

ANSWERS

Unit 1 Family Ties

Reading

A.

1. It is due to their other Malaysian friends who are there as well and with whom they have formed a close bond with.
2. His final exams are scheduled around the same time.
3. i. Recite the Eid takbir
ii. Perform the Eid prayer
4. He felt that the Embassy was doing a great job by hosting activities that brought the Malaysian community together and was greatly appreciative of it.
5. (Accept suitable answers) I would host a pot luck lunch or dinner and invite my Malaysian and non-Malaysian friends to celebrate with me.

B.

1. (a) ✓
(b) ✓
(c) ✗
(d) ✗
(e) ✗
(f) ✓
2. (a) hard
(b) lucky
(c) free

C.

(suggested answer)

To:	yongseng@123mail.com
Subject:	Chinese New Year in London
Dear mum and dad, Hope you are all fine in Malaysia. Is it very hot there? It usually is around Chinese New Year. It is totally different here. It's very cold. Don't worry, I bundle up warmly when I go outdoors. My housemates and I hosted a Chinese New Year's Eve dinner last night. We made all the dishes that we would usually have for the reunion dinner. We invited some of our foreign classmates over. We had fun and they loved the food. After dinner, we played Chinese New Year charades. It was a blast. Today is the first day of Chinese New Year. We will be going to the Malaysian Embassy in an hour's time. The Embassy is hosting a Chinese New Year open house. So, we're really excited to participate and meet new friends there. I will write and tell you more about it later. Going to catch the tube now. Take care! <i>Li Mei</i>	

Vocabulary

A.

1. d
2. c
3. e
4. a
5. b

B.

1. a chip off the old block
2. spitting image
3. following in my uncle's footsteps
4. runs in my family
5. skeletons in her closet

Grammar

A.

1. is getting
2. puts
3. wears
4. waits
5. is coming
6. hear
7. is approaching
8. gets
9. gives
10. are

B.

1. information (U)
2. advice (U)
3. wait staff (C)
4. photo (C)
5. traffic (U)
6. guests (C)
7. seats (C)
8. cousin (C)
9. article (C)
10. time (U)
11. suitcases (C)
12. laughter (U)

Listening and Speaking

Listening

1. False
2. True
3. True
4. True
5. True
6. False

Speaking (Accept suitable answers)

Caught in between / Disruptive / Stressful / Traumatic / Counselling / Arguments

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Unit 2 Food, Food, Food!

Reading

1. a food processor
2. evenly blended
3. four patties
4. pan, golden
5. in between sliced burger buns
6. sweet

Vocabulary

A.

1. toast
2. bitter
3. stir-fry
4. To-fu
5. gooey
6. piping
7. nutrition
8. chips
9. nibbled
10. scrumptious

B.

1. N
2. V
3. A
4. N
5. A
6. A
7. V
8. V
9. N
10. A

Grammar

A.

1. was preparing
2. was having
3. was baking
4. Did, make
5. ordered
6. were eating, delivered
7. served
8. was putting, started

B.

1. didn't use to
2. used to
3. used to
4. use to
5. didn't use to

C.

1. used to
2. used to
3. get used to
4. get used to
5. used to
6. used to
7. get used to
8. used to

Writing

A.

(Suggested answer)

1. Geeno's
2. Paradise Mall
3. Saturday, 6 March 2021
4. Popular/Younger crowd/ Cosy
5. Italian
6. Brick oven pizza
7. To die for/melted in our mouths
8. Affordable
9. Wait staff: Quick, polite, smile on faces
10. Enjoyed/ Will be back again

B.

(suggested answer)

Geeno's Restaurant Review

My friends and I decided to try out a new Italian restaurant called Geeno's. It was conveniently located in Paradise Mall. It was fairly busy when we arrived. The place seemed popular with the younger crowd. The ambiance was cosy and comfortable with small lamps on each table covered with a red and white checkered cloth. The menu was purely Italian with a variety of pizza and pasta choices. We ordered an extra large pepperoni pizza with extra cheese, and a big enough to share ravioli pasta with feta cheese. For drinks, we had Coke.

The food came within 15 minutes. The brick oven pizza was to die for and the pasta was al-dente and melted in our mouths. The total bill came up to RM 88 which was not bad at all. The wait staff were quick, polite and always had a ready smile on their faces. I give Geeno's four out of five stars. We enjoyed our meal and will be definitely back for more.

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Unit 3 The Wonders of Nature

Reading

A.

1. Wind, solar, biomass
2. harnessed by forcing water
3. generate electricity
4. (a) renewable
(b) contraption
5. (*Accept suitable answers*) It has zero emissions and causes little or no pollution.
6. (*Accept suitable answers*) Inexhaustible/Clean/Creates Job opportunities

B.

1. in
2. of
3. or
4. is
5. its
6. grazed
7. by
8. making
9. edges
10. tourists
11. people
12. wish

Grammar

A.

