



JABATAN PELAJARAN NEGERI SELANGOR
PERSIDANGAN KEBANGSAAN PENGETUA SEKOLAH MENENGAH

PROGRAM PENINGKATAN PRESTASI AKADEMIK (2)
PENILAIAN MENENGAH RENDAH 2010

12/1

BAHASA INGGERIS

Kertas 1

Ogos

1 jam

Satu jam

JANGAN BUKA KERTAS SOALAN INI SEHINGGA DIBERITAHU

1. *Kertas soalan ini mengandungi 40 soalan.*
2. *Jawab semua soalan.*
3. *Tiap-tiap soalan diikuti oleh empat pilihan jawapan, iaitu A, B, C dan D. Bagi setiap soalan, pilih satu jawapan sahaja. Hitamkan semua jawapan anda pada kertas objektif yang disediakan.*

Kertas soalan ini mengandungi 15 halaman bercetak dan 1 halaman tidak bercetak.

Questions 1 – 10 are based on the information given.

HIGHLY FLAMMABLE

1 Which product below would have the above warning?

- A Dish-washing liquid
- B Fire extinguisher
- C Mobile phone
- D Aerosol can

To all English Language Society members,

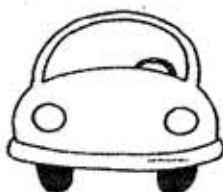
There will be a meeting tomorrow at Kenanga Room at 3 p.m. sharp. Please bring along old newspapers and magazines for our recycling project.

ELS President

2 The notice above reminds the students to

- A be at the venue on time
- B sell recyclable materials
- C buy newspapers and magazines
- D conduct the meeting on their own

AIN'S REN-A-CAR



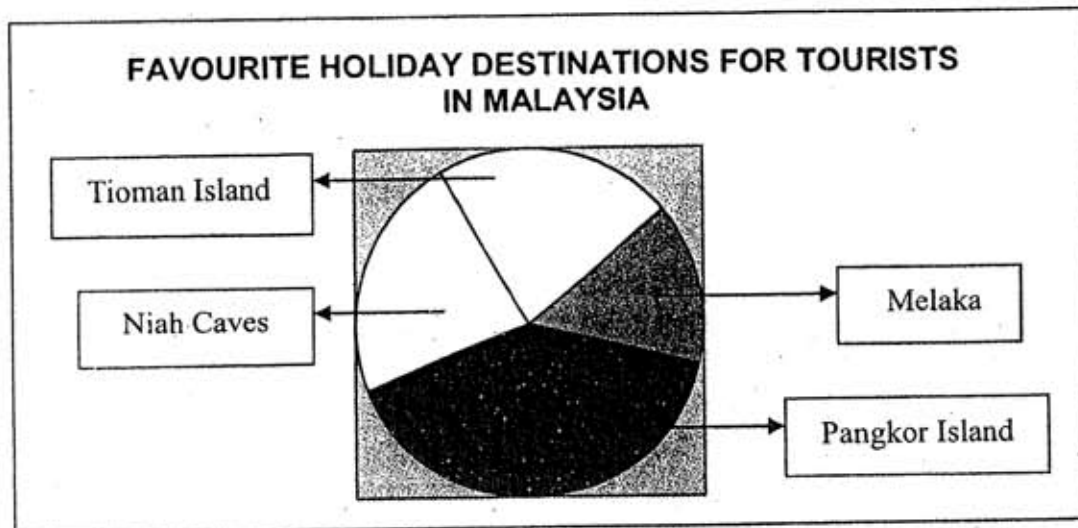
JULY PROMOTION
IT'S RM99.00 per day
FOR ALL ISMARA & VIRA MODELS

CALL NOW!
GPS AVAILABLE FOR RENT NOW!

E-MAIL: ains@ainsrentacar.com.my
TEL: 03-45532289 (MR AMIR)

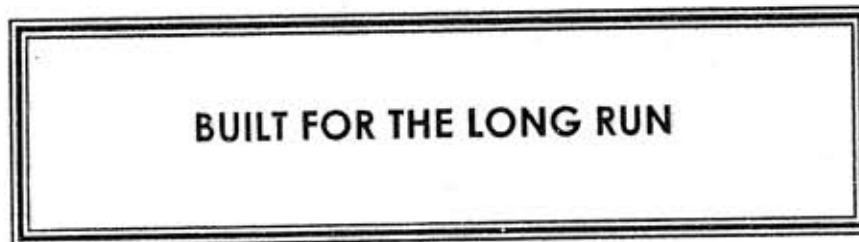
3 Based on the advertisement above, which of the following statements is **true**?

- A Rental for all makes of car costs RM99.
- B The promotion is only for a month.
- C Those interested can call Ms Ain.
- D GPS is provided free of charge.



