SATS

Monday, 12 May – Thursday, 15 May 2025.

What are the SATS tests?

- The end of KS2 assessments are sometimes informally referred to as 'SATS'.
- SATS week across the country begins on.
- 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

In some years, certain selected schools will take part in additional science sampling papers.

How do the tests take place?

- The tests all take place in normal school time, under test conditions.
- Pupils will not be allowed to talk to each other during the tests.
- 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.
- After each test is marked, it will be converted into a scaled score and that will show whether a pupil is working at the national standard, or above or below it.
- 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 higher scaled score. A standardised score of 110 has in previous years identified a child working at a greater depth.

SATs Week

Monday	Grammar test	Spelling test
Tuesday	Reading test	
Wednesday	Mathematics 1 Arithmetic	Mathematics 2 Reasoning
Thursday	Mathematics 3 Reasoning	

The Reading Test

- The test assesses whether pupils' comprehension of ageappropriate texts meets the national standard. There will be numerous questions on inference, vocabulary and retrieval.
- 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'):
 - Word meaning
 - Retrieval
 - Summarising
 - Inferring meaning
 - Predicting
 - <u>Understanding the authors language choices</u>
- Children should be reading as often as possible at home talking about language and meaning.

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.
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2 marks	
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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.

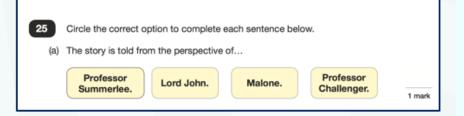
Fact Opinion

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 pupils will need to spell words in context by filling in the gaps in sentences.
- 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:
 - Word classes nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, conjunctions, pronouns, determiners
 - Functions of sentences questions, statements, exclamations, commands
 - Verb forms, tenses and consistency
 - Punctuation . , ! ? ; : "" ABC
 - Vocabulary
 - Standard English and formality

Grammar Test

Challenging grammatical language

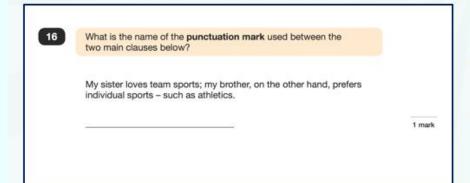
Complete the senten	ce below so that it uses the subjunctive form .	
If I	_ to have one wish, it would be for good health.	1 mark

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Tick to show which sentence uses the past progressiv	ve.		one box in each row to show whethe	r the sentence	e is written in t
	Tick one.	Sen	itence	Active	Passive
After Ali finished his homework, he went out to play.		Otte	ers live in clean rivers.		
Gemma was doing her science homework.		Fish	are eaten by otters.		
Jamie learnt his spellings every night.		Usu	ally, otters are playful creatures.		
Anna found her history homework difficult.			Which sentence uses the present	perfect form	?
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			Jo went shopping on Saturday and whole new outfit.	d she bought	а
Complete the sentence below with a poss	essive pronou	ın.	The girl entered at the last minute race!	and won the	
They are	. •		My sister was a reserve, but she s winning goal.	scored the	
			My dog was very naughty, but sind he has been much better.	ce the classes	

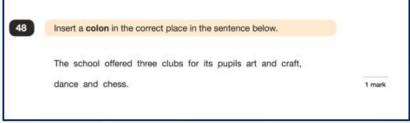
The GPS Tests

Example questions

13	Tick one box	to show which p	art of the sente	ence is a relative clause).
	The table wh	ich is made of oa	ak is now black	with age.	
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14	Tick the option that shows how the underlined words are sentence.	used in the
	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 m

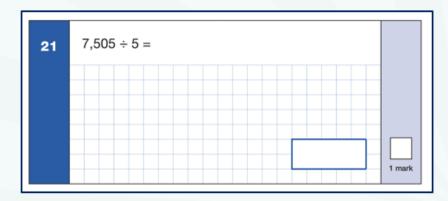


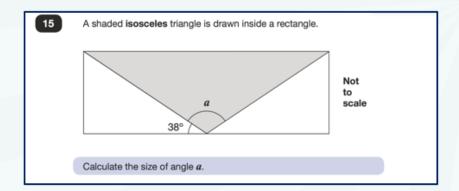
The Maths Tests

- 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.
- Questions will increase in difficulty as the paper progresses and not all children will complete the papers.

The Maths Tests

Example questions

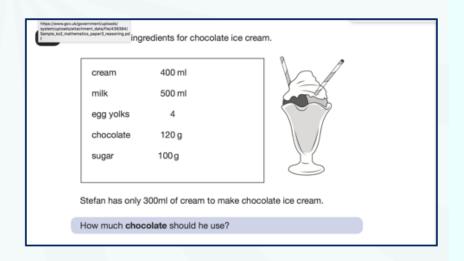




The area of a rugby pitch is 6,108 square metres.

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.

How can I help my child?

- Help children not to feel worried or pressured about SATS. All that is asked is that they try their best, but please reassure children that the SATS should not be causing anxiety. Do give lots of praise and encouragement!
- Help children with organising their homework (including spellings and mental arithmetic) and support their reading for pleasure activities.
- Help them to have early nights and a healthy diet.
- Help your child to have the best possible attendance at school.
- Please speak to a member of staff if you have questions or concerns.

Time for Questions

