

## SOAL TRYOUT RAFAEL

The following text is to answer questions number 1-3!

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### ANNOUNCEMENT

To welcome the new members of our school badminton club,  
The Students' Association will hold a student gathering for  
new members of the club on 14 February 2016 at 4 p.m. in the school hall.  
To all new members, please come as it is a must for you.  
For more information,  
Contact Rudy at the Student Center  
Student Affair Staff

How can students get more information?

- A Come to school.
  - B Gather in the hall.
  - C Come to the Principal's office.
  - D Contact Rudy at the student center.
- 2 Why does the Students' association hold the gathering?
- A To hold a class.
  - B To do some exercises.
  - C To gather in the school hall.
  - D To welcome new members of badminton club.

- 3 "The Students' Association will hold a student gathering . . ."

The underlined word is closest in meaning to .....

- A Meeting
- B Monitoring
- C Counseling
- D Collaborating

This text is to answer questions number 4 and 5!

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To = [Rendy@gmail.com](mailto:Rendy@gmail.com)  
From = Tyas@gmail.com  
Subject = Re-visit plan

Hi Rendy,

I'm happy that you are coming next week.

By the way, you wrote ETA in your last email. I'm wondering what you mean. Could you explain it, please?

I'll pick you up at the airport. Just give me details of your flight.

Cheers,

Tyas

What is the conclusion taken from the text?

- A explains about Tyas does not open Rendy' s email.
- B Rendy has given the details of his flight.
- C He 'ETA' in his email.
- D She will meet with Rendy at the airport.

- 5 How does Tyas feel to know that Rendy is coming?
- A Sad
  - B Weak
  - C Joyful
  - D Curious

**This following message is to answer questions number 6 and 7!**

This is a short message from Janet to Hanifah:

Sorry I can't go window shopping with you. We can go next time also with Nadia. I have to visit my aunt with my mother.

- 6 Who will accompany Janet to her aunt's house?
- A Hanifah.
  - B Janet's mother.
  - C Nadia.
  - D Hanifah's mother
- 7 The underlined phrase in "Sorry I can't go window shopping. . ." is closest in meaning to
- A looking at goods in shops without buying
  - B looking for a window for your house
  - C buying some windows from a shop
  - D looking at your house's windows

**This advertisement is to answer questions number 8 and 10!**

8 **ADVERTISEMENT/ ADS**

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Visitors will possibly choose IKONYO Grand Hotel because . ...

- A it gives them airline ticket discount
  - B it is the only hotel down town
  - C it is promoted on the Internet
  - D it offers good facilities
- 9 What is the conclusion taken from the advertisement?
- A there is a minimarket at the hotel
  - B parents with small children should pay more
  - C we can hold a wedding party at IKONYO Hotel
  - D certain food are available in the restaurants

10 **This announcement is to answer questions number 10-12**

**Announcement**

To all students of grade VIII. There will be a school holiday for two weeks. Please do a project of descriptive text in writing. It should be about any animal around your house. You can describe your own pet or your neighbour's. Don't forget to put the animal's photo in your writing. You have to submit it on the first day of the second semester.

Mr. Hasan

What is the announcement about?

- A Semester holiday.
  - B Neighbour's pet.
  - C Writing project.
  - D Picture description.
- 11 What should the student do during their holiday?
- A Doing project of descriptive text.
  - B Describing the first day of semester.
  - C Being away from school
  - D Taking pictures of a pet.
- 12 "You have to submit it on the first day...."
- What does the underlined word mean?
- A Bring.
  - B Collect.
  - C Take.
  - D Send.

**This invitation is to answer question number 13 and 14!**



- 13 When will Casey's birthday be held?
- A At night.
  - B In the evening.
  - C In the morning.
  - D In the afternoon.
- 14 What can we conclude from the invitation?
- A The invitation is written by Lisa.
  - B For confirmation, we can contact Lisa.
  - C Charlotte and Lisa are Casey's cousins.
  - D Lisa is the owner of the house at 123 main street Perth.

- 15 **This text is to answer questions number 15 and 16!**

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| To                                                                                                       | : Mr. Winfield |
| From                                                                                                     | : Andrew Phone |
| Number                                                                                                   | : +6242897640  |
| Message                                                                                                  |                |
| The monthly meeting is postponed due to the technical reason. Further information will be conveyed soon. |                |
| Call him, when you are back.                                                                             |                |
| Secretary                                                                                                |                |

Who delivered the message to Mr. Winfield?

