

SECTION 1

Spelling

TASK 1

There is one incorrectly spelt word in each line in the passage below. Draw a circle around the incorrectly spelt word. Write the correct spelling of the word in the box provided for each line.

Video games, commonly refered to as electronic games,

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necessitate engagemant with a controller and a screen.

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Video games can enhance hand-eye cordination, creativity

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and problem-solving competensy They can also strengthen

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memory and releive stress. Contrary to popular belief

5.

these gadgets can be quite fascinateing and entertaining.

6.

(12 marks)



Punctuation and Capitalization

TASK 2

There is one punctuation or capitalization error in each line in the passage below. Insert the missing punctuation mark or capital letter in its correct place, in each line.

“Jason, can you help carry these tools ” asked Mr.

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Green, his elderly neighbour who lived adjacent to.

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Jasons residence. He assisted the old man by carrying

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the following items to the garage rake, garden hose and

10.

shears Mr. Green was so grateful that he gave the boy

11.

one of his favourite novels, To Kill a Mockingbird”.

12.

(6 marks)



Grammar

TASK 3

There is one grammar error in each line in the passage below. Draw a circle around the error and write the correct form of the word in the box provided.

The mother aggressive refused to allow any humans near

13.

the newborn puppies. Many attempt to rescue the puppies

14.

from the drain resulted on booming barks, fierce growls

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and vicious snarls. Fortunately, the people was able to

16.

distract him and so saved the puppies. The mother was

17.

distressed and the puppies were rescued from the drain.

18.

(12 marks)



Comprehension

TASK 4 – Fiction

Read the story, “The Ring”, and answer questions 19 to 25.

The Ring

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5 My father’s solemn eyes locked into mine. “Happy birthday, Son. The time has come. You are ready.” Without another word, he placed the titanium ring in my cold, right hand, turned like a soldier with precision and exited the room. As I slipped my long, skinny finger into the gleaming ring, an unnatural surge of power passed through my body.

10 “Wha... Wha...What’s happening?” I gasped and clenched my fist. In the blink of an eye, I found myself slammed against Dad’s massive bookcase. My heart lurched as the heavy, oak bookcase slowly started to topple towards me. Instinctively, I closed my eyes and pushed forward. As my index finger touched a shelf, I heard a bone-chilling creak, then silence. Slowly, I opened my left eye, then my right. The ceiling-high bookcase had returned to its original position with just a touch from my finger.

15 I glanced curiously at the ring, sparkling like a diamond. Why did Daddy say I was ready? Ready for what? He was never one to explain much. “You know more than you know,” he would always advise when I complained millions of times about what I could not do. I shook my head and wandered outside to let the mid-morning sun caress my face.

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20 Suddenly, a thought flashed across my mind. I glanced around to see if I had witnesses, but all was serene in our gated community. I stared at the gleaming ring on my right hand, closed my eyes, raised my arms and jumped. In a nanosecond, I felt myself being flung towards the sky.

I opened my eyes to realise that my neighbourhood below was a village of Lego houses. I screamed as I zipped through a powder puff of clouds, zoomed past a flock of confused-looking birds and hitched a ride on the top of a cruising plane. I



25 reclined in my new position and gazed into the brilliant blue sky. Then, Daddy's voice echoed in my head, "You know more than you know, my son." I scrambled up with a sudden urge to return home. It was time to learn the truth.

I landed at the front porch with a soft thud, opened the front door and gasped. There was my entire family, radiant in red, white, and black costumes, each with
30 matching titanium rings and broad smiles on their faces. Daddy was the first to speak,

"Surprise, Son! Are you ready?"

A slow smile spread across my face as I walked into my new life.

Gillian Pilgrim

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Questions: The Ring

19. What time of day did the story take place?

(1 mark)

20. Identify **one** example of a simile and **one** example of a metaphor used in the story.

Simile _____

Metaphor _____
(2 marks)

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21. Give the meaning of the following words

“topple” (line 8)

“serene” (line 19)

(2 marks)

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22. State two reasons why the father thought the son was ready to receive the ring.

