



Parent Mini
Guide

The Three
Schools

KS1: SATs guidance

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Key Stage 1 SATs are a combination of teacher assessment and tests to assess the level of attainment of all 7 year old children (Year 2) in England. These tests take place nationally in May every year. The tests are taken in school and are marked by the class teacher. The tests will provide information about how your child is progressing, compared to children the same age nationally. They are not qualifications and don't affect your child's future options in school. The results are used to ensure that schools are teaching their pupils the essential knowledge and skills in the subjects that are the early building blocks. This is to ensure every child reaches their full potential.

KS1 tests.

Subject	Test paper
English	Reading paper Paper 1: short text and questions. Paper 2: longer text with separate questions.
English	Grammar, punctuation and spelling (optional) The spelling test consists of 20 spellings. The grammar and punctuation paper consists of approximately 18 questions
Maths	Paper 1: 25 arithmetic questions For example: $89 + 10 =$ $70 - 18 =$ $3 \times 3 =$ $\frac{1}{2}$ of $30 =$ Paper 2: 30 mathematical reasoning questions. Children will be required to read and interpret a range of questions based on number, fractions, data, measure and shape.

You will also receive a teacher assessment judgement for science, but there is no science test.

The tests are carried out in the classroom in a very calm environment. We want the tests to be very low key so the children do not get worried and they can perform as well as possible. The children are very familiar with the layout of the tests as they have seen sample papers and done old SATs papers which are laid out very similarly. Recommended times are given but these are flexible.

Scaled scores

Once the class teacher has marked the test papers they will be sent a conversion table so they can give the children a scaled score. A child working at the expected level should receive 100. Children who are below 100 will be given working at below expected. Children scoring above 100 will receive working at greater depth. The exact boundaries vary each year.

Teacher assessment

Teachers will use the key stage 1 test results to help them to reach an overall judgement of the standards children have reached in English and mathematics. If on the day your child does not achieve as well as predicted, then they will not be awarded that level. They will be awarded the level they have been working at throughout the year.

Reporting results

At the end of the year you will be told whether your child is working towards the expected standard, at the expected standard or working within greater depth.

Questions

We will hold a parents workshop in the summer term for parents where we can answer any queries you have about this process, or you can visit www.gov.uk/STA for more details. We will share with you some sample papers on the day or you can see samples of the tests your child will take here:

www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculumassessments-2016-sample-materials.