

Test: Primary 4 - Term 2 (SA1) English (School NH)

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Section A: Vocabulary [6X1 mark]

The ____ of wolves have been following the wounded deer for hours.

- A) pack
- B) pride
- C) troop
- D) troupe

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My mother was so amazed by my results that she almost could not ____.

- A) break her back
- B) go over her head
- C) believe her eyes
- D) bite my head off

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"For the first step, you need to slice the onions thinly," ____ the host of the cooking show.

- A) sneered
- B) instructed
- C) wondered
- D) requested

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Students need to ___ by the rules of the schools

- A) abide
- B) adapt
- C) adhere
- D) accept

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Due to a delay in the construction, the opening ceremony for the new supermarket was ___ to a later date.

- A) put on
- B) put off
- C) put back
- D) put down

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Alan and I are ___. We often share our secrets with each other.

- A) as sound as bells
- B) as thick as thieves
- C) as sober as judges
- D) as cool as cucumbers

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Section B: Grammar [8X1 mark]

The boys found ___ lost in the forest after straying from the trail

- A) himself
- B) herself
- C) ourselves
- D) themselves

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Last week, James ___ late for school twice.

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

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My parents ___ delighted when they won the grand prize at the lucky draw.

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

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"Keep very still! The lion ___ for its prey now," the safari guide whispered.

- A) hunt
- B) hunts
- C) hunted
- D) is hunting

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Last year, our form teacher ___ for a trip to the Amazon rainforest.

- A) goes
- B) went
- C) has gone
- D) was going

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While I ___ a nap, someone rang my doorbell.

- A) take
- B) takes
- C) will take
- D) was taking

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___ pile of clothes in the cupboard here is to be donated to charity.

- A) That
- B) This
- C) Those
- D) These

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As Mr Tan's family is poor, they have ___ money to spend on luxuries

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

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Section C: Grammar Close (personal pronouns) 4 x 1m

1. [] Ruby is my neighbour and my best friend. Both of ___ enjoy playing together. A. us
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2. [] Most days, ___ would even walk to school together. B. its
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3. [] One morning, Ruby and ___ found a small dog barking at us from a little cage along the street. C. we
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4. [] She guessed that the dog had been abandoned by ___ owner. We then decided to adopt it. Ruby even made a hole in the fence between our houses so that the dog could go into both our homes easily. She is such a clever girl. D. I
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Section D: Grammar Cloze (subject-verb agreement) 4 x 1m

A tall tale is a type of story which exaggerates the facts of an event. For example, some fisherman who [return/returns] from sea empty-handed might claim that the fishes they caught were so big that they had to release them.

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- A) return
- B) returns

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Others [tell/tells] unbelievable stories based on real people they met.

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- A) tell
- B) tells

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A famous tall tale [is/are] based on the true story of an American explorer named Daniel Boone.

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- A) is
- B) are

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People [claim/claims] that he fought bears with his bare hands while exploring the forests. This is obviously untrue, but it shows the admiration that people had for him due to his bravery.

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- A) claim
- B) claims

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Section E: Editing (6 x 1 m) The underlined word contains either a grammatical or a spelling error. Type the correct word in the box.

Roald Amundsen was a Norwegian explorer who was the first man to reach the South Pole. He was born in 1872 and both his parents were shipowners and sailors. However, his parents did not want him to join the family bisness as they knew

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that it was a danger profession. Roald followed his parents' wishes and studied to be a doctor. However, after his mother's death when he was 21, he quit his studies to become a sailor.

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After more than ten years of training under different captains, Roald decided to plan for his expedition to the Poles.

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Unfortunately, as he was about to leave for the North Pole in 1909, he received news that another explorer, Robert Peary, had already become the first person to reach the North Pole. Roald had no choice but to plan for a mission to reach the more difficult South Pole.

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Roald used many brilliant strategies to reach the South Pole safely, such as setting up many food drops along the way and using sled dogs instead on horses to carry supplies.

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On 14 January 1911, Roald set up camp to prepare for his journey. Finally, on 14 December 1911, Roald and his team reached the South Pole. He became so famous that many Norwegian parents named their children after him, including Roald Dahl's parents!

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Section F: Synthesis and transformation (2x1)

My brother has been exercising regularly. He wants to lose weight.

_____ in order to _____.

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The police officer helped the little girl to find her parents. The little girl was lost.

