



**AI TONG SCHOOL  
2007**

**CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT ONE  
PRIMARY 4  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
PAPER 2**

**DURATION : 1 hour 45 minutes**  
**DATE : 5 March 2007**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

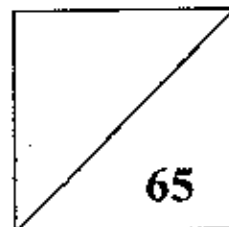
**Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so.**  
**Follow all instructions.**  
**Answer all questions.**

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Section A: Graphic Stimulus (4 x 1 mark)

Study the following advertisement and then use it to answer questions 1 to 4.

# SINGAPORE

# Food Festival

A celebration of Singapore Cuisine



**FREE ADMISSION**

Event Highlight

**Singapore Delights**

Date:  
 Venue : 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2007  
 Time : 11am to 9pm  
 Venue : Singapore Expo

Singapore Delights brings together a showcase of our local delights.

**Guaranteed Win!**

Everyone walks away with a prize at the SPIN & WIN from 2pm to 5pm daily! Up to \$20,000 worth of prizes to be won!

**1-for-1 Offers!**

Don't miss out on great buffet deals with 1-for-1 offers from 11am to 12 noon!

**Cooking Demonstrations @ Live Kitchen**

Winners of the New Dish Creation Competition 2007 will demonstrate their winning dishes at the Live Kitchen.

Main Organizer



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Event Sponsor



Official Town Gas Provider



Official Radio Station



For each question from 1 to 4, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

1. Singapore Food Festival 2007 is organised by \_\_\_\_\_
  - (1) City Gas
  - (2) Del Monte
  - (3) Uniquely Singapore
  - (4) Singapore Tourism Board
  
2. The event highlight, Singapore Delights, will be held at \_\_\_\_\_
  - (1) Live Kitchen
  - (2) Singapore Expo
  - (3) The Radio Station
  - (4) Town Gas
  
3. If you want to enjoy 1 for 1 buffet offers and also win a prize at the event, Singapore Delights, you must be there at \_\_\_\_\_
  - (1) 11 am to ~~12 noon~~<sup>5pm</sup>
  - (2) 12 am to 1 pm
  - (3) 1 pm to 4 pm
  - (4) 2 pm to 5 pm
  
4. Which of the following food will not likely be showcased at the Singapore Food Festival?
  - (1) Satay
  - (2) Italian Risotto
  - (3) Nonya Kueh
  - (4) Laksa



**Section C: Punctuation (3 × 1 mark)**

For each question from 10 to 12, choose the correct punctuation to complete the passage. Shade the correct oval (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

Melissa's parents bought her a pet for Christmas. It was a cute little hamster. She kept the hamster in a cage and took good care of it. However, she was careless and often forgets to lock the cage.

One morning, when Melissa went to feed her pet, she found that the cage was empty. "My hamster isn't in the cage (10) yelled Melissa.

Alan, Melissa's brother noticed that the door of the cage was ajar. "It has probably escaped from the unlocked cage and might be under the bed (11) said Alan. Melissa was near to tears.

Alan got down on both hands and knees and looked under the bed. He saw something moving but was not sure what it was (12) Melissa promptly handed <sup>her</sup> ~~his~~ brother a flashlight.

10. (1) [.] full stop  
(2) [?] question mark  
(3) ["] full stop and inverted commas  
(4) [!] exclamation mark and inverted commas
11. (1) [,"] comma and inverted commas  
(2) [."] full stop and inverted commas  
(3) [?"] question mark and inverted commas  
(4) [!"] exclamation mark and inverted commas
12. (1) [-] dash  
(2) [,] comma  
(3) [.] full stop  
(4) [!] exclamation mark

**Section D: Vocabulary (4 × 1 mark)**

**For each question from 13 to 16, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.**

13. During the flood, the villagers were \_\_\_\_\_ to leave their homes because they did not want to leave their valuables behind.