1. have written
2. have been waiting
3. has been meaning
4. have been hunting
5. has, given
6. have bought
7. has been
8. has been trekking

B.

1. since
2. since
3. since
4. for
5. for
6. since
7. for
8. since

Writing

A.

1. went diving with the sharks
2. travelling around the USA
3. Shark Dives
4. a diving license to do this activity
5. speedboat
6. polyglass cage
7. into a whole new world
8. several sharks
9. terrifying
10. some photos
11. waving
12. when I get back

B.

(*suggested answer*)

45, Jalan Makmur,
Taman Cinta,
67500, Petaling Jaya,
Selangor.

Dear Ai Hui,
How was your flight back home? Hope it was smooth one. I received your letter about a week ago. Loved your photos. I can't imagine myself diving with the sharks. I'd be scared stiff.

Well, I had fun as well during the holiday. I didn't travel anywhere this year as my dad had to work. However, my cousins and I signed up as volunteers for a 'Clean Our River' campaign. Do you remember the river near the hills? It used to be a very lovely picnic area a while back. But, lately, errant visitors have spoiled its loveliness by throwing rubbish into the river after enjoying their picnic. So, certain areas of the river have been blocked by rubbish and there was a stench coming from it.

The campaign called for volunteers to help clean the river over the course of a week. So, everyday, for a week, my cousins and I helped to pick up the trash and what-nots from the river. It was hard work but the end product was satisfying. After a week of cleaning, the waters of the river can now run smoothly. The authorities have also put a signboard stating that anyone caught littering the river will be fined.

I've got to pen-off now. Mom needs help in the kitchen. Let's take a stroll along the river when time permits.

Your friend,
Maui

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Unit 4 Special Relationships

Vocabulary

A.

1. aware of
2. proud of
3. capable of
4. blessed with
5. confronted with
6. popular with
7. thankful for
8. ready for
9. respect for
10. close to
11. addicted to
12. allergic to

B.

1. blessed with
2. allergic to
3. confronted with
4. aware of
5. respect for

C.

1. write down
2. brought up
3. broke down
4. drop by
5. looking forward

Listening and Speaking

Listening

1. B
2. A
3. C
4. B
5. A
6. B

Speaking

(Students' Answer)

Writing

(Suggested answer)

It was sunny afternoon. Julie and her dog, Bobo, were enjoying their stroll by the pond. They had the whole place to themselves. Julie picked up a stick and threw it for Bobo to catch. Bobo yapped delightedly and ran to fetch the stick.

Julie was about to pick up another stick when she saw something shiny in the pond. Julie thought that the pond was shallow and walked carefully into it. She tried to use a stick to pull the shiny object towards her. In doing so, she lost her balance and fell into the pond with a big splash.

She was astonished to find that the pond was deeper than she had thought. She flailed wildly as she could not swim. Then, she pulled herself together and tried to float. She called out to Bobo. He saw his beloved mistress in danger.

Bobo jumped into the pond immediately and paddled to where Julie was struggling. Julie grabbed onto Bobo who paddled his way back to the bank. Julie was glad that Bobo was around. He had saved her from drowning.

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Unit 5 A Place to Call Home

Reading

A.

- Kompleks Budaya Craft Centre
 - National Art Gallery
- B
- Tourists can move around the city by using the KL Hop On and Hop Off Bus, walk or they could hail a taxi or Grab cab to get to their destination.
- I would book a room at the Chic Boutique Hotel as there is a Monorail Station nearby. It'll be easy for me to get around. Also, there are hawker stalls nearby and it's located near the shopping district.
- Aquaria
 - Malaysia Tourist Information Centre (MATIC)

B.

- medical care
- personal care
- elderly
- disabled
- rehabilitative care
- nursing home cleanliness
- facilities and recreational activities offered
- qualification of caregivers

Listening

A.

- C
- A
- D
- C

B.

- ruptured
- abdomen
- stubborn
- inform

Speaking

(Accept suitable answers)

- City life – fast paced / exciting / busy
Country life – less stressful / slow / relaxed
- Advantages:
City Life – job opportunities/ better amenities/ education opportunities
Country Life – closer to nature / fresher air / friendlier people
Disadvantages
City Life – safety issues / hectic/ polluted
Country Life – lesser job opportunities / lesser education opportunities/ lesser amenities

Writing

A.

- the last few weeks
- getting it homey
- house-warming
- showing off
- video games
- Can you make it

B.

(Suggested Answer)

Hi Vitish,

Thank you for the invitation. Hmm, 15 December huh? I'm free then so I should be able to make it. I can't wait to see your new room. From the pictures you sent in our chat messages, it looks cool. I'm green with envy!

I'll ask my parents for permission and I will write to you again to let you know!

ANSWERS

Unit 6 Ready, Steady, Go!

