

SATs 2018



The SATs have been changed to be in line with the new national curriculum.

At the end of Year 6, children sit tests in:

- Reading
- Maths
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar

These tests are both set and marked externally, and the results are returned at the start of July. Writing is teacher assessed against set criteria and can be moderated by the LA. The expected standard will be set at around 100 based on the raw scores (test results) being converted into a scale score. The DFE will set this standard. There will be teacher assessment judgements alongside these results. All the outcomes will be transferred to your child's secondary school.

KS2 Reading Paper

The reading test is a single paper with questions based on three passages of text. **Your child will have one hour, including reading time, to complete the test. There are 50 marks on this paper.**

There will be a selection of question types, including:

- **Ranking/ordering**, e.g. 'Number the events below to show the order in which they happen in the story'
- **Labelling**, e.g. 'Label the text to show the title of the story'
- **Find and copy**, e.g. 'Find and copy one word that suggests what the weather is like in the story'
- **Short constructed response**, e.g. 'What does the bear eat?'
- **Open-ended response**, e.g. 'Look at the sentence that begins *Once upon a time*. How does the writer increase the tension throughout this paragraph? Explain fully, referring to the text in your answer.'

KS2 Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation Paper

The grammar, punctuation and spelling test consists of two parts: a **grammar and punctuation paper** requiring short answers, lasting 45 minutes, and an **aural spelling test of 20 words**, lasting around 15 minutes. **There are 70 marks on this paper.**

The grammar and punctuation test will include two sub-types of questions:

- **Selected response**, e.g. 'Identify the adjectives in the sentence below'
- **Constructed response**, e.g. 'Correct/complete/rewrite the sentence below,' or, 'The sentence below has an apostrophe missing. Explain why it needs an apostrophe.'

KS2 Maths Test

Paper 1: **arithmetic**, 30 minutes Papers 2 and 3: **reasoning**, 40 minutes per paper.
The total of all the papers is 110 marks.

Paper 1 will consist of fixed response questions, where children have to give the correct answer to calculations, including long multiplication and division.

Papers 2 and 3 will involve a number of question types, including:

- Multiple choice
- True or false
- Constrained questions, e.g. giving the answer to a calculation, drawing a shape or completing a table or chart
- Less constrained questions, where children will have to explain their approach for solving a problem

KS2 SATS timetable

The **2018 SATs** schedule is as follows:

Monday 14 May	Paper 1: questions English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 2: spelling
Tuesday 15 May	English reading English grammar, punctuation and spelling
Wednesday 16 May	Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic Mathematics Paper 2: reasoning
Thursday 17 May	Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning