

Key Stage 1 SATs

A School Presentation to Parents

The Tests

During this term, Year 2, children will take standard assessment tests (SATS) in:

- Reading;
- English grammar, punctuation and spelling;
- Maths.

The tests will take place over a three week period in May.

Reading

The Reading Test consists of two separate papers:

- Paper 1 – Contains a selection of short texts with a set of questions.
- Paper 2 – Contains a reading booklet of a selection of longer passages. Children will write their answers to questions about the passage in a separate booklet.
- Each paper is worth 50% of the marks and should take approximately 30 minutes to complete.
- The texts will cover a range of poetry, fiction and non-fiction.
- Questions are designed to assess the comprehension and understanding of a child's reading.
- Some questions are multiple choice or selected response, others require short answers and some require an extended response or explanation.

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

The test consists of two separate papers:

- A spelling test is administered containing 20 words, lasting approximately 15 minutes and worth 10 marks.
- A separate test is given on punctuation, vocabulary and grammar worth 20 marks and split into two sections lasting approximately 10 minutes per section. This test requires short answers to questions and has some that are multiple choice.

Sample Questions

Grammar, Punctuation and Vocabulary Paper

Year 2 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 1

4. Tick the correct word to complete the sentence below.

I really don't like washing my face _____ I have to do it.

Tick **one**.

or

☐

and

☐

but

☐

2

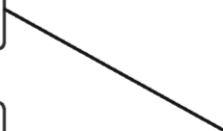
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Sample Questions

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper

9. **Draw lines** to match the groups of words that have the same meaning.
One has been done for you

I will	it's
you have	I'll
it is	didn't
did not	you've



1 mark

Mathematics

Children will sit two tests: Paper 1 and Paper 2:

- Paper 1 is for arithmetic, lasting approximately 25 minutes and worth 25 marks. It covers calculation methods for all operations.
- Paper 2 covers problem solving, reasoning and mathematical fluency, lasts for approximately 35 minutes and is worth 35 marks.
- Pupils will still require calculation skills and questions will be varied including multiple choice, matching, true/false, completing a chart or table or drawing a shape. Some questions will also require children to show or explain their working out.

Sample Questions

Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic

2. Recall and use addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently, and derive and use related facts up to 100.

a) Circle 2 vegetables which I can buy for exactly 20p.



8p



7p



17p



12p



14p



13p

b) This shop is more expensive. Circle 2 vegetables I can buy for exactly £1.00.



50p



20p



80p



70p



40p



30p

c) How much change will I get from £1.00 if I buy a pepper?



1 mark



1 mark











1 mark

Sample Questions

Maths Paper 2: Reasoning

f) Fill in the gaps in the tally chart about class 3.

Pet	Tally	Number
		
		9
		
		3
		

Write 2 different questions you could ask someone about this tally chart information.



5 marks



1 mark



1 mark

How to Help Your Child

- First and foremost, support and reassure your child that there is nothing to worry about and that they should always just try their best. Praise and encourage!
- Ensure your child has the best possible attendance at school. We need the children in school everyday!
- Support your child with any homework tasks.
- Reading, spelling and arithmetic (e.g. times tables) are always good to practise.
- Talk to your child about what they have learnt at school and what book(s) they are reading (the character, the plot, their opinion).
- Make sure your child has a good sleep and healthy breakfast every morning!

How to Help Your Child with Reading

Listening to your child read can take many forms:

- First and foremost, focus developing an enjoyment and love of reading.
- Enjoy stories together – reading stories to your child is equally as important as listening to your child read.
- Read a little at a time but often, rather than rarely but for long periods of time!
- Talk about the story before, during and afterwards – discuss the plot, the characters, their feelings and actions, how it makes you feel, predict what will happen and encourage your child to have their own opinions.
- Look up definitions of words together – you could use a dictionary, the Internet or an app on a phone or tablet.
- All reading is valuable – it doesn't have to be just stories. Reading can involve anything from fiction and non-fiction, poetry, newspapers, magazines, football programmes, TV guides.
- Visit the local library - it's free!

How to Help Your Child with Writing

- Practise and learn weekly spelling lists – make it fun!
- Encourage opportunities for writing, such as letters to family or friends, shopping lists, notes or reminders, stories or poems.
- Write together – be a good role model for writing.
- Encourage use of a dictionary to check spelling.
- Allow your child to use a computer for word processing, which will allow for editing and correcting of errors without lots of crossing out.
- Remember that good readers become good writers! Identify good writing features when reading (e.g. vocabulary, sentence structure, punctuation).
- Show your appreciation: praise and encourage, even for small successes!

How to Help Your Child with Maths

- Play times tables games.
- Play mental maths games including counting in different amounts, forwards and backwards.
- Encourage opportunities for telling the time.
- Encourage opportunities for counting coins and money e.g. finding amounts or calculating change when shopping.
- Look for numbers on street signs, car registrations and anywhere else.
- Look for examples of 2D and 3D shapes around the home.
- Identify, weigh or measure quantities and amounts in the kitchen or in recipes.
- Play games involving numbers or logic, such as dominoes, card games, draughts or chess.