

NAN HUA PRIMARY SCHOOL  
2023 TERM 1 NON-WEIGHTED ASSESSMENT  
PRIMARY 6 ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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**Booklet A**

For each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1,2,3 or 4) and write in the brackets provided. (10 marks)

1. Darren was looking forward to \_\_\_\_\_ the latest computer game as a birthday gift, but it is out of stock at the moment.

- (1) receive
- (2) receives
- (3) received
- (4) receiving

( )

2. The teacher reminded us to pick up after \_\_\_\_\_ and keep the classroom tidy.

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

( )

3. The detective persisted with the investigation \_\_\_\_\_ he uncovered the truth.

- (1) if
- (2) until
- (3) since
- (4) because

( )

4. "Jordan's ordered the food for tonight, \_\_\_\_\_ he?" asked Mr Tan.

- (1) isn't
- (2) hasn't
- (3) hadn't
- (4) wasn't

( )

5. "\_\_\_\_\_ should I address this letter to?" Mary asked.

- (1) Who
- (2) Who's
- (3) Whom
- (4) Whose

( )

6. Mr Lee, as well as his two children; \_\_\_\_\_ present at the conference last week.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

( )

7. My best friend enjoys outdoor activities, \_\_\_\_\_ I prefer to stay indoors.

- (1) since
- (2) whereas
- (3) because
- (4) however

( )

8. \_\_\_\_\_ people would understand the hardships of war unless they have been through it themselves.

- (1) Few
- (2) Most
- (3) Many
- (4) Some

( )

9. The guards have been told what to do \_\_\_\_\_ the prisoners try to escape.

- (1) will
- (2) shall
- (3) would
- (4) should

( )

10. The team decided to go ahead with the match \_\_\_\_\_ the fact that they were short of one player.

- (1) owing to
- (2) in spite of
- (3) in favour of
- (4) resulting from

( )

For each question from 11 to 15, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1,2,3 or 4) and write in the brackets provided.

(5 marks)

11. We listened to Josh's complaining for an entire evening, – he just wouldn't \_\_\_\_\_!

- (1) let on
- (2) let up
- (3) let off
- (4) let down

( )

12. Ever since she started earning a higher salary, her spending has become rather \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) expensive
- (2) exorbitant
- (3) exhaustive
- (4) extravagant

( )

13. The renovation has \_\_\_\_\_ the old school to its former glory.

- (1) restored
- (2) renewed
- (3) regained
- (4) reclaimed

( )

14. The marksman fired a few shots in rapid \_\_\_\_\_, hitting the bullseye each time.

- (1) addition
- (2) repetition
- (3) procession
- (4) succession

( )

15. "Don't be late again. You're already \_\_\_\_\_ as far as I am concerned," the discipline master warned me.

- (1) on thin ice
- (2) breaking the ice
- (3) in uncharted waters
- (4) muddying the waters

( )

For each question from 16 to 20, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1,2,3 or 4) and write in the brackets provided. (5 marks)

Is a chef's job only to cook? No, that is only part of his job. A chef also needs to supervise kitchen staff and food preparation, processes. In addition, a chef has to ensure that the kitchen runs like clockwork, especially during peak hours when it can become chaotic. These are moments that determine whether a chef will stand the test of time in such a competitive industry.,

Often, a chef is asked to create new dishes for special events and distinguished guests. He would thus need to spend time researching on creative dishes which would taste and look good.

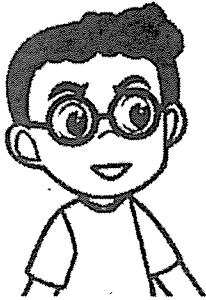
- 16. (1) courses  
(2) systems  
(3) procedures  
(4) mechanisms ( )
  
- 17. (1) certify  
(2) assure  
(3) establish  
(4) guarantee ( )
  
- 18. (1) turbulent  
(2) tumultuous  
(3) uncontrolled  
(4) disorganised ( )
  
- 19. (1) exist  
(2) outlive  
(3) prevail  
(4) withstand ( )
  
- 20. (1) superior  
(2) notorious  
(3) esteemed  
(4) memorable ( )

Study this flyer carefully and then answer questions 21 to 28.