- A Andrew.
  - B Mr. Winfield.
  - C Andrew's secretary.
  - D The secretary of Mr. Winfield.
- 16 From the text we know that Mr. Winfield will call Andrew back to . . . of the meeting.
- A ask the place
  - B fix the date
  - C ask information about
  - D clarify the postponement

- 17 **These text is to answer questions number 17 and 19!**

**On 17 August 2014**, there was a special event in my hometown. The mayor held a big competition of Pinang Climbing. This competition was held to celebrate the independence day.

**Early in the morning**, many people had gathered in the town square. In the middle, there were exactly one hundred poles. Various prizes, such as t-shirts, radios, pans, and bicycles were hung on the top of each pole.

**At 10 o'clock**, the competition started. Unlike the usual Pinang Climbing competition in which the competitors work individually, this time the competitors worked in teams. There were ten teams in this event. They would compete to get the prizes as many as they could.

The crowd enjoyed watching the teams struggle to reach the top. They yelled and gave applauses every time a successful team grabbed the prizes and dropped them down. It was not an easy job to do because the pole was so slippery. Each pole had been covered with grease. However, all teams had good strategies. **At about 12 a.m.** nearly all the prizes had been taken away.

**It was an exciting experience.** I myself cheered my favorite team so loudly that I nearly lost my voice.

The main idea of the fourth paragraph is . . .

- A the competition started at 10 o'clock.
  - B the crowd enjoyed watching the team.
  - C the team successfully grabbed the prizes.
  - D all the prizes had been taken away at about 12 a.m.
- 18 Who held the competition of Pinang Climbing?
- A The team
  - B The crowd
  - C The people
  - D The mayor
- 19 Why were the poles so slippery?
- A There was some grease on them
  - B The poles were covered by prizes
  - C There was some sweat on the poles
  - D The poles were in the town square

- 20 **This text is to answer questions number 20 - 23!**



A cactus (plural: cacti) is any member of the plant family Cactaceae, native to the Americas. They are often used as ornamental plants, but some are also crop plants. Cacti are grown for protection of property from wild animals, as well as many other uses.

Cacti are unusual and distinctive plants, which are adapted to extremely hot environments, showing a wide range of anatomical and physiological features which conserve water.

Cacti come in a wide range of shapes and sizes. Many cactus species are night blooming, as they are pollinated by nocturnal insects or small animals, principally moths and bats. Cacti range **in size** from **small and globular** to **tall and columnar**.

- Cacti can adapt to hot environments because their anatomical and physiological features
- A are unusual
  - B are extrem
  - C conserve water
  - D have large sizes
- 21 What does the third paragraph tell us about?
- A The usage of cacti.
  - B The habitat of cacti.
  - C The advantages of cacti.
  - D The characteristics of cacti.
- 22 The underlined word in "Many cactus species are night **blooming**, as . . ." is closest in meaning to . . .
- A Performing
  - B Flowering
  - C Increasing
  - D Creating
- 23 A cactus can be easily found in front of many houses because it is often used as a/an ... plant.
- A Crop
  - B Wild
  - C Unusual
  - D Ornamental

- 24 **This text is to answer questions number 24 – 27!**

#### How to Save a Wet Cell Phone



- 1) Take the phone out of the water as soon as possible.
- 2) After removing the phone from water, quickly gather some paper towels or soft cloths to lay the phone on while you remove the battery.
- 3) Remove all other accessories such as memory cards, and protective covers.
- 4) Dry your phone with soft cloths or a towel.
- 5) Place the phone in a bowl of uncooked rice overnight. The rice can absorb some remaining moisture from the phone.
- 6) Plug it into its charger. If it still does not work, take your cell phone to an authorized dealer.

How is the wet cell phone dried?

- A By using soft cloths or a towel.
- B By plugging into its charger.
- C By removing memory cards
- D By removing the battery.

