



Northumberland  
**EDUCATION**

# SATs information March 2023

## Year 2 and Year 6

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# Year 2

Schools administer the KS1 tests in English reading and mathematics during May 2023.

The tests do not have set days for their administration and may be administered to groups of pupils on different days.

Schools may choose to administer the optional English grammar, punctuation and spelling test during May, but there is no requirement to do so.

Pupils must only be allowed to take each test once.

The KS1 tests are designed to assess pupils' knowledge and understanding of the KS1 programmes of study.

Teachers must administer the English reading and mathematics tests to help make a secure judgement for their final teacher assessment (TA) at the end of KS1.

The tests make up one piece of evidence for the overall TA judgement.

The KS1 tests consist of:

- English reading Paper 1: combined reading prompt and answer booklet
- English reading Paper 2: reading booklet and reading answer booklet
- Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic
- Mathematics Paper 2: reasoning

- KS1 tests are not strictly timed. Teachers can use their discretion to decide if pupils need a rest break during any of the tests or whether, if appropriate, to stop a test early.
- An optional English grammar, punctuation and spelling test is available. Schools are not required to administer the optional English grammar, punctuation and spelling test or use the result to inform TA, although they can if they wish.

# English reading test

- There are 2 English reading papers.
- Both papers contain a selection of texts that are designed to increase in difficulty.
- Paper 1 consists of a combined reading prompt and answer booklet. The test takes approximately 30 minutes.
- Paper 2 consists of an answer booklet and a separate reading booklet. It contains more challenging texts than Paper 1. The test takes approximately 40 minutes
- The English reading test **must not be read** to individuals or to a group, except for the general instructions.

# Mathematics test

- The mathematics test comprises 2 components, presented to pupils as 2 test papers:
- Paper 1: arithmetic consists of a single test paper and takes approximately 20 minutes.
- Paper 2: reasoning consists of a single test paper and takes approximately 35 minutes. The paper includes a practice question and 5 aural questions. After the aural questions, the time allowed for the remainder of the paper should be approximately 30 minutes
- If a pupil requests it, you may read a question to them on a one-to-one basis.

# Optional English grammar, punctuation and spelling test

- Schools can choose whether to administer the English grammar, punctuation and spelling test and use the results to inform their English writing TA. There are 2 papers:
- Paper 1: consists of a test transcript to be read by the test administrator and an answer booklet for pupils to write 20 spellings. The paper takes approximately 15 minutes.
- Paper 2: is a combined question and answer booklet focusing on pupils' knowledge of grammar, punctuation and vocabulary. The paper takes approximately 20 minutes.
- If a pupil requests it, you may read a question to them on a one-to-one basis.

If a pupil is absent on the day the school has planned to administer a KS1 test, the test can be administered on the pupil's return to school up to and including Wednesday 31 May

KS1 tests should be marked by a member of staff who is familiar with the pupil.

Teachers must use the results from the KS1 English reading and mathematics tests as a single piece of evidence, alongside the other evidence they will have gathered throughout the year, when making teacher assessment judgements

Teachers may prepare pupils for SATs by showing them past questions and test papers.

This is done so that pupils are familiar with:

- what the booklets look like and their layout
- the different types of questions and where to write answers
- how they should answer a question e.g. write a sentence, draw a line to join two statements, circle the correct answer

# READING

## Example of reading paper 1 text

On Monday, we had a very good day. We went to the fair in the park. I won a huge, pink teddy.

On Wednesday, we went to the circus in a big tent. It was so lovely! We saw acrobats swinging high above our heads.

On Friday, JJ said, "Let's do something for Mum. She has been working all week."

"Can we do a picture in the garden?" I asked.



# Example questions for paper 1

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Draw **three** lines to show what Jasmine and JJ did on each day.

Monday

• did something for Mum

Wednesday

• went to the fair

Friday

• went to the circus



1 mark

2

What did Jasmine and JJ see at the circus?



1 mark

Red, white, green and yellow droplets flicked all over the sky at the top of our lovely painting! Great splashes of paint landed on my clothes.