## Youth Champs is launching the "Shape Our Future" Campaign!

### About Youth Champs

Are you aged between 10 and 16 years old? Have you heard of Youth Champs? It is a voluntary organisation which works to convince young people like you that you can make a difference. Its founder, Eric Tan, sincerely believes that young people have the passion and drive to bring about big changes. He credits his parents with giving him a sense of purpose:



"My parents have consistently stressed the importance of being kind. They care about other people as well as the environment. To reduce waste, we live modestly, buying only what we need, and conscientiously reuse materials whenever possible. To avoid causing more pollution, we generally walk or use public transport. They are excellent role models for me because they act on their beliefs. If not for them, I don't think I would have set up Youth Champs."

Although Youth Champs has organised numerous events since 2020, this is the first time it is running a month-long campaign! Choose from an exciting range of activities to engage in!

### *Brief notes on the campaign...*

- All the proceeds from the campaign will go to charity.
- Visit the Youth Champs website at [www.yc.sg](http://www.yc.sg) to register for the talks and workshops.
- Limited places are available.
- Registration will close on 26 May or earlier if all places are filled.

## "Shape Your Future" Campaign Activities in June 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1	2	3	4
			<p><b>Audio-Visual Display</b>                      Time: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.                      Venue: Bliss Community Club                      Admission is free. Be inspired by the successful community projects carried out by young people.</p>			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p><b>Craft Workshop</b>                      Times: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.                      Venue: Bliss Community Club                      Registration fee: \$10                      Learn to reuse a wide variety of items to make practical gifts. Participants may donate the items made for sale at the funfair.</p>						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<p><b>Informative Talk</b>                      Time: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.                      Venue: Bliss Community Club                      Admission is free. Hear the young volunteers of Youth Champs talk about how you can contribute to some worthwhile projects.</p>						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<p><b>Funfair</b>                      Times: 12 p.m. to 10 p.m. on the weekdays and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the weekend                      Venue: Maple School Hall                      Admission is free. The food, drinks and craft stalls do not accept payment in cash. Coupons to be used can be purchased for \$8 per booklet at the entrance to the fair.</p>						
26	27	28	29	30		
<p><b>Live Performance</b>                      Time: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.                      Venue: Kingsway Mall                      Admission is free. Watch drama students act out scenarios in which young people can show kindness.</p>						

For each question from 21 to 28, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and write in the brackets provided.

21. The main aim of Youth Champs is to make young people believe that they \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) can make a difference
  - (2) have passion and drive
  - (3) should plan for the future
  - (4) must bring about big changes ( )
22. Which of the following words is used to describe how Eric's family finds ways to avoid throwing things away?
- (1) modestly
  - (2) generally
  - (3) consistently
  - (4) conscientiously ( )
23. What does Eric admire about his parents?
- (1) They are kind.
  - (2) They act on their beliefs.
  - (3) They care about the environment.
  - (4) They helped him start Youth Champs. ( )
24. What is the similarity between the displays and talks included in the campaign?
- (1) They serve to recruit volunteers.
  - (2) They involve listening to information.
  - (3) They feature successful young people.
  - (4) They focus solely on community projects. ( )
25. Candy wants to participate in one of the campaign activities. If she is only free at weekends after 11 June, she can go to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) a talk
  - (2) a funfair
  - (3) a workshop
  - (4) a performance ( )

26. Marcus wishes to attend the craft workshop. He must do all the following except

- \_\_\_\_\_.
- (1) pay a fee
  - (2) visit a website
  - (3) donate to charity
  - (4) register as soon as he can ( )

27. Which of the following is true of the funfair?

- (1) It will last for a week.
- (2) It will be held indoors.
- (3) It offers free food and drinks.
- (4) It starts at 10 a.m. on Thursday ( )

28. What is the **main** aim of this flyer?

- (1) To announce the title of a campaign
- (2) To generate interest in Youth Champs
- (3) To provide information about Youth Champs
- (4) To encourage participation in Youth Champs ( )

Please note that the passage for Comprehension questions 71 to 80 in Booklet B is on the next page. You may now go on to Booklet B.



