



Key Stage 2 tests - 2023





SATs Week

Week Beginning 8th May 2023

Key stage 2

The key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Tuesday 9 May to Friday 12 May 2023.

Date	Activity
Tuesday 9 May 2023	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Wednesday 10 May 2023	English reading
Thursday 11 May 2023	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Friday 12 May 2023	Mathematics paper 3

*Writing is assessed using evidence collected by teachers throughout Year 6, so **there is no Year 6 SATs writing test.** Science is also teacher-assessed.*





How are SATs carried out?

- The tests will take place during normal school hours, under exam conditions.
- Most children will complete their papers in their classroom. However, some children may do their tests in small groups or with a 1:1 reader.
- Children are not allowed to talk to each other from the moment the assessments are handed out until they are collected after the test has ended.
- Afterwards, the completed papers are sent away to be marked externally.
- The children's results are sent back to school in July.
- The standard timings of tests differ but last no more than 60 minutes.





Tuesday

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Key stage 2

English grammar,
punctuation and spelling

Paper 1: questions

First name						
Middle name						
Last name						
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year	
School name						
DBF number						



Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPaS)

45 minutes

50 marks

Lots of 1 mark questions





Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPaS)

- The children will be prepared by their class teacher so they are equipped with a good knowledge of the technical vocabulary needed to identify and describe various aspects of grammar and punctuation.
- Children's English homework books support with the knowledge needed for this test.
- Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (Paper 1) requires a range of answer types such as circling missing capital letters, multiple choice questions, one-word answers, but **does not require longer formal answers.**



Example questions

1

Tick the sentence that must end with a question mark.

What I wanted had already sold out

☐

Ask Ryan what he thinks about it

☐

What time will the film start

☒

I didn't know what to say

☐

Tick one.

6

Circle one verb in each underlined pair to complete the sentences using **Standard English**.

We was were planning to hold a cake sale at school.

I was / were chosen to design the posters.

1 mark

1 mark

23

Draw a line to match each word to its correct **antonym**.

Word

Antonym

meandering

confront

sympathetic

unfeeling

evade

unbelievable

plausible

straight

1 mark





Tuesday

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English grammar, punctuation and spelling

Paper 2: spelling

First name						
Middle name						
Last name						
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year	
School name						

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Spelling

15 minutes (approximately)

20 marks

Children are asked to fill in a blank within a sentence, attempting to spell out the spelling word in context correctly.

A range of spelling patterns are tested, e.g. prefixes, suffixes, homophones, word endings etc.





Wednesday



Reading Test

60 minutes

50 marks

3 texts - any combination of
fiction, non-fiction and/or poetry

1, 2 and 3 mark questions





Reading

- The assessment measures whether children's comprehension of age-appropriate reading material meets the national standard.
- A range of answering styles are required, including responding to **multiple choice questions, one-word answers**, and multiple mark questions which require **more formal paragraph-length answers**.

So, when reading with your child, try asking questions like:

- 1. Find a word in this paragraph that is closest in meaning to ...*
- 2. In what year did...?*
- 3. In the last paragraph, x does not want to y. Give two reasons for this.*





Thursday

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Mathematics

Paper 1: arithmetic

First name						
Middle name						
Last name						
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year	
School name						
DfE number						



Arithmetic

30 minutes

40 marks

1 and 2 mark questions

mental and formal written
methods

$+$ $-$ \times \div fractions %





Example questions

27	95% of 240 =		
	10% = 240 ÷ 10		
	10% = 24		
	5% = 24 ÷ 2		
	5% = 12		
	95% = 240 - 12 = 228	228	<input type="text"/>
			1 mark

29		6 7 8		
	x	5 4		
		2,712		
		33,900		
		36,612		
Show your method				
			36,612	<input type="text"/>
				2 marks





Thursday/Friday

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Mathematics

Paper 2: reasoning

First name						
Middle name						
Last name						
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year	
School name						
DfE number						



Maths reasoning papers 2 & 3

40 minutes

35 marks

1, 2 & the occasional 3 mark question

Maths in context

Questions get more complex





Maths reasoning

- Papers 2 & 3 require children to demonstrate their mathematical knowledge and skills, as well as their ability to solve problems and their mathematical reasoning.
- The questions get harder throughout the paper.





