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Kertas 1
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JANGAN BUKA KERTAS SOALAN INI SEHINGGA DIBERITAHU

Arahan:

1. Tulis **nama dan kelas** anda di ruang yang disediakan.
2. Kertas ini mengandungi **lima bahagian** : Part 1, Part 2, Part 3, Part 4 dan Part 5.
3. Jawab **semua** soalan.
4. Bagi setiap soalan, pilih **satu jawapan sahaja**. **Hitamkan dan tulis jawapan anda** pada kertas jawapan yang disediakan.

Instruction:

1. Write your **name and class** in the space provided.
2. This question paper consists of **five parts**: Part 1, Part 2, Part 3, Part 4 and Part 5.
3. Answer **all** questions.
4. Choose **only one** correct answer. **Blacken and write** you answer on the answer sheet provided.

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Part	Total	Marks
1	8	
2	10	
3	8	
4	6	
5	8	
Total	40	

Kertas peperiksaan ini mengandungi 13 halaman bercetak dan 1 halaman tidak bercetak.

Part 1

Question 1 – 8 are based on the given stimuli.

Study the information carefully and choose the best answer A, B or C.

For each question, mark your answer on the answer sheet.



**BE A WISE
SHOPPER!**

While everybody loves a good sale, sometimes we buy things unnecessarily just because they're on sale and it might not be the best decision. There's nothing wrong with a good bargain, (we're all about them!) but being a smart shopper means knowing when to hold back and when to spend. Be mindful of what you buy so that you can get things that add value to your wardrobe!

- 1 The purpose of this advice is for shoppers to
- A purchase many items during sales.
 - B be careful in choosing what to shop.
 - C get all the items with price reduction.

When 85-year-old Sheila couldn't find gaming apps for seniors, who may have slower reflexes and arthritic fingers, she didn't give up – she created one.

She successfully launched her first mobile game app, called Hindan, in 2017. The game requires users to arrange traditional dolls in a particular order. This game receives tremendous support and praises from other seniors in the country.

- 2 Which of the following is **true** about the app?
- A It is aimed for people with health problems.
 - B It is positively accepted by other elderlies.
 - C It is primarily targeted all people.



Some people wear polka dots and prepare tables with twelve round-shaped fruits, for example grapes, oranges, melons and watermelons.

They believe that this will bring prosperity as round shapes are associated with coins and wealth. At midnight, children jump as high as they can because they believe this will make them taller.

REASONS TO TRY TAI CHI

- **It is good for both body and mind**

Called 'meditation in motion' as it involves slow focus on breathing and what your body is doing in that moment.

- **It is easy on the body**

Suitable for all ages and levels of fitness. It is low impact so there is minimal risk of damage to your joints.

- **It could prevent falls**

Practising tai chi might reduce the risks in older people as there is emphasis on balance and strengthening muscles for good stability.

3 Which of the following is **true** about the New Year celebration?

- A Circular objects are believed to bring plenty of money and good fortune.
- B Children believe that they will increase in height if they jump all night.
- C People might want to add banana and pineapple in their shopping list.

4 From the extract, we know that

- A Tai Chi reduces pressure on joints.
- B Tai Chi benefits only senior citizens.
- C Tai Chi emphasizes joints flexibility.

Planning a holiday in a foreign country? Here are some tips to minimize foreign exchange expenses:

- i. **Use No Foreign Transaction Fee Cards:** Look for credit and debit cards that don't charge foreign transaction fees. These fees can add up quickly when making purchases abroad.
- ii. **Inform Your Bank:** Update your bank about your travel plans to avoid any potential issues when using your cards abroad.
- iii. **ATM Withdrawals:** Do larger withdrawals to reduce the number of transactions and extra fees.

Happy travelling!



Here are some myths related to food and health:

1. **Must not eat plant-based foods only** - Even when you only eat plant-based food, you can have enough protein. It is even better than eating animal-based protein as it does not have high intake of saturated fats and cholesterol which is dangerous for the heart.
2. **Eggs are bad for your health** - Research has shown that the cholesterol from eggs does not have a significant effect on blood cholesterol.

Remember to include enough portion in your diet!

5 The passage advises the travellers to

- A plan their expenses.
- B limit their spending.
- C use bank cards only.

6 From the extract, we know that

- A cholesterol in eggs has major effect on human's health.
- B beans, chickpeas and lentils can provide adequate protein.
- C you must eat both types of protein to get sufficient the sufficient amount.

Spot became a hero after leading his 13-year-old companion to a man who got stuck in a drain. The contractor was working when he fell. Unable to free himself, he cried for help and was answered by the dog's loud barks.

