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**PSLE
SPECIMEN PAPER**

LISTENING COMPREHENSION
FOUNDATION ENGLISH LANGUAGE
Effective from 2025

Additional Materials: Optical Answer Sheet (OAS)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Write your Index No. in the boxes at the top right-hand corner.
2. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Answer all questions.
4. Use a 2B pencil to shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS).



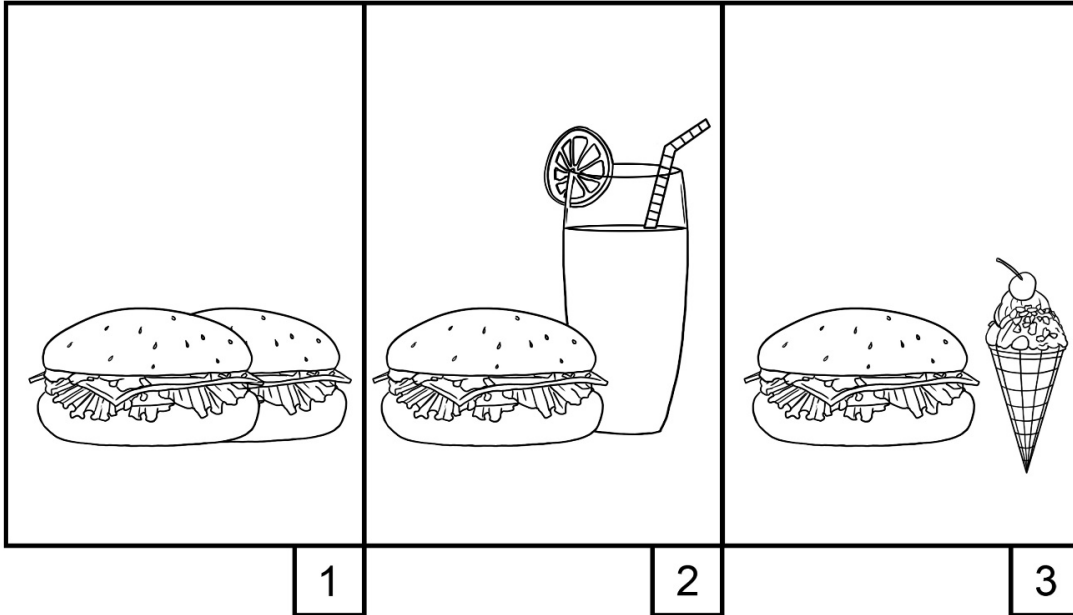
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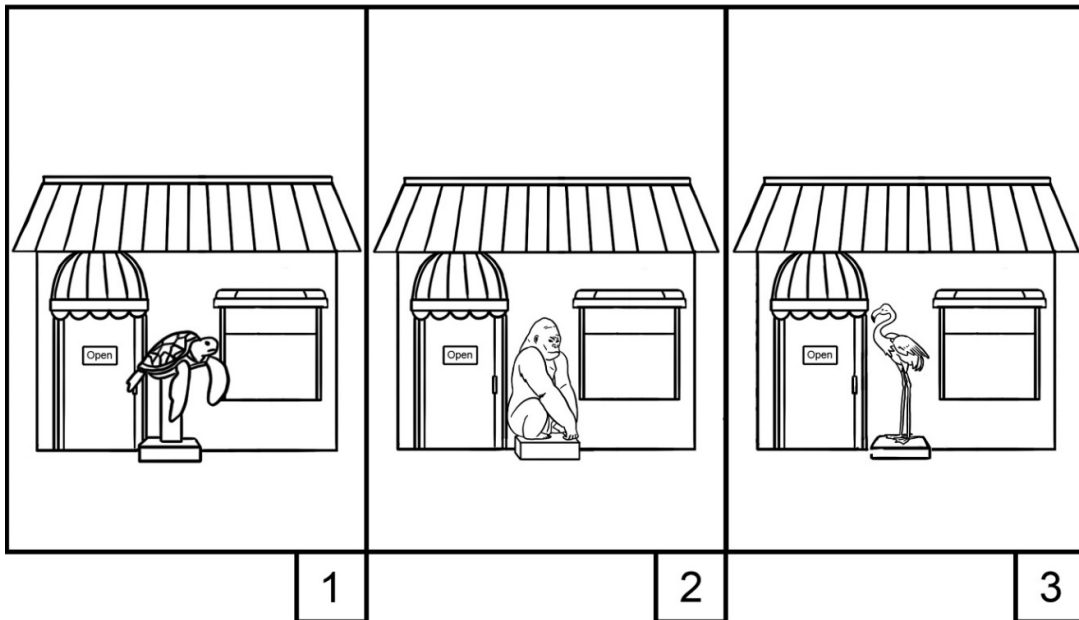
SHADE YOUR ANSWERS (1, 2 OR 3) ON THE OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET.

