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Kertas 2

Dua jam lima belas minit

JANGAN BUKA KERTAS SOALAN INI SEHINGGA DIBERITAHU

Arahan

1. *Kertas soalan ini mengandungi empat bahagian : Bahagian A, Bahagian B, Bahagian C dan Bahagian D*
2. *Jawab semua bahagian dalam kertas soalan ini*
3. *Soalan-soalan dalam Bahagian A mempunyai tiga pilihan jawapan. Jawab setiap soalan dengan menghitamkan ruang yang betul di halaman 18*
4. *Anda dinasihati supaya mengambil masa 25 minit untuk menjawab soalan dalam Bahagian A, 25 minit untuk Bahagian B, 50 minit untuk Bahagian C dan 35 minit untuk Bahagian D*

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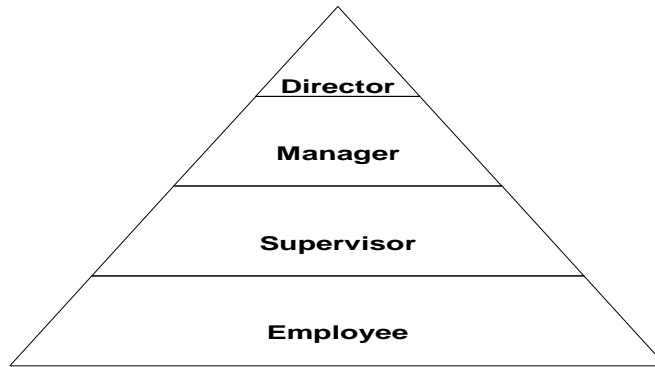
1. *This question paper consists of four sections : Section A, : Section B, Section C and Section D*
2. *Answer all sections in this question paper*
3. *Questions in Section A have three or four options. Answer each question by blackening the correct space on page 18*
4. *You are advised to spend about 25 minutes on Section A, 25 minutes on Section B, 50 minutes on Section C and 35 minutes on Section D*

Kertas soalan ini mengandungi 18 halaman bercetak dan 2 halaman tidak bercetak

[Lihat halaman sebelah

Section A

[15 marks]

HIERARCHY PYRAMID OF MANAGEMENT IN GEMILANG FACTORY

- 1 In the above hierarchy, the head of Gemilang factory is the
- A director
 - B manager
 - C employee
 - D supervisor

Please take no notice of this letter if you have already made payment.

- 2 This instruction is
- A an order
 - B a warning
 - C an enquiry
 - D a reminder

WASHINGTON: The world is not just getting hotter but also more humid. The amount of moisture in the air near the surface, the factor that makes hot weather *unbearable*, has increased 2.2% in just under three decades. Increases in humidity can be dangerous to people because it makes the body less efficient in cooling itself.

- 3 The word *unbearable* in the report can best be replaced with
- A impossible
 - B intolerable
 - C unacceptable
 - D uncomfortable

Avocados are rich in glutathione, a powerful antioxidant that works by blocking intestinal absorption of unhealthy food. They also contain potassium which is good for lowering high blood pressure, and are rich in beta-carotene which is good for eyesight.

- 4 According to the extract, avocados are good for those who have
- A sore eyes
 - B blocked intestine
 - C high blood pressure
 - D poor food absorption

CAUTION: SEALED PACKAGE

- Check the package upon delivery.
- If seal has been tampered with, do not accept unless contents are examined in the presence of delivering agent.
- If you are not satisfied, return it to the company.

- 5 According to the instructions, if the seal is broken, the first step is to
- A reject the goods
 - B call the company
 - C discuss with the delivering agent
 - D check the goods before accepting it

Before every shopping trip, always write a complete list of what you want to buy. When you are out shopping, visit only shops that sell the things on your list. Follow your list closely. Put back any items that are not on your list. This will help you eliminate impulsive purchases you do not need.

