

Nanyang Primary School  
Primary 5  
English Language  
Term 1 Weighted Assessment

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: Primary 5 ( ) Parent's  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Duration: 40 minutes**

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Grammar Cloze	10
Cloze Passage	15
Total	25

There are 10 blanks, numbered 1 to 10, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

**EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.**

A) a	D) although	G) however	K) that	N) up
B) an	E) by	H) in	L) the	P) were
C) as	F) but	J) on	M) to	Q) will

It is widely believed that washing one's hands frequently would make catching infections such as coronavirus much less likely. In fact, researchers found that people \_\_\_\_\_ less likely to be infected if they washed their hands at least six times a \_\_\_\_\_ (1) day.

\_\_\_\_\_ washing hands with water alone is not enough. \_\_\_\_\_ (2) (3)  
 experiment carried out by The Straits Times has shown \_\_\_\_\_ washing with soap (4)  
 significantly reduces the amount of germs picked \_\_\_\_\_ by the hands as (5)  
 compared \_\_\_\_\_ just rinsing them with water. Dr Leong Hoe Nam, an infectious (6)  
 diseases expert, said, "While a specialised disinfectant is needed to effectively kill all  
 the germs \_\_\_\_\_ one's hand, washing hands thoroughly with soap and water (7)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ be sufficient for most people." (8)

An effective way to wash hands involves a seven-step process that ensures a thorough cleansing \_\_\_\_\_ it covers the base of one's palms to the tips of the (9)  
 fingers – all of which should take approximately \_\_\_\_\_ time needed to sing the (10)  
 "Happy Birthday" song twice. The next time you are washing your hands, just imagine you are celebrating your birthday.

Score:

**Fill in each blank with a suitable word.**

(15 marks)

News about otters have gained much interest in Singapore of late. They are amazing animals with many interesting characteristics. Do you know that they can \_\_\_\_\_ underwater for up to eight minutes in a \_\_\_\_\_ breath as (11) (12) they hunt for food?

Otters are also very intelligent as they are able to use tools \_\_\_\_\_ (13)  
humans do. Otters can make tools \_\_\_\_\_ of rocks and wood to break open  
clam shells to get at the delicious flesh found \_\_\_\_\_. Besides clams, otters  
mainly eat crabs and frogs, but they have also been known to occasionally  
on animals like rabbits and birds under special circumstances.

(16) Otters are social animals and live in large groups that can \_\_\_\_\_ of  
about thirty of them. They love \_\_\_\_\_ on their backs to relax or sleep. When  
(17) sleeping, the otters will hold hands with one \_\_\_\_\_. They do this to prevent  
(18) themselves from \_\_\_\_\_ apart in the water. Sometimes, they wrap  
(19) themselves in long strands of kelp, a type of seaweed which grows from the sea bed, so  
(20) that they will not be \_\_\_\_\_ away by strong currents.

Otters almost disappeared in Singapore in the 1960s with the Singapore River and Kallang Basin becoming too polluted. In \_\_\_\_\_ to the past, sightings of otters have increased in recent times. Having cleaner waterways is cited as the main \_\_\_\_\_ for their reappearance.

(23) While the otter population in Singapore is growing steadily, we must continue to raise public \_\_\_\_\_ of otters so that they will continue to thrive. This is  
(24) possible if everyone plays their \_\_\_\_\_ to make it happen. Hopefully, people  
(25) will recognise that otters are amazing animals that deserve human protection.

Score:



## WA2 (2021)

Dear Joey,

How are you? I want to invite you to a gathering! I was with Trina at Jubilee Bookstore today, when we met Karen by chance. Karen said that she had missed old classmates like us, so Trina suggested having a gathering at her place on 26 June.

The two reasons for having the gathering are to catch up with one another and try making the dishes in the cookbook that Trina had bought. You should join the gathering as you love to cook and I am sure it would be fun!

I am so excited and I hope that you can join us at the gathering! Hear from you soon!

Regards,

Patsy



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- 1) P
- 2) G
- 3) B
- 4) K
- 5) N
- 6) M
- 7) J
- 8) Q
- 9) C
- 10) L
- 11) stay
- 12) single
- 13) like
- 14) out
- 15) inside
- 16) feed
- 17) consist

- 18) lying**
- 19) another**
- 20) moving**
- 21) swept**
- 22) contrast**
- 23) reason**
- 24) awareness**
- 25) part**