- 25 What do we do after we lay the phone on paper towels or soft cloths?  
 A Place the phone in a bowl of uncooked rice overnight.  
 B Remove all other accessories and protective cards.  
 C Rub it with a cloth or a towel.  
 D Plug it into its charger.
- 26 "Plug it into its charger."  
 What does the underlined word refer to?  
 A The bowl.  
 B The card.  
 C The phone.  
 D The substance.
- 27 The underlined word in "... quickly gather some paper towels or soft cloths ..." is closest in meaning to ....  
 A Downy  
 B Rough  
 C Thick  
 D Gentle

28 **This text is to answer questions number 28 – 30!**

Once upon a time there was a nervous little chipmunk. She was afraid that something bad would happen to her. One day she heard a little noise. It was actually the sound of an apple that fell to the ground, but the little chipmunk was petrified and shouted, "The sky is falling down." Then she ran away as fast as she could.

Soon all animals were shocked and ran in different directions making a chaos in the jungle. The lion saw this and then pulled out the little chipmunk. He said, "What made you think the sky would fall down?" She replied, "I heard and saw it near my tree house." After they checked what really happened near the tree house, the lion smiled and said, "You worry too much about everything. Let other animals know what had really happened. You are responsible for it."

- Why did the chipmunk run away?  
 A She saw a big lion.  
 B She met large animals.  
 C She fell down from a tree.  
 D She thought the sky was falling down.
- 29 Where did the chipmunk hear a little noise?  
 A On the sky.  
 B Behind the lion.  
 C Outside the jungle.  
 D Near her tree house.
- 30 The important lesson from the story is that we have to ...  
 A help other people sincerely  
 B respect weak and old people  
 C believe what our friends say  
 D check and recheck any information

**This text is to answer questions number 31 to 34!**

**WHAT DO ANTS LOOK LIKE?**

Ants are small insects. Like all insects, ants have six legs. The smallest ants are 0,7 millimeters long. Therefore they are hard to see. The biggest ants are almost 1 inch (3 centimeters) long.

Ant's body seems to have a very thin waist. The narrow waist lets the ant bend when it goes around turns in underground tunnels. Male ants and young queen ants have wings. The workers of many species of ants have a stinger for fighting against enemies.



An ant has a mouth with three parts. The most important part is jaws. The jaws can be used for carrying things, collecting food, building nests, fighting, and cutting. Ants use their lower jaws for chewing and their tongues for sucking up liquids. Adult ants can swallow only liquid foods, but some ants can chew solid foods by making the foods into liquid forms.

- 31 What is the text about?
- A Physical appearance of ants.
  - B The way to differ ants.
  - C How ants grow.
  - D Ant habits.
- 32 Ants can move easily in underground tunnels because
- A they are hard to see
  - B they can chew liquids
  - C they have strong wings
  - D they have a narrow waist
- 33 What do ants use their lower jaws for?
- A Chewing.
  - B Carrying.
  - C Sucking.
  - D Cutting.
- 34 The underlined word in "Ants body seems to have a very thin waist," is similar meaning to
- A Big
  - B Skinny
  - C Slim
  - D Long

**This ktext is to answer questions number 35-37!**

- 35 I'm so happy to have a close friend. She is my beloved classmate, Fafa. We've known each other since we were in grade 8. We were in the same class, and we still are in grade 9 until now. Fafa is a very kind and friendly girl. She is always ready to help other people. Although she comes from a rich family, she never looks down on other people. She is very sociable and has a lot of friends. She can interact easily with people from different ages. Therefore, she is also popular among teachers and parents.

What is the text about?

- A The writer's sister.
- B The writer's family.
- C The writer's deskmate.
- D The writer's best friend.

- 36     A Fafa has good characters.  
       B Fafa comes from a rich family.  
       C Fafa is an eighth grader student.  
       D Fafa is popular among neighbors.
- 37     The underlined word in "she can **interact** easily with people . . . " is closest in meaning to  
       A React  
       B Introduce  
       C Influence  
       D Communicate

**This text is to answer questions number 38 -40!**

Once upon a time, there was a kingdom in Java that was attacked by another kingdom. The king asked his Queen to save her life. Alas! In the middle of the jungle, the enemy killed all her guards. However, the Queen was lucky because she changed herself into a golden snail and survived.