4 From the pie chart above, we know that the most popular tourist destination in Malaysia is

- A Melaka
- B Niah Caves
- C Tioman Island
- D Pangkor Island



5 From the tag line above, we can tell that the product is

- A long-lasting
- B built slowly
- C used for jogging
- D used for running



- 6 Based on the advertisement above, all the following statements are true **except**
- A customers can eat as much as they want
 - B customers can call to make a reservation
 - C customers pay half price for their children
 - D customers can enjoy the promotion on Wednesdays



- 7 The comic strip shows that the cream
- A does not work
 - B does exactly what it claims
 - C makes the butterfly feel happy

SECRETARY

- Diploma or equivalent
- Minimum 3 years working experience
- 5-day week
- *In-house* training

SG BULOH, SELANGOR.

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8 Based on the advertisement above, the phrase *In-house* means

- A international
- B marginal
- C external
- D internal



9 The sign above tells us that the café is _____

- A interesting
- B expensive
- C luxurious
- D popular

Questions 11 – 18 are based on the following text.

Many feel that reading is threatened by other distractions in our contemporary fast-paced life. But it 11 an essential life skill and the earlier it is mastered, the 12. “Children who are read to early on are often more successful in school and later in life,” says Peter Milne, a young learners’ coordinator at 13 British Council in Kuala Lumpur. Early investment will 14 dividends as they progress to reading more challenging books by 15.

The development 16 reading skills begins the minute your child picks up a book and you begin to 17 books with him, says a spokesperson from a study centre. “By the age of five, most children show signs of being ready to read and this is the time to harness their 18.”

(Adapted from *Reader's Digest*, November 2009)

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|----|---|-----------|----|------------|--------------|
| 11 | A | remain | A | itself | |
| | B | remains | B | herself | |
| | C | remained | C | himself | |
| | D | remaining | D | themselves | |
| 12 | A | best | 16 | A | of |
| | B | worse | | B | for |
| | C | worst | | C | in |
| | D | better | | D | on |
| 13 | A | - | 17 | A | share |
| | B | a | | B | shares |
| | C | an | | C | shared |
| | D | the | | D | sharing |
| 14 | A | pay | 18 | A | enthusiast |
| | B | take | | B | enthusiasts |
| | C | reduce | | C | enthusiasm |
| | D | increase | | D | enthusiastic |

Questions 19 – 21

Read the dialogue below and choose the **best** meaning for the phrases underlined.

Maria : Hello Alex! How are you? I haven't seen you for ages. Why didn't you turn up (19) for the drama practice last Saturday?

Alex : Oh, yes! I missed it. It must have been fun. Unfortunately, my father's car broke down (20) on our way back from the hypermarket that morning.

Maria : So, did your father manage to get it repaired?

Alex : Yes, we came across (21) a mechanic's contact number in the newspaper and he managed to fix it.

19 turn up

- A come
- B arrive
- C prepare
- D rehearse

20 broke down

- A ran out of fuel
- B had an accident
- C went into pieces
- D ceased to operate

21 came across

- A found
- B discovered
- C considered
- D remembered

Questions 22 – 24

Read the message below, and choose the **best** meaning for the expressions underlined.

Dear Taufeeq,

Congratulations! I heard that you have been chosen to represent your school in the public speaking competition. I take my hats off to you (22). You have all the qualities of a good speaker. I am confident that you will put your best foot forward (23). I wish you all the best. I am sure you will win the day (24).

Your friend,
Norin

- 22 take my hats off to you
- A remove my hat whenever I meet you
 - B don't want to wear a hat in front of you
 - C greet you politely when I see you anywhere
 - D admire you very much for your achievement
- 23 put your best foot forward
- A put in enough effort
 - B do your very best
 - C keep things going
 - D speak confidently
- 24 win the day
- A be popular
 - B be admired
 - C be victorious
 - D be remembered

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SULIT

Questions 25 – 28 are based on the following advertisement.

WATERCOLOUR COMPETITION

- Organised by : Putramaya Holdings
- Collaboration : Malaysian Watercolour Society (MWS)
- Date : 11 July 2010 (Sunday)
- Location : Precinct 11, Putrajaya
- Time of Competition : 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.
- Category A : 7 – 12 years
Category B : 13 – 17 years
- Total participation : Category A ~ Limited to 200 participants
: Category B ~ Limited to 100 participants
- Fees : Category A ~ RM20.00 per participant
: Category B ~ RM30.00 per participant
- Theme : “Tropical Splendour” (Heliconia)
- Closing Ceremony : 25 July 2010 (Sunday)



Cash prizes worth RM18,000

(Adapted from *The Star*, 7 July 2010)

- 25 The aim of the advertisement is to
- A give useful information about the Malaysian Watercolour Society
 - B provide more information on "Tropical Splendour" (Heliconia)
 - C encourage people to learn how to paint
 - D promote a watercolour competition
- 26 What will take place on 25 July 2010?
- A The competition finals.
 - B The prize-giving ceremony.
 - C The closing of the registration.
 - D The selling of the winning portraits.
- 27 What is the maximum number of participants for Category A?
- A 100
 - B 200
 - C 300
 - D 400
- 28 The word *Splendour* in the advertisement means
- A magnificence
 - B excitement
 - C simplicity
 - D rarity

Questions 29 – 34 are based on the following passage.

