YEAR 6 SATS 2020

Presentation for Parents & Carers



What are the SATS tests?

- The end of KS2 assessments are sometimes informally referred to as 'SATS'.
- SATS week across the country begins on 11th May 2020.
- Pupils will complete test papers in some of the areas that have to be assessed. Other areas, like writing, are assessed using evidence collected by the teacher over a longer period of time.
- Pupils will complete SATS test papers in:
 - Reading
 - Grammar, Punctuation & Vocabulary
 - Spelling
 - Arithmetic
 - Mathematical Reasoning 2 papers

How do the tests take place?

- The tests all take place in normal school time, under test conditions and the completed papers are sent away to be marked externally.
- Results are returned to school in July.
- The tests vary in length but last no longer than 60 minutes:
 - Reading: 60 minutes
 - Grammar, Punctuation & Vocabulary: 45 minutes
 - Spelling: 15 minutes
 - Arithmetic: 30 minutes
 - Mathematical Reasoning: 2 papers of 40 minutes each.

How are the tests graded?

- The marked tests will provide the following information:
 - A raw score (i.e. number of marks)
 - A scaled score (see below)
 - An indication of whether the national standard has been met.
- In scaled scores, a score of 100 represents the national standard. The lowest is 80 and the highest is 120.
- A pupil will need to achieve a scaled score of 100 to show that they have met the national standard on the test.
- There are no longer separate tests for higher attaining pupils, but they might expect a scaled score of closer to 115 which would indicate the pupil is working above the expected standard.

The Reading Test

- Pupils will have 60 minutes to complete the test, including reading the texts and writing the answers.
- The test will have three different texts to read, drawing on fiction, non-fiction or poetry.
- Questions are focused around the following areas (called 'content domains'):
 - give/explain the meaning of words in context
 - retrieve and record information/identify key details from fiction and non-fiction
 - summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph
 - make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text
 - predict what might happen from details stated and implied
 - identify/explain how information/narrative content is related and contributes to
 - meaning as a whole
 - identify/explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases
 - make comparisons within the text
- There are a range of answer types.

The Reading Test

Example questions

9	Look at Anousheh's blog entry for September 27th. Explain how Anousheh felt about being in space that day.	
		2 marks

18	Gentle, and small, and frail How do these words make the reader feel about the snail?	
		1 mark

Using information from the text, tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is a fact or an opinion.

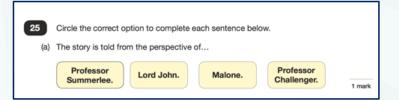
Fact Opinion

Anousheh Ansari kept an online diary.

Brushing your teeth in space is a joy.

Being weightless is endlessly entertaining.

Tourists can stay on the International Space Station.



The GPS Tests

- There are two tests: a short spelling test and a longer paper testing grammar, punctuation and vocabulary.
- The spelling test lasts approximately 15 minutes and the grammar, punctuation and vocabulary test lasts for 45 minutes.
- Pupils need a good working knowledge of technical vocabulary used to describe grammatical terms and punctuation marks.
- Questions in the grammar test are focused around the following areas (called 'content domains'):
 - Grammatical terms/word classes
 - Functions of sentences
 - Combining words, phrases and clauses
 - Verb forms, tenses and consistency
 - Punctuation
 - Vocabulary
 - Standard English and formality
- There are a range of answer types in the grammar test, including multiple choice and short one-word answers, but there will not be any long written answers required.

The GPS Tests

Example questions

13	Tick one box to show which part of the sentence is a relative clause .	
	The table which is made of oak is now black with age.	1 mark

16	What is the name of the punctuation mark used between the two main clauses below?	
	My sister loves team sports; my brother, on the other hand, prefers individual sports – such as athletics.	
		1 mark

14	Tick the option that shows how the underlined words are used in the sentence.	е
	My baby brother was born in the hospital where my father works.	
	Tick one.	
	as a preposition phrase	
	as a relative clause	
	as a main clause	
	as a noun phrase	1 mark

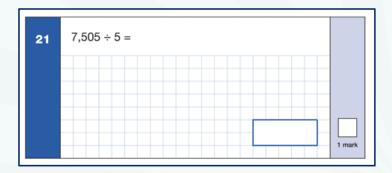
48	Insert a colon in the correct place in the sentence below.	
	The school offered three clubs for its pupils art and craft,	
	dance and chess.	1 mark

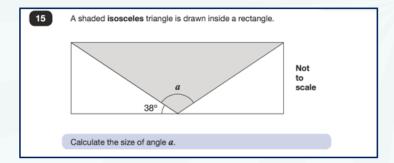
The Maths Tests

- There are three tests: one arithmetic paper and two reasoning papers.
- Paper 1 (arithmetic) lasts 30 minutes and assesses pupils' confidence using methods of calculation as well as fractions, decimals and percentages. It covers curriculum content from all of KS2.
- Papers 2 & 3 (reasoning) last 40 minutes each and focus on problem solving, fluency and applying mathematical reasoning.
- Questions cover the following areas (called 'content domains'):
 - Number and place value
 - Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division (calculations)
 - Geometry properties of shapes
 - Geometry position and direction
 - Statistics
 - Measurement
 - Algebra
 - Ratio and proportion
 - Fractions, decimals and percentages.

The Maths Tests

Example questions

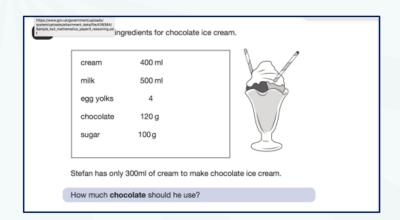




The area of a rugby pitch is 6,108 square metres.

A football pitch measures 112 metres long and 82 metres wide.

How much larger is the area of the football pitch than the area of the rugby pitch?



Other Assessments

- There is no writing SATS test.
- Writing assessments will be formed from judgements made by the teacher, looking at evidence from writing collected over the course of the year.
- The teacher will moderate their assessments with other professionals to make sure there is a consistent standard across the country.
- Final judgements will be reported to parents at the same time as the other assessment results.