

SECTION A

[10 MARKS]

(TIME SUGGESTED: 15 MINUTES)

Answer **all** questions in this paper

The text below is about healthy eating habits.

Question 1

Read the text below. There are grammatical errors in the text. The errors have been underlined for you.

Write one word to correct the error in the space provided. An example has been given. The correct word **must not change the meaning** of the sentence.

<p>Healthy eating habits include having a <u>balance</u> diet that comprises a combination of several different food types. We need to eat food in <u>an</u> right proportions to get all the nutrients our body <u>need</u>. It is about striking a balance, so that there are more of some food types <u>or</u> less of others. For example, fats and oils <u>is</u> important in our diet for various reasons, from absorption of fat-soluble vitamins to providing <u>it</u> with energy. However, we only need a small amount of <u>this</u> compared to fruits and vegetables of which we need a lot. Healthy eating <u>including</u> ensuring our <u>day</u> diet contains fibre-rich foods. We need both insoluble and soluble fibres. The former <u>helped</u> to regulate our bowel function, prevent constipation and <u>keeping</u> our intestine healthy. The latter helps to reduce blood cholesterol levels and regulate blood sugar levels.</p>	<p>e.g. balanced</p> <p>(a) _____</p> <p>(b) _____</p> <p>(c) _____</p> <p>(d) _____</p> <p>(e) _____</p> <p>(f) _____</p> <p>(g) _____</p> <p>(h) _____</p> <p>(i) _____</p> <p>(j) _____</p>
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SECTION B

[30 MARKS]

(Time suggested: 40 minutes)

Question 2

Read the following text. Then, answer questions (a) – (j)

Sarawak is one of two Malaysian states on the island of Borneo. Located in northwest Borneo, Sarawak is bordered by the Malaysian state of Sabah to the northeast, Kalimantan, the Indonesian portion of Borneo, to the south, and the independent country of Brunei in the north. The capital city, Kuching, is the economic centre of the state and seat of the Sarawak state government. Other cities and towns in Sarawak include Miri, Sibu, and Bintulu. As of the 2015 census, the population of Sarawak was 2,636,000. Sarawak has an equatorial climate with tropical rainforests and abundant animal and plant species. It has several prominent cave systems at Gunung Mulu National Park. Rajang River is the longest river in Malaysia; Bakun Dam, one of the largest dams in Southeast Asia, is located on one of its tributaries, the Balui River. Mount Murud is the highest point in Sarawak.

Because of its natural resources, Sarawak specialises in the export of oil and gas, timber and oil palms, but also possesses strong manufacturing, energy and tourism sectors. It is ethnically, culturally, and linguistically diverse; major ethnic groups including Iban, Malay, Chinese, Melanau, Bidayuh and Orang Ulu. English and Malay are the two official languages of the state; there is no official religion.

Adapted from <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sarawak>

Questions (a) - (j)

Using information from the text, complete the following graphic organiser.

Location:

a) _____

Neighbours:

b) Northeast – _____

c) South – _____

d) North – _____

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Natural Resources:

i) _____

j) _____

Well-known for:

e) _____ at Gunung Mulu

f) Rajang River is the _____ in Malaysia

g) Bakun Dam is located at the _____

h) Highest place is at _____

[10 Marks]

Question 3

Read the poster below. Then, answer questions (a) – (j)

MALAYSIA TRAVEL BROCHURE
SUNRISE BEACH White sandy beaches, crystal clear blue sea, swaying palm trees and cool sea breeze. It is a great place for many seaside activities – swimming, snorkeling or beach volleyball. You can build sandcastles, collect seashells, or simply bask in the sun.
PANDA SECRET FOREST Home of Malaysia's very own giant pandas, Bai Bai and Kia Kia. Located at the Yangtze River Zone at Zoo Negara, the wondrous forest is specially designed and landscaped to stimulate the natural habitat of the giant pandas in the rugged highlands of China.
AQEEL WATERFALL Visiting a waterfall, especially on a hot sultry day, can be a relaxing way to spend your holiday. Experience the refreshing, cool, crystal clear waters. Enjoy the natural lush greenery of the jungle and listen to the soothing sounds of the waterfall.
LEGOLAND MALAYSIA RESORT Join us in the fun world of Lego. It brings together a LEGOLAND Park and Water Park. It is located at Nusajaya, Johor. A unique family resort that will whisk you away into the colourful world of Lego. There are 70 hands-on ride, slides, and shows. There is also a MINILAND where the children are the heroes.
ADNIN'S FAMILY CIRCUS The circus comes to town! Come one, come all! Come big and small! Be awed by the elephants, tigers and horses performing amazing tricks. Laugh till your sides ache with our bumbling clowns as they roll and tumble together. The aerial stunts of our trapeze artists will leave you breathless.

Question (a) – (d):

Based on the poster, state whether the following statements are **TRUE** or **FALSE**.

- (a) Snorkeling is a beach activity. _____ [1 mark]
(b) The giant pandas originate from Malaysia. _____ [1 mark]
(c) The water at the waterfall is only clear during the holidays. _____ [1 mark]
(d) Only children are allowed to watch the circus. _____ [1 mark]

Question (e) – (i):

Read the brochure carefully and answer the questions below.

