



KS2 SATS 2023

KS2 SATS Guidance for Parents
Spring 2023

KS2 Assessment – A Summary

- The National Curriculum 2014 is challenging and has a focus on developing children's subject knowledge and skills.
- The National Curriculum 2014 has 'expectations' children are required to meet at each banding (**AGE RELATED, OR EXPECTED STANDARD**).
- Children are only formally assessed against the National Curriculum in Year 6 however they are internally assessed throughout Key Stage 2. Schools are advised to decide how best to assess their pupils in a way that best suits their needs.
- Schools are expected to select an assessment approach which:
 - aligns well with their curriculum
 - sets out what pupils are expected to know, understand and do, and when
 - explains pupils' progress and attainment to parents
 - can be used to set aspirational targets and wherever possible supports pupils to reach the expected standards.

KS2 'Assessment' in 2022 in Year 6

Statutory assessment

- KS2 *national curriculum tests* with outcomes in the form of *scaled scores*.
- Teacher assessment at KS2 for writing, using the *frameworks* for teacher assessment.

Formative classroom assessment

- Determined by schools in line with their curriculum.

SATS 2023

- Schools have good understanding of the SATS tests for KS2. There are sample tests and frameworks available for schools to use for the tests in.

Key stage 2

- English reading
- English grammar, punctuation and spelling
- Mathematics

Each pupil registered for the tests will receive:

- a raw score (number of raw marks awarded)
- a scaled score
- confirmation of whether or not they attained the national standard.

WHAT WILL BE ASSESSED?

Assessed by Tests		
READING	SPaG	Maths
ONE PAPER	Paper 1 – Short answer questions	Paper 1 – Arithmetic
Reading booklet and associated answer booklet.	Paper 2 – Spelling	Paper 2 – Reasoning
		Paper 3 – Reasoning
CONTINUOUS TEACHER ASSESSMENT		WRITING

READING 2023

Reading - Assessed by Test	
Paper 1 60 minutes	<p>This test consists of a reading answer booklet and a separate reading booklet.</p> <p>The test is 60 minutes long and during this time the children must read 3 texts and then complete question relating to the texts.</p> <p>The texts and questions increase in difficulty.</p>

READING SKILLS ASSESSED

A range of skills are assessed including:

- Accuracy (decoding familiar and unfamiliar words correctly)
- Fluency (speed and confidence)
- Comprehension (drawing meaning from text)
- Understanding, describing, selecting or retrieving information, events or ideas from texts and using quotation and reference to text.
- Deducing, inferring or interpreting information, events or ideas from texts.
- Identifying and commenting on the structure and organization of texts, including grammatical and presentational features at text level.
- Explaining and commenting on the writers' use of language, including grammatical and literary features at word and sentence level.
- Identifying and commenting on writers' purposes and viewpoints, and the overall effect of the text on the reader.

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... cutting off a **vital** food supply.

What does the word *vital* mean in this sentence?

Tick **one**.

essential

☐

available

☐

useful

☐

healthy

☐

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Look at the section headed: **Other interesting facts**.

Complete the sentence below.

Recent studies show that...

giant pandas always spend most of their lives alone.

☐

most giant pandas live in captivity.

☐

giant pandas only live in the wild in China.

☐

some giant pandas live in the same area.

☐

Tick **one**.

1 mark

8

Look at the section headed: **Why are people concerned about giant pandas?**

Find and **copy one** word which shows that there are lots of things we do not yet know about giant pandas.

1 mark

10

According to the text, why are giant pandas under threat of extinction?

Give **two** reasons.

1. _____

2. _____

2 marks

SPaG 2023

English – Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Assessed by Test

Paper 1	45 minutes to complete the test, answering the questions in the test paper.
Paper 2	<p>This component consists of an answer booklet for pupils to complete and a test transcript to be read by the test administrator.</p> <p>Pupils will have approximately 15 minutes to complete the test (not strictly timed), by writing the 20 missing words in the answer booklet.</p>

English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

Sample questions

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Which **pair of verbs** correctly completes the sentence below?

Pluto _____ now called a dwarf planet, but once it _____ classified as a planet.

Tick **one**.

was is ☐

was was ☐

is is ☐

is was ☐

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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 ☐

as a relative clause ☐

as a main clause ☐

as a noun phrase ☐

1 mark

13

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.

↑	↑	↑	↑
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 mark

MATHS 2023

Maths – Assessed by Tests	
Paper 1	Arithmetic - 30 minutes
Paper 2	Reasoning - 40 minutes
Paper 3	Reasoning - 40 minutes

The tests have questions of 1 and 2 marks and children are given marks for working out if they finish the task, but get the answer incorrect.

- **NO CALCULATORS** are allowed.

Sample arithmetic questions

5 $1,034 + 586 =$

1 mark

23

$\begin{array}{r} 54 \\ \times 23 \\ \hline \end{array}$

Show your method

2 marks

13 $4^2 =$

1 mark

22 $12 - 6.01 =$

1 mark

16 $1,440 \div 12 =$

1 mark

25

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Show your method

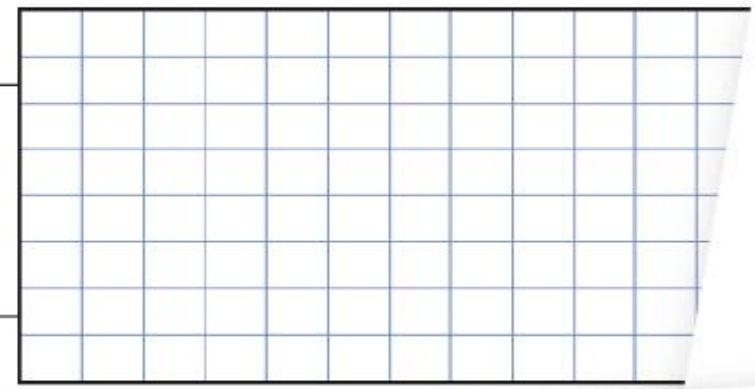
2 marks

Sample reasoning questions

- 2 A pack of paper has 150 sheets.
4 children each take 7 sheets.

