

Test: Primary 6 English (Term 1) - St Nicholas

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Select multiple choice answers with a cross or tick:

- Only select one answer
- Can select multiple answers

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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.

"They've been to Universal Studios before, ___?" Same asked his mother.

- A)** don't they
- B)** didn't they
- C)** hadn't they
- D)** haven't they

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Devi will not be able to open the lock ___ she knows the correct combination.

- A)** since
- B)** unless
- C)** instead
- D)** besides

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Alicia mentioned ___ her dog a bath but she soon forgot.

- A) give
- B) giving
- C) would give
- D) would be given

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During a birthday celebration, Mr and Mrs Tan introduced a friend of ___ to my mother.

- A) their
- B) them
- C) theirs
- D) themselves

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By asking so many questions, the reporters show no regard ___ the feelings of the victim.

- A) to
- B) at
- C) in
- D) for

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Nathan saw a mother bird ____ her baby chicks with worms and ran to tell his sister immediately.

- A) fed
- B) feed
- C) feeds
- D) had fed

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Knowing there was ____ work to be done, everyone lent a helping hand and the task was completed in an hour.

- A) many
- B) much
- C) little
- D) few

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"Could Farid ____ the train?" wondered his wife when he was late returning home from work that evening.

- A) misses
- B) missed
- C) had missed
- D) have missed

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"All the luggage ____ carried to the rooms by the porter just now," the tour guide said.

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

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If Megan ____ her dog to the veterinarian earlier, it would not have died.

- A) take
- B) took
- C) had taken
- D) have taken

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Anne went over the problems sums ____, determined not to make any mistakes.

- A) attentively
- B) accurately
- C) elaborately
- D) meticulously

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After his ____ was exposed, no one trusted him and he was asked to leave the company.

- A) insincerity
- B) deception
- C) folly
- D) filth

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The students were behaving ____ and making a din when Mr Tan was not in the classroom.

- A) loudly
- B) frivolously
- C) obnoxiously
- D) boisterously

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Susan ____ the offer to work as an editor for Yup Magazine as she liked her current job.

- A) turned away
- B) turned down
- C) turned off
- D) turned in

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As the pain in my foot ____, I was able to walk a short distance to the car.

- A) descended
- B) subsided
- C) dropped
- D) lowered

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

Once, Hare was boasting of his speed before the other animals. He also made fun of Tortoise for being so slow.

- A) scolded
- B) ridiculed
- C) criticised
- D) mimicked

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"Keep your boasting till you've beaten me," answered Tortoise. "Shall we race?" he asked. Hare agreed and so a race was fixed.

- A) battered
- B) defeated
- C) assaulted
- D) mistreated

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Fox, who had agreed to act as judge, marked the distance and started the runners off.

- A) volunteered
- B) subscribed
- C) consented
- D) adhered

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Hare was soon far out of sight. To show his **disrespect** for Tortoise, he lay down to take a nap.

- A) dislike
- B) disdain
- C) arrogance
- D) impatience

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Meanwhile, Tortoise kept on with a slow but **steady** pace. After sometime, Tortoise passed the place where Hare was sleeping. But Hare slept on very peacefully. When at last he did wake up, Tortoise was near the finishing line. Hare ran as fast as he could, but he could not overtake Tortoise.

- A) fixed
- B) stable
- C) balance
- D) constant

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Visual Text Comprehension

SAVING WATER IS IN OUR HANDS

There are ways that you can get involved in order to ensure water sustainability.

Get Involved!

Singapore World Water Day!



World Water Day is held annually on 22 March, a day designated by the United Nations (UN) to celebrate the importance of water.

In 2018, Singapore World Water Day (SWWD) will be celebrated throughout the month of March. "Make Every Drop Count", the theme for SWWD 2018, underpins the active role each of us can play to show our care for water. Activities and initiatives by the community for the community focus on active steps everyone can take to make every drop count, like practising good water saving habits.

Come join in the carnival and support Singapore World Water Day!

Date : Sunday, 18 March 2018

Time : 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Venue: Open field next to East Bay Community Club

All coupon booklets come with free water bottles!