Once there was a well-to-do merchant named Ali. He and his wife were very respected by the townsfolk for their charity. They often gave alms to the poor and never turned away a borrower.

One day, Ali received some bad news. All his trading ships, which were loaded with valuable cargo, had sunk in a storm out at sea. When all the people who had lent him money for his trading business heard about it, they demanded immediate repayment. Ali fell short of his creditors' demands and had to sell all his possessions to repay them. In the end, he was left with nothing.

Along with his wealth, all his friends also deserted him. "A wake of vultures! They had only liked me for my wealth!" he reflected bitterly. Realising that he had nothing to give to his family except troubles in the days ahead, his heart grew heavy. One night, plagued by such a **disturbing thought**, he fell into a fitful sleep.

That night, Ali had a strange dream. A monk appeared in the dream and said, "If you touch me on my head with a stick, I will change into gold—enough gold to last you a lifetime." Next, the monk bowed and Ali saw himself touching the monk's head with a stick. Instantly, the monk turned into a huge pile of gold coins.

The next morning, Ali woke up to the sound of someone knocking at the door. "Can my dream be true?" Ali wondered. His wife answered the door and called out to him, "The barber is here for you!"

"How foolish of me to believe in a dream," thought Ali as he sat down for his haircut and shave.

Just then, there was another knock at the door. This time, Ali got up and opened the door. To his surprise, there was a monk at the door. The monk was wrapped in yellow robes and looked exactly like the one who had appeared in his dream the previous night. The monk gazed at Ali in silence and bowed. Remembering his dream, Ali nervously picked up a stick beside the door and, in a daze, touched the monk on his head with it. In a flash, a huge pile of gold coins appeared in front of him where the monk had stood. Ali was **speechless yet relieved**. He sent the barber away with a generous measure of gold coins and requested that he keep things to himself.

The barber, having witnessed how Ali had changed the monk into gold, thought, "Now that I know it, I'm going to become richer than Ali! I am tired of cutting people's hair and earning so little money for it." At once, he went to the monastery nearest to his house and invited all the monks there over for a feast.

As soon as the monks entered his house, the barber took a stick and started to strike their heads—blow after blow. The monks shrieked in fear as they scrambled frantically away from what they believed to be a mad man. In the confusion, one of them managed to escape and ran to seek help from the police.

The police arrived at the barber's house to find the owner, who was weary by then, shuffling after the monks and swiping feebly with the stick. They arrested him and presented him before a judge.

When asked why he had beaten the monks with a stick, the barber replied, "When Ali hit a monk on his head, he turned him into a heap of gold."

The judge then called for Ali and asked him if that was true. Ali gave his story in detail and even showed the judge one of the gold coins. After hearing his account, the judge scoffed in laughter. He then jailed the barber for assaulting the monks without reason and ordered him to compensate them for their medical bills.

*Adapted from The Merchant and the Barber*

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**Booklet B**

There are 10 blanks, numbered 29 to 38, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable answer 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. **(10 marks)**  
**Each word can be used only ONCE.**

(A) and	(D) for	(G) on	(K) those	(N) which
(B) are	(E) in	(H) the	(L) was	(P) will
(C) at	(F) of	(J) their	(M) were	(Q) with

Singapore street food has been making waves around the world. The annual Top 50 World Street Food Masters list \_\_\_\_\_ just released at the World Street Food Congress in Manila and fourteen winners \_\_\_\_\_ the list were Singaporean. Hill Street Minced Chicken Noodles, \_\_\_\_\_ was awarded a Michelin star the previous year, clinched the number one spot.

Popular street food eateries from Singapore \_\_\_\_\_ invited to participate in the World Street Food Congress in Manila. The participants said that the experience \_\_\_\_\_ travelling overseas to represent Singapore in international events added to \_\_\_\_\_ businesses' credibility and reputation.

Not everyone believes that change and evolution is necessarily \_\_\_\_\_ only way to go and some feel affirmed in keeping \_\_\_\_\_ traditions. They view sharing their food on the world stage as sharing their culture and heritage.

