



**ENGLISH**

**Vocabulary MCQ,  
Grammar Cloze &  
Comprehension Cloze**

**P6 ENGLISH**



**For each question from 1 to 5, four options are given. Make your choice (1, 2, 3 or 4) and write your answer in the brackets. (5 marks)**

1. My friend related such a \_\_\_\_\_ account of what had happened that it took Mdm Teo a long time before she understood what he had said.

- (1) concurred
- (2) congested
- (3) convoluted
- (4) concentrated ( )

2. Mark's interest in pottery was \_\_\_\_\_ after taking the pottery workshop.

- (1) revoked
- (2) reverted
- (3) recouped
- (4) rekindled ( )

3. In an attempt to \_\_\_\_\_ the furious teacher, the students immediately kept quiet and focused on their work.

- (1) allay
- (2) relieve
- (3) placate
- (4) alleviate ( )

4. Fires often \_\_\_\_\_ due to negligence or the improper use of electrical equipment.

- (1) break up
- (2) break off
- (3) break out
- (4) break with ( )

5. Mr Lee \_\_\_\_\_ his worried son that he would wait for him at the gate after school.

- (1) notified
- (2) assured
- (3) guaranteed
- (4) encouraged ( )

There are 10 blanks, numbered 6 to 15, in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE. (10 marks)

(A) all	(D) another	(G) can	(K) or	(N) this
(B) among	(E) these	(H) from	(L) that	(P) to
(C) an	(F) off	(J) of	(M) their	(Q) with

Two decades ago, (6) \_\_\_\_\_ intensifying civil war caused Kayan residents to flee Myanmar. Now, 500 (7) \_\_\_\_\_ so Kayans live in villages on the northern Thai border. The tribe has a custom where some women wear rings to create the appearance (8) \_\_\_\_\_ a long neck. This exotic tradition inspired the creation of tourism villages in 1985. Some Kayans moved to these artificial hill tribe residencies (9) \_\_\_\_\_ work permits to make a living on tourism. But without citizenship, Kayans have limited access to utilities, healthcare and education. Thai authorities refuse to allow Kayans to resettle outside tourist villages.

Kayan women wear the rings (10) \_\_\_\_\_ childhood, starting with four or five pieces, and adding more annually as they get used to the weight. Coils weighing up to 25 pounds depress the chest and shoulders. (11) \_\_\_\_\_ creates the illusion of a disembodied head hovering over a shimmering pedestal of gold rings. Contrary (12) \_\_\_\_\_ popular belief, the coils do not lengthen the neck itself and thus can be removed without the neck snapping. Yet, women still wear (13) \_\_\_\_\_ coils year-round, even while sleeping.

The origin of the tradition mystifies even the Kayans. An ancient legend claims rings protected villagers from tigers, which attack victims at the neck. Another theory said the rings helped ward (14) \_\_\_\_\_ men from rival tribes by lessening the women's beauty. Today, people believe the opposite – the longer (15) \_\_\_\_\_ necks, the more beautiful the woman.



**Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)**

When we talk about intelligent animals, we would immediately think of apes, baboons, chimps and probably any members of the primate family. We would hardly associate (16) \_\_\_\_\_ with pigs. Yet, that is exactly what they are!

(17) \_\_\_\_\_ to a research project, pigs have the same level of intelligence as a chimpanzee. It can even outsmart a dog. Pigs possess several cognitive capacities (18) \_\_\_\_\_ to some of the other highly intelligent species (19) \_\_\_\_\_ dolphins, elephants and chimps.

Pigs have excellent long term (20) \_\_\_\_\_. They can remember objects that they have encountered for a (21) \_\_\_\_\_ time. They are good at mazes or any other (22) \_\_\_\_\_ of test that requires location of objects. They display good understanding of symbolic language and can master complex combinations of (23) \_\_\_\_\_ for objects and actions. As with many pack animals, pigs also enjoy playing with one (24) \_\_\_\_\_. They are (25) \_\_\_\_\_ of empathy and can sense emotions of creatures (26) \_\_\_\_\_ them.

Due to their undiscovered intelligence, pigs are often treated with (27) \_\_\_\_\_ thought and care. On many farms, pigs are (28) \_\_\_\_\_ for breeding. These pigs live in horrendous conditions that are overcrowded. Sometimes due to the (29) \_\_\_\_\_ of space, these pigs get into fights and bite each other's tails. As such, the farmers cut off their tails and break off the ends of their teeth, often (30) \_\_\_\_\_ administering painkillers to the animal. Hence, the pain is excruciating for them.

With this discovery, it is time for humans to re-evaluate our relationship with these creatures and not look at them as mere sources of food.