Coupons are sold at \$10 per booklet during the carnival.

You can also purchase them at participating community centres and schools and the East Bay Community Club General Office from now till 17 March.

Visit www.sgwwd.com.sg for more information.

Meet PUB'S MASCOT - WATER WALLY at the Carnival too!

Water Wally is friendly, helpful and kind. An expert on everything about water, Water Wally is on a mission – to stop any abuse of our precious water resources and share the message of water conservation.



Be a Friend of Water



Friends of Water

You can play a part, a little effort goes a long way

In Singapore, everyone needs to contribute in one way or another to ensure that there is enough water for many generations to come. Friends of Water aims to recognise, inspire and encourage community stewardship of the nation's water resources.

Who can be recognised as a Friend of Water?

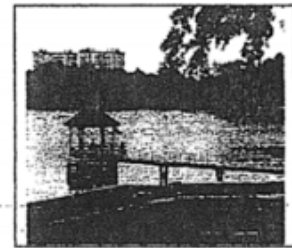
- Anyone who cares for water and takes positive actions for the water cause
- Any individual or organisation can be a Friend of Water
- Any participant of PUB's programmes will automatically qualify

Why be a Friend of Water? Make it a Team Effort

You will get first-hand information from experts on water-related topics and be invited to training workshops. You will meet others, who like you, want to help. There will be opportunities to make friends with many different groups of people and to help them appreciate water.

As a Friend of Water, you can ...

- adopt a reservoir and care for the community space
- start your own water activity programme to educate others
- help out at events and public activities



Once You Become a Friend Of Water

An official electronic certificate will be issued to you or your organisation. Alternatively, if you have done something for the water cause and wish to be recognised for your efforts, do write to us.

Please include your full name, NRIC number, mailing address and contact number and we will be in touch with you. Issuing electronic certificates are in line with our efforts to reduce paper wastage and be more eco-friendly. Contact: pub_fow@pub.gov.sg



Adapted from <https://www.pub.gov.sg/getinvolved>

According to the webpage, why had the United Nations set aside a day to celebrate World Water Day every year?

- A) It is to celebrate the significance of water
- B) It enables the community to support the water cause
- C) It is a day for families to do something meaningful together
- D) It allows families and communities to engage in fun water activities

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What message does the theme "Make Every Drop Count" how to bring across?

- A) Everybody should join the Singapore World Water Day Carnival
- B) Everyone in the community should take part in water activities
- C) Everybody should play an active part in water activities
- D) Everybody should keep the water in the reservoir clean

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Peter had been actively helping out at public outreach water events. To recognise his efforts, PUB will _____.

- A) issue him an official hard copy certificate by post
- B) get his company to issue him a certificate
- C) send him an official electronic certificate
- D) reward him with monetary incentives

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Which of the following is not a benefit of being a "Friend of Water"?

- A) make many new friends from all walks of life
- B) get direct information from experts on topics related to water
- C) receive invitations to training workshops concerning water issues
- D) practise good water saving habits and encourage others to do likewise

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Based on the webpage, which of the following is not true?

- A) Friends of Water can get to assist at events and public activities
- B) Water Wally will be involved in Singapore World Water Day Carnival
- C) Singapore World Water Day is celebrated only on 22 March annually
- D) In its efforts to be more eco-friendly, PUB issues paperless certificates

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Which of the following statements best described Water Wally's role as PUB's mascot?

- A) to punish children for wasting water
- B) to befriend those who care for water
- C) to share the message of saving water
- D) to meet and greet the public at the carnival

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What is the main aim of the webpage?

- A) to encourage everyone in the community to do their part in water conservation
- B) to get the community to join the Singapore World Water Day Carnival
- C) to promote the celebration of Singapore World Water Day in March
- D) to introduce Water Wally as the mascot for PUB

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Alison wishes to buy carnival coupons a week before the event. She can buy them _____.

- A) at the open field beside East Bay Community Club
- B) at a participating school in her neighbourhood
- C) at any community centre near her home
- D) online at ww.sgwyd.com.sg

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Synthesis / Transformation

One of the cleaners found my purse.

