



BAHAGIAN PENGURUSAN SEKOLAH BERASRAMA PENUH  
DAN SEKOLAH KECEMERLANGAN

PENTAKSIRAN DIAGNOSTIK AKADEMIK SBP 2015  
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BAHASA INGGERIS

Kertas 2

2 jam 15 minit

JANGAN BUKA KERTAS SOALAN INI SEHINGGA DIBERITAHU

**Arahan:**

1. Tulis **nama dan kelas** anda pada ruang yang disediakan.
2. Kertas soalan ini mengandungi empat bahagian:  
**Bahagian A, Bahagian B, Bahagian C dan Bahagian D.**
3. Jawab **semua** bahagian dalam kertas soalan ini.
4. Soalan-soalan dalam **Bahagian A** mempunyai **empat** pilihan jawapan.  
Jawab setiap soalan dengan menghitamkan ruang yang betul di halaman 18.

**Instructions**

1. Write your **name and class** in the space provided.
2. This question paper consists of four sections:  
**Section A, Section B, Section C and Section D.**
3. Answer **all** sections in this question paper.
4. Questions in Section A have **four** options.  
Answer each question by blackening  
the correct space on page 18.

<i>For Examiner's Use</i>		
Section	Total	Marks
A	15	
B	10	
C	25	
D	20	
TOTAL	70	

Kertas soalan ini mengandungi 17 halaman bercetak.

**SECTION A**

[15 marks]

[Time suggested: 25 minutes]

**WELCOME TO MALAYSIA FEST '15****September 1 - 17**

An annual festival to showcase Malaysia to both local and foreign tourists. Organised by the Ministry of Culture, Arts and Tourism through the Malaysian Tourism Promotion Board. Official launch at the National Museum.

Highlights:

- Arts and Crafts Exhibition
- Traditional Food Fair
- Traditional Asian Games
- Cultural Performances

- 1 According to the poster above, the main aim of Malaysia Fest '15 is to
- A publicise Malaysian culture and tradition
  - B showcase made in Malaysia products
  - C highlight Malaysia to foreign tourists
  - D promote tourism in Malaysia

My roommate was excitedly making great plans for a mountain climbing excursion. I did not want to pour cold water on her plans but had to remind her that it had been raining almost every day for the past week and it would be impossible to proceed with the excursion

- 2 The phrase *to pour cold water* in the extract means to
- A criticise
  - B condemn
  - C discourage
  - D disappoint

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the given excerpt below.

YANGCHONG, Sun – Police near this southern Chinese city rescued a boy after his father chained him to his bed for 48 days for stealing, a news report said.

The Yangchong Evening Edition said Li Zhiqing, father of the 6 year-old Li Ee War, bought a 70cm chain and collared his son to the bed. He was being punished for making his father *lose face* by stealing at his kindergarten.

The father has been charged in court for child abuse.

- 3 According to the report, the boy was chained by his
- |   |      |   |      |
|---|------|---|------|
| A | leg  | C | neck |
| B | body | D | hand |
- 4 The phrase *lose face* can best be replaced with
- |   |             |
|---|-------------|
| A | panic       |
| B | angry       |
| C | emotional   |
| D | embarrassed |

*Shadow in the Dark*  
A thrilling story of strange  
happenings and suspense.




- 5 *Shadow in the Dark* is probably a
- |   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| A | horror movie    |
| B | mystery movie   |
| C | science-fiction |
| D | comedy          |

**TRAMATHOLATE**

- Apply on area of muscle ache
- For external use
- Has no oily feeling
- No allergic skin reaction

6 The following are advantages of Tramatholate **except** it

- A is greasy
- B can be used externally
- C helps to reduce muscle ache
- D does not cause any skin rash



Shoestring Travel gives you tips on how to have the best holiday of your life without having to pay the world. This travelogue entertains and educates viewers on having a great time while travelling on a shoestring budget.

7 The travel programme above is about

- A paying less for more
- B various tourists bargains
- C having the holiday of your life
- D educating the viewers on travelling

**Make Crossing Safer For Pedestrians**

I hope the authorities will make the pedestrian crossing at the Sri Petaling traffic lights safe for us to use when crossing the road. Many times when the pedestrian crossing light is green and the traffic lights are red, cars still zoom past. This makes it too dangerous to cross the road even though the light is green. We have to watch for oncoming cars before trying to cross. We hope something is done before it is too late as many senior citizens and children use this pedestrian crossing.

CK EWE  
Kuala Lumpur

- 8 The extract above is a complaint about
- A the pedestrian traffic lights at Sri Petaling
  - B the dangers of crossing the road at traffic lights
  - C vehicles not stopping at pedestrian crossing lights
  - D the use of the pedestrian crossing by senior citizens and children

Questions 9-15 are based on the following passage. Choose the best answer to fill in each blank.

