

**HENRY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL  
2023 END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PRIMARY 3  
PAPER 1**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS: Primary 3 \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTER NO: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL TIME:** 50 minutes

**TOTAL MARKS:** 20 marks

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

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

### Composition Writing (20 marks)

Write a composition of at least 100 words about a surprise.

The pictures, not arranged in sequence, are provided to help you think about this topic. Your composition should be based on one, two or all these pictures.

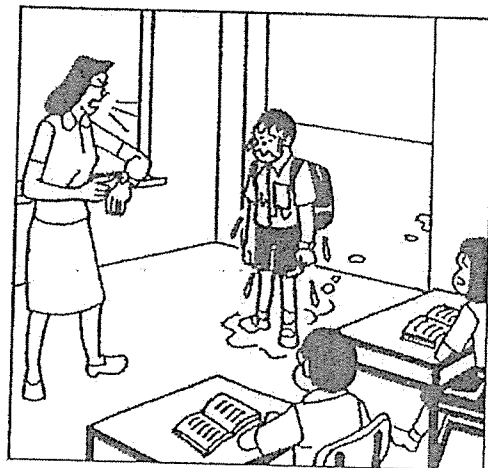
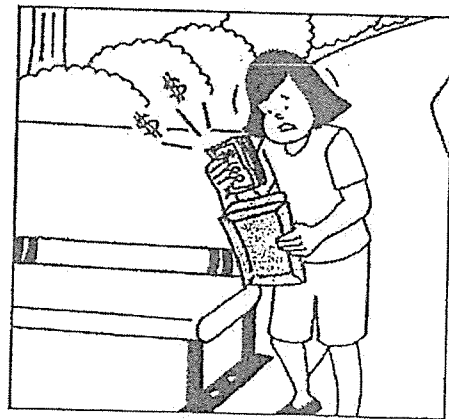
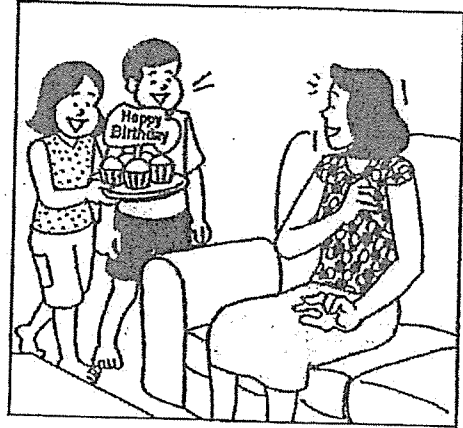
Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

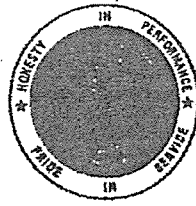
- What was the event?
- Where did this happen?
- When did the event occur?
- How did the characters feel?

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

#### **Helping Words:**

- baked cupcakes
- made her feel special
- kept it secret
- a huge brown envelope
- a lot of money
- strolling at the park
- completely drenched
- a puddle of water
- could not believe their eyes
- bursting with excitement and surprise





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PRIMARY THREE  
PAPER 2**

Part I	
Part II	
TOTAL	

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ (     )

CLASS: Primary 3 \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Duration of Paper: 1 h 15 min

**PART I**

**Section A: Vocabulary (6 x 1 mark)**

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.  
Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

1. The students cheered loudly when their school's \_\_\_\_\_ of football players won first place in the inter-school match.

- (1) band
- (2) choir
- (3) team
- (4) troupe

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2. The angry dog \_\_\_\_\_ at the boy when he pointed a stick at it.

- (1) roared
- (2) growled
- (3) croaked
- (4) squeaked

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3. Porcupines have \_\_\_\_\_ on their bodies to prevent predators from attacking them.

- (1) quills
- (2) beaks
- (3) talons
- (4) scales

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4. Sarah is a \_\_\_\_\_ girl. She donates to those who are less fortunate.

- (1) gentle
- (2) reliable
- (3) generous
- (4) responsible

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5. The farmer \_\_\_\_\_ home as he was exhausted after a busy day in the fields.

- (1) trudged
- (2) pranced
- (3) sprinted
- (4) marched

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6. The lost traveller trembled as he described his \_\_\_\_\_ encounter with the wild boar.

- (1) playful
- (2) dreadful
- (3) peaceful
- (4) delightful

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**Section B: Grammar (8 x 1 mark)**

Choose the most suitable answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets.  
Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the Optical Answer Sheet provided.

7. Tom \_\_\_\_\_ a necklace and a ring for his wife last night.

- (1) buy
- (2) buys
- (3) bought
- (4) is buying

(     )

8. The Cushion Sea Star \_\_\_\_\_ a plump body and very short arms. It can be found in warm waters.

- (1) has
- (2) had
- (3) have
- (4) is having

(     )

9. My brother and I helped \_\_\_\_\_ to the food that our grandmother had prepared.

- (1) myself
- (2) himself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) themselves

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10. Cassie and Jenny \_\_\_\_\_ television when the telephone rang.

