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ENGLISH

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STUDENT'S NAME:

Read the instructions on the **ANSWER SHEET** and fill in your **NAME, SCHOOL** and **OTHER INFORMATION**.

Use a pencil. Do **NOT** use a coloured pencil or a pen.

Rub out any mistakes completely.

You **MUST** record your answers on the **ANSWER SHEET**.

Mark only **ONE** answer for each question.

Your score will be the number of correct answers.

Marks are **NOT** deducted for incorrect answers.

Use the information provided to choose the **BEST** answer from the four possible options.

On your **ANSWER SHEET** fill in the oval that matches your answer.

Questions may sometimes be placed next to each other. Make sure you read **ACROSS** the page and answer the questions in the correct order.

You are **NOT** allowed to use a dictionary or an electronic translator.

Read the text and answer the questions that follow.

Tom's morning

The alarm clock buzzed and Tom jumped out of bed. He had been looking forward to the School Sports Day for a long time. Now it had finally arrived.





1. What is Tom doing in the picture?
(A) opening the curtains
(B) drinking some juice
(C) jumping on his bed
(D) stretching his arms
2. Which option correctly matches the object with its location in the picture?

	Object	Location
(A)	jeans	bed
(B)	cap	window sill
(C)	watch	drawer
(D)	packet of juice	bedside table

3. The word 'finally', as it is used in the text, means
(A) lastly.
(B) for ever.
(C) at long last.
(D) in conclusion.



4. Which of these is a sound?
(A) 'buzzed'
(B) 'jumped'
(C) 'looking'
(D) 'arrived'

For question 5 choose the CORRECT option to complete the sentence.

5. I love to _____ photographs.
(A) taken
(B) take
(C) takes
(D) taking

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Malaysia	Standard 2
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New Zealand/Pacific³	Year 3
Singapore	Primary 1
Southern Africa⁴	Grade 2

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PRACTICE ANSWER

The practice question is on the back cover of the test booklet.



USE A PENCIL to fill in the correct oval.

(A)

(B)

(C)

(D)

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The answer is on. You should have filled in the oval (B).

START

1 (A) (B) (C) (D)

2 (A) (B) (C) (D)

3 (A) (B) (C) (D)

4 (A) (B) (C) (D)

5 (A) (B) (C) (D)

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QUESTION	KEY	KEY REASONING	AREA	LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY
1	D	Identify a character's action in a visual text with a short introduction	TC	Easy
2	A	Locate an object in a visual text with a short introduction	TC	Medium
3	C	Interpret the meaning of a word in a visual text with a short introduction: finally	VOC	Medium/Hard
4	A	Identify a sound in a visual text with a short introduction	WC	Easy/Medium
5	B	Identify the correct verb to complete the sentence	SYN	Easy

LEGEND

Area refers to the particular curriculum area or strand assessed by the question.

TC Text comprehension	questions which require students to comprehend information provided in the text as well as to interpret the information and use it to make inferences and predictions
WC Writer's craft	questions which require students to focus on the techniques, devices and choices that writers make to create an effect on the reader
SYN Syntax	questions about accuracy and clarity within sentences or texts (e.g. pronoun reference, tense) and the recognition of grammatical terms (e.g. noun, main clause)
VOC Vocabulary	questions about the meaning of words or phrases

Level of difficulty refers to the expected level of difficulty for the question.

Easy	more than 70% of candidates will choose the correct option
Medium	about 50–70% of candidates will choose the correct option
Medium/Hard	about 30–50% of candidates will choose the correct option
Hard	less than 30% of candidates will choose the correct option