It was a harrowing experience for Shukur when his boat sank after a thunderstorm. He was adrift in the open sea for 29 hours 9 a huge wave damaged the boat he was in. He said that the life-jacket he was wearing probably helped 10 his life. He added that without it, he would have drowned as he could not move his legs after being 11 by jellyfish. The most frightening moment was when darkness fell. He could not see where he was heading to and he just resigned 12 to God. What he experienced during the night was nothing compared to what he discovered the next morning. He 13 by sharks. Death was literally staring at him as he saw the shark's fins encircling him in the water. He felt numbed and remained 14 as long as he could while praying to God to save him from the 15. He did not know when the sharks left him.

- 9    A    when  
       B    after  
       C    while  
       D    before

- 13    A    surrounded  
       B    surrounding  
       C    was surrounded  
       D    was surrounding

- 10    A    save  
       B    saves  
       C    saved  
       D    saving

- 14    A    still  
       B    steal  
       C    silent  
       D    strong

- 11    A    sting  
       B    stung  
       C    to sting  
       D    stinging

- 15    A    experience  
       B    adventure  
       C    encounter  
       D    ordeal

- 12    A    it  
       B    him  
       C    itself  
       D    himself

**Section B**

[10 marks]

[Time suggested : 25 minutes]

**Questions 16 – 25**

Read the following advertisement and answer the questions that follow.

### AN INDOOR RAMADAN BAZAAR

This Ramadan, Klang Valley folks are in for a treat. They can sample a taste of bazaar food indoors and enjoy it in a cool and relaxed setting.

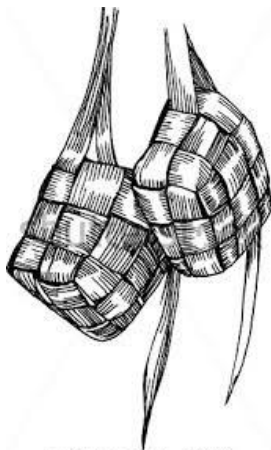
Vasco's in Hilton, KL has a Ramadan buffet which will appeal to patrons who enjoy Malay cuisine from different states in a kampong-style ambiance complete with bazaar stalls located in the restaurant.

Chef Faisal and his team said that more than 150 dishes will be available in a rotational menu with 80% representing kampong-style fare. Classic Malay sought after dishes like Simmered Catfish in fermented durian coconut gravy, blue coloured rice served with its traditional condiments and many more mouth-watering dishes can be found during this special month.

A ghazal group flown in straight from Johor, will serenade patrons as they enjoy the food.

As no meal is complete without desserts, diners can look forward to a stretch of Malay desserts as well as some unique favourite Malay *kuih* and delicacies.

Vasco's Ramadan buffet comes at RM98.00 nett per adult with a RM30.00 discount for children under 12. Senior citizens above 55 will be charged half the price of adult. There will be special offers on the first and last three days of the fasting month where patrons will be treated to discount vouchers and Hari Raya mystery gifts.



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VASCO'S, HILTON KL,  
3, Jalan Stesen Sentral,  
Kuala Lumpur  
Tel : 03-22642264  
Business hours :  
Daily, 6 a.m. to midnight

Adapted from The Star, June 2015

**Questions 16 – 25**

*Using the information from the advertisement, complete the table below.*

<b>AN INDOOR RAMADAN BAZAAR</b>		
<b>Location</b>	16 .....	
<b>Entertainment</b>	17 .....	
<b>Local Menu</b>	18 .....	
	19 .....	
	20 .....	
<b>Opening Hours</b>	21 .....	
<b>Price</b>	<b>Children under 12</b>	22 .....
	<b>Senior Citizens</b>	23 .....
<b>Special Offer</b>	<b>When</b>	24 ..... .....
	<b>What</b>	25 ..... .....

[10 marks]



**Section C**

[25 marks]

[Time suggested : 50 minutes]

Questions 26 – 31 are based on the following passage.

*Jasmin goes to her grandmother's house in the kampung.*

- 1 Jasmin awoke to the twittering and chattering of birds outside. Looking around, she realized where she was and an overwhelming sadness engulfed her. This was a room in her grandmother's house in the *kampung*, the house in which she had grown up. Her grandmother had looked after her from the time she was a baby. When she was three months old her mother left her with her grandmother and went to join her father who was studying overseas. Jasmin's parents wanted her to come and live with them but she was not keen to do so as she was still very much attached to her grandmother. Her parents allowed her to stay on in the *kampung*. They did not want to upset her as she was happy in the *kampung* school and she was doing well there. 5
- 2 When Jasmin was in year six of primary school, her younger sister was born. Her parents thought that it was important for the two sisters to be together and so Jasmin went to live with them after she completed her primary school. She adjusted easily to her new secondary school and she was pleased to have a baby sister to look after and play with. She wished that her grandmother would join her family, but the old lady preferred to stay by herself in her own house. Jasmin visited her grandmother during the school holidays. 15
- 3 Jasmin sat up slowly and glanced at her sister beside her who was still asleep. Quietly she rolled up the *mengkuang* mat on which she had lain and put it away behind the clothes rack. She took her towel from the rack and moved towards the door. The wooden floorboards creaked slightly as she stepped into the living room. It was bare except for a cardboard box in one corner. There was something in that box that once belonged to her grandmother and which was now hers. It was a *tepak sireh*. Jasmin's parents had asked her to choose something from the house as a memento. Jasmin's eyes blurred with tears. Her grandmother had passed away of a heart attack four months ago. 20 25
- 4 Jasmin opened the kitchen door that led into the compound. She was going to the bathroom. There was a well in the bathroom. Before the availability of piped water, the well served all their domestic purposes. Wanting to feel the cool well water on her face again, she lowered the pail into the well and expertly pulled up the attached rope. There it was – a pail full of refreshing ground water for her. She remembered that it had been her duty to draw water from the well every evening to water the potted plants that her grandmother had arranged neatly in front of the house. 30
- 5 Emerging from the bathroom, Jasmin strolled around the old house – for the last time, and with a heavy heart. It was a traditional Malay house, built on posts above the ground. The raised floor kept dampness away and the spaces between the floor planks provided good ventilation. Jasmin used to play with her childhood friends in the space beneath the house. At that time they were small enough to stand beneath the 35

