

End of KS2 Assessments (SATS) 2024



What are the SATS tests?

- The end of KS2 assessments are sometimes informally referred to as 'SATS'.

Date	Subject	Test papers
Monday 13 May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling	Paper 1: Questions Paper 1: Spelling
Tuesday 14 May	English reading	English reading
Wednesday 15 May	Mathematics	Paper 1: Arithmetic Paper 2: Reasoning
Thursday 16 May	Mathematics	Paper 3: Reasoning



How do the tests take place?

- Take place in normal school time.
- Children are in test conditions.
- The papers are sent away to be marked externally.
- Results are returned to school in July.
- The tests vary in length.



How are the tests graded?

- **Scaled scores are used.**
- **A score of 100 represents the national expected standard. The lowest score is 80 and the highest is 120.**



The GPaS or SPAG Tests

- There are two tests
 - a short spelling test and
 - a longer paper testing grammar, punctuation and vocabulary.
- The spelling test lasts approximately **15 minutes** and pupils will need to spell words in context by filling in the gaps in sentences. We say the word once, put it in a sentence and then say the word again. There is a 10 second gap between each spelling.
- The grammar, punctuation and vocabulary test lasts for **45 minutes**.



Spelling Test Example

_____ people give to charity.

Everyone sang the _____ loudly.

I burnt my _____ on the hot soup.

Sarah _____ spilled water all over the table.

The criminal tried to _____ the police.



The GPaS Tests

Example questions

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Tick one box to show which part of the sentence is a **relative clause**.

The table which is made of oak is now black with age.

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1 mark

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What is the name of the **punctuation mark** used between the two main clauses below?

My sister loves team sports; my brother, on the other hand, prefers individual sports – such as athletics.

1 mark

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Tick the option that shows how the underlined words are used in the sentence.

My baby brother was born in the hospital where my father works.

Tick **one**.

as a preposition phrase

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as a relative clause

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as a main clause

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as a noun phrase

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1 mark

48

Insert a **colon** in the correct place in the sentence below.

The school offered three clubs for its pupils art and craft,
dance and chess.

1 mark



The Reading Test

- The test assesses whether pupils' comprehension of age appropriate texts meets the national standard.
- There will be questions on inference, vocabulary, summarising and retrieval.
- Pupils will have **60 minutes** to complete the test, including reading the texts and writing the answers.
- The test will have three different texts to read, (these could be fiction, non-fiction or poetry).



The Reading Test

Example questions

9 Look at Anousheh's blog entry for September 27th.

Explain how Anousheh felt about being in space that day.

2 marks

18 *Gentle, and small, and frail*

How do these words make the reader feel about the snail?

1 mark

11 Using information from the text, tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is a **fact** or an **opinion**.

	Fact	Opinion
Anousheh Ansari kept an online diary.		
Brushing your teeth in space is a joy.		
Being weightless is endlessly entertaining.		
Tourists can stay on the International Space Station.		

1 mark

25 Circle the correct option to complete each sentence below.

(a) The story is told from the perspective of...

Professor
Summerlee.

Lord John.

Malone.

Professor
Challenger.

1 mark

The Maths Tests

- There are three tests
 - one arithmetic paper and
 - two reasoning papers.
- Paper 1 (arithmetic) lasts **30 minutes** and assesses pupils' confidence using methods of calculation. Most questions are worth 1 point but 3 are worth 2 points each (long division and long multiplication). There are 40 points in the arithmetic paper.
- In 2023 pupils needed 56 points to get a scaled score of 100 – therefore being confident in arithmetic gives them an excellent chance at succeeding.
- Papers 2 & 3 (reasoning) last **40 minutes** each and focus on problem solving (calculations in word problems), fluency and applying mathematical reasoning.



The Maths Tests

Example questions

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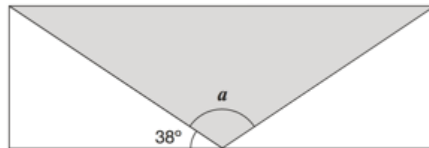
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1 mark

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A shaded **isosceles** triangle is drawn inside a rectangle.



Not
to
scale

Calculate the size of angle a .

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The area of a rugby pitch is 6,108 square metres.

A football pitch measures 112 metres long and 82 metres wide.

How much larger is the area of the football pitch than the area of the rugby pitch?

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Ingredients for chocolate ice cream.

cream	400 ml
milk	500 ml
egg yolks	4
chocolate	120 g
sugar	100 g



Stefan has only 300ml of cream to make chocolate ice cream.

How much **chocolate** should he use?

Writing

- **There are no SATs in writing.**
- **Writing assessments will be formed from a collection of the child's writing over the course of the year.**
- **Writing is moderated with other professionals locally and nationally.**
- **We have until the end of June/beginning of July to work on writing.**



How can I help my child?

- Help children not to feel worried or pressured about SATS.
- All that is asked is that they try their best.
- Help children with organising their homework and support their reading for pleasure activities.
- Get them to use SATs Companion to help with areas they are struggling with, for homework.
- Help them to have early nights and plenty of sleep.
- Try and monitor social media where possible. Children will begin to feel anxious and this can cause issues with friendships.
- Make sure they are having a healthy diet.
- Help your child to have the best possible attendance at school.
- Please speak to a member of staff if you have questions or concerns.



HOMEWORK

We will send home packs to help with revision, keeping all of the content fresh in their minds.

Please encourage your child to complete these independently as often as they can.

They should not take more than 15 minutes at a time.

All children will benefit from **reading as often as possible for an extended period of time (at least 30 minutes in one sitting)**. This helps to sustain and build reading stamina which is essential for the tests and as they move forward in their school career.



Year 6 SATs Breakfast Club

During the week of SATs a light breakfast will be offered in the class when the children arrive.

This will be free of charge.

Children do not have to have it but it is there if they want it.



SATs Week

The children do not need to bring anything in especially. We will provide all stationery for them.

Children need to come in school uniform all week, but they can wear trainers.

Please make sure they arrive on time as SATs will start at approximately 9am.



**If you have any questions,
please contact us, via the school
office, and we will be happy to
help.**