My purse _____.

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Janet was ill. She was unable to sing at the concert.

Owing to _____.

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Jane was the only one in the class who did not participate in the activity.

Everyone in the class _____.

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"Who ate the chicken pie?" Father asked me.

Father asked me

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We arrived at the hotel. Immediately, there was a power cut.

No sooner had _____

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Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

We all love music. Music is a big ___ of our lives.

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We have all grown up listening to lullabies that our parents sing to put us to ___.

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There are also some of us who still sing the ABC song if we need help in the alphabetical ___.

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Music is much more ___ a series of notes and rhythm and

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it does not only ___ us with entertainment. Listening to music can also be beneficial to us.

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Since ancient days, it is believed that music has an influence on our physical and emotional well-being and it can help to improve our quality ___ life.

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Listening to music, ___ classical music, can help to reduce stress

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it has an extremely relaxing ___ on our minds and bodies.

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Furthermore, if we actively participate in making music by ___ various percussion instruments and singing,

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our immune ___ will be boosted even more than if we passively listen.

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____, to stay clam and healthy during a stressful day, turn on the radio. Singing along and tapping our feet to the beat will give the maximum healing benefit.

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Listening to music can also stimulate brain cells. ____ we listen to music with strong beats, it stimulates the brainwaves to be in sync with the beat.

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This can help us to ____ our concentration and make us more alert.

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On the other ____, listening to soothing classical music promotes a clam and meditative state and thus helps us to focus even after the music is turned off.

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Now that we know that music is good for us, we should turn on the music when we are feeling stressed or when we ____ it hard to concentrate. A dose of music will surely work wonders.

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

Why do dogs look so different from each other, even though they belong to the same family? The answer lies on the close relationships we have had with the animals.

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As dogs became domassticated, human beings saw that they could be used for

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various purposes such as kompensionship, hunting, herding or vent protection.

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Realised that some dogs had characteristic that made them better at one job than another, human beings began to mate animals that had the desired characteristics.

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They hoped that these abilitys would be passed down to the next generation.

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As years went by, these qualities became more distinction in the animals.

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The dogs' looks and behave also became different from each other.

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Those that had seemiliar characteristics were grouped as a "breed"

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Once people created a perticular breed that they liked,

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they wanted to ensure the continueety of these qualities in each of the following generations.

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Hence, they would only mate dogs that belonged to the same breed. Their puppies were **know** as "purebreds".

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To many people, such dogs are the **finer** examples of that breed. This is because their bloodlines have not been mixed with other types of dogs.

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10 pts

Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

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1. [] The annual migration of North America's Monarch butterfly is a unique and amazing phenomenon. Unlike ___ insects in temperate climates, Monarch butterflies cannot survive a long cold winter.
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2. [] ___, these butterflies migrate
-
3. [] ___ North America to the warmer regions of Mexico every winter.
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4. [] Using environmental cues, these butterflies know ___ it is time to travel south to escape the cold winter.
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5. [] They return to North America in the spring. The Monarch butterfly is the only butterfly known to make a two-way migration ___ birds do.
-
6. [] An estimated 84 million or ___ beautiful insects make this 4800 km journey to their destination.
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7. [] Many of these butterflies, ___, did not survive their migration last year because of environmental factors.
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8. [] Heavy rains, coupled with cold and high winds, destroyed 133 acres of tree in the Monarch butterflies' forest habitat Mexico. ___ six million of the butterflies were killed as a result.
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9. [] Now, their habitat is also ___ destroyed because of deforestation.
-
10. [] Measures, like hating illegal logging ___ planting more tress, can help ease the deforestation crisis. More effort is needed to protect the Monarch butterflies' winter habitat so that these beautiful creatures can survive in the winter.
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A. these

B. however

C. from

D. and

E. about

F. as

G. being

H. when

I. other

J. instead

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Comprehension

I trudged back home, holding a handmade invitation card. It was from a newly transferred girl named Ruth. She was shy and hardly spoke to anyone. Hence, I was surprised when she invited the whole class to her birthday party - all thirty-six of us. When I reached home, I showed Mother the invitation card.