- (1) watch
- (2) watched
- (3) have watched
- (4) were watching

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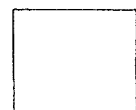
11. There is only \_\_\_\_\_ jam left. I need to buy a new bottle from the supermarket.
- (1) a few
  - (2) a little
  - (3) much
  - (4) many
- (     )
12. "Look at \_\_\_\_\_ orangutan!" said the Science teacher, pointing at the orangutan hanging on the tree over there.
- (1) this
  - (2) that
  - (3) these
  - (4) those
- (     )
13. Both Cindy and her brother \_\_\_\_\_ playing basketball every Saturday morning.
- (1) enjoy
  - (2) enjoys
  - (3) enjoyed
  - (4) are enjoying
- (     )
14. We were not able to finish our food as we had ordered too \_\_\_\_\_ dishes.
- (1) few
  - (2) little
  - (3) much
  - (4) many
- (     )

**PART II****Section C: Grammar Cloze****Passage A (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage below. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and write its letter (A to F) in each blank. USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

(A) we	(B) her	(C) it
(D) they	(E) their	(F) them

Last Saturday, Cindy and her elder sister went for a hike at Bukit Timah Hill. When (15) \_\_\_\_\_ were taking a break at a shelter, a monkey suddenly appeared. (16) \_\_\_\_\_ snatched Cindy's hat and ran away. Cindy tried to give chase but the monkey had disappeared. Cindy and her sister then continued the hike. They met many groups of hikers who were enjoying their nature walk. Cindy and her sister smiled at (17) \_\_\_\_\_. The girls planned to tell (18) \_\_\_\_\_ parents about what they had seen. What an exciting day!



**Passage B (4 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage below. Choose the most suitable word from the box and fill in the blanks. USE A WORD ONCE ONLY.

cycle	cycles	cycled
cycling	is cycling	were cycling

Dave is an active boy. Every weekend, he (19) \_\_\_\_\_ at West Coast Park with his father. His father taught him to (20) \_\_\_\_\_ when he was five years old. One day, while they (21) \_\_\_\_\_, they saw a poster for a cycling competition. Dave decided to participate in it. On the day of the competition, Dave (22) \_\_\_\_\_ as fast as he could and won the first prize in the junior category. His father was very proud of him.





**Section D: Vocabulary Cloze (5 x 1 mark)**  
**Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word.**

A lonely elephant walked through the forest, looking for friends. She soon saw a monkey and asked, "Can we be friends, Monkey?" The monkey quickly replied, "You are big and can't swing on trees like I do, so I cannot be your friend."

The elephant then continued to search when she (23) \_\_\_\_\_ across a rabbit. She asked him, "Can we be friends, Rabbit?" The rabbit looked at the elephant and replied, "You are too huge to (24) \_\_\_\_\_ inside my burrow and play with me. You cannot be my friend."

The elephant continued to ask the animals she met on her way, but she always got the same (25) \_\_\_\_\_. One day, a fierce tiger started attacking all the small animals. The elephant wanted to help them, so she went to the tiger and said, "Please (26) \_\_\_\_\_ my friends alone."

However, the tiger ignored her. The elephant became furious. She bellowed (27) \_\_\_\_\_ and kicked the tiger with her legs. The tiger ran away in fear. When the other animals heard of the brave deed, they told her, "You are just the right size to be our friend."

*Adapted from <https://momlovesbest.com/short-moral-stories-kids>*



**Section E: Editing (5 x 1 mark)**

Each of the underlined word contains a spelling error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes.

(28)

James took part in a badminton competition. He was dissappointed when he lost two

(29)

points. He had many surppoorters in the spectator stand and they cheered loudly for him. He

(30)

(31)

was close to viktory. However, James' opponent was full of enegy and had great skills.

(32)

He strugled to keep up. He kept trying his best and finally won the competition.

**Section F: Synthesis (2 x 1 mark)**

**Rewrite the following pairs of sentences as one sentence without changing the original meaning.**

33. My friends are going to borrow books. I am also going to borrow books.

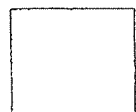
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

34. The chicken curry was spicy. Jason could not finish it.

\_\_\_\_\_

because \_\_\_\_\_



**Section G: Comprehension 1 (8 x 1 mark)**

Read the passage below and answer questions 35 to 42.

"Leo! Where are you?" Jane called in a trembling voice as she scanned her surroundings anxiously. Her pet cat was lost! That morning, Jane was rushing out of the house as she was late for school. In her hurry, she had left the gate unlocked. When she returned home after school, she realised that Leo had disappeared! Immediately, she started searching for Leo around her neighbourhood but to no avail. As Jane dragged herself home wearily, she wondered where Leo could be.

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Suddenly, Jane had an idea. She could make "Lost Cat" posters and put them around her neighbourhood! Soon, she had printed several posters with a photograph of Leo and her home telephone number on them. Then, she pasted the posters on the lamp posts around her house. Feeling optimistic, she returned home.

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The next day, Jane received a call from her neighbour, Mr Lim. He had spotted a cat that looked like hers in the park! As fast as wind, Jane sped to the park. Indeed, Leo was hiding under some thick bushes.

