnam and Thailand. Human-to-

(57)

human **transsmission**, the scenario feared most, has not happened so far. Studies have not

(58)

come up with evidence of a leap across animal species to humans become a host for a

(59)

mutated virus, which would infect other humans. Vulnerable countries had collaborated well

(60)

in diseases **surveilence**.

Adapted from *Bird flu holds no terrors* ? The Straits Times, 22 January 2005

Section I : Comprehension Cloze (15 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable word

Terrance Stanley Fox was born in Canada on 28 July 1958. He was a very patient and determined child. Terry's mother recalled that even as a toddler, he would (61) _____ up wooden blocks and if they tumbled, he would try again and again until they stayed in (62) _____. Terry was an active teenager involved in many sports. In 1977, when Terry was only 18 years old, he was (63) _____ with bone cancer. His right leg had to be (64) _____ 15 cm above the knee. When in hospital, he was so (65) _____ by the suffering of other cancer patients, many of them young children, that he decided to run across Canada to raise money for cancer research. He would call his journey the "Marathon of Hope".

In February 1979, Terry began training for his marathon. He trained for almost one and a half years, (66) _____ over 5000 km. He wrote to the Canadian Cancer Society to (67) _____ his run. On 12 April 1980, Terry began his long and painful journey. He ran almost 42 kilometres every day – not an easy task even for a normal (68) _____. At first, it was difficult to get people's (69) _____ on his mission. Soon, however enthusiasm (70) _____, and Terry began collecting more and more money. The people of Canada were latching on to Terry's (71) _____. They wept as he ran by, fists (72) _____, eyes focussed on the road ahead, his awkward double-step and hop sounding down the highway. On 1st September 1980, after 143 days and 5373 kilometres, Terry was forced to stop running because the cancer had (73) _____ to his lungs.

Sadly, Terry died on 28 June 1981. However, people did not forget him and his story did not end with his (74) _____. Terry's dream of raising one dollar from every Canadian to fight cancer was (75) _____.

Section J : Synthesis / Transformation (10 marks)

For each of the questions from 76 to 80, rewrite the 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).

76. He was in a hurry. He left his house keys behind.

In his _____

77. The sight of the Korean film star made my heart flutter.

My heart _____

78. Girls have high aspirations and claim better assertive skills.

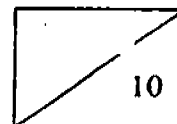
Girls are claimed _____

79. Every type of document is being forged. The problem is growing.

Forging _____

80. Judy said, "The movie which we saw yesterday was indeed thrilling."

Judy remarked that _____



Section K : Comprehension OE (20 marks)

Read the passage below and answer questions 81 to 90.

Donald tried hard to concentrate but the throbbing of the noise upstairs drove all Mathematical solutions out of his head. "They were at it again," thought Donald. At least three times a week, the people from the flat above would have a party which was invariably accompanied by "music" which lasted till 2 or 3 a.m. the next day. It was thoughtless of them, but what could Donald do? His parents were meek and would never think of complaining. Just the other night, they were short changed at the hawker centre and his father merely walked away, shaking his head. **It was at times like this that Donald wished he was** two metres tall with a black belt in karate. He was not about to crack anybody's ribs. He merely wanted to make his presence felt and you could not do that if you weighed 36 kilograms and wore thick glasses.

Boom! Boom! Boom! The noise seemed unending. Desperation had a way of making people do the strangest things. Driven by the noise from upstairs, Donald stood up, took a deep breath, marched up to apartment #12-34 and knocked on the door. He stood there knocking for three minutes before the door was opened by a heavily made-up woman.

"Yes?" she purred. "I'm from the flat downstairs. I know you're having a party, but I have a Mathematics test tomorrow and I can't think with all this noise!" Donald blurted in one breath. The woman raised her eyebrows and smiled. Donald blinked. She was still there, still smiling. She had beckoned to a tall man with a solemn look of someone about to discharge an unpleasant duty. **Donald did not wait to find out what the unpleasant duty was.**

With the previous night's happenings still vivid in his mind, Donald was taken by surprise when he noticed a moving truck transporting the occupants of #12-34 and their worldly goods out of the estate the very next morning. He rubbed his eyes in amazement and suppressing his hopes, he raced upstairs to make sure that fate was not playing some cruel joke on him. A "For Rent" sign on the door sent a warm feeling of relief through him and if he could, Donald would have turned cartwheels along the corridor.