Reason 1 _____

Reason 2 _____

(2 marks)

23. Give two reasons which suggest that the ring was extremely special.

Reason 1 _____

Reason 2 _____

(2 marks)

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24. Explain how the author's feelings at the beginning of the story are different from his feelings at the end.

(2 marks)

25. What is your view of the father in the story? Give a reason for your answer.

(2 marks)

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TASK 5 – Poetry

Read the poem and answer questions 26 to 32.

There's a river in my bedroom, between the doorway and my bed,
Every morning, the same battle arises, all be it in my tiny head.
This river's mighty and infested with enormous, electric eels,
And ferocious hungry crocodiles, that'll tear me to shreds.

- 5 I throw off my cover, leaving the safety of my fortress,
I plan my escape route. In a leap, I spring off my mattress.
It's a well-calculated attack, like a tiger pouncing on its prey.
I must survive this familiar battle, to cross the river, this faithful Monday.

- At last! I've made it out safely but now a new battle must be fought!
10 Two faithful soldiers, Mr Toothbrush and Mrs Toothpaste,
Have stealthily taken up positions, in the bathroom fort.
This battle is short, in less than five minutes they're retreating with haste.

- "Hurry up! You'll be late," shouts the drill master, at the stairs,
I accept my kiss of victory and grab my prize, evidence she cares.
15 I cross the battlefield, as the chariot reaches the front gate,
To take me to another station, where a battle with new learning awaits.

Mohinder Ramnarine



Questions

26. Identify the figures of speech in the following lines

“I throw off my cover, leaving the safety of my fortress,” (line 5)

“It’s a well-calculated attack, like a tiger pouncing on its prey.” (line 7)

(2 marks)

27. How long did the battle with Mr Toothbrush and Mrs Toothpaste last?

(1 mark)

28. Give the meaning of the following words, as used in the poem

“ferocious” (line 4)

“retreating” (line 12)

(2 marks)



29. Suggest two battles the narrator faces every day.

Battle 1 _____

Battle 2 _____

(2 marks)

30. "I accept my kiss of victory and grab my prize, evidence she cares." (line 14)

Explain what is meant by

"victory" _____

"my prize" _____

(2 marks)

31. How does the poem make you feel about the narrator? Give a reason for your answer.

Feeling _____

Reason _____

(2 marks)



32. Suggest a suitable title for the poem. Give a reason for your answer.

Title _____

Reason _____

(2 marks)

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TASK 6 – Graphic

Read the “Notice” on this page and answer questions 33 to 36.

NOTICE

Mountainside PTA invites
all parents and teachers
to a

PTA meeting at the
Mountainside Primary School
on Friday 12th May,
at 3:00 p.m.



Speaker: World famous singer Mr. Wazim Jabari
Topic: The value of music in our children's lives.



Motto: Practise Truth and Perseverance

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Questions: Notice

33. Using details from the notice, fill in the following information.

Who is responsible for the notice?

Who is invited?

(2 marks)

34. Give **two** reasons why the word, 'NOTICE' is written in big, bold, capital letters.

(2 marks)

35. Suggest **two** pieces of information that should be included in the notice.

(2 marks)



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GENERAL NOTE: Question #36 was omitted from the blank copy that's currently circulating. As such, the answer cannot be included. In its place, however, we've provided three possible alternative questions based on the past papers from 2020 to 2023 along with answers.

OPTION 1

36. Suggest two reasons why someone might attend this meeting.

Reason 1 _____

Reason 2 _____

(2 marks)

OPTION 2

36. Name one element on the notice that lets people know what the notice is about. Give one reason for your answer.

Element _____

Reason _____

(2 marks)

OPTION 3

36. Do you think the image of the treble clef and musical note are appropriate for the notice?
Give a reason for your answer.

Reason _____

(2 marks)