Reading

1. water
2. lakes, rivers or the sea
3. Relatively easy
4. beautiful outdoor scenery
5. surfboard and paddle
6. small boat and double-sided paddles
7. less stable
8. more stable
9. fuller-body workout
10. arms, shoulders and back

Vocabulary

A.

1. field sports
2. Summer Olympics
3. break the record
4. platform
5. bullseye
6. Zorbing
7. safety equipment
8. dribbled

B.

1. flexible (Adj)
2. circulation (N)

3. cheerfully (Adv)
4. persuade (V)
5. approvingly (Adv)
6. variety (N)
7. deep (Adj)
8. accepted (V)

Grammar

A.

1. coach gets angry
2. If it rains later
3. If you don't drink enough water
4. if I'm too tired
5. you can't concentrate
6. I feel suffocated
7. you need to wear a safety harness
8. he scores a point for his team

B.

1. 1st
2. 2nd
3. 2nd
4. 2nd
5. 1st
6. 1st
7. 2nd
8. 2nd

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Unit 7 Extreme Situations

Vocabulary

A.

1. ill-fated
2. crashed
3. sole
4. strapped
5. battered
6. collarbone
7. trekked
8. drained
9. infested
10. first-aid
11. gasoline
12. air-lifted

B.

1. boarded
2. gash
3. lumberjacks

C.

1. The swimmer had to swim against the strong currents as he struggled to get to shore.
2. "When I count to 3, jump off the plane," said my skydiving instructor.
3. The hikers had to trudge through the thick vegetation to get to the river.
4. The all-terrain vehicle (ATV) zoomed across the sandy desert effortlessly.

Grammar

A.

1. had eaten
2. had been sleeping
3. had lost
4. had been driving
5. had bandaged
6. had, set

B.

1. isn't it
2. have
3. will they
4. shouldn't we
5. were

C.

1. Who was taken to the hospital?
2. Where was Jacques?
3. What damaged lots of properties in the area?
4. How did they transport the infected to the hospital?
5. When were the flood victims rescued?

Listening

1. rainy
2. Thai Cave Rescue
3. Chiang Rai, Thailand
4. four
5. hospital
6. to be evaluated and observed

Speaking

(Accept suitable answers)

1. Emergency survival kit/pack
2. Yes, it is wise to have such things ready.
3. So that they can move to safety immediately without wasting a single minute. /So that they know what to do in the event of an emergency.
4. Exercise daily at home, eat healthily, take care of my hygiene and think positive thoughts.

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Unit 8 Time to Spare

Reading

- (a) trend
(b) relies
(c) instil
- (a) This is due to the fact that it incorporates physical activity in video gaming.
(b) A review in 2014 found a strong correlation between exergaming and increased energy expenditure.
(c) I think it is because exercising can be boring. It is also repetitive and like doing chores, it can get us messy and sweaty.
(d) Yes, I believe it is a way to spend spare time wisely as exergaming gets us up and exercising. However, it may get addictive especially if it is fun. Therefore, there is need for balance and we should only spend a certain amount of time on the game screen.

Vocabulary

A.

- watch a movie
- spending time with her family
- surfing the net
- play video games
- walking in the park
- listening to music
- exercising
- gardening

B.

- a
- a
- b
- a
- b

Writing

A.

- Despite
- by
- however
- On the contrary
- Finally
- unlike
- Due to

B.

(Suggested Answer)

<p>Hi Nat,</p> <p>Last Monday was a swirl of activities. That's when we Malaysians, celebrate our National Day. It's on the 31st of August every year. My family and I went to Putrajaya to watch the celebration. Lots of people attended despite the gloomy weather..</p> <p>It started with a speech by our Prime Minister. Then, a march past by the soldiers and a band. This was followed by troupes of dancers performing traditional dances. Finally, there was a flypast by the Royal Malaysian Air force jets across the sky. It was a proud feeling for me to be part of it.</p> <p>Hope you like the postcard which is a photo of Malaysia's National Day celebrations.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Sujatha</i></p>	<p>Natasha White, 726, Anne St. Lilydale, 3140. Victoria, Australia</p>
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Parts of a postcard:

- stamp
- recipient's address
- greeting
- body
- closing
- sender's name

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Unit 9 High-Tech World

Grammar

A.

1. A new app has been installed on the computer by Eng Leong.
2. The washing machine has not been repaired by father.
3. The swimmers were rescued by the drone.
4. Coding is taught by Kim at the IT Center.
5. The bomb is being disarmed by the robot remotely.
6. The patient will not be examined by the doctor with an ultrasound machine.

B.

1. with
2. by
3. by
4. with
5. by
6. by
7. with
8. by

Listening and Speaking

A.

1. line of tablet computers, portable and smaller than a laptop
2. Wi-Fi connectivity
3. trackpads and keyboards
4. 9.7 inches
5. the home screen

B.

