

Overview of the Subject Options Exercise (SOE) for Sec 3 Express

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Agenda

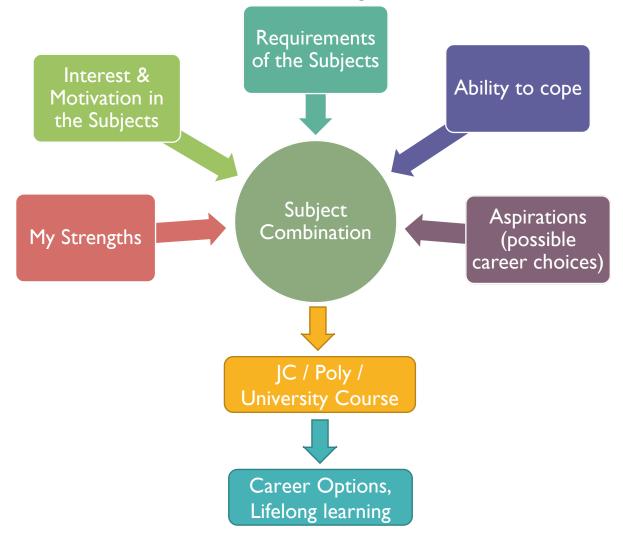
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1. Requirements for JC / MI / Polytechnic



Considerations for Subject Combination





Admission Eligibility

	JC	MI	Polytechnic
Duration of course	2 years	3 years	3 years
Aggregate score required	L1R5 ≤ 20	L1R4 ≤ 20	L1R2B2 ≤ 26



Information for entry to JC / MI / Polytechnic

JC / MI

Admission matters (L1R5 / L1R4 calculation)

 https://www.moe.gov.sg/postsecondary/admissions/jae/juniorcolleges-and-millennia-institute

SchoolFinder

• go.gov.sg/sf-jcmi

Polytechnic

Admission matters (L1R2B2 calculation)

 https://www.moe.gov.sg/postsecondary/admissions/jae/polytechnics

CourseFinder

- go.gov.sg/cf
- go.gov.sg/apply-np
- go.gov.sg/apply-nyp
- go.gov.sg/apply-rp
- go.gov.sg/apply-sp
- go.gov.sg/apply-tp



Calculation of L1R5 Aggregate Score (JC)

	No.	L1R5	Subject Category				
First Language	1	L1	English Language / Higher Mother Tongue Language				
	2	R1	Humanities				
3		R2	Mathematics / Science				
Relevant	4	R3	Humanities / Mathematics / Science				
Subjects	5	R4	Any subject (e.g. Mother Tongue Language, Principles of Accounts, Computing, Music, Art)				
	6	R5	Any subject				



Calculation of ELR2B2 Score (Polytechnic)

No.	L1R2B2	Subject Category			
1	EL	English Language			
2	R2	1st Group of Relevant Subjects Humanities / Mathematics / Additional Mathematics			
3	R2	2nd Group of Relevant Subjects Humanities / Mathematics / Sci			
4 & 5	B2	Best 2 other subjects			



2. Subject Combinations



2025 Sec 3E Subjects Offered

Languages

- English Language
- Mother Tongue Language
- Higher Mother Tongue Language

Mathematics

- Mathematics
- Additional Mathematics

Humanities

- Social Studies (SS) with either:
- Elective Geography (EG)
- Elective History (EH)
- Elective Literature in English (E.Lit)
- Geography (Geog)
- Literature in Chinese (Chinese Lit)

Sciences

- Chemistry (Chem)
- Biology (Bio)
- Physics (Phy)
- Science (Chemistry / Biology) [Sci(C/B)]
- Science (Physics / Chemistry)[Sci(P/C)]

Others

- Computing (Comp)
- Principles of Accounts (POA)



2025 Sec 3 Subject Combinations

8 subjects

Pure Sciences

 For students who enjoy deep disciplinary learning and rigorous interdisciplinary learning

7 subjects

Pure Sciences

 For students who are passionate about deep disciplinary learning in Sciences/Mathematics, keen on strengthening learning in Humanities

Combined Science

 For students who are passionate about deep disciplinary learning in Humanities, keen on strengthening learning in Sciences/Mathematics



2025 3E Subject Combinations (8 Subjects)

No.	8 subjects							
1			Eng	glish I	angua	age		
2		M	othe	Tong	gue La	ngu	age	
3		Mathematics						
4	Additional Mathematics							
5	Chemistry							
6	SS / EG SS / EH SS / E.Lit						/ E.Lit	
7	Phy Bio							
8	Geog		Chinese Lit		mp		Bio	Phy

Legend: White = compulsory subjects; Green = subject options; Yellow = Triple Science options



2025 3E Subject Combinations (7 Subjects)

No.	7 subjects (Pure Sciences)					(Co		jects d Scien	ces,)
1	English Language					English Language				
2	Mother Tongue Language				ſ	Mother Tongue Language				
3	Mathematics			Mathematics						
4	Additional Mathematics				Additional Mathematics					
5	Chemistry			Sci(C/B)			Sci(P/C)	
6	SS / EG	SS / EI	SS / EH SS / E.Lit		SS / EG		SS /	'EH		SS / E.Lit
7	Ph	У	Bio		Geog	Cł	ninese Lit	Com	p	РОА

Legend: White = compulsory subjects; Green = subject options



3. Subjects Allocation Criteria



2025 Sec 3 Subjects Requirements

The following subjects require a strong foundation in Secondary 2:

Upper Secondary Subject	Strong Foundation in Sec 2 Subject/s				
Geography	Geography				
Elective Literature in English	English Literature & English Language				
Literature in Chinese	Chinese Language				
Computing	Math and English Language				
Double Science	Science				
Triple Science	A1 in Science and top 25% of cohort				

Please refer to the respective department slides for specific details.



2025 Sec 3 Subjects Requirements

Your child's / ward's subject combination will depend on the following:

- marks of the required subject(s)
- overall academic performance
- attitude and aptitude for the subject (feedback from subject teachers)
- class sizes and timetabling constraints
- availability of teachers



4. Subjects Options Exercise (SOE) Timeline



Timeline for the Subject Options Exercise (SOE)

Date	Activity
25 Oct (Fri) 8am	Parent-Teacher Conference SOE Opens (fill in the online All Ears Form)
28 Oct (Mon) 9am	SOE Closes (All Ears Form will be locked)
6 Nov (Wed) After 9am	Results of the SOE will be released on the online All Ears Platform (scan the QR code in the October PN)
8 Nov (Fri) By 12pm	 Queries about your child's / ward's Subject combination Complete an All Ears Form to send in your query (addressed to Mr Traven Loh)
Late Nov	 Form Class Allocation Do note that your child's / ward's sec 3 class allocation may be updated before new academic year begins. Do check the updated class just before school re-opens.