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Section A: Grammar MCQ (8 x 1 mark)

Read the questions carefully. Choose the most suitable answer (1, 2, 3 or 4) and shade the correct oval on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1 Ali and I are best friends. _____ are classmates too.

(1) He
(2) We
(3) You
(4) They

2 Jennifer did not _____ to school last Friday.

(1) go
(2) goes
(3) gone
(4) went

3 I was caught in the rain _____ I got wet.

(1) as
(2) so
(3) but
(4) even though

4 "Muthu, please pour the juice _____ the cup carefully," said Mrs Bala.

(1) at
(2) on
(3) into

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5 My uncle lives _____ Block 56, Mayflower Street.

(1) in
(2) at
(3) on
(4) between

6 "_____ flowers are beautiful," said Mother who was holding a bouquet of roses.

(1) This
(2) That
(3) Those
(4) These

7 Mother said, "You _____ brush your teeth or you will have tooth decay."

(1) can
(2) must
(3) might
(4) would

8 Sam did not do his homework yesterday as he had _____ to bring it home.

(1) forget
(2) forgot
(3) forgotten
(4) forgetting

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Section D: Comprehension [1] (10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions 19 to 27.

Tan Tock Seng was born in a humble family. He was quite poor. However, he was very eager to succeed. Born in Malaysia in 1798, he came to Singapore to find work.

As a young man, he was good at doing business. He would buy fresh vegetables and chickens from the countryside, and cycle long distances on his bicycle to sell them in the marketplace in town. He could not afford to take a ride on the rickshaw. Walking, or even running, would take too long. It was a tough life, but he was determined to succeed.

Very soon, the hardworking and thrifty man did well enough to buy a shophouse. With time, he also bought land and more shophouses, and rose from rags to riches.

Despite his wealth, he cared about the poor and needy. He saw that many workers from China were not fairly treated by the rich people who employed them. He gave generously to the needy and donated money to build a hospital.

Since then, Tan Tock Seng Hospital has been providing treatment for people from all walks of life. The poor and needy were appreciative of his help as they did not have to worry about their hospital bills. The hospital provided affordable and basic medical treatment for all. Till today, the hospital remains true to the goals and aspirations of its founder.

Adapted from 'King Chulalongkorn and Other Stories of Respect' by Elizabeth Yeak

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19 Tick (✓) your chosen answer.
When Tan Tock Seng first came to Singapore, he wanted to _____. [1m]

☐	find work
☐	build a hospital
☐	help the poor and needy

20 Tick (✓) your chosen answer.

Tan Tock Seng _____ to town to sell vegetables and chickens. [1m]

☐	ran
☐	cycled
☐	walked

For question 21 to question 24, read each statement that describes Tan Tock Seng and tick (✓) '**True**' or '**False**'. The first example has been done for you. [4m]

	Statement	True	False
Example	He was highly motivated to succeed.	✓	
21	He was born in a rich family.		
22	He was born in China.		
23	He bought his goods from the countryside.		
24	He saved up his money to buy his first shophouse.		

25 Which word has the same meaning as inexpensive? Circle either (A) or (B). [1m]

The hospital provided affordable (A) and basic (B) medical treatment for all.

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26 These are some statements describing Tan Tock Seng. Put them in the right sequence according to the flow in the story. Write **1, 2, 3** on the lines. [1m]

_____ Tan Tock Seng bought land.

_____ Tan Tock Seng built a hospital for the poor.

_____ Tan Tock Seng went to the marketplace to sell goods.

27 According to the passage, tick (✓) **2 boxes** to best describe how the poor and needy felt after Tan Tock Seng Hospital was built. [2m]

☐	inspired
☐	relieved
☐	satisfied
☐	thankful

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