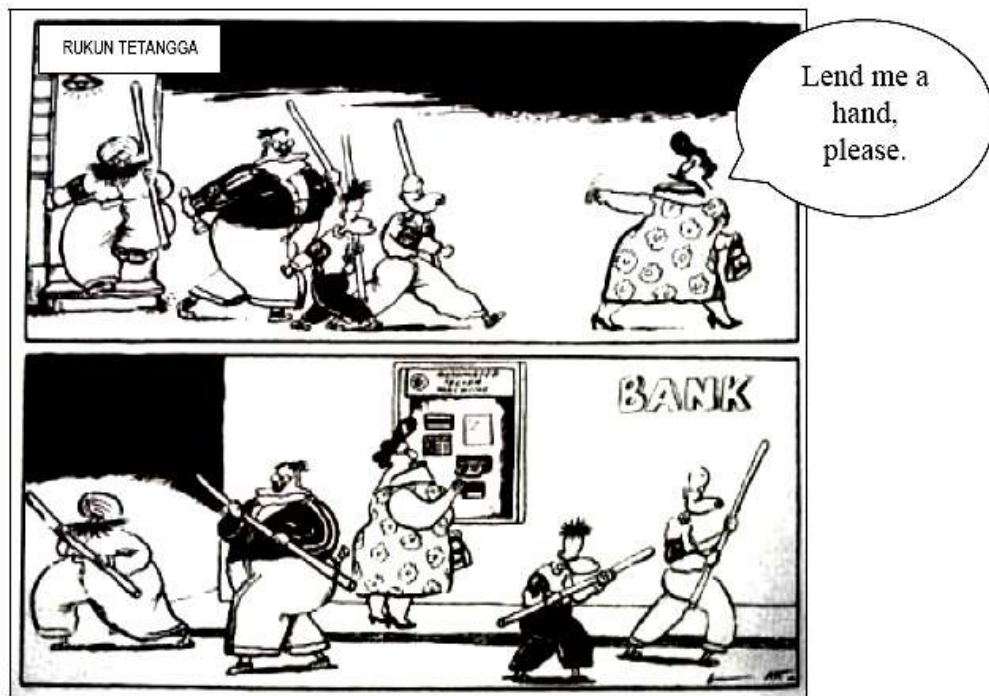
- 6 According to the article, to prevent unplanned buying, you should
- A make a list
 - B stick to the list
 - C add items to the list
 - D visit shops on the list

Soraya, I trust you will have the kitchen *spick and span* when the guests arrive at 4 p.m.

Yes, Ma. You can count on me.

7 In the conversation above, the mother wants the kitchen to be

- A spotless
- B polished
- C beautiful
- D decorated



8 Why did the woman want the men to lend her a hand?

- A To guard the bank
- B To patrol the bank area
- C To follow her to the bank
- D To protect her at the bank

Questions 9 - 15 are based on the following passage.

Diamonds are a girl's best friend. While this statement may or may not be true, it is a fact that these 9 stones did not become fashionable until ladies of the French court began to wear 10 as jewellery in the 15th century.

It is not difficult to see why diamonds 11 favoured by men and women alike. They are the most brilliant of all minerals and the hardest natural substance. In the beginning they were mined in India and Brazil but now they are mainly mined in Africa.

Diamonds were 12 in South Africa in the 1860s. This started a rush by thousands of people to the mines to seek their 13. More mines were found in other parts of Africa and subsequently, a city named Kimberly even developed as a result of 14 new settlement. Later, this city became the centre of diamond producer 15 the world. Today, South Africa is the largest producer of diamonds.

- 9 A treasured
 B precious
 C valued
 D prized

- 13 A fate
 B fame
 C future
 D fortune

- 10 A it
 B his
 C him
 D them

- 14 A a
 B an
 C the

- 11 A is
 B are
 C was
 D were

- 15 A at
 B by
 C in
 D on

- 12 A discover
 B discovers
 C discovered
 D discovering

Section B

[10 marks]

Questions 16 - 25

Read the following information and answer the questions that follow.

Weight Loss Secrets From Around The World

Thailand Thais eat among the spiciest food in the world. Hot peppers raise your metabolism, but the real benefit of food with a little zing is that it slows your eating. Eating slower is a good weight-loss strategy, and making your food spicier is an easy way to do it.	Malaysia Turmeric is a key ingredient in curries and other Malaysian dishes. One of its chief components is a substance called curcumin, which may turn out to be a potent fat fighter. Try sprinkling some into your next stir-fry.
France The French excel at the leisurely family meal. On average, 92 percent of French families have dinner together nightly. Lengthy meals actually encourage less eating. Conversation slows down the fork to give you time to realise you are full.	Switzerland Muesli is a porridge of cereal which has been linked to better health and weight control. It was developed by a Swiss physician more than a hundred years ago to nourish patients in hospitals. The Swiss typically eat it for breakfast. The fibre in muesli is slow to digest, keeping you full longer.
Mexico Mexicans traditionally eat their biggest meal between 2 and 4p.m. If you eat less at night, you will wake up hungrier and eat a bigger breakfast, a habit that facilitates weight control. As a general rule, try to get the bulk of your daily calories at breakfast and lunch.	Hungary Hungarians prefer their greens pickled. Growing evidence suggests that acetic acid, the main component of vinegar, may help reduce blood pressure, blood sugar levels and formation of fat. The next time you make a salad, swap your ranch dressing for a little oil and vinegar.

