

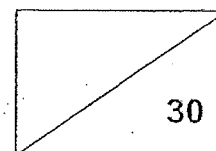
**Maha Bodhi School**  
**English Language Review 1**  
**Primary 5**

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**Section A: Vocabulary MCQ (10 x 1 mark)**

For each question from 1 to 5, choose the best answer (1, 2, 3, or 4) and write it in the brackets provided.

1. After attending the workshop, Bala decided to \_\_\_\_\_ photography as a hobby.

- (1) take up
- (2) take off
- (3) take over
- (4) take down

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2. The judge \_\_\_\_\_ and could not decide which contestant performed a better dance routine.

- (1) called it a day
- (2) held his horses
- (3) sat on the fence
- (4) let the cat out of the bag

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3. The football \_\_\_\_\_ turned up at the stadium, excited to support their favourite team.

- (1) fans
- (2) audience
- (3) onlookers
- (4) spectators

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4. Lizzy had a fear of public speaking and felt \_\_\_\_\_ about going up on stage and giving a speech.

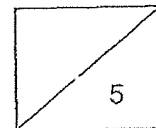
- (1) restless
- (2) disturbed
- (3) suspicious
- (4) apprehensive

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5. Without saying a word, the woman showed her displeasure by \_\_\_\_\_ at the boys who were making a din in the train cabin.

- (1) gazing
- (2) gawking
- (3) goggling
- (4) glowering

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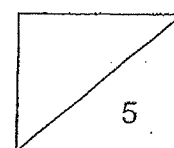


For each question from 6 to 10, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s) and write your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided.

Synchronous Fireflies, which blink together, are just one of nineteen species of fireflies that are native to the Smoky Mountains in North America and they have become a <sup>(6)</sup> major attraction. Every year, the National Park Service <sup>(7)</sup> hosts an eight-day event at the peak of firefly <sup>(8)</sup> season, which <sup>(9)</sup> typically lasts about two weeks. The festival has become so sought after that the park has a system that awards tickets randomly to visitors who apply at its website. Last year, <sup>(10)</sup> the event was scrapped due to the pandemic and plans for this year have not been announced yet.

Adapted from "See fireflies magically light up this national park" by Amy McKeever

6. (1) vital  
(2) crucial  
(3) serious  
(4) significant ( )
7. (1) throws  
(2) presents  
(3) organises  
(4) announces ( )
8. (1) usually  
(2) naturally  
(3) frequently  
(4) occasionally ( )
9. (1) trendy  
(2) popular  
(3) desired  
(4) favoured ( )
10. (1) cancelled  
(2) discarded  
(3) withdrawn  
(4) abandoned ( )



## Section B: Grammar Cloze (10 x 1 mark)

There are 10 blanks, numbered 11 to 20, 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) about	(D) at	(G) from	(K) into	(N) to
(B) although	(E) can	(H) however	(L) might	(P) then
(C) and	(F) down	(J) in	(M) over	(Q) they

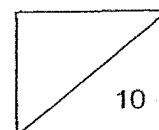
Computers are extremely useful. They (11) \_\_\_\_\_ perform many tasks. They are able to store information, play videos (12) \_\_\_\_\_ stream videos. What do you know about the history of computers?

The first computers were very big. (13) \_\_\_\_\_ were the size of a room and were so big that people did not have them (14) \_\_\_\_\_ home. Early computers could also do simple mathematics, just like a calculator.

In 1958, Jack Kilby invented the microchip. (15) \_\_\_\_\_ microchips are tiny, they can store lots of information (16) \_\_\_\_\_ them. They helped make computers smaller, which resulted in people starting (17) \_\_\_\_\_ use them at home.

In the 1980s, computer games became very popular. Many people bought computers so that they could play games. (18) \_\_\_\_\_, in 1989, the World Wide Web was invented. This allowed information to be organised on the internet. Now, people all (19) \_\_\_\_\_ the world can look for and share information on websites.

Today, people can use smartphones to do all the things computers can do. What used to be the size of a room in the past can now go (20) \_\_\_\_\_ your pocket. Who knows what they will be like in the future!

Adapted from *Fact File: Computers*

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**Section C: Comprehension (Open-ended) (10 marks)**

Read this passage and answer questions 21 to 25.