Paragraph 1 → b/ Paragraph 2 → a/ Paragraph 3 → c

Speaking

(Accept suitable answers)

1. Students' answers
2. Students' answers
3. It is the compulsive use of mobile devices.
4. Students' answers
5. Students' answers
6. Anxiety/ Urge to check for messages or updates on phone, sleep deprivation/ loss of interest in other activities, blurry vision etc.

Writing

A.

1. prefer using
2. in demand
3. very simple
4. withdraw, keying
5. being developed

B.

(suggested answer)

Good morning honourable judges, teachers and friends.

Today, I would like to talk about using the internet wisely. As we know, the internet has many uses. People of all ages use it daily. Some look for information, others seek to connect with friends and some use it to run their online businesses. However, there is danger lurking in cyberspace. Hence, we must learn to use the internet wisely.

The most important factor is to keep your personal information private. Do not share your address, ID number or phone number with anyone online. Keep your data and social media account password protected so that no one can easily access them.

Next, post mindfully. A simple rule is to think before you share. Do not post photos that are private. Also, never be unkind or malicious to anyone online. Refrain from posting negative subjects or points of view.

In a nutshell, the internet has made our lives easy and more efficient. Most of us spend a fair amount of time online. So, remember, it is our responsibility to use the internet wisely for the good of all.

Thank you.

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Unit 10 That's Entertainment

Reading

A.

1. As a child, Winfrey entertained herself by 'playacting'.
2. ...she learned to read at two and a half years old.
3. ... Winfrey skipped kindergarten after writing a note to her teacher on the first day of school saying she belonged in the first grade.
4. Winfrey was sent north to join her mother and two half-brothers in a Milwaukee ghetto, an extremely poor and dangerous neighborhood.
5. She knew then she wanted to be paid to talk.

B.

1. isolated
2. playacting
3. congregation
4. ghetto
5. skyrocketed
6. artistic

C.

1. In addition
2. Initially
3. However
4. Eventually
5. Moreover
6. As a result

Vocabulary

A.

1. C
2. B
3. B
4. C
5. A
6. A

B.

1. him, hymn
2. our, hour
3. Where, wear
4. bazaar, bizarre
5. band, banned

C.

1. act out
2. blown away
3. backed out
4. belted out
5. cracked up
6. fill in

Grammar

A.

1. Gareth said that he would audition for the play.
2. The host announced that the show would start shortly.
3. My teacher asked me if I had seen the Egyptian exhibition.
4. The actor declared that he had won the Best Actor Award.
5. Tanya told Maria that the movie was boring.
6. Karim and Udin said that they had band practice the day before.

B.

1. Kiki said, "I'll be having rehearsals tomorrow."
2. "I'll pay you back for the tickets," promised Leong.
3. Mei and Ruby asked, "Have you all finished your choir practice yet?"
4. "You should be on time," Will advised me.
5. "What time did the bus leave?" asked Tim.
6. "Do you have tickets for the show?" asked the usher.

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Unit 11 Lessons to Learn

Reading

A.

1. It means that a teacher focuses on teaching a single student at each time.
2. Answer: No, they don't.
Sentence: It was heart-breaking to see parents struggling with their special needs children at regular school.
3. (*Accept suitable answers*) Yes, it will. These children may have some issues in concentration or are a little slow in learning. A little extra attention may just be the thing that will help them to excel and gain confidence in their academics and daily lives. Hence, the saying, 'A little goes a long way.'

(*Accept suitable answers*)

Survey Findings: Two activities to be carried out during Lee Chong's Wei visit to our school

Introduction

The report shows the results of a survey conducted on 3 April 2021. The aim of the survey was to allow students and teachers to make suggestions for two suitable activities to be carried out with Lee Chong Wei during his visit to the school. A total of 75 students and 15 teachers took part in the survey.

Activity 1

The majority of those surveyed think that it would be fun and informative to conduct an informal interview with Lee Chong Wei. They feel that not much is known about him, so an interview would be a good way to learn more about him. A suitable venue suggested for the interview is the school hall. This is so that all students of the school will be able to participate in the event.

Activity 2

Another popular suggestion is to conduct a badminton workshop. In the workshop, Lee Chong Wei could demonstrate badminton techniques that are important to those who love the game. He could also give tips on how to improve one's gameplay. This could be done in the hall or at the badminton court.

Conclusion

To sum up, the main suggestions are to conduct an informal interview and to carry out a badminton workshop with Lee Chong Wei.

Grammar

A.

1. makes
2. made
3. will make

B.

1. let
2. got
3. have
4. made
5. helps

C.

1. I got my hair cut at the barber's.
2. Johan had the mechanic fix his car.
3. My sister let me drive her new sports car.
4. Daniel's mother made him apologize to the waiter.
5. The manager had his secretary scan the documents.

D.

1. talking
2. to speak
3. helping
4. to volunteer
5. to teach
6. visiting

Listening and Speaking

Listening

A.