(Adapted from *Reader's Digest*, February 2010)

Questions 16 - 20

Using the information, state the nationality of people who practise the different strategies for losing weight.

Strategies for Losing Weight	Nationality
Eat and chat	16
Eat spicy food	17
Add turmeric to food	18
Pickle their vegetables	19
Make the midday meal the heaviest	20

[5 marks]

Questions 21 – 25

Based on the information given, write short answers in the spaces provided.

21 What is the function of curcumin?

..... [1 mark]

22 When was muesli first used in Switzerland?

..... [1 mark]

23 Why are you encouraged to have conversation during meals?

..... [1 mark]

24 Which food prevents you from feeling hungry quickly?

..... [1 mark]

25 How does vinegar help in weight loss?

..... [1 mark]

Section C
[25 marks]

Questions 26 – 31 are based on the following passage.

The following passage is about a son's search for his long-lost father. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

- 1** The last time I had seen my dad, John Dunbar, I was five years old. Now we were standing in my grandparents' driveway, 18 years later, sharing an awkward hug. It was July 9, 1999 – the day before my birthday – and I had driven from my home in Brooklyn to Marion, Ohio, to visit him.
- 2** My parents came across each other in 1975 at Pumpkin Hollow Farm, a retreat centre in Craryville, New York, where my mum taught ritual dance and yoga and my dad was a general labourer and groundskeeper. When they found out I was on the way, they were both ecstatic. But my mum and dad had different ideas about how things would be once I was born. My dad loved my mum, but she just did not want to be tied down. She told him, "I'm free. You're free." **5**
- 3** Still, Dad held out hope that things would change. After Mum delivered me at St. Joseph Hospital in Albuquerque, near her family, she sent him to get her suitcase. While he was packing up her things, he did some snooping. He had been suspicious that she was seeing someone and found love letters that another man had written to her. Heart-broken, he decided to move back to Ohio, where he had lived before. **10**
- 4** My dad was seldom in my life after that. On the rare occasions he visited us in New Mexico, I remembered he tried to do typical father-son things with me, like build a tree house. But it was never quite right, since we just were not a traditional father and son. **15**
- 5** When I was about five, my mum and I moved to New York City. At that point, my dad truly dropped out of my life. There were a couple of times some years later when I tried to call him. His wife, whom he married in 1981, hung up on me. She even changed their phone number so I could not get in touch. **20**
- 6** Still, though my dad was not around, I had a great life. I had lots of cousins living nearby, and my mum and I were always close. I attended LaGuardia High School and decided to become an actor. But as I grew older, I wanted to know more about my father. To this day, I do not know why I decided to reach out to my dad when I did. **25**
- 7** I was about to turn 23 and I just felt compelled. My mum was very supportive; she realised how important it was to me. "I knew you'd eventually do this," she said. I decided to start by calling my father's parents. We have been in touch on and off over the years, and they lived about an hour away from my dad. I called them at home on Father's Day. When someone picked up, I asked, "Who's this?" "This is John," the voice said. It was my dad. **30**
- 35**

