P6 English Practice Paper: Tenses and Verb Forms, Prepositions and Articles, Vocabulary and Word Formation, Reading Comprehension on a Library Notice and a Trip Budget, Punctuation and Sentence Rewriting, Short Writing (100 marks)

P6 | English | Time: 60 minutes | Total: 100 marks | 24 questions

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Part 1: Tenses and Verb Forms (16 marks)

Fill in each blank with the correct form of the verb in brackets. 4 marks each.

1. My sister _____ (study) in the library every afternoon. [4]

Answer: studies - "every afternoon" shows a habit, and "My sister" is third person singular, so the simple present tense takes -s.

2. We _____ (watch) a film when the lights went out. [4]

Answer: were watching - the past continuous shows an action in progress in the past that was interrupted by "went out".

3. Ken _____ (not finish) his homework yet. [4]

Answer: has not finished (hasn't finished) - "yet" goes with the present perfect to show the action is still not done now.

4. If it _____ (rain) tomorrow, the picnic _____ (cancel). [4]

Answer: rains; will be cancelled - first conditional: the if-clause takes the simple present and the main clause takes "will"; the picnic receives the action, so the passive is used.

Part 2: Prepositions and Articles (16 marks)

Fill in each blank with a suitable preposition or article. 4 marks each.

5. The cat is hiding _____ the sofa. [4]

Answer: under - shows the cat is below the sofa; "behind" is also acceptable.

6. She is _____ honest girl. [4]

Answer: an - the h in "honest" is silent, so the word begins with a vowel sound and takes "an".

7. We arrived _____ the airport _____ seven o'clock. [4]

Answer: at; at - "arrive at" is used with a specific place, and "at" is also used before a clock time.

8. He has been interested _____ science _____ he was six. [4]

Answer: in; since - "be interested in" is a fixed phrase, and "since" marks the starting point in the past with the present perfect.

Part 3: Vocabulary and Word Formation (16 marks)

Write the correct word form or word as instructed. 4 marks each.

9. Write the adjective formed from the noun "care". [4]

Answer: careful - adding -ful to the noun forms an adjective.

10. Write the noun formed from the verb "invent". [4]

Answer: invention - adding -tion to the verb forms a noun.

11. Write one word that means the opposite of "expensive". [4]

Answer: cheap - "inexpensive" is also acceptable.

12. Choose the correct word: Please _____ (borrow / lend) me your pen. [4]

Answer: lend - "lend" means to give something to someone for a time; "borrow" means to take and use something that belongs to someone else.

Part 4: Reading Comprehension 1 - School Library Notice (18 marks)

Read the notice below and then answer the questions.

Westside Primary School Library

The library opens from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. from Monday to Friday. It is closed on Saturday and Sunday. Each student may borrow up to four books for two weeks. Books must be returned before 4:30 p.m. on the due date. If a book is returned late, the fine is HK$2 for each school day. Lost books must be paid for at the price printed on the back cover. There are 42 computers on the first floor and a quiet reading room on the second floor.

13. How many hours is the library open on a school day? [5]

Answer: 8 hours 30 minutes (510 minutes in total, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; 8 hours 30 minutes).

14. Ming borrows four books on Monday 2 March 2026. When must he return them at the latest? [5]

Answer: Monday 16 March 2026, before 4:30 p.m. (two weeks = 14 days after 2 March).

15. A book is returned three school days late. How much is the fine? [4]

Answer: HK$6 (3 x HK$2).

16. May borrows two books and returns one of them two school days late. What fine must she pay? [4]

Answer: HK$4 (2 x HK$2; the other book was returned on time, so it is not charged).

Part 5: Reading Comprehension 2 - Class Trip Budget (18 marks)

Read the information below and then answer the questions. Show your working.

Class 6A Ocean Park Trip - Money Matters

Adult tickets cost HK$480 each. Child tickets cost HK$240 each. The MTR return fare is HK$18 for each

child and HK$31 for each adult. Lunch is HK$55 per person. The class has 32 students and 4 teachers. The school pays the first HK$300 of every student's cost; parents pay the rest.

17. How much do the tickets cost for the whole class? [5]

Answer: 32 child tickets x HK$240 = HK$7680; 4 adult tickets x HK$480 = HK$1920; total HK$9600.

18. How much is the total return MTR fare for the whole class? [5]

Answer: 32 x HK$18 = HK$576; 4 x HK$31 = HK$124; total HK$700.

19. How much does lunch cost for the whole class? [4]

Answer: (32 students + 4 teachers) x HK$55 = 36 x HK$55 = HK$1980.

20. How much does each parent pay for one student? [4]

Answer: Cost per student = HK$240 (ticket) + HK$18 (fare) + HK$55 (lunch) = HK$313; parent pays HK$313 - HK$300 = HK$13.

Part 6: Punctuation, Sentence Rewriting and Short Writing (16 marks)

Follow the instructions for each question. 4 marks each.

21. Add the correct punctuation: where is my bag asked tom [4]

Answer: "Where is my bag?" asked Tom. (The question is inside the quotation marks, the question mark goes before the closing mark, and "Tom" needs a capital letter.)

22. Rewrite the sentence using "too ... to": The box was so heavy that I could not carry it. [4]

Answer: The box was too heavy for me to carry. ("so ... that ... cannot" = "too ... to")

23. Rewrite in reported speech: She said, "I will call you tomorrow." [4]

Answer: She said that she would call me the next day. ("will" becomes "would", "tomorrow" becomes "the next day", and no comma follows "said".)

24. Write a note of about 40 words inviting a classmate to the school fun fair on Saturday. Give the time and the meeting place. [4]

Answer: Model answer: Hi Amy, Our school fun fair is this Saturday. It starts at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. Shall we meet at the main gate at 9:45 a.m.? Please reply soon. Ken (Marking points: greeting, event and time, meeting place, inviting tone, about 40 words.)
