



## EXERCISE 2

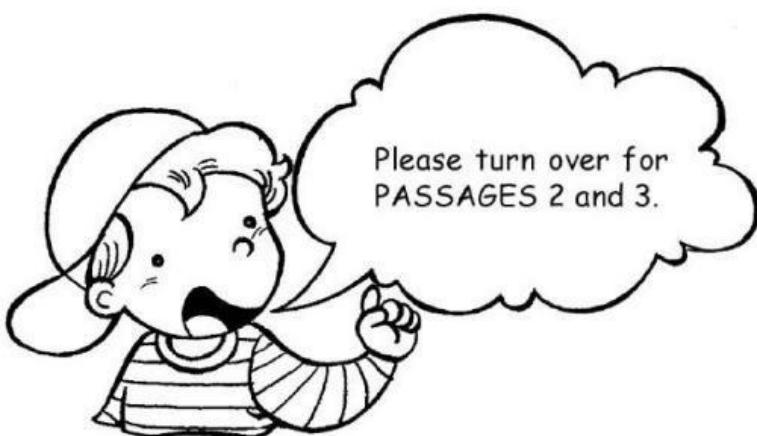
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marks

**Read the passages carefully. Choose the most suitable word or phrase given in the boxes and write its letter (A to E) in the blanks. Use each word or phrase ONCE only.**

**PASSAGE 1 (3 x 1 = 3 marks)**

(A) grew (C) have grown (E) are growing  
(B) is growing (D) grow

Jason planted a few young apple trees in his orchard last year. He watches the trees 1 \_\_\_\_\_ as time passes. He is very excited as the trees 2 \_\_\_\_\_ quite a lot since then. The trees 3 \_\_\_\_\_ well in his orchard. He is waiting patiently for the day to see one of these trees bear fruit.



**PASSAGE 2 (3 x 1 = 3 marks)**

(A) eat      (C) eats      (E) are eating  
(B) ate      (D) had eaten

Jonathan's mother had not returned from her shopping. He **4** \_\_\_\_\_ nothing for the whole day. He was so hungry that he could hear his stomach rumble. He searched the whole kitchen for something to **5** \_\_\_\_\_. He found some cookies and raisins and **6** \_\_\_\_\_ all of them. Finally, he made himself a hot cup of Milo.

**PASSAGE 3 (4 x 1 = 4 marks)**

(A) tastes (C) is tasting (E) taste  
(B) has tasted (D) tasted

Cathy 7 \_\_\_\_\_ her bowl of prawn noodles now. She 8 \_\_\_\_\_ many other types of prawn noodles before, but this is the first time she is trying out Peranakan prawn noodles. Cathy likes to 9 \_\_\_\_\_ a variety of food. She is glad that this bowl of prawn noodles 10 \_\_\_\_\_ better than the other styles she has tasted previously.