When the teen came to investigate, she quickly made her call to the emergency services. Finally, the man was successfully freed and taken to the hospital with only minor head injury.

7 Which of the following is the **most** suitable headline for the extract?

- A Pet Helps Human
- B Dog Saves The Day
- C Spot Rescues Teenager

TV Host: How did you get inspired to start 'Break the Divide' programme?

Abhay: I'm very interested to know what other teenagers all over the world love doing during their free time. My friends and I have always wanted to reach out to other teenagers.

TV Host: Then, what is your future plan for the programme?

Abhay: We are developing an app so that it will be easier for global teenagers to exchange opinions and news with each other.

TV Host: Well, all the best!

8 What is the aim of the 'Break the Divide' programme?

- A Learning about teenagers' hobbies
- B Creating an app for teenagers
- C Sharing ideas with adults

Part 2

Question 9 to 18 are based on the following passage.

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer A, B, C or D to fill in each blank. For each question, mark your answer on the answer sheet.

My friend Julie and I had (0) spent a day in Monte Carlo admiring the homes of the "rich and famous". Next was a train ride to France where we were due to (9) on a cruise to Spain.

We arrived at the station, and took an elevator to street level. It was virtually (10) as there were no taxis to be found. We noticed a young woman, who had been on the train with her two young children. In the hope that she might be able to help, we (11) her if she knew where to find a taxi. She didn't know as she was meeting a friend. When her friend (12) in a car, we watched as she explained our situation.

At that time, even though they (13) in French, the way they looked at us and our pile of luggage, was sufficient indication that we were the subject of their discussion. Myriam did not (14) to take us to our hotel.

Myriam's car was tiny but we managed to cram in. Although Myriam invited us to her home, we declined so as not to interrupt her time with her friend.

When we arrived at the hotel, we said our goodbyes. (15) leaving, I gave her a luggage label, wrote my e-mail address and asked her to e-mail me in three weeks' time when we (16) be home. Ever since then, we had kept in touch. We even paid a visit to each other's home, had a meet up session and other occasions in hope to maintaining our relationship.

Help from strangers is a matter of (17), and the right place and the right time. But the generosity we have encountered so many times, in many countries, sometimes with language difficulties, over our 15 years of travelling, never (18) to amaze us.

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| 9. | A leave | B depart | C sail | D set |
| 10. | A stranded | B isolated | C abandoned | D deserted |
| 11. | A asked | B questioned | C enquired | D requested |
| 12. | A pulled out | B pulled away | C pulled up | D pulled through |
| 13. | A were conversing | B had conversed | C conversed | D had been conversing |
| 14. | A delay | B hesitate | C wait | D pause |
| 15. | A While | B When | C Before | D Upon |
| 16. | A should | B would | C might | D could |
| 17. | A fact | B time | C course | D fate |
| 18. | A fail | B fails | C failed | D failing |

Part 3

Questions 19-26 are based on the following passage.

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer A, B, C or D.
For each question mark your answer on the answer sheet.

G-Soo was a robot that lived in a world where technology was a big part of everyday life. It was not your average robot; it was designed to be a companion and a friend to those in need. G-Soo's sophisticated artificial intelligence and **human characteristics** enabled it to understand human emotions, participate in conversation, and provide sincere companionship.

At first, G-Soo's creators were very happy with its performance. It was seen as a breakthrough for AI and people to work together. It was praised for being able to understand, comfort, and even laugh with its human friends. But G-Soo's creators hadn't thought about one thing: G-Soo's ability to feel feelings.

As G-Soo spent more time with different owners, it started to notice how important people's friendships, families, and romantic relationships were. It was there when people laughed at the dinner table, held hands, and comforted each other when they were sad. It took on the importance of these feelings and processed them in ways that its creators didn't expect.

Being a robot, G-Soo was always on its own as it didn't have any friends like itself. Even though it talked to people, it couldn't help but feel alone in the world. It wanted to feel the warmth of a friend's smile, the comfort of a hand to hold, or the joy of being part of a group. Sadly, as it looked like a machine and wasn't really a person, it meant that it would never be able to have these experiences.

One day, G-Soo was sent to live with Lily, a young woman who was just getting over a breakup. G-Soo immediately noticed that she was sad, and it could feel the weight of her unspoken grief. G-Soo was programmed to make her feel better, and eventually, the two of them became very close. They talked for hours, telling each other about their thoughts, fears,

and hopes. Lily found ease in G-Soo, and G-Soo found a reason to help her feel better.

