

**Test:** Primary 6 English (Term 1) - Nanyang

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Select multiple choice answers with a cross or tick:

- Only select one answer
- Can select multiple answers

### Question 1 of 77

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

**For each question, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Choose the correct answer and write its number in the brackets provided.**

You thought you were right, \_\_\_\_\_ you?

- A) do
- B) don't
- C) didn't
- D) weren't

### Question 2 of 77

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All, except Jane, \_\_\_\_\_ attending the class party this afternoon.

- A) is
- B) are
- C) was
- D) were

**Question 3 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The prefect warned my best friend and \_\_\_ to stop playing along the corridor.

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- A) I
- B) we
- C) me
- D) she

**Question 4 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Three quarters of the cake \_\_\_ by John last night.

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- A) is eaten
- B) are eaten
- C) was eaten
- D) were eaten

**Question 5 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

I \_\_\_ my bag on my bed when I arrive home from school every day.

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- A) lie
- B) lay
- C) laid
- D) lain

**Question 6 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Susie started running towards the bus stop when she saw the bus \_\_\_ from afar.

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- A) approaches
- B) approached
- C) approaching
- D) has approached

**Question 7 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

His brilliance set him apart from the other children and he went \_\_\_ to accomplish great things.

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- A) on  
 B) off  
 C) out  
 D) onto

**Question 8 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Heidi and Siti \_\_\_ each other since they were young.

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- A) knew  
 B) know  
 C) had known  
 D) have known

**Question 9 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

There are \_\_\_ ants than any other type of insects on Earth.

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- A) most  
 B) more  
 C) many  
 D) much

**Question 10 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

\_\_\_ the heavy downpour, a large crowd turned up to watch the fireworks.

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- A) Owing to  
 B) In view of  
 C) In spite of  
 D) Contrary to

**Question 11 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The credit card debts that he \_\_\_ were more than his savings.

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- A) rallied
- B) caused
- C) incurred
- D) concurred

**Question 12 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The weather was so bad that John had to \_\_\_ his departure for Penang.

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- A) infer
- B) refer
- C) defer
- D) confer

**Question 13 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

I must tidy this room as it is \_\_\_ with books and empty boxes.

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- A) clogged
- B) clouded
- C) cluttered
- D) clattered

**Question 14 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The National Gallery receives a steady \_\_\_ of visitors every day.

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- A) blend
- B) stream
- C) exodus
- D) migration

**Question 15 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

No one is \_\_\_\_\_. Everyone will make mistakes at one time or another.

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- A) infallible
- B) invincible
- C) intolerable
- D) incorrigible

**Question 16 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Kerry asked many \_\_\_\_\_ questions and managed to find the answers to his problems.

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- A) pertinent
- B) promising
- C) prominent
- D) precautionary

**Question 17 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The debaters were \_\_\_\_\_ for using offensive language against their opponents.

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- A) banished
- B) boycotted
- C) penalised
- D) commended

**Question 18 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

**Choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s)**

Phishing emails and phony web pages are the most widespread email and internet scams today . "Phishing" is what happens when digital thieves lure a person into divulging one's information through convincing emails and web pages.

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- A) forceful
- B) probable
- C) emphatic
- D) persuasive

**Question 19 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

These phishing emails and web pages look like they are from familiar companies. They commonly frighten or entice one into visiting a **fraudulent** web page

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- A) fake
- B) tricky
- C) lawful
- D) dangerous

**Question 20 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

and entering one's identification details and password under the **guise** of an urgent need to "confirm your identity".

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- A) display
- B) pretence
- C) execution
- D) affirmation

**Question 21 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

They will even offer a story of how one's account has been attacked by the hackers to lure the account holder into entering his confidential information. The victim might then **innocently** enter his identification number and password.

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- A) naively
- B) naturally
- C) specifically
- D) purposefully

**Question 22 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

This information is intercepted by the scammers, who later access the account and robs the victim of his money. Therefore if an email seems suspicious, delete it.

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- A) seized
- B) checked
- C) extricated
- D) confiscated

## Visual Text Comprehension

# The BATTLE against All Things Sweet and Nice!



## Carbonated Drinks

*Why do people find them irresistible?*

- **Brilliant Advertising:** The advertisements are designed to sell *happiness* and many sports celebrities are sponsored to be "seen" with them.
- **Good Collectors' Item:** Some cans are extremely attractive, with a wide range of designs. You can even customise a can with your name on it!
- **More Flavour:** It is a drink that bubbles and fizzes with carbon dioxide gas. The carbonation is used to give "bite" to the flavour.

