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NGEE ANN SECONDARY SCHOOL



SECONDARY 3 END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

1128/1

Paper 1 Writing

28 September 2015

1 hr 50 min

Additional Materials: Writing Paper

Instructions to Candidates

Write your name, register number and class at the top of this page.
Write your answers in blue or black ink.
Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer Section A, Section B and one question from Section C.

For Section A, write your answers in the spaces provided in this question paper.
For Section B and Section C, write your answers on the writing paper provided.
At the end of the examination, fasten all your work for each section securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the head of each section.

Submit Sections A, B and C separately.

This document consists of 5 printed pages, including this cover page.

Section A [10 marks]

Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about laughter. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

If there is NO error in a line, put a tick (✓) in the space provided.

If the line is incorrect, circle the incorrect word and write the correct word in the space provided. The correct word you provide must not change the original meaning of the sentence.

Examples:

I arrived to my destination at 2 pm.

.....at.....

My mother always wears sensible clothes.

✓

Laughter is about strengthening social bonds. It occurs when people are comfortable with one another and they feel open and freedom. The more people laugh together, the more they bond together; the more they bond, the easier it is to laugh together – a loop is endless. There is also a desire not to be singled out from the group. If everyone else are laughing, you do not want to be the one left outside. This may explain why laughter is often contagious, sometimes dramatically so. In 1962, for example, an epidemic of laughter among school girls in Tanzania lasting for six months and forced officials to close schools. Such social laughter is a mean of defining in-groups and out-groups. If I told you a joke and you laugh, you are showing agreement and this builds up a positive relationship between those of them who are present.

Section B [30 marks]

Begin your answer on a fresh page.

You are advised to write between 250 and 350 words for this section.

You should look at the printout of an extract from an e-brochure on page 4, study the information carefully and plan your answer before beginning to write.

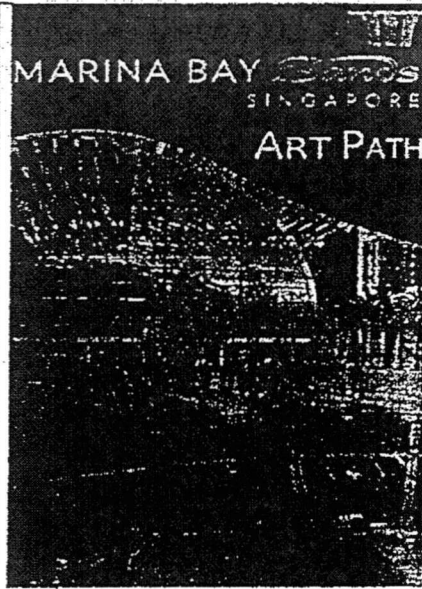
Your Form Teacher has assigned you to organise a class outing after the examination. You saw this e-brochure on the Internet and the class has expressed an interest in exploring the Marina Bay Sands Art Path. On behalf of the class, you would like to recommend the idea to your teacher and want her to join the class for the outing.

Write a proposal to your Form Teacher suggesting:

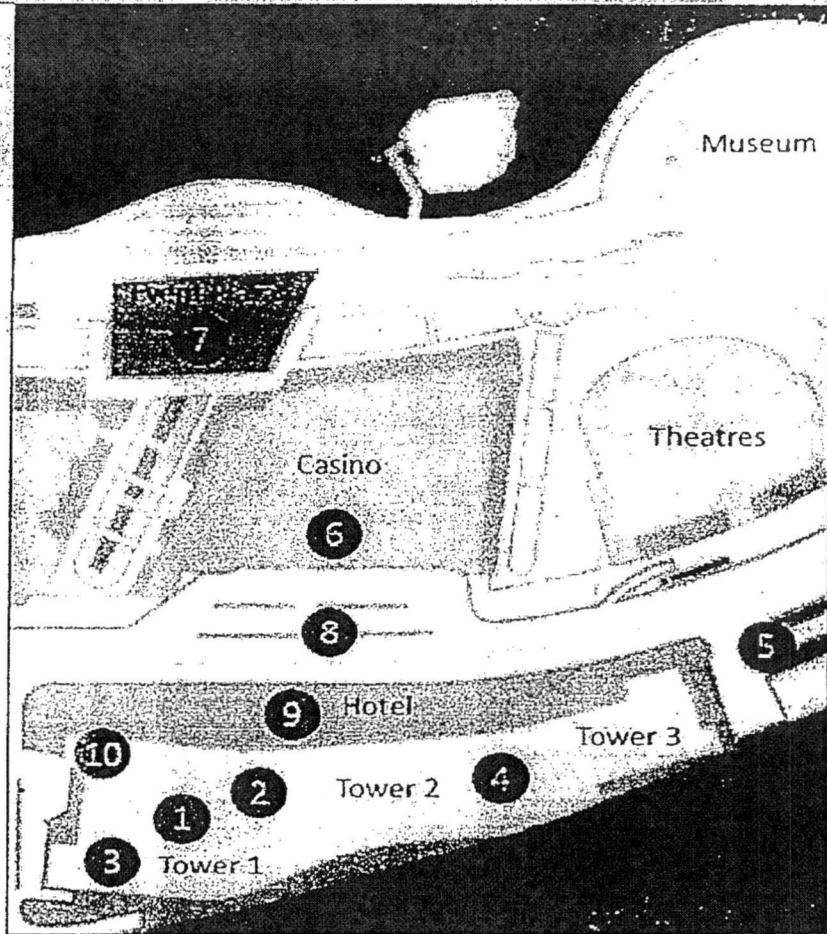
- 1 • why the Marina Bay Sands Art Path will be interesting for the class
- 2 • two art installations shown in the e-brochure that your class is keen to visit
- 3 • two other activities which you would like to include in the class outing
- 4 • reasons why you would like your teacher to join the class

