

Key Stage 2 SATs – Information for parents and carers

At the end of Year 6, if **appropriate**, children take SATs in:

- Reading
- Maths
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar

Key Stage 2 Reading

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 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.'

Key Stage 2 grammar, punctuation and spelling test

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.

The grammar and punctuation test will include two subtypes 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.'

Key Stage 2 maths

Children sit three papers in maths:

- Paper 1: arithmetic, 30 minutes

- Papers 2 and 3: reasoning, 40 minutes per paper

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

When will the KS2 SATs take place?

The KS2 SATs are administered in May.

How will the tests be marked?

These tests are both set and marked externally.

Assessment and reporting:

You will be given your child's raw score (the actual number of marks they get), alongside their scaled score and whether they have reached the expected standard set by the Department for Education

The range of scaled scores available for each KS2 test is:

- 80 (the lowest scaled score that can be awarded)
- 80-99- working below the national expected standard
- 100- 110 working at the expected standard
- 111-120 suggests working at a greater depth

The expected standard for each test is a scaled score of 100 or more. If a child is awarded a scaled score of 99 or less they won't have achieved the expected standard in the test.