"This is from a new girl, Ruth, and I hardly know her. So I won't be attending the party," I informed Mother. 5

Mother looked up. She looked strangely sad and said, "You are going, dear. I'll get Ruth a present."

"No way, Bernice and Pat aren't going too," I protested. Mother glared at me and I knew that no amount of hysterics could sway her. I could not believe that Mother would force me to attend a party. I was **convinced** that I would not enjoy myself there. 10

When Saturday morning arrived, Mother made me wrap the pretty pink mirror-brush-and-comb set and write a message on the birthday card. After that, she drove me over to Ruth's house. Ruth answered the door. I stepped into the living room which was decorated with streamers and balloons. On one table sat the biggest cake I had ever seen. Near the cake stood thirty-six cupcakes - each one with a name on it. I wondered if they would find their respective owners that day. Instantly, I **felt sad for Ruth and guilty at the same time**. 15

"Our classmates **may** be late, Ruth. Let's wait," I said, trying my best to reassure the birthday girl. Ruth nodded. 20

While waiting, **my curiosity** about Ruth grew. "Where's your mum?" I asked.

Looking down, Ruth replied, "Well, she's sick."

"Oh, where's your dad?"

"He's working overseas."

Then there was silence, except for a few raspy coughs from behind a closed door. Some fifteen minutes passed... then ten more. Suddenly, the terrifying realisation set in. I froze. "How could I get out of here now?" I thought. As I sank into self-pity, I heard muffled sobs. Looking up, I saw Ruth's tear-streaked face. My heart was overwhelmed with sympathy and filled with rage at my thirty-five selfish classmates. 25

Springing to my feet, I proclaimed, "Who needs them?" Ruth's startled look changed to excited agreement. We started the party with the cake. We could not find any matches so we just pretended to light the candles. I gave her **the present** and sang "Happy Birthday" while Ruth made a wish and blew out the imaginary flames. We then proceeded to play the party games and devour the food. 30

In a flash, it was time to go home. Gathering up all my goodies and thanking Ruth repeatedly, I dashed to Mother's car. I was bubbling with excitement. In the car, I told Mother how I had won all the games except for Pin the Tail on the Donkey. However, Ruth was gracious to give me the prize as she said that it was not fair for the birthday girl to win. 35

"I can't wait to tell everyone what a great party they missed!" I exclaimed. 40

Mother pulled over, stopped the car and hugged me tight. With tears glistening in her eyes, she cooed, "I'm so proud of you."

That day I learned that a single person could also make a difference. And I had done it at Ruth's tenth birthday because of Mother.

Adapted from 'Make a Wish' by LeAnne Reaves

Pick out a four word phrase from the first paragraph from the first paragraph that tells us that Ruth had just joined the school.

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Ruth's mother was not at home on the day of Ruth's birthday party

- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

Give two reasons why the writer was "convinced" (line 11) that she would not enjoy herself at Ruth's party.

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How did the writer single-handedly make a difference at Ruth's tenth birthday?

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When the writer realised that none of their classmates would be turning up, she did not want to stay at the birthday party.

- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE

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The writer's mother was well aware of Ruth's family situation.

- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE

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Primary 6 English (Term 1) 0 pts

Explain why the writer "felt sad for Ruth and guilty at the same time" (lines 17-18)?
[2m]

sad	
guilty	

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Why was the writer surprised when she realised that Ruth had invited the whole class to her party?

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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
This (line 5)	
my curiosity (line 21)	
the present (line 32)	

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Why did the writer use the word "may" in line 19?

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Based on the information from the passage, fill in the blanks in the following table.
[3m]

Cause	Effect
The girls could not find any matches.	
The writer saw Ruth crying and felt sorry for her.	
	The writer ended up winning all the games at the birthday party.

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Which two words best describe how the writer felt in lines 35-39?

- A) relived
- B) delighted
- C) surprised
- D) anger
- E) guilty
- F) thrilled