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| (1) reluctant    | (2) excited    |
| (3) enthusiastic | (4) determined |

14. The \_\_\_\_\_ dog was put to sleep after it bit a child to death.

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| (1) tough    | (2) ferocious |
| (3) ruthless | (4) poisonous |

15. The recent earthquake in Indonesia was a/an \_\_\_\_\_ that killed thousands and left many homeless.

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| (1) hazard      | (2) accident  |
| (3) catastrophe | (4) emergency |

16. Tiger Woods is a world \_\_\_\_\_ golfer who has won many prestigious awards.

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| (1) familiar | (2) infamous   |
| (3) renowned | (4) noticeable |

**Section E: Vocabulary Cloze (4 × 1 mark)**

For each question from 17 to 20, choose the word closest in meaning to the underlined word(s).

Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

Long ago in China there lived a boy named Ma Liang who loved to draw but was too poor to buy a brush. "If I have a brush, I need not have to draw on the ground with twigs," he said in his most (17) pathetic voice.

One night, when Ma Liang was fast asleep, an old man woke him with a gentle tap. "I have brought you a magic brush. Use it to (18) help the poor in your village," said the old man.

When morning came, Ma Liang went to find out what the villagers needed. "There has been (19) a long period of dry weather and our crops are dying," complained some farmers.

Ma Liang took out magic brush and drew a pool of water on a rock. It immediately (20) changed into rain drops.

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| 17. | (1) pitiful     | (2) regretful   |
|     | (3) painful     | (4) mournful    |
| 18. | (1) donate      | (2) gain        |
|     | (3) assist      | (4) reward      |
| 19. | (1) flood       | (2) drought     |
|     | (3) famine      | (4) dehydration |
| 20. | (1) transformed | (2) evolved     |
|     | (3) modified    | (4) swapped     |

**Section F: Comprehension MCQ (5 × 1 mark)**

Read the passage below and answer questions 21 to 25.

*Congkak* is a popular Malay game amongst women and children. This game is believed to have been first played by digging holes in the ground with sticks for placing stones. These stones were later replaced by rubber seeds. Today, the stones and rubber seeds have been replaced by multi-coloured marbles which are commonly available from neighbourhood shops.

*Congkak* players of today no longer need to dig holes in the ground as *congkak* boards which are made of wood can be bought from handicraft shops. The ordinary *congkak* boards are flat but there are some with designs of animals and vehicles.

It is an interesting game which is easy to play. Basically, two players will move simultaneously. If either of the player reaches a hole with no more playing seeds, the player has to stop. The player who has the most number of seeds wins the game.

There are three types of *congkak*. The five-hole *congkak* are popular with children while the seven-hole, with adults. The nine-hole set is mainly for display and rarely played because it takes up too much time.

*Congkak* is believed to have been played for at least two centuries. The exact date when it was first played is not known as there are no historical records of the game.

For each question from 21 to 25, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4). Shade your answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) on the OAS.

21. A *congkak* player of today needs a \_\_\_\_\_ to play this game.
- (1) stick
  - (2) stone
  - (3) rubber seed
  - (4) *congkak* board

22. Which type of *congkak* would you expect to see in a museum?
- (1) Three-hole *congkak*.
  - (2) Five-hole *congkak*.
  - (3) Seven-hole *congkak*.
  - (4) Nine-hole *congkak*.
23. How many players are needed to play the *congkak*?
- (1) One.
  - (2) Two.
  - (3) Three.
  - (4) Four.
24. *Congkak* is a \_\_\_\_\_ game.
- (1) new
  - (2) modern
  - (3) difficult
  - (4) traditional
25. Which of the following is **not** likely to be the design of a *congkak* board?
- (1) Ship.
  - (2) Boat.
  - (3) Swan.
  - (4) House.

Part 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( )

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Marks: \_\_\_\_\_ / 40

Section G: Grammar Cloze (6 × 1 mark)

There are 6 blanks, numbered 26 to 31, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the correct answer for each blank. Write the letter (A to K) in the blank. The letter "I" has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

(A) much	(B) many	(C) little	(D) some	(E) in
(F) to	(G) more	(H) for	(J) with	(K) as

Obesity is defined as an excess amount of body fat in our body. Generally, it is the result of consuming (26) \_\_\_\_\_ food than the body needs. The unused calories from food will be stored as body fats.