One day, an old woman saw the snail and took it home. She looked after it. Whenever the old woman was not at home, the snail turned into a human being. She cooked and did the household chores. When the old woman got home, the Queen quickly changed into a snail again. It happened several times and made the old woman curious. One day, the old woman peeped and saw what was going on. She broke in, immediately. She asked, "Why did you change yourself into a snail?". The Queen told her what happened. The old woman was surprised to know that the snail was a Queen.

Later, from the head of the village they discovered that the king had won the battle and he was looking for his wife. Then the village head sent a message to the king telling him that his wife was safe.

- 38     What happened when the old woman found the snail?  
       A She reported it to the head of the village.  
       B She helped it to find the queen's husband.  
       C It helped cleaning and cooking in her house.  
       D She brought it to her house and took care of it.
- 39     What does the second paragraph tell you about?  
       A The queen lived as a golden snail  
       B The enemy who attacked the kingdom  
       C The old woman who looked after a snail  
       D The king's guards who were killed by enemy
- 40     In the end of the story, the old woman live in  
       A the king's palace  
       B a small village  
       C the village heads  
       D the middle of the jungle

**This text is to answer questions number 41 – 43!**

- 41     Coral animals do not move around. These tiny creatures (41) ..... together in groups called colonies. One single coral animal is called a polyp. Its body shape is like a tube. Its mouth is on the top of the tube. There are little tentacles around the mouth. They function to help the polyp catch food. The polyp makes a hard outer shell for itself from materials in seawater. (42) ... the polyp dies, the shell is left behind. The shells form colonies of polyp. Overtime, they become a rock. This rock is called a limestone. This (43) ... becomes the inner part of the reef. The living coral animals form the top part of the reef.
- A Live  
       B Swim  
       C Manage  
       D Commute

- 42 A While  
B Where  
C When  
D Whether
- 43 A Shell  
B Polyp  
C Colony  
D Limestone

**This text is to answer questions number 44 – 46!**

Last Sunday my sister and I woke up very (44) ..... long before dawn. We wanted to prepare a surprise birthday celebration for our mother. First we put some dolls and other stuffs in the isle outside our parents' bedroom so that mom would trip over on (45) ..... way to the bathroom. We also changed her tooth brush so it would break as soon as mom started to use it. We changed the tooth paste, too. We put red thick liquid inside a tube so mom would think that it was blood. There was also some mess that we prepared in the kitchen. We wanted to make her angry on her birthday. However, our plans did not work at all. Mom only smiled and (46) ..... the mess that we made. She is the most patient woman in the world. We love you Mom!

- 44 A Early  
B Lately  
C Nicely  
D Quickly
- 45 A My  
B Our  
C Her  
D Their
- 46 A Set in  
B grew up  
C made in  
D tidied up

- 47 **Arrange the words into the correct order:**

games – lunch – we – preparing – playing – while – they – were – were

1            2            3            4            5            6            7            8            9

- A 7-8-4-1-6-3-9-2-5  
B 7-8-4-2-6-3-1-5-9  
C 6-3-9-5-1-7-8-4-2  
D 6-3-9-5-1-7-2-8-4

- 48 **Arrange the words into the correct order:**

asks – after dinner – to wash – every night – the dishes – Budi – Mum

1            2            3            4            5            6            7

- A 4-7-1-6-3-5-2  
B 4-7-1-6-2-5-3  
C 3-5-1-6-2-4-7  
D 3-5-1-6-4-7-2

49 **Arrange the sentences into the correct order.**

**How to use a photo copy machine**

1. Then, put the paper that you want to copy on the top
2. First, plug in the copier
3. Finally, wait for the pages to come out
4. Second, turn it on
5. Next, press the copy button

The best arrangement is

- A 2-4-3-1-5
- B 2-4-1-5-3
- C 2-3-5-4-1
- D 2-1-3-5-4

50 The right order is . ...

1. One snake, called the spitting cobra, has found another way to kill its victim.
2. The cobra aims between the eyes to blind its victim.
3. It can spit accurately from more than 30 centimeters away from its victim.
4. Not all poisonous snakes kill their victims.
5. There are hundreds of different kinds of snakes.
6. Not all of them are poisonous.
7. It spits poison through the air.

- A 5-6-4-1-7-3-2
- B 5-6-4-1-2-3-7
- C 1-2-3-7-5-4-6
- D 1-2-3-6-4-7-5