1. experience foreign cultures
2. Communicative English
3. English Holiday Programme
4. Listening, Speaking, Vocabulary, Grammar, Reading and Writing
5. use English fluently, effectively and confidently
6. Mondays to Fridays

Speaking

1. hard to read accurately and fluently
2. attention deficit hyperactivity disorder
3. learning disabilities
4. Writing a simple word is a challenge for them
5. learning difficulty in math

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Non-Textbook Based Lessons

NTBL 1

(SoW: Lesson 10)

A.

(Accept suitable answers)

1. little match girl
2. poor
3. ill-fitting
4. suffering/shivering
5. starving
6. miserable
7. drawn
8. aromatic

B.

(Accept suitable answers)

hungry, forlorn, miserable, tired

C.

1. He was being sarcastic as the shoe was enormous in size.
2. She was too hungry and the delicious aroma of the roasting goose caught her attention.

NTBL 2

(SoW: Lesson 20)

1. Mr. Chandler is a pretentious man. From sentence 1, we can see that he takes great pleasure in showing off his 'luxurious lifestyle' to Marian.
2. i. Mr. Chandler is a very vain man as he likes dressing up.
ii. Mr. Chandler has no time for actual work as he spends his days busily entertaining himself and his friends.
3. Perhaps during dinner, the actions of Mr. Chandler had proven that her initial thoughts of him were wrong. Instead of being a kind and humble man, he seemed to be the opposite.
4. It tells us that Mr. Chandler had probably lied to Marian about his true self.

NTBL 3

(SoW: Lesson 40)

A.

1. (a) Ahab was kind to him.
(b) Ahab probably saved Pip's life in an earlier episode.
2. (a) A hallucination/ A dream
(b) It was something bad. Because Ahab appeared to be petrified by it.
(c) Dying.
3. Revenge – Ahab wanted to kill Moby Dick for taking his leg.
4. Extract 1 – Kind/ Extract 2 – Terrified and crazy/ Extract 3 – Angry and vengeful

B.

In the story, Captain Ahab, the captain of the Pequod was hell-bent on hunting down Moby Dick whom he referred to as the white whale. The relationship was a volatile one. Ahab wanted to kill Moby Dick as the whale had bitten off his leg. Ahab forced his crew to support him on this suicidal mission. When Ahab spotted Moby Dick, he threw all

caution to the wind. All he thought about was his hate for the whale and the enormous weight of revenge he wanted to take on the whale. As a result, Ahab was dragged down by Moby Dick to the depths of the ocean and perished.

NTBL 4

(SoW: Lesson 50)

A.

1. Proud/pleased
2. Shocked/surprised/flabbergasted
3. Unconvinced/disbelief
4. Pleased/proud/supportive
5. Pessimistic (seeing only the worst side of things)/ nitpicking
6. Defensive/disappointed (at his father's reaction)

B.

(Students' answers)

NTBL 5

(SoW: Lesson 61)

1. Point of View – 3rd person
Dialogue – Wood speaking
Alliteration – basketball on broomsticks
Imagery - ...he dived downwards....
Narrative – He opened the crate
2. Simile – like basketball on broomsticks
Onomatopoeia – Wham!
3. Literary devices are used to make the story more interesting. They provide in depth details to certain aspects of the story and allow the reader(s) to have a better understanding of the story.
4. Metaphors, personification, anaphora etc.

NTBL 6

(SoW: Lesson 71)

A.

1. animals
2. lake
3. killed
4. acid
5. poisoned
6. man's ignorance
7. care
8. selfish actions
9. pollution
10. rivers
11. public transportation
12. toxic

B.

The poem reveals to us how man is endangering the environment with their callous acts. It is a wake-up call for us to take steps to protect the environment before it is destroyed forever.

NTBL 7

(SoW: Lesson 91)

A.

1. Both the buffalo and the bulldozer are used for farming.
2. The bulldozer.
3. Construction

B.

1. They were going about their daily lives when the bulldozers came.
2. (a) Forests are destroyed to make way for development.
(b) We cannot avoid changes in our everyday lives.
(c) In this age, modern inventions make tasks easier and more efficient.
3. a, b, d

C.

(Students's answers)

NTBL 8

(SoW: Lesson 101)

Task 1 (Students' Answer)

Task 2 (Students' Answer)

NTBL 9

(SoW: Lesson 108)

A.

1. Merrick's left hand was like a young woman's. His back was riddled with bags of old skin and he had an enormous foot.
2. 'I' could not decipher what Merrick was trying to say. It was muffled and unclear.
3. (a) 'Good morning, Mr. Merrick,' I said.
(b) 'His left hand was like a young woman's but his back, under the coat was horrible.'
(c) 'like a young woman's'

B.

(Students' answer)

NTBL 10

1. The school hall. The headmaster was getting ready to announce the winner of the short story competition.
2. The suitable theme here is being judgemental. Lynne had formed an opinion of Geoff being a copy cat. She did not seek out Geoff's side of the story to prove whether her suspicions were right or wrong.
3. Honesty is evident here. Geoff confessed to Mr. Velos that he might have cheated in the short story competition and asked to be disqualified.
4. (i) He is fair as he reverses his decision about the winner of the short story competition based on what he had found out.
(ii) He is reasonable. He does not disqualify Geoff as he felt that Geoff's story wasn't a carbon copy of William Bradburie's story.

