

SPM MODULE

PAPER 1

PART 1 : 8 QUESTIONS



Instructions: This paper consists of four sections: Section A, Section B, Section C and Section D. Answer all sections in this question paper.

Section A

[15 marks]

[Time suggested : 25 minutes]

Questions 1 to 8 are based on the given stimuli. Study the information carefully and choose the best answer.

NEW PROGRAMME FOR YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD. HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE?

It's as easy as ABC. Fill in the form on this leaflet with your contact details. Then, hand it in at your nearest police station just before you leave for your trip or holiday.

All information you provide will be kept confidential. Police officers will be assigned to check on your home so you can have a worry-free holiday!

This is a non-profit community service initiative.



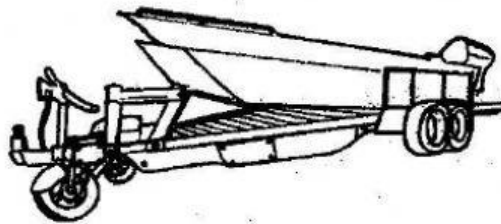
- 1 Why would you join the programme?
- A To arrange security for your home
 - B To guarantee you have a safe holiday
 - C To ensure your personal details are protected
 - D To support the police in their community work

Residents of Taman Warkworth are unhappy over the number of flies swarming into their homes, which they claim come from fields in the area where poultry are kept. The residents, numbering over 2 000, have endured the inconvenience for the past three years. Government officials are aware that the residents' lives have not only been disrupted but there is also a potential health concern.

- 2 What do the residents think about the fly problem?
- A It has its origins in the nearby farms.
 - B It affects the quality of the local food.
 - C It has become worse as the town has grown.
 - D It will be solved by the involvement of the authorities.

After experiencing difficulty in rescuing flood victims, the national Fire and Rescue Department has invented a special trailer to transport rescue boats to flooded areas. Most rescue work during floods involves moving victims to safer ground or to relief centres. However, firemen face a number of difficulties. Often, the roads are too narrow for large rescue vehicles to pass, and the water is not deep enough for the rescue boats to float.

To overcome this problem, a trailer pulled by a special motorbike was created. The 'motorcyclist' tows the trailer carrying the boat along narrow paths where water levels are low. The boat can then be launched when the water is deep enough.



- 3 What is the advantage of using the trailer?
- A It floats in shallow water.
 - B It improves safety for rescue workers.
 - C It provides access in challenging areas.
 - D It replaces the need for larger vehicles.

The Influenza Virus (H1N1) is over for now ... but that doesn't mean we should let our guard down		
Every year, the virus affects many families. Elderly people and young children are the most likely to be affected.	DID YOU KNOW? * It is a world-wide problem. * It puts many people in hospital. * It can be prevented with a yearly vaccination.	WHO SHOULD BE VACCINATED? * Children aged 6 months and above. * Adults with medical conditions and those aged 65 years and above. * Healthcare workers and those who come in contact with them.
GET YOUR VACCINATION TODAY!		

- 4 The main purpose of the advertisement is
- A to advise people with the virus to seek treatment.
 - B to explain how the vaccination prevents the spread of the virus.
 - C to encourage high-risk people to get vaccinated against the virus.
 - D to inform the public that the virus is no longer considered a danger.

'Dumbphones' – handsets that just make calls and send texts – remain useful as they are relatively inexpensive, said a telecoms expert.

"It makes sense especially in countries where the network service is not great," he explained.

Last year, 1.5 billion smartphones were sold around the world. But the 'dumbphones' market is still significant, with nearly 400 million sold in 2016.

In certain emerging markets such as India, their sales are still much higher than those of smartphones, as might be expected. However, even in developed countries where the telecoms market is more established, 'dumbphones' still continue to sell well. Young children use them as a first phone and some adults use them as a secondary phone.

- 5 According to the article, what is surprising about 'dumbphones'?
- A Their popularity with children
 - B The prices at which they are sold
 - C The number that are sold in developed countries
 - D Their usefulness in countries with poor networks

WHAT A DAY!

Friday, 14 September 2018, 6.05 p.m.

Last month, my teenage son Terry broke his leg during a football match. Within minutes, the ambulance had arrived and whisked Terry away to the emergency department where he received the treatment that he needed. A week later, still impressed with the kindness of the hospital staff, I wrote a thank-you note and baked some treats for them. It was a small gesture that had a big impact. When I dropped off my brownies at the hospital, they were delighted and thanked me warmly. Thanked me? All I had done was bake; they had come to my son's rescue!

Welcome to my
blog



My Profile

- ♥ A Mum who loves to blog
- ♥ Loves baking too

- 6 How did the writer feel?
- A Responsible for the inconvenience caused
 - B Unsure how to express her appreciation
 - C Proud of her reaction to the situation
 - D Grateful for the level of care shown

KAMPUNG MELATI: Dahlan bin Ahmad could not believe his eyes when he turned around upon hearing a loud crashing noise just seconds after crossing Pandan Bridge here.

The 30-year-old wooden bridge that spanned the Melaka – Johor border had disappeared, swept away by the fast-flowing river at about 4.30 p.m. on Friday.

"I was with my wife on my motorcycle returning from a friend's house. When we were on the bridge, it felt steady. Moments later, it all happened. We were shocked to see it had fallen into the river," said Dahlan.

- 7 From the newspaper article, we know that
- A Dahlan and his wife saw the incident happen.
 - B flooding caused the bridge to collapse.
 - C the bridge was known to be unsafe.
 - D the couple had a narrow escape.

Recently, I had to visit a friend at Jalan Anggerik Vanilla R31/R in Kota Kemuning, Shah Alam. Such a long name for a residential street! After much effort keying the address into the drive-help app, I was finally on my way.

I feel that when they are renaming streets and naming new streets, the local authorities should consider using names that are simpler and therefore easier to remember. With towns, it is common to abbreviate, for example, Kota Kemuning to KK and Bukit Rimau to BKR. Similarly, trunk roads and main arteries would be easier to remember if they had distinct names instead of names of individuals. Millions are spent on signboards. Let's keep things simple. Imagine the trouble we could avoid when trying to locate places!

- 8 Why is the writer unhappy with the road names?
- A They change too frequently.
 - B They are difficult to shorten.
 - C They cause people to waste time.
 - D They are too similar to each other.