TEXT 1

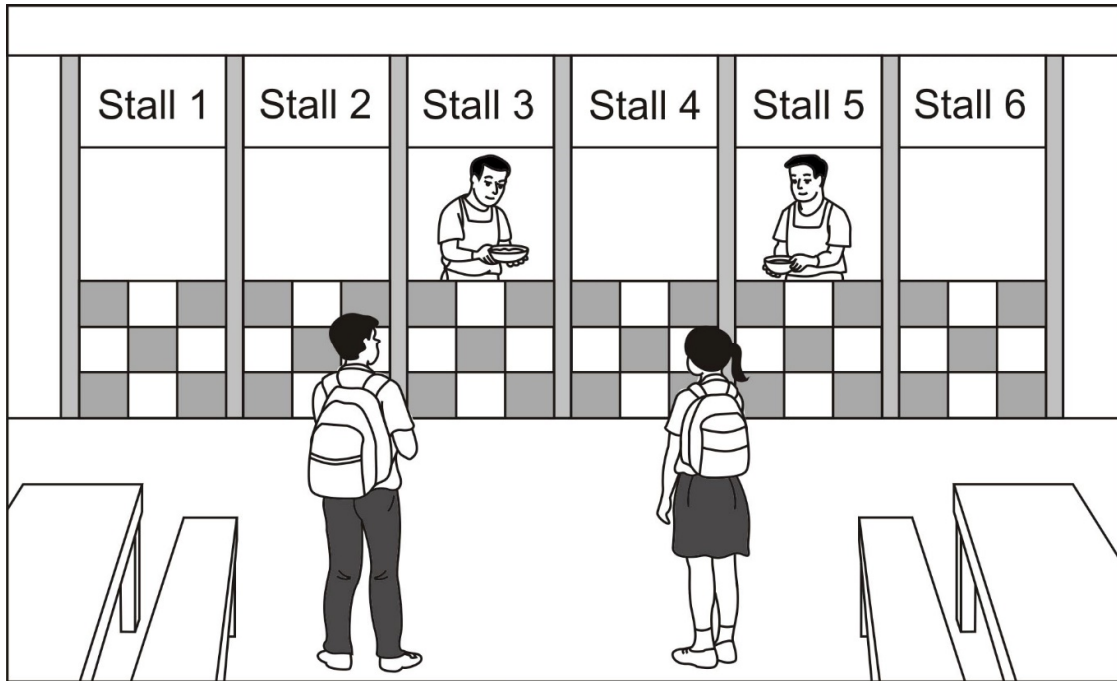
1 What should a customer buy to get a free item?



2 Which picture shows the entrance to the restaurant?



TEXT 2



- 3 What does Stall 3 sell?
- (1) roti prata
 - (2) fresh fruit
 - (3) chicken rice
- 4 What can Devi buy at Stall 5?
- (1) Malay food
 - (2) Western food
 - (3) Vegetarian food
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TEXT 3

Notes for Buddies

5 Reporting venue for first day: _____

- (1) school hall
- (2) general office
- (3) parade square

6 After the class activity, take pupils to: _____

- (1) toilet, canteen, library
- (2) toilet, library, canteen
- (3) canteen, toilet, library

7 Collect my food from: _____

- (1) Primary One pupils
- (2) Stall One
- (3) Prefects

8 Free things that buddies will receive: _____

- (1) water bottle and notebook
- (2) sweater and water bottle
- (3) cap and notebook

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TEXT 4

- 9** Which of the following statements about the hippo is not true?
- (1) It feeds on grass and water plants.
 - (2) It enjoys living with humans by the river.
 - (3) It keeps its nostrils above the water to breathe.
- 10** The hippo is not afraid of other animals because it has _____.
- (1) tough skin
 - (2) huge teeth
 - (3) strong jaws
- 11** People in the past hunted hippos by _____.
- (1) piercing them
 - (2) trapping them
 - (3) shooting them
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TEXT 5

- 12** According to Mr Tan, which of the following is the main factor why child actors are chosen for a film?
- (1) They are disciplined at work.
 - (2) They are able to learn their lines quickly.
 - (3) They are talented in singing and dancing.
- 13** When child actors are not selected for a role, Mr Tan would tell them that they are **not** _____.
- (1) well prepared
 - (2) suited for it
 - (3) tall enough
- 14** Which way is suggested by Mr Tan to improve acting skills?
- (1) know more good and bad people
 - (2) watch people in different situations
 - (3) read to understand people's thinking
- 15** Mr Tan believes that child actors can get new jobs through _____.
- (1) eager parents
 - (2) good reputation
 - (3) past acting roles

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TEXTS FOR SPECIMEN PAPER

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TEXT 1

Listen to a radio advertisement.

Love eating burgers but worry about gaining weight? Come down to Bongo Burgers today! Try our unique burgers which are made from vegetables and beans. They are rich in flavours and are healthier than normal burgers. We highly recommend our Bongo set meal which comes with a fruit juice! We have a special promotion in October -- buy two burgers and you can get a free ice cream.

