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PAPER 1 READING
SET 2

Part 1

Questions 1 to 8

Read the text carefully in each question. Choose the best answer **A**, **B** or **C**. For each question, mark the correct answer **A**, **B** or **C** on your answer sheet.

The first wave of Covid-19 in Malaysia.

Malaysia announced its first Covid-19 cases on 25 January 2020 involving three China tourists who had entered Malaysia via Johor from Singapore on Jan 23. The number of cases then rose to 22 by Feb 16, representing first wave of cases.

1 When was Covid-19 made known to Malaysia ?

- A** 23 January 2020.
- B** 25 January 2020.
- C** 16 February 2020.

2 You received this message. This SMS is to inform you that...

- A** you have to click on the link to reschedule because the rider could not deliver.
- B** you have to reply the SMS to get the shipment because you are not at home.
- C** you will be expecting a delivery from GDEX ride

NOTICE

Please be advised that Computer Lab A is currently undergoing system maintenance.

All students and teachers can use Computer Lab B until further notice.

3 Which statement is true about the notice?

- A** Students will be given advice on how to use Computer Lab A and B.
- B** Users of Computer Lab B have to send a notice to the technician before they can use it.
- C** The technician will inform the users when Computer Lab A is operational again.

Healthcare workers doing swab tests from workers and residents around Chow Kit. The area was under close supervision by authorities as it was placed under enhanced MCO. - May 7, 2020.

4 Why is the swab test important ?

- A** To summon a fine for those infected
- B** To penalise people who do not adhere to the enhanced MCO
- C** To help prevent further person-to-person transmission and seek medical assistance.

Sham, where have you been ?

Manam, I am about to reach. Traffic is bad today.

The library here has a long queue already. I think I should enter first to grab a good seat for us.

Thank you for understanding. I will treat you breakfast afterwards.

You better keep an eye on the road. See you later.

5 Which of the following statements is true?

- A** Sham is late because of traffic jam.
- B** The place is packed because it was lunch time.
- C** Sham advises Manam to be careful while driving.

BTS performed at the 2021 Grammy Awards, becoming the first Korean nominee to perform at what's called 'music's biggest night' in the US.

BTS had been listed among 22 musicians who would perform at the 63rd Grammys alongside stars such as Taylor Swift and Billie Eilish. It was the first time that a South Korean artist performed at the Grammys as a nominee.

BTS was nominated for Best Pop Duo/Group Performance but didn't win.

6 Based on the text, which of the following statements is true about BTS?

- A** They were nominated for Best Pop Duo or Group Category.
- B** They were the first Koreans to perform at this prestigious awards show.
- C** They received an invitation to only be performers at the Grammy Awards.

Is a Personal Loan beneficial to you ?

Personal loan can be a good idea for good paymasters for emergency uses but it may come with a very high interest rate that burdens the applicants with unnecessary debt.

7 Which statement is **NOT** true ?

- A It is not necessary during emergency.
- B It might cause good paymasters to be in debt.
- C It is not a good idea because it comes with high interest rate.

To: naturedefenders@gmail.com

Subject: Report on illegal dumping

I would like to report that I saw suspicious men burying old steel containers in the forest reserve near my hometown. I suspect that they are illegally dumping dangerous materials. Please send officers to investigate.

8 The writer believes that

- A she should investigate the case herself.
- B the containers contain hazardous substance.
- C officers should take legal action against the men.

Part 2

Questions 9 to 18

Read the text below and choose the best word for each space. For each question, mark the correct letter **A**, **B**, **C** or **D** on your answer sheet.

Electronic Gadgets

The smartphones today are miraculously intelligent but tomorrow's gadgets will be even (0) ...smarter... According to experts and researchers, scientists are creating "emotional intelligence". They will be able to (9) how we react and feel, hence, joining us when we are in happiness or leaving us alone when we are in rage. Researches are (10) a technology that uses special sensors and speech recognition to understand the users' feelings. The main goal is to develop a way to accurately (11) the emotional state of someone possessing a smartphone.

Another advanced research is by looking at (12) emotional detection into car GPS navigation devices. The vision is placed at the dashboard of the car that would register facial expressions, voice and hand movements of the driver. (13) instance, if the driver were experiencing stress, it could temporarily (14) giving additional instructions or turn itself off. (15), there is something slightly (16) about emotion recognition. It (17) into another part of our lives which are already being closely (18) by technology, which is not always for our advantage.

0	A	dumber	B	technology	C	intelligence	D	smarter
9	A	expose	B	perceive	C	guess	D	realise
10	A	operating	B	developing	C	working	D	progressing
11	A	count	B	rank	C	value	D	measure
12	A	creating	B	locating	C	absorbing	D	building
13	A	On	B	For	C	If	D	In
14	A	put up	B	take over	C	hold off	D	Set back
15	A	However	B	Since	C	If	D	Despite
16	A	unreasonable	B	disturbing	C	irregular	D	impossible
17	A	intrudes	B	invades	C	interrupts	D	forces
18	A	searched	B	supervised	C	monitored	D	handled

Part 3

You are going to read an extract from an article. For questions 19 - 26, choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) and mark the correct letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.

