## 'Geł Ready for Year 6 SATs'



## What are the SATs tests?

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SATs = Standard Attainment Tests
National tests for primary school pupils who are coming towards the end of Year 6 (age 11).
The main means of assessing pupil attainment and progress at the end of their primary school education.
Information gathered from the tests about your child is shared with secondary schools who may use this information - along with other sources eg: from discussion with class teachers and internal testing - to set pupils for subjects or forms.

SATs are formal tests and all children in Year 6 (unless they are working at a level below that being assessed eg: below Y3) are required to complete the tests.

The theory behind these tests is that they are accessible to all Year 6 pupils regardless of their place of education or their teachers. They are a means of assessing pupil performance nationwide.

The tests are all marked externally and results are usually returned, with results, to school in June. SATs results are reported in your child's end-of-year report, alongside Teacher Assessment.

## SATs Tests 2024

- Monday $13^{\text {th }}$ May

EGPS - English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling
Paper 1: Grammar and Punctuation (45 minutes)
Paper 2: Spelling (not timed - usually lasts around 20 minutes

- Iuesday $14^{\text {th }}$ May

English Reading Test (1 hour)

- Wednesday $15^{\text {th }}$ May Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic (30 minutes) Maths Paper 2: Reasoning (40 minutes)
- Thursday $16^{\text {th }}$ May

Maths Paper 3: Reasoning (40 minutes)
(Writing is no longer tested but is reported by teacher assessment using an interim framework of statements.
Several pieces of a pupil's best writing (chosen across the year) will be assessed.)

## What are the 'English' SATs tests?



2016 national curriculum tests
Key stage 2
English grammar, punctuation and spelling
Paper 1: questions


## EGPS: English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Test

## Key stage 2

English grammar, punctuation and spelling
Paper 1: questions


Tests pupils' understanding of a range of grammar and punctuation, and their ability to identify or supply examples of such.

2 separate tests:
Grammar and Punctuation (45 minutes - around 46 questions) Simple ways to answer:

- Multiple choice: circle, tick, draw lines to, underline, write letters, etc.
- Short answers: lines or boxes given for a word, a few words or a sentence to be given.

Spelling (not timed - roughly 20 minutes - 20 spellings) Supply correctly spelled words from teacher dictation.

## What is assessed?

- Understanding of grammatical terms and word classes
- Functions of sentences
- Combining words, phrases and clauses within sentences
- Verb forms, tenses and consistency
- Punctuation
- Vocabulary
- Standard English and formality of language
- Spellings


## Knowledge of grammar and punctuation assessed

| Grammar | Punctuation |
| :--- | :--- |
| Suffixes, Prefixes and Root words | Question marks |
| Conjunctions | Colons |
| Objects | Inverted commas |
| Determiners | Commas |
| Adverbs and adjectives | Hyphens |
| Simple present and past tenses | Apostrophes for contraction |
| Present and past progressive tense | Apostrophes for possession |
| Pronouns and possessive pronouns | Exclamation marks |
| Modal verbs | Capital letters |
| Sentence types | Semi-colons |
| Parenthesis |  |
| Prepositions |  |
| Main and subordinate clauses |  |
| Synonyms and Antonyms |  |
| Writing words as both verbs and nouns (eg: point) |  |
| Active and Passive voice |  |
| Past and present perfect tense |  |
| The subjunctive form |  |
| Understanding of Standard English |  |

## Spelling task

1. Jordan's messy room was ln a state of $\qquad$
2. David gave a $\qquad$ on the door before entering
3. Anlta was $\qquad$ her shoes.
4. The coat was made from a $\qquad$ fabrlc.
5. Iam $\qquad$ you help with your homework.
6. Eagles have excellent. $\qquad$
7. All $\qquad$ hls hat in the croanded cloakroom.
8. The mountalns could be seenilin the $\qquad$
9. Freya thought that her palnting was $\qquad$
10. It la $\qquad$ to drop ilter in the playground.
11. The tiger stalked its $\qquad$ through the Jungle.
12. Compared with $\qquad$ years, the team did well.
13. My $\qquad$ Ryan has red halr.
14. My brother has a $\qquad$ for music.
15. Jasm/ne's $\qquad$ expresslon showed how happy she felt.
16. The chlldren needed $\qquad$ ruckeacks for the visit.
17. II needed to fill In my $\qquad$ on the form.
18. My mum palnted the $\qquad$ blue.
19. There ls a great $\qquad$ In accents across Eittaln.
20. The mother swan. $\qquad$ guarded her nest.