So, what are you waiting for? Come with your friends and family! There is a playground for children inside our restaurant decorated with brightly coloured birds and a giant turtle amongst them. Visit us on 77 Main Street today! It's easy to locate our restaurant with a statue of a gorilla welcoming you at the front.

TEXT 2

Listen to a School Prefect, John, talking to a new student, Devi.

John: Hi, Devi. How is your first day in school?

Devi: It's been great! I'm so thankful that you are showing me around the school.

John: Let me show you the canteen so you can grab something to eat. Starting on your left, Stall 1 sells fresh fruit, packet drinks and fruit juice. The stall beside it sells Indian food. You can get roti prata, curry, rice and other dishes there. Right next to this Indian stall, you will find a Chinese stall selling chicken rice.

Devi: Sounds good. Hmm... any western food?

John: Yes, it's the last stall on your right. There's always a long queue for it because the chicken burger, mushroom soup and garlic bread are really yummy. Next to it, we have a Malay uncle selling mee rebus and nasi lemak. Next to this, we have a vegetarian stall selling healthy bean curd and vegetable dishes of many kinds.

Devi: Thanks, John. I think I know what I want to get.

TEXT 3

Listen to a teacher briefing a group of pupils.

Good morning! You've volunteered to be buddies to the Primary One pupils at their orientation. I'm happy that you are punctual for this briefing in the school hall. This year, there are four Primary One classes. In each class, three of you will assist the two form teachers. The class lists and form teachers' names are pinned on the noticeboard outside the general office, so please learn the names of the teachers. All buddies will be given this specially designed cap which you can keep as a souvenir.

On the first day of the orientation, we will assemble at the parade square. Then, pupils will go to the classrooms for team-building games. You will help to conduct the games. There will be a recess after the class activity. Before going to the canteen, you will assist the form teachers to take all the pupils to the toilets. At the canteen, you will help the pupils queue up for food. They may also need your help to buy food. We will provide buddies with packed food from Stall One. Do collect your food from the prefects on duty. After recess, pupils will visit the library. You can bring a sweater along as it may be cold. Remember to bring your water bottle to stay hydrated throughout the day.

On the second day of the orientation, there will be a learning journey to our neighbourhood park for outdoor activities. A colourful notebook printed by the school will be given to all pupils and buddies to make notes and write their reflections. You can keep the notebook at the end of the day. Any questions?

TEXT 4

Listen to a pupil talking to her class about the hippopotamus.

Hello everyone. Today, I would like to share with you about an amazing animal called the hippopotamus.

The hippopotamus, or hippo for short, has a very large body, big mouth and huge teeth. With its strong jaws, the hippo feeds on grass which grows on the side of the river and a variety of water plants. The hippo spends most of its time submerged in the river, keeping its nostrils above the water in order to breathe. It keeps its eyes above the water as well so that it can look around while swimming. Even with its wide mouth and huge teeth, fish swim around it in the river and are not bothered by this giant. But don't be fooled by this animal. The hippo is known to kill more humans than other wild beasts in Africa.

The skin of the hippo is very tough and so it can protect the hippo from many other fierce animals in the wild. That is why it is not even afraid of crocodiles in the river. Yet, people still manage to hunt hippos. In the past, hunters used spears and killed hippos by piercing through the thinnest part of the skin around the belly. Nowadays, people trap hippos and shoot them with guns. Because people are still hunting hippos for their meat, skin and teeth, there are not many hippos left in the world today.

TEXT 5

Listen to a radio interview.

Interviewer: Welcome to our talk show on Radio 97. We are pleased to have Mr John Tan, a film director, to share his views on children who are interested in acting. Mr Tan, please tell us what you look for when recruiting child actors for a film.

Mr Tan: Many children can act and even have other talents such as singing and dancing. However, they get offers for movie roles not due to their talents but because of their level of discipline. For example, they must learn their lines multiple times till they get it right.

Interviewer: What will you say to the children who are not selected after an audition?

Mr Tan: We tell the children that it's not that they're not good at acting, but because they do not fit the role. It can be as simple a reason as they are not tall enough. We encourage them to keep learning and prepare well for the next audition.

Interviewer: Mr Tan, do you have any advice for our child actors to improve themselves?

Mr Tan: There are always good and bad characters in a film. Actors can't be waiting around to watch how people behave in different situations to play these roles. Instead, actors can read a wide range of good books. That will help them understand how a person's thinking affects his actions. This will enable the child actors to think about the actions for the roles.

Interviewer: How can child actors get more acting opportunities?

Mr Tan: Sometimes, parents can be too eager for their children to take on more acting roles. This can add stress on the child actors. Also, a list of past acting roles doesn't say much about how well the child actors had performed. Many opportunities are available once child actors are known to be reliable by people who have worked with them. That's when the actor's name is passed on from one person to the next.

Interviewer: Thank you for the advice, Mr Tan.

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