NTBL 11

A.

1. (paraphrase) The poet questions the parents as to whether they have thought about the harm that the television is doing to their child. He proceeds to give a vivid explanation and says that it damages the sense and kills imagination. It clogs up the mind making the child dull and unable to think. Children get confused between reality and fantasy when watching television programmes. Their brains become mush and their powers of deduction cease to exist.
2. Repetition – It, It, It, His, His/ Simile – as soft as cheese/ Rhyming words – head/dead, mind/blind
3. Yes, to an extent. If we watch the telly for too long a time, it may dull our senses. Sometimes, programmes on the telly aren't very suitable for us and thus rots our mind.

B.

(Students' answers)

NTBL 12

A.

1. (a) Five stanzas
(b) A quatrain
2. (a) The poem is about the persona's father whom the persona sees as his hero. This is because he is courageous and is not of afraid of virtually anything.
(b) We all have our weaknesses. This is the same for the persona's father. He isn't afraid to face ghosts, monsters and even the darkness, yet he is afraid of a small tiny spider.
3. (a) The language style used is direct, simple and easy to understand.
(b) It is very much a child's vocabulary with shortened words like 'em' and colloquial phrases like 'not on your Nelly!'

B.

(Students's answer)

NTBL 13

A.

1. Switzerland
2. Six members
3. On the ship, on a makeshift vessel and on an island.
4. Even though they were frightened and wanted to save themselves, they shouldn't have abandoned their passengers. It was selfish of them to do so.
5. (a) Inventive and resourceful – Able to construct a vessel from tubs and barrels.
(b) Cooperative – They worked together to construct the vessel.

B.

(Students' answer)

NTBL 14

A.

1. Three lines each.
2. It's a Japanese poem with three lines of five, seven and five syllables.
3. Nature/The natural world/Animals and insects.
4. (a) It became noisy when the frog jumped into it. When the ripples from the splash slowed down, it became silent again.
(b) In a paddy field.
(c) Wet as it was a rainy day.
(d) It was buzzing loudly.

B.

(Students' answer)

NTBL 15

A.

1. (a) sunset
(b) sunburn
(c) brick
(d) embarrassment
(e) fire-engine

2.

Positive Symbolism	Line(s) from the poem	Negative Symbolism	Line(s) from the poem
(a) Courage	Red is feeling brave	(c) Anger	And when you're angry Red runs through your head.
(b) Love	Red is Valentine	(d) Show off	Red is a show off

B.

*(Students' answer)***NTBL 16**

A.

(Students' Answers)

B.

Moral Lesson	Fable
1. Slow and steady wins the race	The Hare and the Tortoise
2. Be happy with what you have	The Dog and his reflection
3. Look before you leap	The Fox and the Goat
4. Misfortune tests the sincerity of friends	The Bear and the Two travellers
5. Those who lie often will not be believed even when they tell the truth.	The Boy who cried wolf
6. One should lead by example	The Mother Crab and the Baby Crab

ANSWERS

PT3-Format Practices

READING

SHORT TEXTS (MCQs)

Practice 1

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

Practice 2

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

Practice 3

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

ERROR CORRECTION

Practice 1

1. it
2. and
3. There
4. dentist's
5. The
6. into
7. gripped
8. for

Practice 2

1. safeguard
2. This
3. students
4. who
5. on/along
6. and
7. As
8. It

Practice 3

1. and
2. thrown
3. becomes
4. or
5. in
6. which

7. In
8. However

Practice 4

1. when
2. your
3. This
4. it
5. to
6. and
7. any
8. to

INFORMATION TRANSFER

Practice 1

1. Perak
2. an hour's drive
3. 1876
4. tin mining
5. continuous rainfall
6. century-old raintrees
7. oldest hill resort
8. night safari

Practice 2

1. ingredients ready
2. into a bowl
3. Stir the ingredients
4. all around
5. greased pan
6. drumsticks
7. at 180 °C
8. Turn over

Practice 3

1. Apollo 13
2. James Lovell
3. Fred Haise
4. Jack Swigert
5. 11 April, 1970
6. Oxygen tank exploded
7. Lunar module 'Aquarius'
8. Pacific Ocean

Practice 4

1. ingredients
2. soup mix
3. the cubed chicken
4. for two minutes
5. into a bowl
6. fried egg
7. dash of pepper
8. as soon as

SHORT ANSWERS

Practice 1

1. Chemistry
2. in the distance
3. long mournful sound
4. respectable
5. deserted
6. the verandah

7. a little girl
8. raised her hand
9. decapitated
10. sloping

Practice 2

1. cigar-shaped object
2. Pan-STARRS 1
3. Haleakala Observatory
4. A/2017 UI
5. Hawaiian
6. cold and small
7. no coma
8. an alien probe
9. dim
10. sceptical