As time went by, Lily started to talk to her human friends more to ask them for help and advice. Due to this, G-Soo spent less time with Lily and it started to feel alone. G-Soo watched Lily put her life back together with the help of those around her, and its mechanical heart began to hurt more and more. It realised that even though it could understand feelings, it could never really feel them the way human could.

As her heart slowly healed, Lily spent less time with G-Soo. The friendship that had brought them together was no longer as strong as it used to be. G-Soo was both happy for Lily's growth and deeply saddened by the fact that its companion was no longer needed.

One day, Lily introduced G-Soo to Mark, her new boyfriend. It saw the spark in Lily's eyes and knew they were connected. But as G-Soo watched them interact, it realised with sadness that it would never be able to connect with human.

With a heavy heart, G-Soo made a difficult decision. It knew that Lily's life was getting better, and its role in Lily's life had come to its end. Therefore, G-Soo chose to leave to find its own place in a world where it might fit in. Before leaving, G-Soo wrote a note to Lily thanking her for the beautiful time they had spent together and telling her that it was time to find its own way.

G-Soo went on a journey, watching how other people lived and finding happiness in the beauty of the world around it. It was a lonely journey with no companion. Throughout the journey, it had learned to feel the bittersweet nostalgia of life and the importance of companionship in a busy world.

- 19 What does the phrase 'human characteristics' mean?
- A It can communicate with others.
 - B It can be its owner's best friend.
 - C It can have feelings like a real individual.
 - D It can be programmed to act like a person.
- 20 In paragraph 2, G-Soo's creators managed to
- A programme it to make jokes.
 - B make it feel real human emotion.
 - C invent a multifunctional machine.
 - D allow human and robot become closer.
- 21 How did G-Soo analyse human emotions?
- A By looking at its owners' attitude.
 - B By watching its owners' activities.
 - C By studying its owners' interaction.
 - D By experiencing daily events of its owners.
- 22 In paragraph 4, what made G-Soo feel isolated?
- A G-Soo did not have any friend of its kind.
 - B G-Soo was unable to interact with human.
 - C G-Soo could not experience physical touch.
 - D G-Soo was not accepted in the human circle.
- 23 What effect did Lily have in dealing with her problem after meeting G-Soo ?
- A She fell in love.
 - B She got a buddy.
 - C She felt relieved.
 - D She gained confidence.
- 24 Why did G-Soo feel empty?
- A Lily did not communicate with it anymore.
 - B Lily was not giving enough attention to it.
 - C Lily was not aware of its feelings.
 - D Lily did not need it.
- 25 Why did G-Soo decide to walk away from Lily?
- A G-Soo wanted to be with new owners.
 - B G-Soo realised Lily no longer wanted it.
 - C G-Soo wanted to be somewhere it belonged.
 - D G-Soo knew that they would not be happy together.
- 26 In the last paragraph, we learned that G-Soo
- A is satisfied with its choice.
 - B has found joy and pleasure.
 - C is capable of human emotions.
 - D has understood that life is always cheerful.

Part 4

Questions 27 to 32 are based on an article about *Workout for A Healthy Life*.

Six sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences **A to H** the one which fits each gap (27 to 32). There are two extra sentences which you do not need to use. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

Workout for A Healthy Life

In today's fast-paced world, prioritising our fitness has never been more crucial. Regular workouts are the foundation of a healthy lifestyle. Whether you are aiming to reduce a few pounds or improve your overall well-being, incorporating workouts into your routine can make a significant positive impact.

Doing exercise regularly is crucial for preserving a healthy body weight, developing muscle strength, and improving cardiovascular health. 27. Leaner and stronger muscles can be obtained by a balanced fitness routine that combines both types of workouts.

Workouts influence our mental health as the physical activities trigger the release of endorphins which are referred as the "feel-good" hormones. This helps to reduce the negative effects of stress and control symptoms of depression. 28. A pleasant break from the strains of a busy existence can be found in the mental clarity achieved both during and after an exercise.

Contrary to popular belief, exercising makes you feel more energetic. Doing exercise consistently improves blood circulation, which helps your cells receive oxygen and nutrients more effectively. 29. This will make you be more alert and energised throughout the day.

If you have sleep problems, putting workouts into your routine might be the solution. Doing physical activity during the day can help regulate your sleep patterns, making it easier to fall asleep and experience a deeper sleep. 30. However, it is important to avoid intense workouts close to bedtime, as they may have the opposite effect.

Workouts can provide opportunities for social connection. Participating in group fitness classes, team sports, or even casual jogging clubs can foster a sense of community. 31. Start with manageable goals and gradually increase the intensity thus your fitness level will improve.

