

## ANSWER KEY

## LearnUp PSLE English Practice Paper 2 — Silver 3

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

## 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	decides → decided	(grammar)	Q41	Embaressed → Embarrassed	(spelling)
Q37	suprise → surprise	(spelling)	Q42	has → have	(grammar)
Q38	offer → offered	(grammar)	Q43	remind → reminded	(grammar)
Q39	delight → delighted	(spelling)	Q44	recieved → received	(spelling)
Q40	spill → spilled	(grammar)	Q45	finaly → finally	(spelling)

## Section 7 - Comprehension Cloze (Q46–Q60)

Q46	pull	Q51	that	Q56	speak
Q47	own	Q52	her	Q57	but
Q48	up	Q53	holding	Q58	surge
Q49	protest	Q54	a	Q59	But
Q50	dark	Q55	calm	Q60	step

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

- Q61. Priya told us that she would visit Aisha the next day.
- Q62. Having copied out the worksheets carefully, Nadia cycled to Aisha's flat.
- Q63. Although the grandmother spoke very little English, the four of us still understood her.
- Q64. Mei Xuan was not energetic enough to cycle any further.
- Q65. Mrs Devi asked Priya to bring the hardship form to the staff room the next day.

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

Q66. [1]

It had been empty for eight school days; the narrator asked Mrs Devi on the ninth day.

Q67. [2]

It suggests that Mrs Devi knew the situation was sensitive and did not want to say too much. She was being deliberately careful, choosing only the words she was willing to share.

Q68. [2]

They agreed to leave the kueh quietly because they did not want to force Aisha to see them if she was not ready. This shows that the friends were considerate and respected Aisha's feelings.

Q69. [2]

(a) Mei Xuan would ask her mother to send over an extra packet of rice and curry each evening for the rest of the week. (b) Nadia would copy out the week's worksheets and bring them to Aisha so that she would not fall further behind.

Q70. [2]

Her father worked the night shift at the port, so he had to sleep during the day. Her grandmother had only just come down from Johor and did not know the neighbourhood well, and the younger children were shy with her.

Q71. [2]

It tells us that Aisha was deeply moved when she saw her friends at the door, but she was trying very hard not to cry. She was holding back her emotions, perhaps because she had become used to staying strong for her younger siblings.

Q72. [3]

At the beginning, the narrator notices the empty seat each morning but does nothing for over a week. After the visit, she learns from Priya that her role is simply to sit behind Aisha as before, without questions or fuss. By the end, she understands that friendship is sometimes about quietly being present rather than making grand gestures.

**Q73.** [2]

Correct: (2) and (3).

**Q74.** [2]

(i) Her hair was tied back the way it had always been. (ii) Her pencil case was in its usual place on the right side of her desk.

**Q75.** [2]

It suggests that the narrator has come to value quiet, undemanding friendship over dramatic gestures. She does not need Aisha to explain herself; it is enough that Aisha has come back and that things can quietly continue.

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