Being obese has (27) \_\_\_\_\_ consequences. The extra weight that obese people carries puts stress on their joints and results in leg pain, making simple activities such as walking difficult. Obesity is also associated (28) \_\_\_\_\_ heart disease, high cholesterol, high blood pressure, and diabetes.

Scientists and doctors recommend that prevention of obesity begins early in life. (29) \_\_\_\_\_ of the primary ways to prevent obesity is to consume healthy food and exercise regularly. Have a balanced diet and eat (30) \_\_\_\_\_ moderation. Eating a variety of food ensures the intake of protective nutrients such as vitamins and minerals. Exercising at least twice a week helps (31) \_\_\_\_\_ build healthy bones and muscles and maintain healthy body weight.

**Section H: Editing for Spelling and Grammar (8 × 1 mark)**

For each question from 32 to 39, correct each word in bold for spelling and each underlined word for grammar. Write the correct word in the relevant box.

Nearly 90,000 people were made homeless when heavy rain and floods ravaged southern

(32)

Malaysia last month. However, the unexpected tourist industry has sprung up in Johor. Boatmen

(33)

in Kota Tinggi are charging between five and ten dollars for 'tours' of the town, which was severely affected by the flood.

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Many people flocked to the town out of **kuriocity** as it was reported that the town has been completely submerged by flood waters.

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One tourist, 28-year-old Jane, said she makés her way to the flooded town immediately

(36)

after reading the news reports. She said she felt sorry for the **viktims** after witnessing the situation first-hand.

(37)

These 'tour boats' are easily identified by their pasingers, who usually do not wear life

(38)

jackets despite police advice to do so for their own safety. They also bring with their cameras to

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take pictures. Police said that these disaster tourists are unaware that their **prasence** is hindering rescue work.

*Adapted from The Electric New Paper, 16<sup>th</sup> January 2007*

**Section I: Comprehension Cloze (8 × 1 mark)**

**Passage 1**

- There are 4 blanks, numbered 40 to 43, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to K) in the blank. The letter "I" has been omitted to avoid confusion during marking.

**EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.**

(A) life	(B) prevent	(C) drinking	(D) durable	(E) encourage
(F) lives	(G) ability	(H) allow	(J) eating	(K) water

'Jamel' is an Arabic word for camel which means God's gift. Indeed, the Jamel has been very important in the (40) \_\_\_\_\_ of a desert dweller. The camel is suited to desert condition. Its lips and mouths are thick and tough. The camel has double sets of eyelids on each eye, which have long curly lashes to (41) \_\_\_\_\_ sand from being blown into its eyes. The camel's nostrils and mouth can be closed tightly. The ears of the camels have thick hair to filter sand.

Perhaps the most important is the camel's (42) \_\_\_\_\_ to travel with heavy loads for many days without water. When water is available, it drinks in large amounts. It does not sweat as many animals do. The camel's milk can be used for (43) \_\_\_\_\_ and the hair for weaving.

Nowadays, the camel is not used as it once was. Modern transportation such as the four-wheel drive has replaced the camel.

**Passage 2**

There are 4 blanks numbered 44 to 47, in the passage below. Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

The emperor strode into an inn after a tiring day of hunting. He was extremely (44) \_\_\_\_\_ and demanded that the cook prepare something special for him to eat. The cook scuttled off to the kitchen and realised that he had no food left except some left-over vegetables. He turned pale as he thought of the (45) \_\_\_\_\_ that lay in store for him if he failed to provide a tasty dish for the emperor.

He cut up the vegetables and threw them into a big pot together with some tamarind spice and hot chillies. When the dish was ready, he (46) \_\_\_\_\_ it before the emperor and returned to the kitchen to pray.

Suddenly, he felt a hand on his shoulder. He turned and saw the beaming face of the emperor's chief minister who announced that the emperor adored the dish. He became famous as everyone wanted to have a (47) \_\_\_\_\_ of the emperor's favourite dish, *Chop-Choy*.

Today, during festive times, when there are plenty of left-overs, the Chinese families will prepare this delicious dish that was invented hundreds of years ago by a worried but lucky cook.