Celebrity chef \_\_\_\_\_ television host, Anthony Bourdain, was at the  
(37)  
congress in Manila. He revealed that an international street food market that he is opening in  
New York in 2019, \_\_\_\_\_ be modelled after Singapore's food centres.  
(38)

*Adapted from "Singapore hawker fare beyond the red dot" by Sharon Sim*

Score:

Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (12 marks)

In 1994, the boss of McLaren Formula One or F1 was approached by a

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nine-year-old karting champion. The boy told him solemn, "I am going to race for you one day.

(40)

(41)

I'm going to win across all odds." This bold claim was given by the child ginious, Lewis Hamilton.

(42)

Having won four world titles in total to date, he has more than fullfilled his childhood promise.

Lewis Hamilton began motor racing from a young age and in 2007, he burst onto F1 races

(43)

by finishing second from his first season. When he won the world title in 2008, he was just

(44)

twenty-three years old. At that time, he was the young winner in history. This made him a

(45)

censation around the world.

(46)

F1 racing is one of the biggest and most exciting compitetions in the world. The annual

(47)

F1 world championships is made up of saperate races held in different countries.

(48)

(49)

The inaugorel night race was held in Singapore in 2008. Singapore Grand Prix is the

first street circuit in Asia then, taking place on the Marina Bay Street Circuit. Since then,

(50)

Singapore has been host the night race. The show will go on till 2021.

Adapted from <https://www.biographyonline.net/sport/motor/lewis-hamilton.html>

Score:

Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

(15 marks)

Should children and adults be playing video games? There are two opposing schools of thought. The first believes that contrary \_\_\_\_\_ the traditional belief that gaming is merely an addictive source of entertainment, gaming has some \_\_\_\_\_. It aids the development of cognitive skills in both children and adults. Just \_\_\_\_\_ physical exercise helps in improving and strengthening muscles, cognitive games help to indulge one's \_\_\_\_\_ in constant stimulation, thus improving its performance.

(54)

(51)

(52)

(53)

\_\_\_\_\_ playing a game, we are not staring at the computer inactively. The activities and actions on the screen provide a lot of mental stimulation and help improve coordination. \_\_\_\_\_ top of that, video games can also improve problem-solving skills. As they involve certain rules, the player has to think carefully \_\_\_\_\_ making any move to ensure that they stay within the required rules of that particular game. When faced with a choice, the player needs to make a split-second \_\_\_\_\_ that will determine whether he or she will advance to the next level.

(55)

(56)

(57)

(58)

On the other hand, there are others who believe that there \_\_\_\_\_ more harm than there are benefits in playing video games. We can get \_\_\_\_\_ to gaming. Playing video games for many hours can affect our performance in school. Studies have shown that a higher amount of time \_\_\_\_\_ on playing onscreen games can be associated with lower academic performance.

(59)

(60)

(61)

Excessive gaming can have an adverse impact on our health and increase the \_\_\_\_\_ of childhood obesity. Sometimes, children also \_\_\_\_\_ meals to play games they are addicted to. The constant glare on the screen can also harm the child's eyesight. It is also important to pick the right game as not \_\_\_\_\_ of them provide the same cognitive benefits. \_\_\_\_\_ should also be a factor. Therefore, very young children should not be exposed to violent games. Thus, though computer games might be beneficial, there is a need to play them in moderation.

(62)

(63)

(64)

(65)

Adapted from: <https://www.engadget.com/2017/02/09/8-cognitive-benefits-of-playing-video-games-for-kids/> & [https://www.momjunction.com/articles/effects-of-video-games-on-teenagers\\_00352668/#qref](https://www.momjunction.com/articles/effects-of-video-games-on-teenagers_00352668/#qref)

For each of the questions 66 to 70, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of your sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s). (10 marks)

66. Sam is not going for the camp. His friends are not going for the camp.

Neither \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

67. "I will buy some milk from the grocery store tomorrow," Peter told Jane.