Example questions

11

Here is a number written in Roman numerals.

CXV

Write the number in figures.

115

1 mark

6

Stefan's watch shows five minutes past nine.
The watch is twelve minutes fast.



What is the correct time?

7 minutes to 9 or

8:53

1 mark

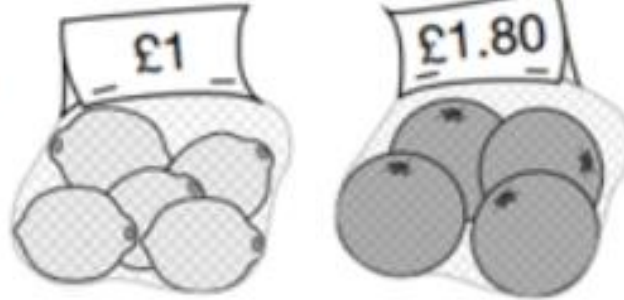


Example questions

10

A bag of 5 lemons costs £1

A bag of 4 oranges costs £1.80



How much **more** does one orange cost than one lemon?

Show
your
method

$$100 \div 5 = 20 \text{ p}$$

$$180 \div 4 = 45 \text{ p}$$

$$45 \text{ p} - 20 \text{ p} = 25 \text{ p}$$

$$25 \text{ p} / £0.25$$

2 marks

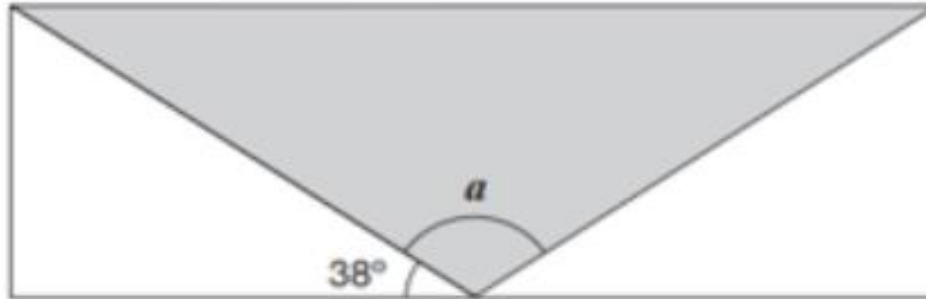




Example questions

15

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



Not
to
scale

Calculate the size of angle a .

Show
your
method

$$38 \times 2 = 76$$

$$180 - 76 = 104$$

a is 104°

2 marks





Additional arrangements

Children with additional needs, who have similar provision in their day-to-day learning at school, may be allotted specific arrangements, including

- Additional (extra) time (25%)
- An adult to read for them;
- The use of prompts or rest breaks;
- Arrangements for children who are ill or injured at the time of the tests.

We will notify you, should your child be receiving any of these adjustments.