- 8 That moment put both of us on the spot. We talked for half-an-hour, and I told him I wanted to make a trip to Ohio to visit. That July, my best friend and I drove from Brooklyn to my grandparents' house, and the next day, my dad came over. I remembered being pretty nervous as he pulled up in his van. Standing in the driveway, we hugged. It was a little uncomfortable, but neither of us could stop smiling. We talked briefly and looked at some baby pictures of me he had brought. I asked him some questions, like if I cried a lot when I was little. My dad, a special education tutor, is a pretty quiet guy, but he really opened up to me that afternoon. He told me how much he had loved my mum and how hard it was for him when it ended between them. 40
- 9 "I was in a deep depression and to see you, I had to see her," he said. It made some sense, but at the same time, staying out of my life was a decision he had made. Still, I was not looking for him to excuse his behaviour and ask me to forgive him. I just wanted to hear his side of it. We spent the next few days getting to know each other. We did not fix our relationship overnight, though. In fact, we did not speak for nine months after I made that first trip to see him. Finally, I called his house. My stepmother, Debbie, answered the phone. I told her I wanted to come to visit the two of them and she said OK. When I got to their house, my stepmother and I talked about the way she treated me in the past. 50
- 10 "You were a gift," she said. "Why didn't I see that before?" She was on the verge of tears as she told me she was sorry. That night, she and I played our guitars together in the den while my dad looked on, smiling. 55

(Adapted from *Reader's Digest*, August 2007)

- 26 From paragraph 2,
(a) where did the writer's parents first meet?
.....[1 mark]
- (b) which **word** means 'excited'?
.....[1 mark]
- 27 (a) From paragraph 3, why did the writer's father snoop around when he was packing the mother's suitcase?
..... [1 mark]

- (b) From paragraph 5, what happened when the writer tried to call his father after he and his mother moved to New York City?

..... [1 mark]

28 From paragraph 7,

- (a) what was the response of the writer's mother when he tried to reach out for his dad?

..... [1 mark]

- (b) how did the writer finally get in touch with his father?

..... [1 mark]

29 (a) From paragraph 8, which **phrase** shows that John Dunbar explained everything to the writer?

..... [1 mark]

- (b) From paragraph 9, why did the writer's father decide to stay away from him?

..... [1 mark]

30 In your opinion, why did the writer's stepmother say that the writer is a gift as mentioned in paragraph 10?

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..... [2 marks]

31 Based on the passage given, write a **summary** on:

- how the writer tried to reach out for his father **and** what happened when they met for the first time.

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

Your summary must:

- be in continuous writing form (not in note form)
- use materials from **lines 22 to 50**
- not be longer than **130 words, including the 10 words** given below

Begin your summary as follows:

There were a couple of times years later when he...

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ANSWER SHEET FOR QUESTION 31

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Section D

[25 marks]

- 32 Read the poem 'Sonnet 18' and answer the questions that follow.

Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?
Thou art more lovely and more temperate.
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
And summer's *lease* hath all too short a date:
Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines,
And often is his gold complexion dimm'd;
And every fair from fair sometimes declines,
By chance, or nature's changing course, untrimm'd;
But thy eternal summer shall not fade
Nor lose possession of that fair thou ow'st;
Nor shall Death brag thou wand'rest in his shade,
When in eternal lines to time thou grow'st.
So long as men can breathe, or eyes can see,
So long lives this, and this gives life to thee.

William Shakespeare

- (a) Give a characteristic of the beloved as mentioned by the poet.
.....[1 mark]
- (b) The word *lease* in line 4 refers to
..... [1 mark]
- (c) Which line shows a person's beauty can be lost in many ways?
..... [1 mark]
- (d) If you were the beloved, what would you wish yourself to be compared to? Why?
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.....[2 marks]

- 33 Read the extract from the short story **The Drover's Wife** below and answer the questions that follow.

She has an eye in the corner and a green sapling club laid in readiness on the dresser by her side; also her sewing basket and a copy of *The Young Ladies' Journal*. She has brought the dog into the room.

Tommy turns in under protest, but says he'll lie awake all night and smash that snake; he has his club with him under the bed-clothes.

Near midnight, the children are all asleep and she sits there still, sewing and reading by turns. From time to time she glances round the floor and wall plate and whenever she hears a noise, she reaches for the stick.

- (a) Name two things the Drover's wife have to occupy herself with.

..... [1 mark]

- (b) Why does she bring the dog into the room?

..... [1 mark]

- (c) What can you conclude about Tommy from the extract above?

..... [1 mark]

- (d) If you were the drover's wife, how would you feel to be in this situation? Explain why.

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..... [2 marks]

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

Jungle of Hope	–	Keris Mas
The Pearl	–	John Steinbeck
The Return	–	K.S Maniam

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

Using the details from the novel that you have studied,

- choose **one** character from the novel
- describe how being poor affects the character's life.

Support your answer with close reference to the text.

[15 marks]

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