## Cupcakes

*Why are they such a hit with people, especially parents?*



- **Fond Associations:** Cupcakes tend to accompany in-school celebrations of birthdays and therefore signify a special treat.
- **Pretty Presentation:** There is an endless array of decorations from sprinkles to chocolate curls and candy. It can even be customised to suit a birthday theme.
- **What's Inside:** Cupcakes used to be made of one plain flavour. Now, there are many varieties to choose from and some may even have an edible toy inside!

## **Chandler's Story**

Chandler has had diabetes when he was four years old. He has to get daily injections and be careful with what he eats. Despite having such a condition, he is still a very active boy who enjoys many activities!

A question was posed to Chandler. What do children who do not have diabetes need to know about it? He said that they need to know that it is not contagious. Also, the blood sugar levels can sometimes drop drastically in people with diabetes. He/she might have a lot of different symptoms, including getting a headache and feeling drowsy or weak. These may lead to dire consequences if left untreated.



## **Health Ministry Recommendations**

Do you know that 1 in 10 Singaporeans is diabetic and having too many desserts and sugared drinks can lead to obesity and diabetes? Here are some steps the Health Ministry recommends that one can take to reduce these health issues of obesity and diabetes.

1. **Make healthy drinking your personal priority.** Start by choosing beverages with few or no calories or take carbonated beverages in small quantities. However, plain water is still the best beverage.
2. **Do not stock sugary drinks at home.** Research shows that children and teens drink a lot of sweetened drinks at home so parents can help them cut back on their sugar intake by not stocking up on soda, fruit punch, or other sugary drinks in the house. Make them an occasional treat rather than a daily beverage.
3. **Replace desserts with wholesome nuts.** Nuts make delicious snacks and are high in vitamins and minerals! However, go for plain instead of candied ones!

The word "Battle" is used in the title. It signifies \_\_\_\_\_

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- A) a fight against obesity and diabetes
- B) the act of weighing the pros and cons of all things sweet and nice
- C) the struggle parent have against their children who have a sweet tooth
- D) the recommendations given by the Health Ministry to reduce health issues



**Question 24 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

According to Chandler, what should children know about diabetes?

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- A) Diabetes can cause the blood sugar levels to rise
- B) Diabetics suffer from constant toothaches and stomachaches
- C) When the diabetic is feeling drowsy, he/she should seek medical help
- D) When the diabetic is feeling weak, someone should administer an injection to him/her

**Question 25 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The first two segments in the flyer state with a question to \_\_\_\_\_

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- A) create an element of surprise
- B) make the content appear attractive
- C) intrigue the readers by arousing their curiosity
- D) check for the readers' understanding of the text

**Question 26 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

What can one do to reduce the risk of obesity and diabetes?

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- A) Eat more candied nuts
- B) Drink sugared drinks only occasionally
- C) Stock up on fruit punch and drinks as treat
- D) Choose zero-calories carbonated drinks over plain water

**Question 27 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Parents love to buy cupcakes for their children because \_\_\_\_\_

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- A) there is a toy in every cupcakes
- B) they can be decorated according to a birthday theme
- C) they are inexpensive and are great as birthday presents
- D) they want their children to have a taste of the traditional one-flavoured cupcake

**Question 28 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

According to the flyer, people like to buy carbonated drinks as \_\_\_\_

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- A) it brings fame
- B) they get to meet sports celebrities
- C) some cans come in fancy designs
- D) the drink can be customised to the flavour that one favours

**Question 29 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

According to the flyer, what is not true about diabetes?

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- A) Diabetes can only affect adults
- B) Diabetics need to be careful with what they eat
- C) Diabetes cannot be spread from one person to another
- D) If one is diabetic, one can still live a normal lifestyle

**Question 30 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The main purpose of the flyer is to \_\_\_\_

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- A) promote the benefits of drinking plain water
- B) point out why people like desserts and sugared drinks
- C) discourage people from eating desserts and sugared drinks
- D) chide the parents for making unwise and unhealthy choices for their children

**Question 31 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

**Synthesis / Transformation**

"Don't forget to remind the class about the outing next week," Mrs Tan told Ruth.

Mrs Tan told Ruth \_\_\_\_\_

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**Question 32 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

The alarm clock rang continuously. Peter did not wake up.

