

**Pei Chun Public School**

**Term 3 Practice, 2021**

**English Language**

**Primary 3**

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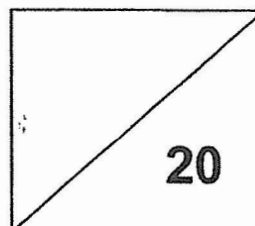
Date : \_\_\_\_\_

Time : 45 minutes

English Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Marks:



For Q1-4, four options are given. Choose the correct answer and write its number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. (8 x 1 mark)

1. Hamzah was reading in his room when the telephone \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) ring
- (2) rang
- (3) rung
- (4) rings

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2. "Lilian is going to the party, \_\_\_\_\_ she?" asked Keira.

- (1) is
- (2) isn't
- (3) does
- (4) doesn't

(     )

3. Despite \_\_\_\_\_ rainy weather, we still went to the zoo.

- (1) a
- (2) an
- (3) the
- (4) any

(     )

4. The girls had to clean the kitchen all by \_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) myself
- (2) herself
- (3) ourselves
- (4) themselves

(      )

**Read the passage carefully. Underline the correct word from the words given in the brackets.**

The cheetah is the fastest mammal on land. It **(5)** [ is / are ] able to run up to 70 miles an hour over short distances. Its excellent eyesight **(6)** [ help / helps ] it find its prey easily. Cheetahs **(7)** [ live / lives ] mainly in open grasslands in parts of Africa and the Middle East. Many people **(8)** [ like / likes ] to see them roam in the wild. Today, fewer than 10,000 cheetahs remain in the wild.

*Adapted from <https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/animals/mammals/facts/cheetah>*

Combine each pair of sentences to make one sentence using the word(s) given. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the sentences given.

( 4 x 1 mark)

9. Jolie is baking some pies for the party. Nisha is baking some pies for the party too.

\_\_\_\_\_ and

\_\_\_\_\_

10. I was injured. I could not take part in the race.

As \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

11. I went to bed early. I was tired.

\_\_\_\_\_ so

\_\_\_\_\_

12. I will visit the new library. The library opens next week.

\_\_\_\_\_ when

\_\_\_\_\_

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. ( 8 x 1 mark)

I was born in a poor family. Every Christmas, my family would be blessed with gifts from kind strangers. This Christmas, a frail old lady with white, wispy hair handed me a chess set. My mother graciously thanked her for the gift. Even though the chess set was used, I did not mind it at all. I was determined to learn to play chess.

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Day by day, I discovered more moves of the chess game. Soon, I found myself playing chess with older folks at the park.

A man who watched me play suggested that my mother allow me to play in local chess competitions. I desperately wanted to participate. She agreed and signed me up.

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During my first competition, my mother sat with me in the front row as I waited for my turn. When my name was called, my eyes lit up and I leapt forward. I turned to my opponent. He took a glance at me before he sat down.

As I began to play, the room became very silent. I saw only the chess set. "Check," I said. Everyone clapped. The boy congratulated me and shook my hand.

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My mother took my first trophy and displayed it on the shelf. While wiping the trophy with a soft cloth, I saw the wide smile on her face.

*Adapted from The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan*

13. Which word has the same meaning as "weak"?  
Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

A frail old lady with white, wispy hair handed me a chess set.  
(A) (B)

For Q14 to 16, read each statement and tick (✓) either "True" or "False". Refer to paragraphs 1 and 2 to help you. The first example has been done for you. [3m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	The author received a gift.	✓	
14.	The author was concerned that the chess set was a used one.		
15.	The author was unwilling to learn how to play chess.		
16.	The author played chess with people who were older than her at the park.		

17. Which word in paragraph 3 tells us that the author was very keen to play in a local chess competition? [1m]

18. Write the sequence of events that follows when the author's name was called during the competition. Refer to paragraph 4 to help you. [1m]

- \_\_\_ The author turned to her opponent.  
 \_\_\_ The opponent sat down.  
 \_\_\_ The opponent looked at the author.

19. Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

In paragraph 4, the author wrote, "When my name was called, my eyes lit up and I leapt forward." How was the author feeling when her name was called? [1m]

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The author was feeling impatient.    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The author was feeling excited.      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The author was feeling disappointed. |

20. Why do you think the author's mother had a wide smile on her face? [1m]

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## ANSWER KEY

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**SUBJECT : ENGLISH**  
**TERM : TERM 3 PRACTICE**

Q1	2	Q2	2	Q3	3	Q4	4
Q5	is	Q6	helps	Q7	live	Q8	like

Q9	Jolie and Nisha are baking some pies for the party.
Q10	As I was injured, I could not take part in the race.
Q11	I was tired so I went to bed early.
Q12	I will visit the new library when it opens next week.
Q13	frail (A)
Q14	False <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Q15	False <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Q16	True <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Q17	desperately
Q18	1 3 2
Q19	✓ The author was feeling excited
Q20	The author's mother had a wide smile on her face because she was happy her daughter won the chess competition.