## Reading Test

Tests pupils' ability to read and to understand what they have read.
3 separate texts and associated questions.
1 hour to complete the test.
Best approach: read one text and answer the related questions before moving on to reading the next text and so forth (ie: 20 mins per text).

Variety of ways to record answers:

- Short answers (box or line for single word)
- Several line answers (2 lines for a few words or short sentence)
- Longer answers (large box - more detailed answer needed)
- Selected answers (tick, underline, circle, draw lines to, etc)


## Maths Tests:

## Arithmetic and Reasoning


Key stage 2

## Mathematics

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Testing arithmetic and calculation skills including:

- Addition
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division
- Fractions
- Decimals
- Percentages
- Order of operations
- Properties of number

Question and answer
Calculations - around 36 questions -30 minutes to complete.


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There are 2 more tests, both of which are Reasoning Papers.
These require pupils to apply their knowledge and understanding of Maths to answer a range of word and 'real life' problems.

Papers contained approximately 23
questions in each - 40 minutes to complete each (2 separate days).

19 Miss Mills is making jam to sell at the school fair.
Strawberries cost $£ 7.50$ per kg.
Sugar costs 79p per kg.
10 glass jars cost $£ 6.90$
She uses 12 kg of strawberries and 10 kg of sugar to make 20 jars full of jam.

4 This table shows the number of people living in various towns in England.

| Town | Population |
| :--- | :---: |
| Bedford | 82,448 |
| Cartton | 48,493 |
| Dover | 34,087 |
| Formby | 24,478 |
| Telford | 166,640 |

What is the total of the numbers of people Fiving in Formby and in Telford?
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What is the difference between the numbers of people living in Bedford and in Dover?
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## Where can I look at previous tests?

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## Issues we face...how can parents help?

- Reading speed and fluency. Slow reading means that pupils aren't getting through the test in the time given. Encourage children to read daily at home.
In order to access the test sufficiently, pupils should be able to read in excess of 90 words per minute with few mistakes.
- Attitudes to tests - encourage positive, resilient and determined attitudes. We only expect their best!
- Revision and practice at home. Support children in completing SATs based home learning each week.

The weekend before test week and during test week:

- Make sure children get a good night's sleep.
- Encourage them not to worry about the tests - we do not send home copious revision booklets and to do their best.
- Make sure they have a good breakfast before they come to school.
- Make sure they are in school on time.


## How do we help our lovely Year 6s in school?

- Plenty of practice: constant revision of learning and practise of test skills in lessons and across subjects.
- Test practise - formal and informal settings. This 'normalises' the tests!
- Personal target setting from practice test performance.
- Times Tables speed tests.
- Daily revision of maths arithmetic skills or reasoning, grammar or punctuation.
- Opportunities to read daily.
- Whole class novel read throughout the week.
- Weekly comprehension practise.
- Weekly Grammar lessons with learning applied throughout the week.
- Additional tuition.
- 'Booster' sessions - emails sent home for Maths and Reading Boosters.
- Promotion of resilient mindsets and attitudes towards tests and learning.
- Praise of their successes; support and encouragement to help them to improve.
- Special provision for children with additional needs - parents will be informed of the additional provision in place for your child if they require it.


## What will be reported?

When the tests are marked (externally) they are given a 'raw score' - the actual score in the test eg: 18/50.
A National Average Raw Score is determined once all the tests have been marked. The national average raw score can change each year.

A scaled score of 100 will represent the national average.
Pupils who receive a scaled score of a margin around 100 would be deemed to be working at the expected standard (average).

Pupils with less than 100 would be working towards the expected standard (below average).
Pupils with scores considerably higher than 100 would be working above the expected standard (110 or above).

## 2022-2023

| Test | Raw score needed to meet national <br> expectations |
| :--- | :--- |
| Reading | 29 out of 50 <br> $(58 \%)$ |
| English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling | 35 out of 70 <br> $(50 \%)$ |
| Maths | 58 out of 110 <br> $(53 \%)$ |

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