

FUKIEN SECONDARY SCHOOL
S4 Final Examination (2020-2021)
English Language Paper 1
Reading
Question-Answer Book

(1 hour 30 minutes)

Date: 18th June 2021

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Time: 8:30a.m. - 10:00a.m.

Class: S4 _____ No.: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write your Name, Class and Class Number in the spaces provided on this page and on the cover page of the Reading Passages booklet.
2. There are two parts in this paper. Answer **ALL** questions in Parts A and B.
3. The reading passages are in a separate booklet. Write your answers clearly and neatly in the spaces provided in this Question-Answer Book. You are advised to use a pencil to write your answers. **Answers written in the margins will not be marked.**
4. For multiple-choice questions, you are advised to blacken the appropriate circle with a pencil so that wrong marks can be completely erased with a clean rubber. Mark only **ONE** answer to each question. Two or more answers will score **NO MARKS**.

Part	Marker's Use Only	
A	40	
B	40	
Total	80	

Part A (40 marks)

Read Text 1 and answer questions 1–16.

(32 marks)

Text 1

1. Why doesn't Bill Gates ask the 'unasked question' (line 1)?

2. Find a phrase in paragraph 1 that suggests something that we have become used to.

2. According to paragraph 2, decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG). (4 marks)

	T	F	NG
i) The number of people with no toilet or latrine is at least as high as the number with a proper home toilet.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
ii) Three people in 10 have to pay a daily fee for toilet use.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
iii) Diarrhea is life-threatening to children aged below five.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
iv) Bill Gates plans to further increase his wealth by selling toilets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

4. In paragraph 2, what is the Gates Foundation's reason for mentioning the number of child deaths caused by cholera?

A to promote the replacement of toilets and latrines with Gates's 'reinvented toilets'

B to show that innovative technology is needed to tackle the epidemic

C to emphasize the need for global inoculation against the epidemic

D to highlight how safe sanitation can save young lives

A B C D

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5. Name a function of the omniprocessors mentioned in paragraph 3.

6. Explain the reason why Bill Gates argues that his 'off-grid loos' (line 18) can help solve the sanitation problem in the developing world. Answer by completing the statement below based on paragraph 4. You may use more than ONE word for some blanks. (3 marks)

Bill Gates's off-grid loos are designed to work in (i) _____ where people often cannot afford to build the infrastructure required for traditional toilets, such as (ii) _____ and (iii) _____.

7. In what THREE ways are sewer systems costly, according to paragraph 4? (3 marks)

i) costly to _____

ii) costly to _____

iii) costly to _____

8. How are the off-grid loos described in paragraph 5 (2 marks)

i) better for health? _____

ii) more pleasant? _____

9. Identify TWO other words that refer to 'toilets' used in paragraph 5. (2 marks)

i) _____

ii) _____

10. Besides spreading disease, how else do primitive toilets pose a danger, according to paragraph 5?

11. According to paragraph 6, what goal has Bill Gates set his eye on for the toilets of the future? They will ...

A use less water.

B fit in people's homes.

C be built with cheaper materials.

D not require users to empty the 'ashbox'.

A B C D

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12. What does the word 'It' in line 27 refer to?

13. Find a word in paragraphs 6 – 7 with a meaning similar to each of the following. (4 marks)

i) secure _____

ii) economical _____

iii) upkeep _____

iv) mainly _____

14. According to paragraph 8, what does Steve Sugden and Bill Gates agree on?

15. i) According to Steve Sugden, who in a family usually cares more about acquiring a toilet? (1 mark)

ii) Why might that be? Answer based on the information in paragraph 6. (1 mark)

16. Bill Gates identifies two potential markets for his invented toilets in paragraph 8. Enter the name of the related countries in the correct spaces in the table below. Also, indicate whether Gates's toilets are more likely to sell in urban or rural environments based on the text by ticking the correct box. (4 marks)

Country	Urban Environment	Rural Environment
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Read Text 2 and answer questions 17–24.

(8 marks)

Text 2

17. Explain why the writer refers to WTD as ‘a most unglam holiday’ (line 1) using a phrase taken from paragraph 1.

Because it celebrates _____.

18. Find a phrase in paragraph 2 that has a similar meaning to ‘become popular’.

19. According to paragraph 2, what evidence does the writer provide to suggest the modern flush toilet has spread slowly?