**Section J: Synthesis (4 × 2 marks)**

For each of the questions 48 to 51, rewrite the given sentences 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).

48. That is the girl. She fell down during recess.

\_\_\_\_\_ who  
\_\_\_\_\_

49. Andy did not come to school. He was not feeling well.

\_\_\_\_\_ because  
\_\_\_\_\_

50. He appeared behind the curtains. He gave us a fright.

\_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_

51. Let me show you some photographs. I took them at my party.

\_\_\_\_\_ which  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Section K: Comprehension Open Ended (5 × 2 marks)**

Read the passage below and answer Questions 52 to 56.

Your answers must be based on the passage.

Mr Tan, lived in a room in Chinatown. Recently, he had fallen ill and lost his job. As a result, he owed the landlady two months rent. One day, the landlady swaggered towards Mr Tan's room and screamed at the top of her voice. She demanded that Mr Tan pay what he owed her immediately.

The witty man began playing on his recorder. "Please excuse me. I have to play on my recorder for an hour. Otherwise money will not grow in my wallet and I won't be able to pay you my rent," explained Mr Tan politely. "You mean, the recorder can provide you with the money you need simply by playing on it?" asked the curious landlady.

"Certainly. This is a magic recorder," said Mr Tan.

The gullible landlady believed Mr Tan. "If you give me your instrument, I shall forget your debt," she said.

Mr Tan handed the recorder to the landlady. "Remember this! You must keep the recorder for a week before you can play on it or else you will not get any money," warned Mr Tan.

The landlady could not wait and spent the whole day at home blowing on her recorder. Hour after hour, she checked her purse. Nothing appeared! Shaking with rage, she confronted Mr Tan. He asked if she had obeyed his instructions. The landlady turned red with embarrassment and admitted that she was impatient. Mr Tan chided her for her impatience. He was laughing to himself for tricking the greedy and unsympathetic landlady.

**ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.**

52. What happened when Mr Tan became ill?

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53. What did the landlady want in exchange for the rent owed by Mr Tan?

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54. Which word in the passage tells you that Mr Tan was clever?

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55. Why was the landlady 'shaking with rage'?

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56. Why did the landlady want the recorder as payment for the two months rent?

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~ End of Paper ~

~ Please check your work carefully ~



# ANSWER SHEET

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CONTINUAL ASSESSMENT (1)

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|-------|---|---------------|
| 1. 4  | 31)E  | 40)A          |
| 2. 2  | 32)an   | 41)D          |
| 3. 1  | 33)to   | 42)G          |
| 4. 2  | 34)curiosity  | 43)C          |
| 5. 3  | 35)made   | 44)hungry     |
| 6. 4  | 36)victims  | 45)punishment |
| 7. 2  | 37)passengers   | 46)presented  |
| 8. 1  | 38)along  | 47)taste      |
| 9. 3  | 39)presence   |               |
| 10. 4 |   |               |
| 11. 4 | 48)That is the girl who fell during recess.   |               |
| 12. 3 |   |               |
| 13. 1 |   |               |
| 14. 2 | 49)Ali did not come to school because he was not feeling well.                        |               |
| 15. 1 |   |               |
| 16. 3 |   |               |
| 17. 1 | 50)He appeared behind the curtains and gave us a gift.                                |               |
| 18. 2 |   |               |
| 19. 2 |   |               |
| 20. 1 | 51)Let me show you some photographs which I took at my party.                         |               |
| 21. 4 |   |               |
| 22. 4 |   |               |
| 23. 2 | 52)He lost his job and owed the landlady two months rent.                             |               |
| 24. 4 |   |               |
| 25. 4 |   |               |
| 26. G | 53)The landlady wanted to exchange a recorder for the rent owed by Mr Tan.            |               |
| 27. B |   |               |
| 28. J |   |               |
| 29. D | 54)The word is "witty."   |               |
| 30. E |   |               |
|       | 55)She had spent the whole day at home blowing on her recorder but no money appeared. |               |

56)The landlady wanted the recorder as payment for two months rents as she wanted to have a lot money. 17