Three days later, the uncharacteristic silence from the twelfth storey was broken by sounds of furniture being moved in. Donald actually looked forward to meeting the new neighbours. "Perhaps there might even be a boy, my age, who's good at Mathematics," he thought. When the sounds subsided, he hurried up to the flat with a carefully rehearsed welcoming speech.

His knock was promptly answered by a man with a gold ear-ring in his right ear. As Donald looked over his shoulder to the barely furnished living room, the smile froze on his face. There in the middle of the room were amplifiers, guitars and a drum set with the words "The Titanic Rockers" across it.

Donald could not decide whether to laugh or to cry as he descended the stairs to his flat. That night he contemplated giving up Mathematics and joining the School Brass Band.

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

81. How did the noise from upstairs affect Donald ?

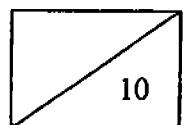
82. (a) Why did Donald think the people from the flat upstairs were "thoughtless"? (line 4)

(b) Why is the word "music" in inverted commas ? (line 4)

83. "It was at times like this..." (line 7) Under what circumstances did Donald feel that way ?

84. Why did Donald wish he had a black belt in karate ?

85. Why did Donald decide to go to flat #12-34 ?



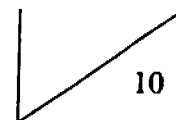
86. "Donald did not wait to find out what the unpleasant duty was." (line 19) Why didn't he ?

87. Why did Donald run upstairs when he saw the moving truck ?

88. How did Donald know he would be getting new neighbours ?

89. What did Donald learn when he called on his new neighbour ?

90. "Donald could not decide whether to laugh or to cry ..." (line 35) Explain why Donald had mixed feelings at that moment.



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| 1) 3 | 28) 2 | 56) poultry | 76) In his hurry, he left his house keys behind. |
| 2) 2 | 29) 1 | 57) them | 77) My heart fluttered at the sight of the Korean film star. |
| 3) 3 | 30) 1 | 57) transmission | 78) Girls are claimed to have high aspirations and better assertive skills. |
| 4) 4 | 31) 2 | 58) becoming | 79) Forging of every type of document is a growing problem. |
| 5) 1 | 32) 3 | 59) have | 80) Judy remarked that the movie that they had seen the day before was indeed thrilling. |
| 6) 3 | 33) 3 | 60) surveillance | 81) He could not concentrate on his Mathematics. |
| 7) 4 | 34) 4 | 61) stack | 81a) They made noise which disturbed him till 2 or 3 a.m. |
| 8) 4 | 35) 3 | 62) place | b) It was not really music as it was very noisy. |
| 9) 1 | 36) 4 | 63) diagnosed | 83) It was when he should have stood up for his rights. |
| 10) 2 | 37) 4 | 64) amputated | 84) He wanted people to respect him. |
| 11) 3 | 38) 3 | 65) overcome | 85) He was desperate and wanted to do something to stop the noise. |
| 12) 4 | 39) 4 | 66) running | |
| 13) 2 | 40) 3 | 67) support | |
| 14) 4 | 41) L | 68) athlete | |
| 15) 3 | 42) P | 69) attention | |
| 16) 3 | 43) C | 70) grew | |
| 17) 4 | 44) Q | 71) dream | |
| 18) 1 | 45) J | 72) clenched | |
| 19) 2 | 46) A | 73) spread | |
| 20) 1 | 47) D | 74) death | |
| 21) 2 | 48) E | 75) realized | |
| 22) 2 | 49) K | 86) He was afraid the tall man would hurt him. | |
| 23) 3 | 50) N | 87) He wanted to make sure his neighbours had left. | |
| 24) 3 | 51) epidemic | 88) He heard the sounds of furniture being moved in. | |
| 25) 4 | 52) Killed | 89) He discovered that they were a rock group | |
| 26) 4 | 53) from | | |
| 27) 2 | 54) checked | | |

90) He was happy to get rid of his old neighbours who were noisy but his new neighbours would be even noisier and thus, he was both frustrated and amused.