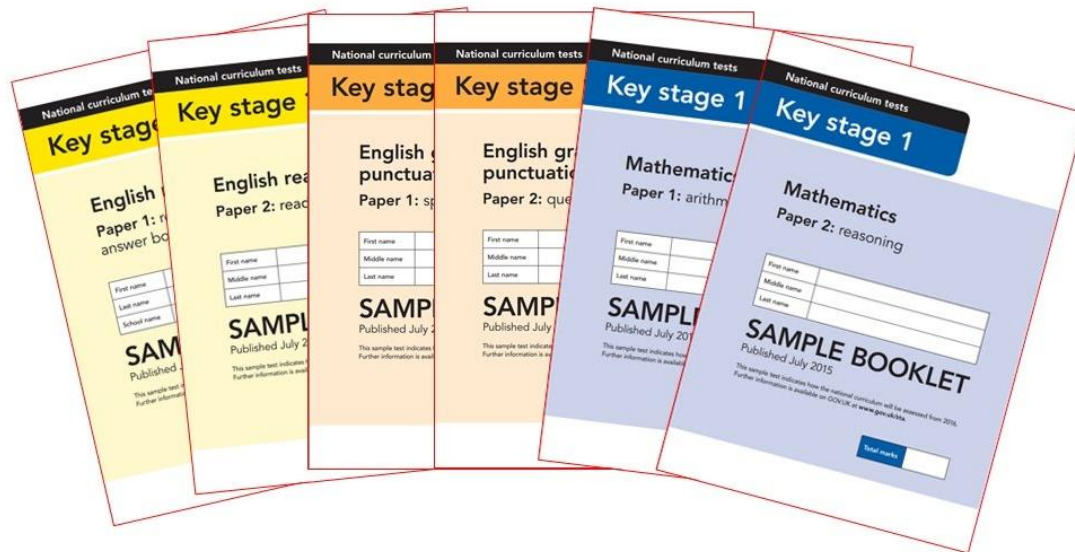


Information for parents

KS1 SATS



Key Stage 1 tests

What does SATs Stand For?

- ▶ Statutory Assessment Tests
- ▶ Usually taken at the end of Key Stage 1 (Y2) and at the end of Key Stage 2 (Y6).
- ▶ The purpose of the SATs is to assess children's understanding of taught skill and knowledge from that Key Stage.

What are the children tested in?

► Maths and English.

Subject	SAT
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An arithmetic maths test.• A reasoning maths test.
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading test 1• Reading test 2• Spelling test• Grammar test
6 SAT papers in total.	

There is no writing paper. Children are assessed throughout the year in their writing lessons.

Key Stage 1 Reading

- ▶ The reading test for Year 2 pupils is made up of two separate papers:
 - ▶ Paper 1 consists of a selection of texts totalling 400 to 700 words, with questions interspersed
 - ▶ Paper 2 comprises a reading booklet of a selection of passages totalling 800 to 1100 words. Children will write their answers in a separate booklet
 - ▶ Each paper is worth 50 per cent of the marks, and should take around 30 minutes, but children will not be strictly timed, as the tests are not intended to assess children's ability to work at speed. **The texts in the reading papers cover a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry**, and get progressively more difficult towards the end of the test.
 - ▶ Teachers have the option to stop the test at any point that they feel is appropriate for a particular child.

Key Stage 1 Maths

- ▶ The Key Stage 1 Maths test is made up of two papers:
 - ▶ Paper 1: arithmetic, worth 25 marks and taking around 15 minutes.
 - ▶ Paper 2: mathematical fluency, problem-solving and reasoning, worth 35 marks and taking 35 minutes, with a break if necessary. There are a variety of question types: multiple choice, matching, true / false, constrained (e.g. completing a chart or table; drawing a shape) and less constrained (e.g. where children have to show or explain their method).
 - ▶ Children are not allowed to use any tools such as calculators or number lines.

Other subjects

Other National Curriculum subjects, including English writing, speaking and listening, Science and Computing, will be assessed by your child's teacher based on their work throughout the year.

When do these tests happen?

- ▶ We have the month of May to administer the tests.



How is SATs week organised?

- The testing is organised in a way that will feel as informal as possible for the children.
- To them, it will feel like a regular Maths or English lesson and just like one of the many other assessments we do throughout the year.
- We **do not** refer to them as 'SATs' to the children.
- Tests are completed in classrooms, with all displays and resources covered up.
- The LA (local authority) monitor 10% of schools per year.



Does the SATs score determine what 'judgement' my child has at the end of Y2?

- ▶ Yes and no. In Y2, judgements are 'teacher assessed'.
- ▶ Unlike Y6 (where the SATs score is absolute), the Y2 teachers assess what 'judgement' your child has achieved – emerging, expected, or greater depth.

What does teacher assessment involve and is it different from testing?

- ▶ Teacher assessment draws together everything the teacher or teachers know about a child, including observations, marked work and school assessments.
- ▶ Teacher assessment is not a 'snapshot' like tests and is therefore more reliable.
- ▶ We use a collection of material to inform our judgement: book-band, words per minute, independent work from across the curriculum, test scores from across the year, and SATs.

How can parents help?

- ▶ Supporting home learning (Spelling, Maths and home reading)
- ▶ Ensuring children arrive for school:
 - in good time
 - having had breakfast
 - having gone to bed at a reasonable time



Your support is appreciated so that your child is confident to sit the tests.

Parental support makes a huge difference.

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