Nothing stays the same for long. Things and people change, often for the worse, it seems, but once in a while, very much for the better. I grew up on a small farm, **living a life that I took for granted**. I had a dog without a leash and mountains in whichever direction I looked, and I awoke to the call of pheasants in the alfalfa fields.

My father worked in the city as a welder. He was quiet; distant, you might say. He was not highly educated, but he was smart, with an engineer's way of looking at problems. He was a man made of leather, brass, and chewing tobacco who tried to teach my brother and me useful things, including respect. He also had a temper. I did not like him very much.

One day I came home from school and his car was already there. Once inside, I was told by my mother that he didn't feel well. His back hurt. My father never missed work; in fact, when he came home, he went to the barn to work even more. I remember peeking around the corner at him as he lay on his bed in the middle of the day. I was in elementary school. Multiple myeloma, I learned, is a type of blood cancer. It starts in the cells that normally make antibodies for the body to use in its immune response against infections. When those cells become malignant, they make abnormal antibodies like crazy, crowding out the useful ones.

As the cancer grows, the person who has it shrinks. The disease **saps** the body's energy, and the abnormal antibodies cause problems for other cells and tissues. Bones eventually look like Swiss cheese, and when they break, they may never heal. For the last year of my father's life, his entire day consisted of rising from his hospital bed in the living room and walking to his chair to sit and think.

He was predictably in that chair when I came home one day during the ninth grade

I do not remember where my mother and brother were, but the two of us were alone. He asked me to sit down. What followed still moves me these decades later. He told me about his life, his family growing up, what it was like in the Pacific during World War II, his loves, his heartbreaks. It was as if **a pipe had burst**, his inner self rushing out to me in a great flood. He had been speaking for maybe an hour or more when I realized that he was doing more than telling. He was asking to be forgiven. All it took was understanding that that was what he needed, and I forgave everything, immediately. When he died, I didn't return to school for a few days. My biggest dread going back was gym class. It was poorly supervised, and bullies ran the

show. True to form, on my first day, I was standing there in my shorts when an all-too-familiar voice bellowed, "Lensch!" It was a guy who had given many of us a few lumps over the years. I turned to face him and said, "What do you want?" The other boys didn't say a word as they waited for the beatdown. "I heard your dad died," he said. "Is that true?"

I quietly replied, "Yes." He didn't punch me. He didn't even move. Instead, he said, "I'm sorry."

I was shocked. I'm sure I cried. Those two words are how I have remembered that kid ever since.

What do you do when your "enemies" reveal that they are also human? I think you either forgive and move forward or hold on to resentment and live in the past. I'm certainly not glad that my father got sick, but at the same time, I realize that if he hadn't, I might never have

come to love him. He told me about his family, World War II, his loves, his heartbreaks. It was as if a pipe had burst.

19 In paragraph 1, why does the writer use the phrase “**living a life that I took for granted**”?

- A He enjoys living is a small farm.
- B He lives in a place with beautiful scenery, overseeing mountains.
- C He treasures every moment of the sounds of pheasants in his alfalfa fields.
- D He lives in a way with lack of appreciation or gratitude.

20 In paragraph 2, which statement is true about his father?

- A His father works in the city as an engineer.
- B His father is clever and has farming temperament.
- C He is a person who gets angry easily.
- D His father is a person who is well-respected.

21 In paragraph 3, what discovery did the writer find when he came home?

- A His father’s car was in the workshop.
- B His father had unfinished work in the barn. C His father took his usual nap in the house.
- D He was under the weather.

22 In paragraph 4, which is the best phrase to replace “**saps**”?

- A Gradually weaken and destroy
- B Invades violently
- C Drains and flushes out
- D Soar and escalate

23 Why do you think the writer’s father let his life stories out like “**a pipe had burst**”?

- A He had never had a private conversation with the writer before.
- B He wanted to be forgiven for what he had done wrong.
- C He had an hour or more to tell his life stories only, so he had to let it out fast.
- D It was a story about a pipe had burst during World War II.

24 What effect of his father’s death had on the writer when he was on his first day in school?

- A The bully came to him and apologised for what had happened.
- B The bully wanted Lensch to have a beatdown.
- C The bully was shocked and cried over the incident.
- D The bully was standing in the gym room to seek for apology.

25 How should you react to bullies when they are forgiving?

- A You should not pardon the bullies.
- B You should proceed with your life and never look back.
- C You should keep the grudge.
- D You should revenge and live in the past.

26 What is the implied meaning of the article?

- A He still abhors his father after his father’s death.
- B He loves his father more after his father got sick.
- C He grudges his whole family, father, mother and brother.
- D He wants to befriend with the bullies.