Jane squealed in delight and stroked Leo. She told herself to never forget to close the gates again. She also paid Mr Lim a visit and thanked him profusely for his help.

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35. Jane rushed out of her house in the morning as she was late for \_\_\_\_\_. [1m]

- (1) work
- (2) tuition
- (3) school
- (4) training

( )

36. Jane went around her neighbourhood as \_\_\_\_\_. [1m]

- (1) she wanted to find Leo
- (2) she had left the gate ajar
- (3) someone had spotted Leo
- (4) Mr Lim had told her to do so

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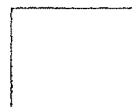
37. Mr Lim called Jane as he \_\_\_\_\_. [1m]

- (1) was curious about the posters
- (2) wondered how Jane was feeling
- (3) had seen a cat that looked like hers
- (4) needed more information about her cat

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For questions 38 to 39, state whether the statement is true or false based on the passage. Write T if the sentence is true and F if the sentence is false. [2m]

Statements	T / F
Example: Leo is a cat.	T
38. All the attempts made by Jane to find Leo were successful.	
39. Mr Lim and Jane went to the park together to look for Leo.	



40. Which word in paragraph 2 tells us that Jane felt more hopeful about finding Leo? [1m]

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41. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes below to show the order in which the events happened in paragraph 5 in the passage. [1m]

Jane sped to the park.	
Jane found Leo hiding under the thick bushes.	
Jane received a call from her neighbour, Mr Lim.	

42. Who does "him" in line 15 refer to?

[1m]

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**Section H: Comprehension 2 (8 marks)**

Read the passage below and answer questions 43 to 48.

<p>One morning, Tom and his older brother Jack, were having breakfast. "We will return home at seven o'clock," said their parents as they were preparing to leave for work. Their parents looked tired and stressed as they had been extremely busy at work recently. The siblings waved goodbye.</p>	
<p>"Do you know that it is their wedding anniversary today?" asked Tom as he pointed to the wall calendar.</p>	5
<p>"You're right!" Jack exclaimed.</p>	
<p>"Let's surprise <b>them</b> with a celebration later!" Jack exclaimed. Tom nodded enthusiastically.</p>	
<p>They swung into action immediately. Jack was responsible for baking a cake. Tom's task was to prepare a present.</p>	10
<p>Tom enjoyed folding origami so he watched a video on the internet to learn how to fold paper cranes. Two hours later, Tom managed to fill a box with paper cranes. With a satisfied grin, he placed it on the dining table. In the kitchen, Jack had baked a fragrant butter cake by referring to their mother's cookbook.</p>	15
<p>At seven o'clock, the boys crouched behind the sofa and waited silently. Creak! As the boys heard the door open, they held their breath.</p>	
<p>"We're home! Where are...?" their mother began to ask when they leapt up.</p>	
<p>In unison, the brothers yelled like banshees, "Happy anniversary!"</p>	
<p>Their parents' eyes brightened with joy when they saw the cake and the box of paper cranes.</p>	20
<p>"Boys, thank you for remembering our wedding anniversary and preparing this surprise. You are such caring children!" their parents chuckled. They enveloped the boys in a bear hug.</p>	

43. What were Tom and Jack doing while their parents were preparing to leave for work?  
[1m]

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44. What does the word 'them' in line 8 refer to?  
[1m]

45. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes below to show the order in which the events happened in the passage.  
[1m]

Tom placed a box on the dining table.	
Tom watched a video on the internet.	
Tom folded paper cranes.	

46. Which two-word phrase from lines 16-21 shows that the brothers shouted at the same time?  
[1m]



47. Based on the text, write down how the boys' parents felt before they went to work and after they came home. [2m]

	Before going to work	After coming home
How the boys' parents felt		

48. (a) Which one of the following words best describes what kind of children the two brothers were? Put a tick in the box beside your answer. Tick one box only.

thoughtful ☐

honest ☐

competitive ☐

- (b) Using information from the passage, explain why you have chosen the word in part (a) to describe the two brothers.

[2m]

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**PAPER 2**

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
3	2	1	3	1	2	3	1	3	4
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18		
2	2	1	4	D	C	F	E		

Q19	Cycles	Q24	Come	Q29	Supporters
Q20	Cycle	Q25	Reply	Q30	Victory
Q21	Were cycling	Q26	Leave	Q31	Energy
Q22	Cycled	Q27	Angrily	Q32	Struggled
Q23	Came	Q28	Disappointed		

Q33	My friends and I are going to borrow books.
Q34	Jason could not finish the chicken curry because it was spicy.
Q35	3
Q36	1
Q37	3
Q38	F
Q39	F
Q40	Optimistic
Q41	2, 3, 1
Q42	Mr Lim
Q43	They were having breakfast.
Q44	Tom and Jack's parents.
Q45	3, 1, 2
Q46	In unison

Q47	Before going to work: tired and stressed After coming home: happy
Q48a	✓ thoughtful
Q48b	They remembered it was their anniversary and made them surprised.