20. According to paragraph 3, what are cholera and dysentery carried out of the body by?

21. Choose the option that best completes the statement below based on paragraph 4.

The data given in the said paragraphs suggests there is still much work to be done to ensure the (i) of (ii) sanitation globally.

- A availability, safe
 B viability, affordability
 C usability, standardisation
 D proper utilisation, compatible

A B C D
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22. In paragraph 4, the writer stresses the urgent need for safe global sanitation given ...

- A our heightened sense of sustainability.
 B the rapid pace of urbanisation worldwide.
 C the lack of proper education on public hygiene.
 D recent developments in waste management technology.

A B C D
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23. Name ALL the functions the writer demands of an effective waste management system, based on paragraph 4.

The system should _____.

24. Overall the writer feels that World Toilet Day is

- A pivotal.
- B redundant.
- C life-saving.
- D well-meaning.

A	B	C	D
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

END OF PART A

Part B (40 marks)**Text 3**

Read Text 3 and answer questions 25–33. (22 marks)

25 What is the meaning of 'giant' (title) as used in this context?

A of a very large size

B monstrous

C important

D unusual

A B C D

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26. Complete the following table about the Carbon Challenge using information from paragraphs 1-3. (11 marks)

Carbon Challenge	
Organised by	(i) _____
Target groups	(ii) _____
Goals	cut down (iii) _____ through adoption of (iv) _____
Duration	Carbon Challenge: (v) _____ Theme of the Month: (vi) _____
Total number of monthly challenges	(vii) _____
List of monthly challenges (mentioned in the text)	(viii) _____ (ix) _____ (x) _____ (xi) _____

27. Name a phrase in paragraph 2 that suggests the need for a special effort to be made when taking the CarbonCut challenge.

28. What does 'do the right thing' (line 5) refer to?

29. According to paragraph 3, what tasks does the blogger of the month have to do? (2 marks)

i)

ii)

30. Paragraph 3 describes the Carbon Challenge experience. Number the events in order (1-4). The event that happens first is numbered '1' and so on.

Get the chance to win an energy monitor app.

Register online with CarbonCut.

Gain access to the Carbon Challenge community.

Make a pledge.

31. What is a 'win-win situation' (line 16)?

32. According to paragraphs 4-5, decide whether the following statements about CarbonCut and its challenges are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG). (3 marks)

	T	F	NG
i) The first challenge has to do with saving power.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
ii) Dr E. Morrison has written a few books on green living prior to CarbonCut.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
iii) Dr E. Morrison has an impressive green repertoire, according to CarbonCut.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

33. According to paragraph 6, what can participants do to help promote the Carbon Challenge?

Text 4

Read Text 4 and answer questions 34–43. (18 marks)

34. What is the meaning of ‘control’ in line 3?

- A the standard against which something is compared
- B the restrictions and limits on doing something
- C the power to decide how something is run
- D the ability to manipulate others’ actions

A B C D
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35. Based on the information in paragraph 2, complete the following summary using ONE word for each blank. (5 marks)

I hooked the energy monitor (i) _____ up to my computer to generate a
(ii) _____ that visualised my weekly energy (iii) _____ record,
which totalled (iv) _____ kg of carbon and (v) _____ in terms of
charges.

36. What does the word ‘bucks’ in paragraphs 5 refer to?

37. Find a word in paragraphs 2-6 with a meaning similar to each of the following. (3 marks)

- i) varying _____
- ii) warning _____
- iii) massive _____

38. What does the son imply with his statement in paragraph 9?

- A The gizmo also uses energy.
- B A cordless gizmo should be used instead.
- C The money spent on the gizmo is a waste.
- D Switching to solar power can save energy.

A B C D
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39. What does 'the neon red display flickered and stopped at \$6 882' (lines 19-20) suggest?

40. According to paragraph 12, find ONE reason Dr Morrison gives to explain why he still machine-washes his laundry.

41. What does 'give me a leg-up' (line 32) mean?

- A stop me
 B help me
 C sponsor me
 D challenge me

A	B	C	D
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

42. What is the 'public shaming' being referred to in paragraph 16?

43. Which character from Text 4 is most likely to make each of the statements below? Write the name of the character under each speech bubble. Use each character ONCE only. (3 marks)

The key to doing it is to strike a balance between personal comfort and energy use.

i) _____

I used my family's full support to win this green game.

ii) _____

I feel reassured at the good doctor's admittance to his reluctance to sacrifice for a greener lifestyle.

iii) _____

END OF PART B