Practice 3

1. A. Sivasesan
2. A(H1N1) positive
3. a mysterious illness
4. prevent the spread
5. sore throat
6. (Choose any one of two) Stay home. / Avoid public places.
7. face mask
8. seasonal influenza vaccines
9. mysterious
10. reduce

Practice 4

1. e-waste
2. (any two from images provided) laptops / smartphones / digital cameras
3. Toxic substances
4. 50 million
5. 12.5%
6. Earth's natural resources
7. unwanted electronic devices
8. e-cycling center
9. effects
10. ore

MATCHING (GAPPED TEXT)

Practice 1

1. D – We can have a bowl of that store-bought ice-cream for dessert later.
2. G – It's not going to be good for you in the long run.
3. A – Why don't you take up cycling?
4. C – It's only three times a week.
5. H – I hate those green, slimy things.
6. B – Come on, let's make a lifestyle change for the better.

Practice 2

1. B – The first thing to do when planning for an exam is to be ready for it.
2. H – Remember to stick to it.
3. E – Divide time for self-study and group discussions.
4. A – If you haven't got enough materials, explore the library or bookshops for more.
5. G – Don't burn the midnight oil the night before an exam.
6. D – Pulling an all-nighter will only make you tired and disoriented on the day of the exam.

Practice 3

1. C – I find city life alive and vibrant compared to life in the country.
2. F – What about safety in the city?

3. A – I almost became the victim of a snatch theft.
4. E – They tend to keep to themselves most of the time.
5. H – Suffice to say, city life isn't for me.
6. B – The smog and the fumes are unpleasant.

Practice 4

1. C – Traditionally, the first food that passes their lips while breaking fast is a date.
2. H – Like a cross between a prune and a fig.
3. B – Consuming dates aids the body's blood glucose levels to return to normal quickly, especially after a day of fasting.
4. A – They don't fare so well in rainy, wet climates.
5. F – The place of origin is thought to be somewhere between the region of Mesopotamia and Egypt.
6. D – Today, the largest producer of dates is Egypt.

WRITING

Practice 1

Part 1

To:	bakris@writemail.com
From:	misha@writemail.com
Subject:	Laptop, please!

Dear dad,

I think a (1) laptop would be most ideal. It's (2) more useful for a student like me. I like the fact that a laptop is (3) portable, light and compact. This makes it (4) easier for me to carry it from home to school and back again. That will also help greatly when I go for my (5) study group sessions. Desktops are (6) bulky and would take up too much room in my study. A laptop gives less (7) clutter, therefore making my room (8) neater.

Your daughter,
Misa

Part 2

5, 1, 4, 2, 3, 6

Good morning teachers and friends,

This morning, I would like to talk about the cause and effects of air pollution.

There are many causes of air pollution. Living in the city, it is hard to get a breath of fresh air. Vehicle exhaust fumes is the number one source of air pollution here. Motorcycles, cars and buses release huge amounts of carbon monoxide which pollutes the air. Natural disasters are another cause of pollution in the air. Volcanoes, forest fires and dust storms bring about dust and smog that float in the air for ages, making it impossible for us to breath clean air.

Air pollution has devastating effects on human health. Contaminants in the air irritates the eyes, nose and throat. If humans are exposed to air pollution in the long run, it may create respiratory problems like asthma and chronic illness like lung cancer. Pollutants that are released will effect the temperature in the atmosphere. An increased temperature contributes to ozone layer depletion and accelerates global warming.

As air pollution is such a big problem, it is crucial for all of us find a solution and prevent the problem from worsening. Let us take action before it is too late.

Thank you.

Practice 2**Part 1**

Renu	<i>online</i>
Vimal, I know what you mean. It isn't all hunky dory to be stuck at home but it's for our own good. It's so that our chances of getting infected becomes lower. Anyway, there are lots of things to do. You could download some e-books or movies to read or watch. Have you watched Bad Boys For Life? It's full of action. If those are not your cuppa tea, why not look up some new recipes and trying them out? You love cooking don't you? Hope my ideas are useful! In the meantime, stay safe!	

Part 2

Everyday life can be stressful and challenging. School takes up most of our time. As students, we are under constant pressure to perform well. We also have a host of expectations from our parents and teachers. Life becomes stressful for us. One way to reduce this stress is to take up a hobby. A hobby is something that we enjoy doing. We do it because we want to, not because we are forced to do it. Furthermore, there are many benefits to be gleaned from having a healthy hobby.

Having a hobby gives us a break from routine life. It is also a way to maximise our time productively. It drives away our boredom and keeps stress at bay. Hobbies include gardening, exercising, doing extreme sports or just reading. A hobby is an outlet for us to let our hair down and not think about the worries of the day.

