

ANSWER KEY

LearnUp PSLE English Practice Paper 2 — Silver 2

Sample answers and marking notes. For open-ended questions, accept any answer that is clearly supported by the passage and expressed correctly.

Booklet A - MCQ answers (Q1–Q25)

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(2)
Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
(2)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(2)
Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15
(1)	(2)	(1)	(2)	(1)
Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20
(1)	(3)	(2)	(4)	(1)
Q21	Q22	Q23	Q24	Q25
(2)	(4)	(1)	(2)	(2)

Section 5 - Grammar Cloze (Q26–Q35)

Q26	(A) in	Q31	(F) of
Q27	(B) to	Q32	(G) who
Q28	(C) when	Q33	(H) that
Q29	(D) as	Q34	(J) but
Q30	(E) on	Q35	(K) which

Section 6 - Editing for Spelling and Grammar (Q36–Q45)

Q36	walks → walk	(grammar)	Q41	Embarass → Embarrassed	(spelling)
Q37	greet → greets	(grammar)	Q42	has → have	(grammar)
Q38	recieved → received	(spelling)	Q43	remind → reminded	(grammar)
Q39	tempt → tempting	(spelling)	Q44	seperated → separated	(spelling)
Q40	knock → knocked	(grammar)	Q45	dissapear → disappear	(spelling)

Section 7 - Comprehension Cloze (Q46–Q60)

Q46	stand	Q51	that	Q56	work
Q47	small	Q52	her	Q57	but
Q48	handed	Q53	crushing	Q58	full
Q49	protest	Q54	at	Q59	surge
Q50	cook	Q55	entered	Q60	It

Section 8 - Synthesis & Transformation (Q61–Q65) — sample answers

Q61. Ravi was not energetic enough to finish his homework after the long round.

Q62. Mr Krishnan told his son that he would tell him the rest of the story the next day.

Q63. Having delivered every newspaper in the rain, the boys were drenched from head to toe.

Q64. Ravi looks forward to picking up the Marie biscuit that Auntie Devi leaves on her shoe rack every morning.

Q65. Despite having worked very hard, Mr Krishnan never complained about being tired.

Section 9 - Comprehension Open-Ended (Q66–Q75) — model answers

Q66. [1]

He begins at four in the morning, and he has been doing the round with his father for the last three years.

Q67. [2]

It suggests that Mr Krishnan speaks slowly and carefully, picking each word with effort, as if his English vocabulary is limited and stored away.

Q68. [2]

He felt worried because the sky was heavy with clouds and he sensed that it might rain heavily during the round, which would soak the newspapers and make the work much harder.

Q69. [2]

(a) Ravi noticed that his father always carried a spare plastic sheath inside his shirt - a small habit of preparation he had never noticed before. (b) Ravi saw that the lines around his father's mouth were deeper than he remembered and that his shoulders carried a tiredness stitched into him by years.

Q70. [2]

It means his exhaustion is not the result of one hard morning of rain. It is a deep, permanent tiredness built up over many years of working two jobs and supporting his family.

Q71. [2]

His father had died of a fever when Mr Krishnan was thirteen, leaving his mother with no one to support her. He had to stop his studies and start working so that he could send money home.

Q72. [3]

(i) He does not see the round as a burden but as a privilege - every dawn with Ravi is a chance to witness his son growing up, something his own father never had. (ii) The round is meaningful to him because it offers closeness and shared time he lost as a boy when his own father died young.

Q73. [2]

Correct: (2) and (4).

Q74. [2]

(i) They know Mr Subramaniam on the seventh floor of Block 34 reads the paper aloud to his elderly mother every morning. (ii) They know Aunty Devi in Block 30 always leaves a single Marie biscuit on her shoe rack for Ravi.

Q75. [2]

Ravi has learnt to see his father not as a quiet, ordinary man but as someone who has carried a heavy past with dignity and love. He understands his father's silence as patient strength rather than emptiness, and feels proud to share his work.

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