Write your proposal in clear, accurate English and in a cordial tone, persuading your Form Teacher to support the class outing.

You should use your own words as much as possible.



The Marina Bay Sands Art Path was launched on 28 April 2010. The Art Path is a collection of large-scale art installations by internationally-renowned artists handpicked by Marina Bay Sands' design architect Moshe Saldie to ensure a conceptual and aesthetic collaboration between artist and architect. The seven artists and their site-specific work include: Antony Gormley (Drift); Chongbin Zheng (Rising Forest); James Carpenter (Blue Reflection Facade); Ned Kahn (Rain Oculus); Israel Hadany (Motion); Zhan Wang (Artificial Rock); and Sol LeWitt (Wall Drawing).



MAP OF ART INSTALLATION SITES

<p>MOTION By Israel Hadany</p>	<p>DRIFT By Antony Gormley</p>	<p>WALL DRAWING By Sol LeWitt</p>	<p>RAIN OCULUS By Ned Kahn</p>
<p>Motion consists of two individual units made from glass and stone. Each unit is fabricated from many amorously shaped glass plates glued together to form large glass sections partly bordered by a Jura Beige stone bench. Placed at a distance from one another, Motion represents the movement of the river currents in relation to dry land and its intention is to introduce nature into the architectural space.</p>	<p>Drift is a stainless steel matrix of over 16,100 steel rods and more than 8,320 steel nodes. The structure is transparent but the rods function like frames to outline the ever-changing activity in the atrium below. The sculpture pays homage to the soaring heights of the Marina Bay Sands hotel lobby, and emphasises the sheer immensity of the structure and the personal sense of being dwarfed by a grand expanse of open space.</p>	<p>Arcs and circles are painted directly onto the wall which is characterized by geometric shapes, colours and the interplay of lines. Two Singaporean artists, Takeshi Arita and Gabriel Hurler, assisted in the creation of the artwork after the artist's demise in 2007. LeWitt is widely regarded as one of the founders of conceptual art.</p>	<p>Rain Oculus is a repository that channels collected rainwater in a spiral vortex while also functioning as a skylight. Whirlpools have often been depicted throughout the history of art as a symbol of the passage between worlds, of birth and death. Kahn's intention is to create a place where people can reflect on our current relationship with water and its vital connection to our lives.</p>

Section C [30 marks]

Begin your answer on a fresh page.

You are advised to write between 350 and 500 words on one of the following topics.

At the head of your composition, write the number of the topic you have chosen.

1 Write about some of the things that make you ^{happy} and ^{relaxed} at the end of a school day.

Why is being environmentally friendly ^{important} in the world today?

3 "It is better to stay silent and be thought a fool than to open one's mouth and remove all doubts." Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of expressing your views.

4 Respect

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Visual Text

Adapted from <http://www.artoutreachsingapore.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/MBS-Art-Path-E-Brochure.pdf>

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Section A

Correct Answers

- | | |
|------------|--------|
| 1. freedom | free |
| 2. | ✓ |
| 3. a | the |
| 4. are | is |
| 5. outside | out |
| 6. | ✓ |
| 7. lasting | lasted |
| 8. mean | means |
| 9. told | tell |
| 10. them | us |