How many sheets of paper are left in the packet?

Show your method



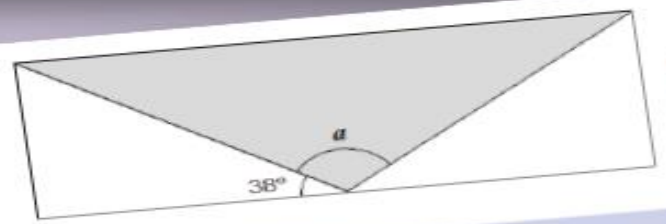
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Here is a number written in Roman numerals.

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Write the number in figures.

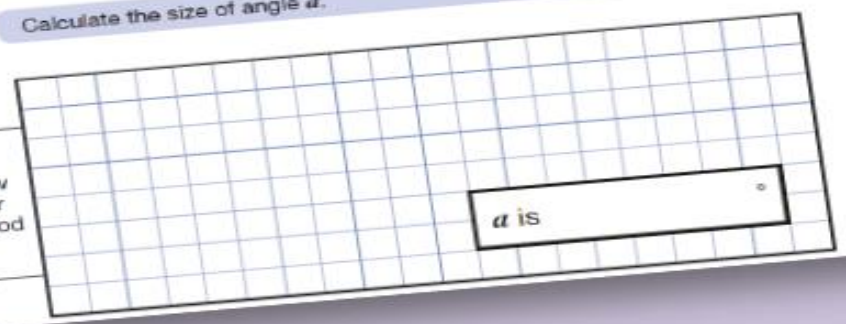
1 mark



Not to scale

Calculate the size of angle a .

Show your method



a is

2 marks

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What is 444 minutes in hours and minutes?

hours minutes

1 mark

WRITING 2023

- There is not a 'writing test'.
- Teachers will assess children's writing composition. Children's results for English writing will be a judgement of their work throughout Year 6.
- Children's grammar, punctuation and spelling skills will be assessed as part of their writing, but their creativity and writing style will also be evaluated.
- Schools will moderate their judgements with other local schools and may be moderated by their Local Authorities too.

WHEN ARE THE TESTS?

All KS2 SATs will be held in the week beginning 8th May 2023.

The tests must be taken on the scheduled days.

Tuesday 9th May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 1: Questions English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 2: spelling
Wednesday 10th May	English reading
Thursday 11th May	Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic Mathematics Paper 2: reasoning
Friday 12th May	Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning

Nationally Expected Standard

At the end of Year 6 the DfE guidelines for English and Maths are as follows:-

WORKING TOWARDS the ‘**Nationally Expected Standard**’ for a pupil at the end of Year 6

WORKING AT the ‘**Nationally Expected Standard**’ for a pupil at the end of Year 6

WORKING AT GREATER DEPTH *within* the ‘**Nationally Expected Standard**’ for a pupil at the end of Year 6

How will I receive my results?

- You will receive your child's SATs results with your child's end of year report, which will also contain their teacher assessment grades.

Scaled Score

Tests at the end of KS2 will be reported with a scaled scores.

The 'expected standard' will always be set at 100.

Raw scores in the test will be converted to scaled scores.

The 'raw score' that equates to 100 might be different each year.

Pupils who score 100 or more will have met the 'expected standard'.

Pupils who score below 100 will not have met the 'expected standard'.

How are we preparing the children?

Maths

- Daily White Rose Maths lesson covering National Curriculum content
- Weekly arithmetic lesson aimed at targeting individual weaknesses
- Weekly problem-solving revision lesson based on last year's SATs gap analysis + current need
- Weekly arithmetic test – mixture of online with a partner and timed individual papers
- Daily Maths morning tasks (first thing in the morning/straight after lunch)
- Daily Flashback 4
- Maths homework + TTRS.
- Targeted booster groups to address areas of need

How are we preparing the children?

SPaG

- Weekly dedicated SPaG lesson – based on gaps identified by mock SATs
- Daily SPaG morning tasks (alternated with maths)
- Daily SPaG focus as warm-up in English lessons.
- Weekly SPaG paper practice session (mix of independent, partner and teacher modelled)

Reading

- Dedicated reading lessons teaching skills of: retrieval, inference, prediction, explanation, summarising and understanding vocabulary
- Regular SATs reading test question practice (mix of independent, partner and teacher modelled)
- Daily class reader – with discussion of text.

As well as covering the full range of National Curriculum subjects!

How can you help?

- Support with homework and targets that have been discussed at Parents Evening particularly Spelling Shed & Times Table Rock Stars.
- Read regularly and **discuss** a variety of texts – not just ‘listening’ to your child read.
- Short bursts of mental maths, times tables and problem solving etc.

USEFUL WEBSITES

- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/revision/>

This is an excellent site, providing revision help for KS2, KS3, KS 4 and KS5. This covers all subjects through activities and tests.

- [MathsBot.com - Tools for Maths Teachers](http://MathsBot.com)