- (e) Which animal can you find at the Yangtze River Zone?
_____ [1 mark]

- (f) Why would you be laughing at the clowns?

_____ [1 mark]

- (g) Fill in the table with an appropriate word from the brochure.

Meaning	Word
i. be impressed with something	[1 mark]
ii. thick	[1 mark]

- (h) Why do you think the word 'rugged' is used to describe the highlands of China?

_____ [1 mark]

- (i) Why do you think the children in LEGOLAND are considered the heroes?

_____ [1 mark]

- (j) You plan to spend your holidays with your cousin. In about 50 words, write a postcard to your cousin.

In your postcard:

- state the place you plan to go
- encourage him/her to join you
- give reasons to support your choice
- add other relevant information to make your writing interesting

[illegible]

[10 marks]

SECTION C
(20marks)
(Timesuggested: 20 minutes)

Question 4

Read the text below

The Tree and the Travellers

Once, there was a huge tree with a broad trunk and innumerable branches right in the middle of a dry land. The tree gave rest and shelter to hundreds and thousands of travelers. Being located near four towns, and many villages, the tree was an ideal meeting point for travelers.

One day, two travelers reached the tree after a long time of walking. Their destination was one of the towns nearby. It was a hot and sunny day, and the travelers were very happy to take a rest under the tree. Exhausted, they slumped under the tree. They slept for a while, enjoying the cool shade and the soft breeze.

After a while, one of the travelers got hungry. They had no food with them. The hungry traveler looked up at the tree, to see if there was any fruit. Finding none, he began to curse the tree. "Oh, this is just a useless tree and it has nothing to feed us, not even a fruit or even nuts!"

The other traveler comforted him and asked him to stay cool. However, the hungry man continuing cursing the tree.

The tree, which could not tolerate the cursing words of the traveler, said in a sad yet strong voice, "You can't be so ungrateful to me. Just think of your condition when you reached here in the hot and dry sun! I offered you a cool and comfortable place to rest and sleep with a soothing breeze. If I was not here, you would have died now! I saved your life from the hot sun, but you humiliate me!"

The traveler realized his mistake and apologized to the tree. **Be grateful for your blessings.**

Adapted from : <http://www.kidsworldfun.com/shortstories>

Read the text carefully and answer questions (a) - (k).

(a) Where was the location of the huge tree?

_____ [1 mark]

(b) Who would use the tree as shelter?

_____ [1 mark]

(c) What did the two travellers do under the tree?

_____ [1 mark]

(d) Why did the man cursed at the tree?

_____ [1 mark]

(e) Fill in the table with an appropriate word from the text.

Meaning	Word
i) countless	
ii) fatigue	
iii) of no use	
iv) put down/shame	

[4 marks]

(f) How did the tree react to the cursing?

_____ [1 mark]

(g) What did the tree offered to the two travellers?

i) _____ [1 mark]

ii) _____ [1 mark]

(h) Why is it important to remain calm at all times? Give a reason.

_____ [2 marks]

(i) Give one moral value you have learnt from this story. Why do you think it is important?

_____ [2 marks]

[15 marks]

Question 5

Read the poem below carefully. Then, answer the questions (a) – (d).

Poisoned Talk

by Raymond Wilson

Who killed cock robin?
I, said the worm,
I did him great harm.
He died on the branch of a withered tree
From the acid soil that poisoned me.

Who killed the heron?
I, mouthed the fish,
With my tainted flesh
I killed tern, duck and drake,
All the birds of the lake.

Who killed the lake?
I, boasted Industry,
I poisoned with mercury
Fish, plant and weed
To pamper mens' greed.

Who killed the flowers?
I, moaned the wind,
I prowled unconfined,
Blowing acid rain
Over field, flood and fen.

Who killed the forest?
I ensured that it died,
Said sulphur dioxide.
And all life within it,
From earthworm to linnet.

(a) Where did cock robin die?

[1 mark]

(b) Apart from killing the heron, what else did the fish kill?

[1 mark]

(c) Why did industry poison the lake?

[1 mark]

(d) Do you think Industry feels guilty for killing the lake? Give a reason.

[2 marks]

SECTION D

40 MARKS

(Time suggested: 45 minutes)

Question 6

You should spend **30 minutes** on this question.

You have been asked to give a talk to encourage your fellow classmates to join clubs and societies. Use the notes below to help you write your talk.

Benefits of joining a club or society:

- meet new people
- lead a healthy lifestyle
- enrich your life
- make you a well-rounded person

When writing out your **talk**:

- you **may** use the notes given
- suggest **one** other benefit of joining a club or society
- add any other relevant information
- write **between 120 and 150 words**

Lined area for writing, consisting of multiple horizontal lines.

[30 marks]

Question 7

You should spend **15 minutes** on this question.

The following are the novels studied in the Literature Component in English Language.

1. The Elephant Man - Tim Vicary
2. Moby Dick - Herman Melville
3. We Didn't Mean to Go to Sea - Arthur Ransome

Based on one of the novels above, write about one lesson you have learnt from the novel. Provide evidence from the text to support your response.

Write:

- in not less than 50 words
- in continuous writing (not in note form)

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[10 marks]