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**Section 1: Grammar & Vocabulary. (50m)**

**Choose the most suitable answer for each question and write its number in the brackets provided.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ has destroyed forests across the West.

(1) Destruction (3) Career  
(2) Wildfire (4) Weather ( )

2. The weapons were designed to cause massive \_\_\_\_\_.

(1) graduated (3) destruction  
(2) impulsive (4) participate ( )

3. You can count on her. She is highly \_\_\_\_\_ at her job.

(1) competent (3) overwhelmed  
(2) participate (4) immigrated ( )

4. After he \_\_\_\_\_ from high school, he joined the Army.

(1) finished (3) learned  
(2) left (4) graduated ( )

5. He's hoping for a \_\_\_\_\_ in web design.

(1) friend (3) career  
(2) life (4) relationship ( )

6. The doctor suggested that I might like to see a \_\_\_\_\_ to help me deal with stress better.

(1) counsellor (3) teacher  
(2) professor (4) guidance ( )

7. I need a few days to \_\_\_\_\_ things before I decide.

(1) ponder (3) career  
(2) counsellor (4) guidance ( )



8. The restaurant has won \_\_\_\_\_ awards for its great food and atmosphere.

(1)	destruction	(3)	numerous	
(2)	graduated	(4)	counsellor	( )

9. I need some \_\_\_\_\_ on which computer to buy.

(1)	wildfire	(3)	competent	
(2)	advice	(4)	graduated	( )

10. We have overcome all the \_\_\_\_\_ in our path.

(1)	competent	(3)	wildfire	
(2)	graduated	(4)	obstacles	( )

11. They bought the couch \_\_\_\_\_ it was on sale.

(1)	because	(3)	due to	
(2)	as a result	(4)	because of	( )

12. The thieves \_\_\_\_\_ by the police yesterday.

(1)	are arrested	(3)	is arrested	
(2)	were arrested	(4)	was arrested	( )

13. The printer was broken, \_\_\_\_\_ we couldn't use it.

(1)	so	(3)	as	
(2)	due to	(4)	since	( )

14. The \_\_\_\_\_ rain had ruined all the \_\_\_\_\_ flowers.

(1)	heavy/small	(3)	little/small	
(2)	small/ heavy	(4)	small/enormous	( )

15. I couldn't participate in the tennis tournament \_\_\_\_\_ my injured leg.

(1)	because	(3)	due to	
(2)	as a result	(4)	as	( )

16. It \_\_\_\_\_ rain later. Take an umbrella with you.

(1)	might	(3)	have to	
(2)	must	(4)	should	( )



17. \_\_\_\_\_ the rain had poured for three days, there were floods in the area.

(1)	Due to	(3)	As	
(2)	Because of	(4)	So	( )

18. My new \_\_\_\_\_ car is getting very \_\_\_\_\_ and needs to be cleaned.

(1)	red/wet	(3)	red/ dirty	
(2)	dirty/red	(4)	red/dry	( )

19. \_\_\_\_\_ the change in the weather, we have decided not to go to the parade.

(1)	So	(3)	Because of	
(2)	Because	(4)	And	( )

20. The bank lineup was long. \_\_\_\_\_, I used the ATM.

(1)	Because	(3)	Due to	
(2)	As a result	(4)	Because of	( )



**Section 2. Vocabulary Cloze Passage. (20m)**

**Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct words given in the box and write the LETTER in each blank. USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.**

A. fork	B. greets	C. plate	D. busy	E. developed
F. crafted	G. praise	H. shouts	I. orders	J. lucky
K. success	L. flavour	M. popular	N. friendly	O. memory

Aunt Rosalind runs a chicken rice stall in a hawker center. Her stall is the most (1) \_\_\_\_\_ in the hawker center. There are many reasons for her (2) \_\_\_\_\_. At Aunt Rosalind's, chicken rice is served on a huge (3) \_\_\_\_\_. The portions are generous. Each customer is given a huge drumstick with soup and salad. She also makes her own sauce with a special (4) \_\_\_\_\_ to go with the chicken rice. It has been (5) \_\_\_\_\_ through many years of experimentation. Her customers (6) \_\_\_\_\_ the taste of the sauce.

Besides, Aunt Rosalind has a winning personality. She is extremely (7) \_\_\_\_\_ to all her customers. She (8) \_\_\_\_\_ everyone with a great smile. She also has a good (9) \_\_\_\_\_. She remembers her regular customers' (10) \_\_\_\_\_ often. That is why many customers return to buy chicken rice from her.



**Section 3. Rewrite the sentences using the word provided. (10 pts)**

1. "Don't play football in the garden!" Karen told the boys.

Karen told the boys \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. "Lucy doesn't eat meat." Nick told us.

Nick told us \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. "Open the window!" Anna told me.

Anna told me \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Frank wanted to know, "When did Jane arrive?"

Frank wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Christopher asked Jenny, "Do you want to dance?"

Christopher asked Jenny \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



**Section 4. Comprehension. (20m)**

**Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.**

That day, Henry went home in a huff because he had spent the afternoon at his school's Sports Day alone while the rest of his classmates had one of their parents take the day off to cheer them on in their sports events.

"Why can't she have time for me? Why is she always not around?" thought Henry. His mother was a secretary for a shipping company and she often worked way past the time to go home, returning only at the witching hour or even later. She did not have time to go through his homework with him, she did not have time to watch television programmes with him, she did not have time to visit the zoo with him...she did not have time to do anything with him at all.

On Saturdays, Henry's mother would leave for neighbouring Johor Bahru to help his grandfather out at his herbal medicine shop and only come back on Sundays, at, of course, the witching hour. Any papers and forms that required her signature would have to be left on the table. By the next day, before leaving for school, the papers would have to be left on the table. By the next day, before leaving for school, the papers would have been signed and left at the exact same spot. His father was stationed overseas and could only come home once a year, usually during the Chinese New Year. He understood his father's absence, as he had been in Dubai for as long as he could remember, but it was difficult to understand his mother's situation. She was in Singapore, but he could not see or touch her. It was a case of being so near, yet so far away.

In the empty house, Henry sat alone on the sofa, thinking about what he could do to make himself feel better. After a long time, an idea struck him. He would go find his mother! It was a brilliant idea. All Henry had to do was to take the train to Kallang station, cross the junction, and walk past the row of shophouses before turning left to walk up the first flight of stairs to the second-storey office. It was based on memory and he was very confident that he would be able to get to his destination and spring a surprise on her. With a wide beam plastered on his face, he immediately changed out of his uniform.



1. State two activities that Henry's mother could not do with him.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Where was the herbal medicine shop of Henry's grandfather located?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What did Henry do when he had papers that required his mother's signature?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Where was Henry's father stationed?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred.

\_\_\_\_\_ Henry decided to find his mother.

\_\_\_\_\_ Henry returned to an empty house.

\_\_\_\_\_ Henry changed out of his uniform.

6. Base on the story, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false.

	Statement	True/ False
a.	Henry was not bothered that his parents could not attend Sports Day.	
b.	Henry was a lonely boy.	
c.	Henry was angry at his father's absence.	

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