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For each question from 1 to 10, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

(10 marks)

1 Brenda, as well as her cousins, _____ participating in the marathon tomorrow.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

2 "_____ anyone been to Universal Studios?" Miss Lim asked the class.

- (1) Do
- (2) Did
- (3) Has
- (4) Have

3 Either Terry or his sisters _____ helping their mother in the kitchen just now.

- (1) is
- (2) are
- (3) was
- (4) were

4 Sherry, the girl _____ Melissa confided in, has been her good friend since kindergarten.

- (1) who
- (2) which
- (3) whom
- (4) whose

- 5 "Jerry seldom forgets to hand in his homework. _____ he?"
- (1) did
 - (2) does
 - (3) didn't
 - (4) doesn't
- 6 Last night, I heard my neighbour's dog _____ continuously for thirty minutes.
- (1) bark
 - (2) barks
 - (3) barked
 - (4) is barking
- 7 Singapore is well-known for being a food paradise _____ it is not uncommon to see crowds at the hawker centres during meal times.
- (1) so
 - (2) but
 - (3) while
 - (4) though
- 8 Haley _____ ballet classes since the age of five.
- (1) attends
 - (2) attended
 - (3) is attending
 - (4) has been attending
- 9 _____ the lightning risk alert, Tim went ahead to play football in the field with his friends.
- (1) Since
 - (2) Due to
 - (3) Despite
 - (4) Apart from
- 10 Ben _____ the cake he had specially baked for Mother's birthday when he comes for the party later.
- (1) brings
 - (2) brought
 - (3) will bring
 - (4) has brought

Read the passage below and answer questions 11 to 20.

(20 marks)

"It's that time of the year again!" Nathan thought gleefully. He had always looked forward to his family's annual visit to Chinatown. He gripped his father's hand tightly as they jostled through the crowded streets of Chinatown. However, Nathan's mood was not dampened. Admiring the streets lit with bright-red lanterns, he hummed along to the invigorating music that filled the surroundings. Immersed in the **vibrant** atmosphere, Nathan was in high spirits. 5

"There it is! This is where we will be having our reunion dinner this year," Nathan's father announced, pointing to the restaurant down the street. Raring to go, Nathan let go of his father's hand and bolted towards the restaurant. He could finally catch up with his cousins over a sumptuous meal. Just then, Nathan heard a piercing screech from behind him. **That** stopped him in his tracks and he swiftly turned back. 10

An elderly man lay sprawled on the pavement. His bicycle was lying on the road, alongside piles of cardboard. Nathan felt blood drain from his face and he stood rooted to the ground. Not knowing what to do, he watched on as his father helped the elderly man back on his feet. Feebly, the frail man clung onto Nathan's father for support as he gradually regained stability. He explained that he had ridden over a rock and lost control of his bicycle. 15

Nathan's father gave the elderly man a reassuring smile, and beckoned at Nathan. "Come and help, Nathan!" he called out. This brought Nathan to his senses. Without further hesitation, he promptly wheeled the bicycle onto the pavement and stacked the cardboard neatly onto the rear of the bicycle. 20

"I would not have managed without your help. Thank you, thank you..." the old man murmured wearily. "Don't mention it. Thankfully, I see only a few scratches on your elbow. Happy Lunar New Year to you," Nathan's father replied as he gently patted the man on the back. He fumbled in his back pocket for a red packet and handed it to the man. A wide grin spread across the old man's face. He accepted **the generous gift** and returned his well wishes in zest. "You two have made my day. It has been years since someone did something so special for me," the old man beamed as he carefully mounted his bicycle. With a heavy heart, Nathan and his father bade farewell to the old man. 25 30

The duo watched solemnly as the **lonely figure** drew further away. "Was the old man spending the new year alone? How sad! What is Chinese New Year without the love and company of our loved ones?" Nathan thought. Seeing how dejected Nathan was, his father gave Nathan an affirming squeeze on his shoulder. "Kindness is making someone smile, if only for a moment. We should take comfort in the fact that we have done a good deed today," Nathan's father assured him. 35

Comforted by his father's enlightening words, Nathan gradually brightened up and broke into a smile. His father's words had struck a chord with him. He had learnt an **invaluable lesson** that day. Feeling an indescribable richness in his heart, Nathan promised to always spread kindness and joy to those around him, and make a difference in someone's life whenever he could. Hand in hand, Nathan and his father made their way to the restaurant. 40

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11 Describe how the atmosphere in Chinatown was 'vibrant' (line 5). [2m]

Do not write in this space

12 From lines 7-11, which three-word phrase shows that Nathan was excited about attending the reunion dinner? [1m]

13 Which **two** of the following words correctly describe Nathan's feelings when he saw that an old man had fallen from his bicycle in Paragraph 3? Put a tick ✓ in the boxes beside each of your answers. **DO NOT TICK MORE THAN TWO BOXES.** [2m]

hopeless		depressed	
helpless		terrified	
impatient		annoyed	

14 Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story. [1m]

- _____ Nathan's father handed the elderly man a red packet.
- _____ The elderly man thanked Nathan and his father for their help.
- _____ Nathan looked forward to meeting his cousins.

15 What did Nathan do that made the elderly man grateful towards him? [2m]

16 The table below shows the actions of the characters and the causes of their actions. Fill in the blanks with information from lines 12 – 42. [2m]

	Cause	Action
Elderly man	needed to regain stability	a)
Nathan	b)	broke into a smile

- 17 Based on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

Do not write in this space.

	True/False	Reason
a) Nathan struggled to move around Chinatown.		
b) The elderly man was severely injured when he fell.		
c) No one had done anything special for the elderly man except Nathan and his father.		

- 18 Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [3m]

Word(s) from the passage	What the word(s) refer(s) to
that (line 11)	
the generous gift (line 26)	
lonely figure (line 31)	

- 19 How did Nathan feel as he watched the elderly man ride away? Explain why he felt that way. [2m]

- 20 From the 'invaluable lesson' (line 39) that Nathan had learnt, what did he set his mind to do? [2m]

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Q1	1	Q2	3	Q3	4	Q4	3	Q5	2
Q6	1	Q7	1	Q8	4	Q9	3	Q10	3

Q11	The streets were lit with bright-red lanterns and the invigorating music that filled the surroundings.								
Q12	raring to go								
Q13	helpless terrified								
Q14	3 2 1								
Q15	Nathan promptly, wheeled the bicycle onto the pavements and stacked the cardboards neatly onto the rear of the cycle.								
Q16	a) Clung onto Nathan's father b) Comforted by his father's words.								
Q17	a) True, Nathan gripped his father's hand tightly as they jostled through the crowded streets of Chinatown. b) False, The elderly man only had a few scratch on his elbow. c) False, It has been years since someone did something special for the elderly man.								
Q18	The piercing screech coming from behind Nathan The red packet Nathan's father handed to the old man. the old man								
Q19	Nathan felt sad as he thought that the old man might spend the new year's alone.								
Q20	He set his mind to always spread kindness and joy to those around him and make a difference in someone's life whenever he could.								

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