<p>On Tuesday night, Jasmine found her list of things to do, which was supposed to be under her pillow, pinned to her pyjamas. The first thing on the list was for her to do her homework. However, she did not have time for that. She needed to prepare for the trip that their parents had planned for that weekend instead. That list was prepared by Clyde, her elder brother.</p>	5
<p>After she had packed all the items on the list, Jasmine took a big glass of water from the bathroom and sat on the edge of her bed. Being frustrated with Clyde, she bit off a large corner of the list. The paper was tasteless and quite hard to chew on. Since the ink was not waterproof, it turned her teeth blue. She bit the paper again. After which, she tore up the note, crumpled the pieces and threw them into the trash. She quickly grew tired and fell asleep.</p>	10
<p>The next morning, Clyde and Jasmine boarded the school bus as usual. They sat together at the back of the bus. When the bus arrived at school, everyone got off the bus, except for Jasmine. She remembered her incomplete homework and dreaded the thought of being reprimanded by her teacher, Mrs Geller.</p>	
<p>"I'm sure she would understand. It wasn't my fault. I had to pack for the trip alone, without Clyde's help," Jasmine was absorbed in her thoughts.</p>	
<p>Mr Patterson did not bother checking if there were any students left on the bus. He drove the bus to the parking lots, where the rest of the school buses were parked. He then got off the bus and walked towards the school building.</p>	20
<p>Clyde walked through the main entrance and realised that his sister was nowhere in sight.</p>	
<p>"Where's Jasmine? Did she get off the bus?" he thought. Clyde turned around and decided to trace his steps to find his missing sister. When he arrived at the spot where the bus dropped them off, the bus was no longer there. He then made a sprint for the parking lots, hoping that the bus would be there.</p>	25
<p>"Help me, I'm trapped on the bus!" yelled Jasmine, who was frantically knocking on the windows. Clyde quickly pressed the emergency door release button and out stepped Jasmine, with beads of perspiration dotting her head.</p>	
<p>"Clyde, I'm not looking forward to going to class, and it's your fault. I didn't do my homework last night because you didn't help me pack for our trip," Jasmine muttered.</p>	30
<p>"What do you mean? Didn't you have time to do it after packing? I think you should own up to Mrs Geller and take responsibility for your own actions," Clyde advised.</p>	
<p>Heeding her brother's advice, Jasmine went to class and confessed.</p>	
<p>"Mrs Geller, I'm sorry that I didn't do my homework," said Jasmine.</p>	35
<p>"Isn't that assignment due tomorrow?" Mrs Geller said and gave Jasmine an incredulous look. Jasmine stood there with her mouth agape. She blushed as a wave of realisation swept over her. She could not believe the events of that morning.</p>	

Adapted from *From The Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*

21. Why did Jasmine's teeth turn blue?

(2m)

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22. In paragraph 3, which three-word phrase tells you Jasmine was not looking forward to going to class?

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23. Which word from lines 11 to 20 has the same meaning as the words below?

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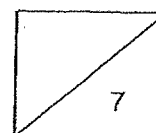
got on	
engrossed	

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24. In lines 36 to 38, which of these two words describe how Jasmine felt? Put a tick in each correct box.

(2m)

calm	<input type="checkbox"/>	terrified	<input type="checkbox"/>	confused	<input type="checkbox"/>
relieved	<input type="checkbox"/>	embarrassed	<input type="checkbox"/>	shocked	<input type="checkbox"/>

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25. Based on the passage, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give **one** reason why you think so. (3m)

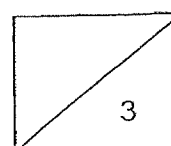
Statement	True/False	Reason
a) Jasmine was going on a trip the following weekend.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
b) Mr Patterson was an irresponsible bus driver.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
c) Clyde did not waste any time looking for his sister.		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>



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Please remember to check your work thoroughly.





## ANSWER KEY

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### Section A

Q1	1	Q2	3	Q3	1	Q4	4	Q5	4
Q6	4	Q7	3	Q8	1	Q9	2	Q10	1

### Section B

Q11	E	Q12	C	Q13	Q	Q14	D	Q15	B
Q16	J	Q17	N	Q18	P	Q19	M	Q20	K

### Section C

Q21	Jasmine bit of a large corner of the list and the ink was not waterproof, so her teeth turned blue.								
Q22	dreaded the thought								
Q23	boarded absorbed								
Q24	embarrassed, shocked								
Q25	(a) False				Her parents planned the trip for that weekend.				
	(b) True				He did not bother checking if there were any students left on the bus.				
	(c) True				Clyde immediately went to look for his sister.				

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