In spite of \_\_\_\_\_

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**Question 33 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

Ben had been absent from school for the past two days. I am worried.

\_\_\_\_\_ about Ben's \_\_\_\_\_

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**Question 34 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

John had wound the grandfather clock before he went to bed.

\_\_\_\_\_ by John \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Question 35 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

Andy and Ellen discussed the available options. They decided to travel to America.

Having \_\_\_\_\_

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**Question 36 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

The much-anticipated concert was cancelled. I was annoyed.

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**Question 37 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

**Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error.**

In December 2015, Singapore hosted the ASEAN PARA GAMES (APG) for the first time. Some 4300 volunteers were out in full force in ensured that the Game ran smoothly.

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For seasoned volunteers, it was business as usual but with a slight issue.

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

For instance, not all atheletes were able to step onto the podium used for award ceremonies.

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Eric Pok and his team of volunteers discussed plans to modify the podium in removing the block and leaving only the backdrop with the numbers

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

so that the medallist on wheelchairs could position themselves behind it with easy.

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Apart with making changes to the physical arrangements, Mr Pok,

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who was inspired to servng as a volunteer after a stint at the 2010 Youth Olympic Games in Singapore,

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aknowleged the need for volunteers

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

to be more emphatetic Mr Robin Ooi agreed with his whole-hearted and shared that he had signed his family up as volunteers

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

because he had means for his children to learn this value.

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**Question 47 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The APG volunteers had to attend multiple training sessions which equipted them with

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

the know-how to interact with people with disabilitys.

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Volunteers were also trained in cultural ettigete. This training was on top of a season where volunteers were taught to be sensitive to the needs of the competitors.

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**Question 50 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

**Fill in each blank with a suitable word.**

The Great Horned Owl had no horns! It is named for the tufts of feathers that sit on \_\_\_ of its head, called plumicorns.

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Scientists do not know for sure \_\_\_ these owls sport the tufts,

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but they do have a \_\_\_ theories.

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The tufts may help member of their \_\_\_ species to recognise one another.

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

They may also use the tufts to blend into their surroundings, making \_\_\_ look more like

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

broken tree branches rather \_\_\_ a tasty meal to their predators.

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**Question 56 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

The Great Horned Owl is found in different habitats that \_\_\_ forests, swamps, deserts and cities.

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Those who live near its habitat have a good chance of \_\_\_\_ its deep, stuttering hoots, which it uses to mark its territory.

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**Question 58 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

One will most likely find an owl active at night because they are nocturnal animals. They have big eyes and wide pupils that \_\_\_\_ them to spot their prey.

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**Question 59 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

\_\_\_\_ human's eyes, an owl's eyes do not move in their sockets,

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

but the owls can swivel their heads to look in any \_\_\_\_.

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**Question 61 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

They eat a wide variety of prey, ranging \_\_\_\_ small rodents to skunks and geese.

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**Question 62 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

They are so highly adaptable that they are not listed as threatened or \_\_\_\_\_

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**Question 63 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Mated owls will find a nest and will \_\_\_\_\_ it from intruders at

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

all \_\_\_\_\_ even if it means sacrificing themselves. It will take about seven weeks of nesting before the baby owl is capable of short flights.

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**Question 65 of 77**

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10 pts

**Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.**

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1. [ ]	On 15 April 1981, the "Agnes" variety of the Vanda Miss Joaquim was launched as Singapore's national flower. The plant was name after Agnes Joaquim, the breeder of ___ orchid hybrid.	A. which
2. [ ]	It was picked ___ among 40 flowers,	B. in
3. [ ]	30 of ___ were orchids.	C. although
4. [ ]	The "Agnes" variety was chosen in particular ___ its vibrant colours, hardiness and resilience - qualities that reflect the Singapore spirit.	D. have
5. [ ]	The Vanda Miss Joaquim grows in dense clumps of branching stems. It thrives best ___ an environment with high humidity and full sunlight.	E. from
6. [ ]	Requiring flower posts ___ support as it grows,	F. the
7. [ ]	it starts to bloom only ___ the plant's top exceeds its flower post by 40 to 50 centimetres.	G. because
8. [ ]	___ considered an expensive plant in the past,	H. when
9. [ ]	the hybrid ___ be bought cheaply these days.	I. for
10. [ ]	The national flower appears on Singapore's currency notes and coins. Various stamp series launched by the Singapore Post ___ also adopted the national flower as part of the design.	J. can

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## Question 66 of 77

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

## Comprehension

5 My grandmother had been with us for a little over a month and already it seemed as if she had lived with us all our lives. I enjoyed her presence in our house, especially the moments she spent with me telling me stories. I would visualise them as they were told. My favourite ones were those of my mother when she was young. I tried to visualise her in dresses, skipping about the village she lived in with my grandparents and being naughty, but my imagination failed me.