house without having to stoop. They whiled away the hours playing *congkak* or *batu limbang*. 40

6 Jasmin walked past the verandah with its large windows. She rounded the corner and noticed the front bedroom windows were open. Apparently, her parents were awake. She went back into the kitchen. Her mother was preparing breakfast. They were returning home later in the morning after handing over the house to its new owner. Jasmin's father who inherited the house decided to sell it. 45

7 After breakfast, they loaded some things into the car and waited for Encik Adam, the new owner, to arrive. Jasmin's sister was impatient to get back to their own home whilst Jasmin longed to linger at that old house for a few more hours. Encik Adam arrived punctually at the appointed time. Jasmin's father gave him the house key. They chatted for a while and then Jasmin and her family got into the car for the journey back to home. As they drove away, Jasmin looked back at the old house and bade a silent farewell to her childhood. 50

26 From paragraph 1,

(a) which word means "to be plunged into something"?  
..... [1mark]

(b) why was Jasmin left in the care of her grandmother?  
..... [1mark]

(c) Jasmin's parents decided to allow her to stay on with her grandmother.  
Give **two** reasons for their decision.

i. .... [1mark]

ii. .... [1mark]

27 From paragraph 2, what event prompted Jasmin's return to her parents?  
..... [1mark]

28 From paragraph 4, what purpose did the well serve after the installation of piped water?  
..... [1mark]

29 From paragraph 5, what are the advantages of building a house on posts?

(a) ..... [1mark]

(b) ..... [1mark]

30 In your opinion, why do you think Jasmine wanted to linger at the old house for a few more hours?

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..... [2 marks]

31 Jasmin recalled her childhood days at her grandmother’s house.

Write a summary on :

- **what she did that morning**
- **what she remembered about the house**

Credit will be given for use of own words but care must be taken not to change the original meaning.

Your summary must:

- be in continuous form (not note form)
- use materials **from line 17 to line 43**
- must not be longer than **130 words, including the 10 words** given below

Begin your summary as follows:

*Jasmin slowly sat up and glanced at her sleeping sister ...*

[15 marks]

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**Section D**

[20 marks]

[Time suggested: 35 minutes]

32 Read the poem below and answer the questions that follow.

**Are You Still Playing Your Flute?**

Are you still playing your flute?  
When there is hardly time for our love  
I am feeling guilty  
To be longing for your song  
The melody concealed in the slim hollow of the bamboo  
Uncovered by the breath of an artist  
Composed by his fingers  
Blown by the wind  
To the depth of my heart.

Are you still playing your flute?  
In the village so quiet and deserted  
Amidst the sick rice field  
While here it has become a luxury  
To spend time watching the rain  
Gazing at the evening rays  
Collecting dew drops  
Or enjoying the fragrance of flowers.

Are you still playing your flute?  
The more it disturbs my conscience  
to be thinking of you  
in the hazard of you  
my younger brothers unemployed and desperate  
my people disunited by politics  
my friend slaughtered mercilessly  
this world is too old and bleeding

**Zurinah Hassan**

(a) In stanza 1, which word in the poem means 'hidden or kept from sight'?

..... [1 mark]

(b) In stanza 2, what do the evening rays refer to?

..... [1 mark]

(c) What is the persona’s feeling in stanza 3?

..... [1 mark]

(d) What would you consider a luxury in your life?  
Give a reason to support your answer.

Luxury : ..... [1 mark]

Reason : ..... [1 mark]

[5 marks]

33 The following are the novels studied in the literature component in English Language.

- The Curse - Lee Su Ann
- Step By Wicked Step - Anne Fine
- Catch Us If You Can - Catherine MacPhail

Choose any **one** of the novels above and answer the question below.

“Determination is important to achieve what one desires.”

How is this shown in the novel you have read?  
Support your answer with close reference to the text.

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**KERTAS SOALAN TAMAT**



## FOR SECTION A

Blacken only **one** space for each question. If you wish to change your answer, erase the blackened mark that you have made. Then blacken the space for the new answer.

EXAMPLE :



1    A    B    C    D

9    A    B    C    D

2    A    B    C    D

10    A    B    C    D

3    A    B    C    D

11    A    B    C    D

4    A    B    C    D

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13    A    B    C    D

6    A    B    C    D

14    A    B    C    D

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