As a child, my family and I had *countless* animals on our farm. There were a *feathered* collection and a furry collection. A pair of our favourites included Benny, a dog, and Nancy, a milking goat. They have been with us ever since I could remember.

One morning we realised they were both missing. We panicked and I started to cry. Mum was also in tears but dad remained calm and took charge of the situation. He gathered his close friends and organized a search party.

Our search involved visiting the pound, asking around at neighbouring farms, and driving around the rough, winding backtracks. There was no sign of our little dog or the runaway goat; they had both vanished. Every attempt to locate them was unsuccessful. I could understand how easy it was for a dog to wander off and get lost, but not a big white milking goat in an area of well-fenced wheat crops. However, what worried us more was the safety of our pets.

A week after they disappeared, we had just about given up on ever finding them again, Benny and Nancy casually trotted down the driveway together. We quickly sent for the veterinarian to examine them. After half an hour, he declared that they were in good health. We never did discover the secret of their adventure; twenty years later *it* still remains a mystery.

(Adapted from *Reader's Digest*, January 2010)

29 The word *countless* in the passage can be replaced with

- A several
- B many
- C some
- D a few

30 A *feathered* animal could be a

- A bat
- B hen
- C dog
- D cat

- 31 The search for the missing animals included all the following areas **except**
- A the pound
 - B rough terrains
 - C winding backtracks
 - D neighbouring farms
- 32 "...twenty years later *it* still remains a mystery". The word '*it*' refers to the
- A friendship between both animals
 - B disappearance of the animals
 - C return of the animals
 - D animals' adventure
- 33 When did Benny and Nancy return to the farm?
- A After twenty years.
 - B The following day.
 - C Seven days later.
 - D One morning.
- 34 The most suitable title for this story would be
- A The Farm Animals
 - B The Missing Feathered Animals
 - C The Adventures of Benny and Nancy
 - D The Mystery of the Runaway Farm Animals

Questions 35 – 37 are based on the following poem.

Lake Isle of Innisfree

I will arise and go now, and go to Innisfree,
And a small cabin build there, of clay and wattles made.
Nine bean-rows will I have there, a hive for the honey bee
And live alone in the bee-loud glade.

And I shall have some peace there, for peace comes dropping slow,
Dropping from the veils of the morning to where the cricket sings;
There midnight's all a glimmer, and noon a purple glow
And evening full of the linnet's wings.

I will arise and go now, for always night and day
I hear *lake water lapping* with low sounds by the shore
While I stand on the roadway, or on the pavements grey,
I hear it in the deep heart's core.

William Butler Yeats

- 35 The persona wishes to go to Innisfree to
- A build a cabin
 - B lead a simple life
 - C develop the island
 - D live close to nature
- 36 The phrase *lake water lapping* refers to the
- A beauty of the lake
 - B desire of the persona
 - C emotions of the persona
 - D peaceful sound of the water
- 37 "*Dropping from the veils of the morning to where the cricket sings*" suggests that the persona will find peace
- A in the morning
 - B in the evening
 - C the whole day
 - D at midnight

Questions 38 – 40 are based on the extract from the short story **The Pencil**.

He had wanted that unusual pencil since he first saw it in the bookstore. That was surely not wishing for too much! On his way home, he imagined how proud he would be to own such a pencil.

“It would last a year,” he whispered.

The teacher never paid any attention to Zahid when he raised his hand in class and he was always too shy to speak out. But he never blamed Mr. Jamal.

“I’m so small,” he said softly, “who would ever take notice of me?”

But perhaps that pencil would make a difference. If he raised it high enough, the teacher would take notice and ask him questions too.

The eraser was huge. All his friends could borrow the pencil, especially Siti, Zainab, Budin and Samad. He wouldn’t care how many people borrowed it. In fact, the more who used it, the happier he would be.

38 Why did Zahid want to buy the pencil?

- A He could use it forever.
- B He would be noticed in class.
- C He would be the class monitor.
- D He could share it with his teacher.

39 Zahid liked the pencil because it was

- A expensive
- B affordable
- C extraordinary

40 Zahid can be described as

- A proud
- B stingy
- C generous
- D self-centred

KERTAS SOALAN TAMAT