Peter told Jane \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

68. If Jack cannot find the library book, he has to pay a fine.

\_\_\_\_\_ unless \_\_\_\_\_

69. He explained but we did not believe him.

Despite his \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

70. After a long wait, the school accepted Peter's application.

Peter's application \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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Read the passage on page 10 of Booklet A and answer questions 71 to 80. 20 marks

71. Which two phrases in paragraph 1 tell us that Ali and his wife were helpful and generous? [2m]

two-word phrase	
five-word phrase	

72. 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. [2m]

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer to
noun A wake of vultures (line 9)	
noun disturbing thought (line 12)	

73. Which **two** of the following words correctly describe how Ali felt in lines 9 to 12? Put a tick ✓ in the box beside each of your answers. [2m]

angry	
confused	
envious	

impatient	
sorrowful	
unworthy	

74. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the passage. [1m]

- (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Ali lost his friends.
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Ali lost his possessions.
- (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Ali lost his trading ships.

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75. a) What signaled Ali to touch the monk's head in line 26? [1m]

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b) How did Ali know that was the signal? [1m]

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76. Why was Ali 'speechless yet relieved' (line 28)? [2m]

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77. 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]

	True / False	Reason
Ali became penniless when his valuable cargo sank into the sea.		
When Ali heard the door knock for the first time, he knew it was the barber.		
The barber believed that all monks could be turned into gold.		

78. From line 34-37, why were the monks in a state of confusion? [2m]

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Score:
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79. The table below shows the actions of the characters and the causes of their actions. Fill in the blanks using information from the passage. [2m]

	Cause	Effect
Ali		gave the barber gold coins
The barber		was exhausted

80. From line 43-46, what did the judge think about Ali's account? Give one evidence to support your answer. [2m]

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**End of Paper**

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**Booklet A**

Q 1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
4	2	2	2	3	3	2	1	4	2
Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
2	4	1	4	1	3	4	4	3	3
Q 21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25	Q26	Q27	Q28		
1	4	2	2	2	3	2	4		

**Booklet B**

Q 29	Q30	Q31	Q32	Q33	Q34	Q35	Q36	Q37	Q38
L	G	N	M	F	J	H	Q	A	P
Q39)	solemnly	Q43)	in	Q47)	separate				
Q40)	against	Q44)	youngest	Q48)	inaugural				
Q41)	genius	Q45)	sensation	Q49)	was				
Q42)	fulfilled	Q46)	competitions	Q50)	hosting				

Q51)	to	Q56)	On	Q61)	spent
Q52)	benefits	Q57)	before	Q62)	likelihood
Q53)	as	Q58)	decision	Q63)	skip
Q54)	mind	Q59)	is	Q64)	all
Q55)	while	Q60)	addicted	Q65)	Age
Q66)	Neither Sam nor his friends are going for the camp.				
Q67)	Peter told Jane that he would buy some milk from the grocery store the next day.				
Q68)	Jack has to pay a fine unless he finds the library book.				

Q69)	<b>Despite his explanation, we did not believe him.</b>
Q70)	<b>Peter's application was accepted by the school a long wait.</b>
Q71)	<b>gave alms never turned away a borrower</b>
Q72)	<b>(line 9) --- Ali's friends who had deserted him. (line 12) --- Ali having nothing to give his family except troubles in the days ahead.</b>
Q73)	<b>angry sorrowful</b>
Q74)	<b>3, 2, 1</b>
Q75)	<b>a) The monk which was wrapped in yellow robes and looked exactly like the one in Ali's dream, gazed at him and bowed. b) Ali remembered his dream where the monk which looked exactly like the one at the door, bowed and turned into gold when Ali touched the monk's head.</b>
Q76)	<b>He was shocked and speechless when the monk had actually turned into gold coins like in his dream but was relieved that he had gold coins now and is no longer penniless.</b>
Q77)	<b>False / Ali became penniless after he was forced to sell his possessions and pay his debtors.  False / When Ali heard the door knock for the first time, he thought that it was the monk which he had dreamed of.  True / The barber invited all the monks to his house for a feast and used a stick to strike their heads, trying to turn them into gold.</b>
Q78)	<b>The monks thought they were there for a feast, but the barber started striking their heads as they entered his house.</b>
Q79)	<b>Dis not want the barber to tell other people about him (Ali) turning the monk into gold coins.  Kept chasing the monks with a stick</b>

Q80)	The judge thought that Ali was just joking and was very foolish. The judge scoffed with laughter after hearing Ali's account.
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