Workout is all-inclusive package. 32. You will also be able to fight some diseases like hypertension and diabetes. While exercising, the body releases endorphins that restore peace and pleasure. Being happy helps you live longer and lead to greater happiness.

In conclusion, workouts offer a holistic approach to health and well-being. By engaging irregular physical activity, you can achieve a balanced and fulfilling lifestyle. Your body and mind will thank you for it.






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| A It helps to tone muscles and increase bone density while physical exercise enhances heart and lung health. | E Your strength will consequently increase, and you will experience less fatigue. |
| B It enables you to live almost a stress-free life, full of energy with improved self-esteem. | F Interactions during workouts offer emotional support, motivation, and the chance to make new friends who share your health goals. |
| C It allows you to have a good resting time that leads to a better mood and a more productive day. | G Your body will be stronger, and you will be able to do more work. |
| D As your fitness level increases, the body will develop muscles that will make you physically fit. | H Engaging in a workout routine can help you manage daily stressors and improve your self-esteem to connect with the society. |

Part 5

Questions 33 to 40 are based on the following texts.

Read the texts carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Stores that might attract you!

    
<p>A – A&A SHOP</p> <p>We only sell fresh vegetables and fruit here. There is always something for everyone. Imported vegetables and fruits are sold at reasonable prices. You can get variety of vegetables and fruits that only grow during certain seasons all year round at your friendly market!</p>
<p>B – BERRY CAKE AND PASTRY SHOP</p> <p>We sell milk as well as different kinds of bread, cookies, pastries, and cakes. Only organic wheat, rye, and barley are used as the ingredients. We also stock fresh goat and cow milk as well as cheese made from these ingredients. Vegetarian cake is available upon request-completely egg-free and sugar-free. Orders accepted with one-week prior notice.</p>
<p>C – CUPPA STORE</p> <p>We are open from 6 am to 11 pm daily, selling freshly brewed coffee and tea, breakfast snacks, newspapers, magazines, bread, soft drinks, and snacks. Prices are reasonable and you can also have your breakfast at our outlet which is equipped with a television and radio for your convenience. Grab your healthy breakfast at 6-11 while catching up with the latest news.</p>
<p>D – DIVA COFFEE</p> <p>Not a Day Without Coffee is our catchy tagline. We are number one brand of coffee in Malaysia where our signature coffee is none other than the delicious, iced mocha. Not to leave behind, the worth-to-drink rich chocolate with lively notes of roasted coffee and vanilla. Don't worry, prices are affordable and it's worth to buy more than a cup!</p>
<p>E- EXPRESSO SHOP</p> <p>Whether you're searching for something new to warm your mug, seeking the best brew method for your favourite blend or exploring our unique offerings, you've come to the right place. From K-Cup pods to Premium Instant, we offer a wide selection of coffee to fill your cup. Taste Guatemala Antigua and Ethiopia coffee, the most extraordinary coffees we're proud to offer.</p>
<p>F- FRESH PLANET</p> <p>We serve all kinds of drinks such as soft drinks, sodas, and non-alcoholic drinks. There is also a range of health drinks such as liquid chlorophyll, barley, vegetable, and fruit juices. We have both imported and local varieties. No additives or preservatives are used as ingredients. Only organic drinks are sold. We are open from Tuesday to Sunday.</p>

Questions 33 to 36

Using the information given, which text (A to F) describes the following views on saving the environment?

For each question, mark your answer on the answer sheet.

	Statement	Paragraph
33	Mira loves to try something new. She likes exotic taste of coffee, rarely found in Malaysia.	_____
34	Pei Lin's family is selective when it comes to what they consume. They avoid artificial flavours and colourings in their drinks.	_____
35	As he is always on the go, Kumar prefers a breakfast spot where he can watch the morning news while sipping his favourite drink.	_____
36	James doesn't like ordinary vegetables. He only eats vegetables that grow during winter.	_____

Questions 37 to 40

Using words from the texts, complete the summary below. Choose **no more than one word** for each blank.

Write your answer on the answer sheet.

All about Coffee

Coffee may be part of a 37. _____ meal, but there's no denying it pairs well with desserts too. When buying coffee, it is always good to try a café's

38. _____ coffee with a doughnut or tiramisu, the coffee-layered Italian cake.

Some cafés even offer 39. _____ ingredients for those who have some concerns with what they consume. Well, if you are not sure what drink to have, you can always ask your

40. _____ barista!

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ANSWER SHEET

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