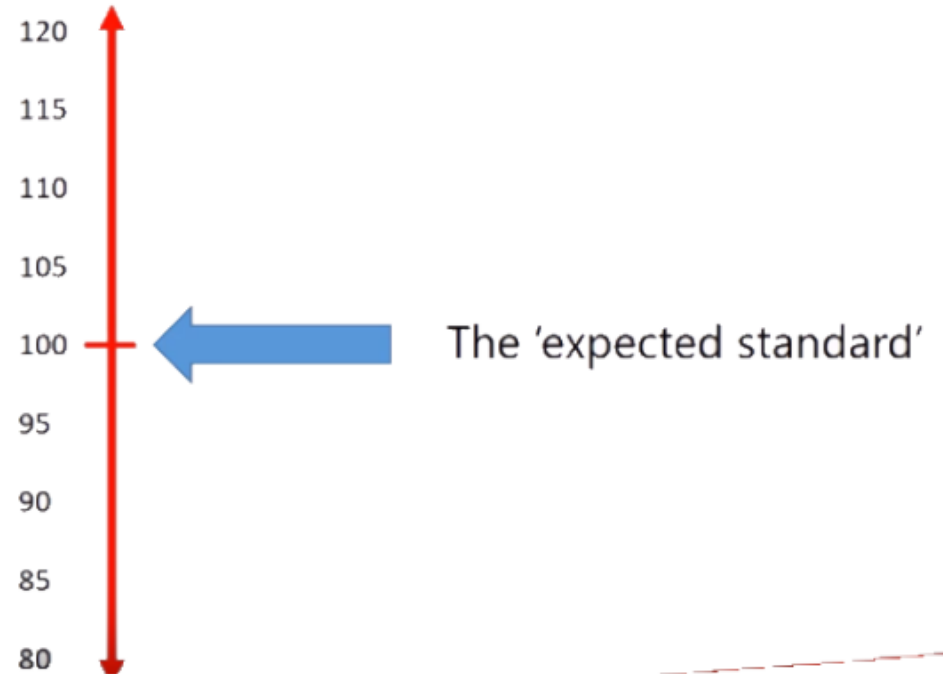




Results

Once marked, the tests will be given the following scores:

- A **raw score** (the total number of marks achieved for each paper);
- A **scaled score** (80-120);
- A judgement of whether the National Standard has been met.



A scaled score of 100 or more is meeting the national standard.

There are no separate tests for higher achieving pupils; however, **a scaled score close to 120 would show that a child is working above the national standard.**





In addition to the SATs...

Teachers will be making Teacher Assessments in Writing and Science.
These will be reported to the Government and to your child's Secondary School.

Science

Not at the expected standard (HNM) OR
At the expected standard (EXS)

Writing

Working Towards the expected standard (WTS)
Working At the expected standard (EXS)
Working At Greater Depth within the expected standard (GDS)





Preparation for SATs

Practice SATs week - week beginning 30th January

- Whole class practice of a set of past SATs papers.
- The results of these have now been shared with parents.



Mock SATs week - week beginning 20th March

- This week will follow the exact timetable for the official SATs week.
- Children who are eligible for additional time, will have this.
- Children who need to work in a small group or in an area with fewer distractions will do so.





Supporting your child at home

- Firstly, a positive attitude goes a long way – so as much encouragement and support as possible (obviously, we don't need to tell you that!)
- Encourage your child to complete homework and hand it in on time – if they're struggling, remind them to ask an adult in school or drop us a message.
- Read regularly together and discuss what has been read.
- Ensure your child is eating and drinking well, and getting a suitable amount of sleep.





Things to remember

- **SATs focus on what children know about Maths and English**

They won't reflect how talented they are at Science, Geography, Art or PE, and they certainly won't highlight positive personal characteristics such as kindness and integrity!

- **SATs results don't always tell the whole story**

The results will say they DID or DIDN'T meet a certain standard, but not necessarily by what margin. We will be able to provide you with more detailed feedback, so don't let your child see SATs as a simple case of 'pass' or 'fail'.

- **SATs last for one week**

In reality it's just one or two papers lasting 30-60 minutes each day. You can't emphasise enough the importance of keeping that in perspective.





What should I do if I'm worried about my child?

It would be unnatural for SATs not to induce a certain degree of worry or anxiety but there is, of course, a tipping point.

SATs should not

- affect a child's appetite;
- affect a child's ability to sleep;
- alter a child's personality;
- induce panic, tears or disengagement from lessons;
- be a reason not to attend school.



If any of the above are evident, then SATs may be causing an excessive degree of anxiety, and your child may benefit from additional support.

This isn't about removing the reality of SATs, but rather equipping your 10 or 11 year old child to cope with the situation and be stronger for it.





Breakfast club

- We will be holding a breakfast club for the Year 6 pupils every day of SATs week.
- Past experience shows that this is the perfect way to start the day in a relaxed, sociable atmosphere before sitting that day's SATs tests.
- We will be enjoying a brain-building breakfast, following a focused brain-boosting activity!
- We would like all of the Year 6 children to attend and with this in mind there will be no charge for the breakfast club.
- *More details will follow nearer the time...*





*Thank you for listening.
If we can support you in any way,
please get in touch.*

