SOUTH AFRICAN FOUNDATION PHASE
ENGLISH OLYMPIAD
HOME LANGUAGE:
GRADE 1

DATE: 04 - 08 SEPTEMBER 2023

TIME: 60 MINUTES

Instructions:

1. Read the instructions slowly and carefully to your learners.
2. When you read the instructions, make sure learners follow in their booklets. You must also read the instructions twice.
3. Try not to explain the questions and allow learners to answer independently in the spaces provided below.
4. Once learners have answered the questions independently, move on to read the next question.
5. Follow the same procedure throughout the whole paper without ever guiding the learners toward the correct answers.
6. There are 6 questions in this paper, and it is out of 25 marks.
7. Visit the website: www.saolympiads.co.za.

NAME OF LEARNER:	
SCHOOL:	**GRADE:**

QUESTION ONE:

Look at the pictures below:

1.1 With what letter does the animal in the picture below begin with?

_____

(1)

1.2 With what letter does the object in the picture below begin?

_____

(1)

1.3 Use the words in the boxes below to name the pictures below:

cat	**pen**	**dog**	**mug**	**mouse**

1.3.1

1.3.2

_____ _____

(2)

QUESTION TWO:

Read the story below and answer the questions that follow:

Today is Toby's birthday and he turns 5. His mum and dad got him a cat for his birthday. His sister gave him a soccer ball to play with. Toby is happy to go with his family to play soccer in the park. Little Toby takes a jacket along with him in case it gets cold at the park. Toby kicks the ball to dad and dad kicks the ball back to him. Mum and Dad cheer Toby on. He plays a good round of soccer at the park.

Place a cross next to the correct answer.

2.1 What is the best title for the story? **(1)**

Out with friends	
Toby's birthday	
Toby has a cat	

2.2 How old did Toby turn? **(1)**

4 years old	
5 years old	
7 years old	

2.3 Why did Toby take his jacket? **(1)**

Toby took his jacket in case it got cold at the park.	
Toby took his jacket as it was cold at the park.	
Toby needed his jacket for soccer.	

2.4 Who plays soccer well? **(1)**

Toby	
Mum	
Dad	

2.5 Who kicks the ball back to Toby? **(1)**

Toby's friends	
Dad	
Mum	

2.6 The picture below is a picture of a _____.

(1)

2.7 Complete the sentences below by using the pictures as a guide:

2.7.1 Toby's sister gave him a _____ _____.
2.7.2 Toby's sister gives him a _____ _____ .

(4)

QUESTION THREE:

3. Rewrite the sentences below with capital letters and full stops.

3.1 toby is a little boy

_____

3.2 his sister gives him a cat

_____

(4)

QUESTION FOUR:

4. Nouns are naming words.

4.1 Choose the correct noun from the options below:

Toby plays soccer at the

a) ball

b) park

c) shoes

d) grass

4.2 Fill in the correct common noun to complete the sentence.

Toby carries a _____.

(2)

QUESTION FIVE:

5. Complete the riddles below:

5.1 What goes up every year, but never comes down?

_____

(1)

5.2 What can you catch, but not throw?

_____

(1)

QUESTION SIX:

6. Answer the following questions:

6.1 Place the following sentences in order of how they happened by stating what happened first, next and last? 1,2, or 3?

May watched the squirrels at the park.	
May's mum took her to the park.	
At home, May drew pictures of squirrels	

(1)

6.2 What does arachnophobia mean?

_____

(1)

6.3 What is a female donkey called?

_____

(1)

TOTAL FOR PAPER: 25