Part 4

Questions 27 to 32

You are going to read a newspaper article about juvenile delinquencies. Six sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences **A to H** the one which fits each gap (27-32). There are two extra sentences which you do not need to use.

Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Juvenile Delinquencies

The number of arrests of juvenile delinquents varies from around 2500 to 500 each year.

What is troubling is that there is a growing uptick in juvenile delinquencies. 27 . Bus stations and train stations are not spared. 28 The next severe crime includes gang warfare, intimidation and petty robbery, followed by unethical conduct.

What are the potential causes of juvenile delinquency? 29 Almost all cases include students whose parents are busy working or who do not track the behaviour of their children. In short, they're not spending enough time with their children. Of course, they don't know what their young people are up to when they leave home. Some parents are too lenient with their children. 30. . Often they don't know where their children go in the evening, when they should be at home completing or revising their schoolwork. There is no reason for parents if their children are captured by the police in a surprise raid on video arcades or shopping complexes.

If parents do not verify the movements of their children, they will invariably find themselves ending up in a bad company. 31. By then, it could be a gargantuan challenge for parents to discipline them. Both the schools and the police can find it difficult to deal with these spoiled juveniles.

So how are we going to better manage juvenile delinquency? 32. Parents must spend more time with their children, particularly when they are young. They should demonstrate concern for their schoolwork and family outings on weekends. Once they're disciplined at home, they're not likely to enter a bad company or have problems at school.

<p>A Because of bad influence, they can participate in drug-taking, or engage in fights between rival groups, or even robbery</p>	<p>E In reality, vandalism is widespread among juveniles.</p>
<p>B Of course, the root cause is the house.</p>	<p>F I have a deep feeling that we're expected to nip the issue in the bud, that is, starting from home.</p>
<p>C Is this a symptom of a deterioration in social and moral standards in our society?</p>	<p>G Much of the cases involved are vandalism of public buildings and services.</p>
<p>D They're also spoiled by giving them too much pocket allowance.</p>	<p>H I assume that juvenile delinquency can be curbed if both parties take concerted action to monitor it from being a societal disease.</p>

Part 5

We interviewed six teenagers about what kind of holiday do they prefer. Read the texts below and answer the questions that follow.

People who want to go on holiday

A - MAGGIE, 22 years old

I would like a holiday with other people in their twenties. I want to go diving during the day, go out dancing and to different restaurants every evening. I only have a week free during December.

B - ALEXIA, 24 years old

Alexia is interested in mountain climbing. I want to sleep in tents and make my own food. I am able to spend four or five weeks on this holiday. I was a Girl Guide during my school days.

C - JOHAN, 25 years old

I live in the countryside. I hope to spend a few months in a big city, ideally in the home of somebody who can tell me about life in the city. I don't mind paying a little and help the owner to do house chores.

D - LEONG, 20 years old

I want to spend two or three weeks walking in the suburban areas. I like to stay somewhere new each night, but do not want to carry many heavy luggage. Travelling light will enable me to go many places over a short period of time.

E - KIM BENG, 18 years old

I prefer to go on holidays with my parents. I am able to take 2 weeks of college break and visit a place which is outside my country. I would like to explore different towns in the new country, but my parents would prefer to travel on a cruise and relax on board.

F - SUSAN, 26 years old

Basically, wherever I go, I will definitely look for places with good food. Among the food paradises in Asia are located in Thailand and Malaysia. I have tried Penang Char Koay Teow, Selangor Famous Satay and Johor Curry Chicken. My next stop will be the former, "The Land of Smiles".

Question 33 to 36

Which paragraph (A-F) describes the person who want to go on a holiday?

Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

	Statements	Paragraph
33	I am rather busy with my work and can be available for a short period of time for holiday.
34	I like to hop around places with minimal belongings.
35	I will participate and go along with someone if one suggests to go abseiling during the holidays.
36	I need to follow proper etiquette being a guest.

Question 37 to 40

Complete the notes below using information from the text. Choose **no more than one word** from the passage for each answer.

Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

People On Holiday

- For those who like bungee jumping, you can invite (37)_____ to go on a holiday with you.
- For senior citizen, they would rather go for a (38)_____.
- If someone says she wants to go to “The Land of Smiles”, it means that she wants to go to (39)_____.
- If a place is a residential area and near the outskirts of a larger city, it is called (40)_____.

ANSWER SHEET

PART 1				
1	A	B	C	
2	A	B	C	
3	A	B	C	
4	A	B	C	
5	A	B	C	
6	A	B	C	
7	A	B	C	
8	A	B	C	

PART 2				
9	A	B	C	D
10	A	B	C	D
11	A	B	C	D
12	A	B	C	D
13	A	B	C	D
14	A	B	C	D
15	A	B	C	D
16	A	B	C	D
17	A	B	C	D
18	A	B	C	D

PART 3				
19	A	B	C	D
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