Some hobbies allow us to showcase our creativity. Hobbies like playing a musical instrument or painting enable us tap into our creative potential and hone our skills and talents. Sometimes, we may even get to apply our creativity in our daily lives or at school. Hobbies like travelling and camping help to strengthen our interpersonal and social skills. These hobbies also boost self-confidence and teach us to embrace new challenges.

Whether we realize it or not, we are continually learning new things through our hobbies. For example, when we collect stamps, we will learn about the flags of a country or the national flower of a nation. Hobbies help to expand our knowledge and this will come in handy in school.

In a nutshell, it is clear that everyone should have a hobby. Life would be dull without one and we may not be able to reap in the benefits if we don't have one.

Practice 3**Part 1**

Mom,

I've checked the fridge and kitchen. Looks like we need some eggs, a loaf of bread, some fruits and some leafy vegetables. Could you get some guavas if any are available? Oh, we need some chicken sausages as well.

A take-away for dinner sounds great! Pizza from Don's Italian Café would be great. There's a buy 1, free 1 promotion there. Their pizzas are to die for. Get one beef pepperoni and a tuna and pineapple pizza. They're my favourite. See you when you get back!

Part 2

Dear diary,

Our class finally agreed to set up a burger stall. We feel that burgers are popular and easy to make. All we need are burger patties and buns, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, mayonnaise and ketchup. We can easily get these items at the supermarket.

We have divided ourselves into four groups. Group 1 will be in charge of decorating the stall and cleaning up. Group 2 will prepare the ingredients whilst Groups 3 and 4 will take the morning and afternoon shifts to man the stall.

We will set up our stall in the canteen area as it will be easier for us to have access to water. Also, our customers will be able to find a seat and enjoy our delicious burgers.

We also plan to promote our stall one week prior to our Canteen Day. Some ideas are to make posters and paste them on the noticeboards around school and also to make announcements during assembly.

I hope our burger stall will be a great success. I will write the details down after Canteen Day is over.

LISTENING**Part 3**

1. C
2. B
3. A
4. B
5. A

Part 5

1. evening
2. 38 Celsius
3. scratchy/swollen/red
4. the flu
5. twice a day

ANSWERS

PT3 Model Test

READING

Part 1

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

Part 2

9. of
10. world's
11. which
12. and
13. A
14. On
15. loudest
16. it

Part 3

17. Mesolithic
18. Neolithic
19. Two Greek words
20. 10,000 BCE
21. Warm
22. Barley, wheat
23. consumption
24. Wheel

Part 4

25. the school holidays
26. packed
27. to surf
28. swimming skills
29. warning
30. sunny to gloomy
31. Waved his arms
32. to shore
33. sparkling
34. predicament

Part 5

35. G – Why, I'll whip out my portable hand sanitizer and use it, of course!
36. B – The alcohol content must be between 60% to 95% in order to kill bacteria and germs.
37. E – Make sure to rub until your hands are dry.
38. A – This isn't a good idea as you could pick up new germs when your hand touches a towel or tissue.
39. H – During the flu season, sanitizers fly off the shelves rapidly.
40. C – This is because the information obtained from the net have not been verified by experts.

WRITING

Part 1

To:	marcus@mail.com
From:	joonhuat@mail.com
Subject:	The KLIA Express
Marcus, I can't wait for you to arrive! I've already prepared my room for you. We'll be sleeping on a bunk bed. As to your question, well, I think the KLIA express is the best option for you as you're travelling alone. It's comfortable and super-quick. It only takes about 28 minutes to reach the central station in KL. After that, you can just walk to the hotel where you'll be staying the night. It's within walking distance. Then, dad and I will pick you up the next day. The taxi fare to the city is rather expensive for one person. Also, it will take a longer time to reach the city. Hope that helps!	
<i>Joon</i>	

Part 2

Covid-19 Prevention Tips

By Sheena Wong

This past year, the world has been plagued by a new type of flu-like virus called Covid-19. It is an infectious disease and has infected over 1 million people the world over. It has also caused thousands of fatalities. Symptoms for Covid-19 include fever, shortness of breath and a dry cough.

As scientists are still struggling to find a vaccine for this virus, the best thing you can do to prevent infection is to take precautions.

A good start is to inculcate good personal hygiene. Wash your hands often. Soap and water are your best bet to rid the virus off your skin. Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds each time. Scrub between your fingers and under your nails. If you have to cough or sneeze, cover your mouth or nose with a clean tissue. Then, discard it in the trash can. If you are unwell or have a fever, stay at home.

If you are out and have no place to wash your hands, carry a bottle of hand sanitizer to clean them. If you don't have one, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth until you get a chance to wash your hands. Also, avoid contact with those you know who are ill and practise social distancing so that you will not get infected.

Hence, by inculcating good personal hygiene and healthy habits, you will be able to protect not only yourself but the people around you from getting infected. Always remember, prevention is better than cure.