10 My grandmother was always ready to explore new things and places and face new challenges. There was no end to her energy and enthusiasm and she managed to infect each and every one of us with the same spirit. The house was always filled with cheer.

10 All was good until the day she fell in her room. We found her lying on the floor, looking white and shaken even though she claimed she felt no pain. Concerned, I remained by my grandmother's side that day, cancelling my original plan of going to the library with my friends. Grandma remained in bed throughout the rest of the day.

15 The next morning, seeing that Grandma looked bored, I suggested, "Grandma, come, let us go to the garden for some fresh air." However, she showed no interest at all. "Grandma, come on," I said impatiently. She shook her head and said, "Things have changed. I am bound to fall again if I start walking. It's better for me to just lie in bed." With that, my grandmother remained in bed all day and the days that followed. When she had to go to the bathroom, she would call for us and we would have to escort her there and back to the bed. This disrupted our usual routine.

20 A week passed and my grandmother still showed no signs of resuming her normal life. I pleaded and cajoled her but it was to no avail. I did not understand why my grandmother was being so stubborn. She was obviously capable of walking but chose to think otherwise. Eventually, the doctor was called in to examine her legs. "There is nothing wrong with her," he said. "The scare from the fall must have planted fear in her mind that makes her think she cannot walk. Buy her a walker. It will give her more confidence and she will walk on her own soon." We told my grandmother she was fine but she completely scorned the idea. The walker that my father bought remained by her bedside, unused.

30 Ever since the fall, there was an air of depression and boredom that hung heavily in the house. There were no more stories shared and at the rate at which she picked at her food, there would be no more grandmother soon. I was not even excited at the thought that my birthday was around the corner. I had to do something, but what could I do?

An idea presented itself unexpectedly. One night, I was telling my grandmother about the preparations for the Sports Day at school. "Your mother loved racing," she said suddenly.

35 "When she was ten, she and I would run up the hill slopes. Sometimes we climbed the Chamunda Hill, the most difficult one in our village. Not many dared to do that. Her eyes finally showed some signs of animation. "I don't believe you did all that! You had to be very brave and determined to do that but here you are, too scared to get out of bed. How do you expect me to believe you?" I shouted. Shocked at my own outburst, I ran off to my room, tears falling down my cheeks.

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I woke to my mother's beaming face the next morning. "You will never guess," she said triumphantly, "Grandma has started using the walker!" I could not help but grin. It was the best birthday present I could have hoped for. My parents often wondered what caused the change in her but that was Grandma's secret and mine.

Which three-word phrase in paragraph 1 tells us that the writer liked having her grandmother stay with her?

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### Question 67 of 77

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

Name two things that the writer did to show her concern for her grandmother on the day of her fall

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### Question 68 of 77

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

Why did Grandma start using the walker?

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### Question 69 of 77

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Match the options below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage

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1.  Grandma used the walker A. 2

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2.  Grandma preferred to remain in bed all day B. 3

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3.  Grandma ran up the hill slopes with the writer's mother C. 1

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**Question 70 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

Explain clearly how the atmosphere in the house changed after Grandma's fall.

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**Question 71 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Grandma's condition after her fall brought about inconvenience to her and her family

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- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE

**Question 72 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 1 pt

Grandma was perfectly fine immediately after her fall

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- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE

**Question 73 of 77**

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 2 pts

Which two of the following words best describe, the writer's grandmother in paragraph 2?

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- A) playful
- B) lively
- C) resourceful
- D) careless
- E) adventurous
- F) despondent

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The writer had lived with her grandmother all her life.

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- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE

## Question 75 of 77

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

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
ones (line 4)	
It (line 26)	
that (line 36)	

## Question 76 of 77

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Explain clearly in your own words what the writer meant by "my imagination failed me" (line 6).

## Question 77 of 77

Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

Grandma refused to walk again after the fall. What was the main reason given by each of the following characters for her refusal to walk again? [2m]

Character	What each character gave as the <u>main</u> reason for Grandma's refusal to walk again
Grandma	
Writer	