_____ who _____.

Section G: Comprehension 1 (10m)

Hawker centres are places in Singapore where everyone can enjoy affordable and delectable food. Since the founding of modern Singapore in 1819, street food stands were common across the island. However, many of these stands were uncovered and unhygienic. By the 1920s, the local government and community decided to create simple shelters to house these stalls to create an early form of a hawker centre. 5

Even though these shelters were set up, many hawkers refused to move into the hawker centres as they did not want to pay rent. They continued selling their food on the streets. Often, they would throw their food waste and other rubbish in the drains along the streets. This unhygienic practice resulted in attracting many pests such as cockroaches and rats, and it spread many diseases in Singapore such as cholera and typhoid. 10

During the 1960s, street hawkers were banned from selling food in most streets in Singapore due to the pollution they were causing. The government then began to build many hawker centres to house these hawkers, at an average of five new hawker centres a year. By the 1970s, most of these hawkers then decided to close their street stalls to move into hawker centres as Singaporeans preferred to dine in cleaner and more comfortable environments. 15

Today, many of the best food in Singapore can be found in these hawker centres. Tourists from all over the world travel to Singapore to try its world-famous cuisine not in posh restaurants, but in its humble hawker centres. In fact, two stalls in our hawker centres are the only street food vendors in the world to receive a Michelin star, which is an international award usually given to only the best restaurants in the world. 20 25

Which word has the same meaning as "inexpensive"?

Hawker centres are places in Singapore where everyone can enjoy affordable and delectable food.

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- A) delectable
 B) affordable

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According to the text, which is NOT a common pest found near street food stalls?

- A) cockroaches
- B) birds
- C) rats

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Most hawkers began to move to hawker centres by the ____

- A) 1820s
- B) 1920s
- C) 1960s
- D) 1970s

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How many stalls in Singapore's hawkers centre have received a Michelin star?

- A) One
- B) Two
- C) Three
- D) Four

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Hawkers did not have to pay rent in a hawker centre.

- A) True
- B) False

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Name a disease caused by unhygienic street food stalls.

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According to the passage, list down two reasons why Singaporeans preferred to eat at hawker centres instead of street food stalls.

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Which word from the last paragraph has the same meaning as "simple"?

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Before the 1960s, street hawkers were not allowed to sell food in most streets in Singapore.

- A) True
- B) False

Section H: Comprehension 2 (10m)

Mary came home to the sweet aroma of freshly-baked cookies. She quickly ran into the kitchen, only to discover that her younger brother, Tom, had baked a batch of cookies. Tom had never shown any interest in baking and she pinched herself to confirm that she was not dreaming.

"Tom, why are you baking cookies?" asked Mary.

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"I am practicing for the school's junior chef competition. I saw the poster yesterday and the prize is a free ticket to a theme park," replied Tom excitedly.

Mary had seen the poster for the competition last week, and she had also made up her mind to take part in it. She was confident that she would win the challenge as she had attended many cooking classes over the years, and she cooked regularly for her family. However, when she saw Tom's plate of perfectly-formed cookies, and sniffed the irresistible smell, her confidence began to wane.

"Can I try one?" asked Mary, hoping that the cookies would taste much worse than they looked or smelled. Tom nodded and Mary put a cookie into her mouth. Instantly, the cookie melted in her mouth and she tasted what was possibly the best-tasting cookie she had ever had. The delightful experience soon turned into fear and jealousy, as Mary realised that Tom would win the competition.

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"How's the cookie? Is it good?" Tom asked with great anticipation in his voice. Mary shook her head. Immediately, Tom's head began to lower and he poured the whole plate of cookies into the rubbish bin. Mary was overjoyed as her closest competitor had given up on the competition. As Mary walked back into her room, she could hear Tom sobbing pitifully in the kitchen. Her heart began to sink and she regretted what she had done.

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"I am sorry I lied about the cookies. They were perfect, and they were far better than I could ever make them. You will definitely win the competition," Mary apologised, "come, let's bake another batch! Those cookies are so great!"

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A smile returned to Tom's face and together, they made the next batch of cookies even better. Winning the competition was now a sure thing!

Why did Mary think that she was dreaming when she entered the kitchen?

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Why did Mary think that she would win the junior chef competition?

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List two reasons why Mary thought that Tom's cookies would win the competition?

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

1. [] Tom saw the poster for the competition A. 1

2. [] Mary saw the poster for the competition B. 2

3. [] Mary attended cooking classes. C. 3

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Tom wanted to take part in the school's junior chef competition because he enjoyed baking

- A) True
- B) False

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Tom believed Mary when she said the cookies were terrible.

- A) True
- B) False

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Tom forgave Mary in the end.

- A) True
- B) False