“Mum will be furious!” I wailed.

We rubbed and scrubbed as much as we could. We did not hear Mum come home.

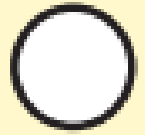
Then we saw her. I wanted to hide from her really cross face.



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What happened when Jasmine dropped the brushes?

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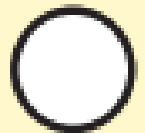
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**Find** and **copy two** words that tell you how JJ and Jasmine tried to clean off the paint.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_



1 mark

# Reading paper 2 - 2019



Liam the  
Park Keeper



Dora the Storer

## Reading Booklet

2019 key stage 1 English reading booklet



# Answer booklet

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2019 national curriculum tests

## Key stage 1

### English reading

#### Paper 2: reading answer booklet

First name	
Middle name	
Last name	

# MATHEMATICS

# Mathematics

## Paper 1

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## Key stage 1

### Mathematics

#### Paper 1: arithmetic

First name	<input type="text"/>
Middle name	<input type="text"/>
Last name	<input type="text"/>

Total marks



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# Mathematics paper 2

2019 national curriculum tests

## Key stage 1

### Mathematics

#### Paper 2: reasoning

First name	
Middle name	
Last name	

Total marks

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# Year 6

# SATs

- KS2 tests must be taken on the dates specified and papers for each subject must be administered in order unless there are exceptional circumstances
- Schools can choose their own start times for each test and, where possible, should administer them to the whole cohort at the same time.
- If necessary, schools can administer a test in multiple sittings between 7am and 7pm so an individual pupil or group can take a test on the scheduled date but at a different time from the rest of the cohort.

# KS2 test timetable

Date	Test
Tuesday 9 May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paper 1: questions</li><li>• Paper 2: spelling</li></ul>
Wednesday 10 May	English reading
Thursday 11 May	Mathematics <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paper 1: arithmetic</li><li>• Paper 2: reasoning</li></ul>
Friday 12 May	Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning

# Tuesday 9th May

## Grammar, punctuation and spelling

- The test focuses on the relevant elements of the English programmes of study.

# English grammar, punctuation and spelling

- Paper 1: is a combined question and answer booklet. Pupils will have 45 minutes to answer the questions.
- If a pupil requests it, teachers may read a question to them on a one-to-one basis.
- Subject-specific terminology must not be explained.

# English grammar, punctuation and spelling

- Paper 2: spelling. Consists of an answer booklet for pupils to complete and a test transcript for the test administrator to read. Pupils will have approximately 15 minutes to complete the test, by writing the 20 missing words in the answer booklet. The test is not strictly timed.

# Wednesday 10th May

## Reading

- The English reading test focuses on comprehension and includes a mixture of text types. The test is designed so that the texts are presented in increasing level of difficulty.
- The test consists of a reading booklet and a separate answer booklet.
- Pupils will have one hour to read the 3 texts in the reading booklet and complete the questions.
- They can approach the test as they choose, for example, working through one text and answering the questions before moving on to the next.
- The English reading test must not be read to individuals or to a group, except for the general instructions.

# Mathematics

- The mathematics test comprises of 2 components, arithmetic and reasoning, presented to pupils as 3 test papers.
- Paper 1 assesses arithmetic.
- Papers 2 and 3 assess reasoning.

# Thursday 11th May

## Mathematics

- Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic. Consists of a single test paper and pupils will have 30 minutes to complete it.
- Mathematics Paper 2: reasoning. Consists of a single test paper and pupils will have 40 minutes to complete it.
- If a pupil requests it, an adult may read a question to them on a one-to-one basis

# Friday 12th May

## Mathematics

- Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning. Consists of a single test paper and pupils will have 40 minutes to complete it.
- If a pupil requests it, an adult may read a question to them on a one-to-one basis.

# General information

- SATs take place under test conditions:
  - Pupils are spread out
  - There is no talking from the test starting until all papers have been collected in at the end of the test, unless a pupil needs to ask an adult to read a question for them in the mathematics or grammar test
  - Tests are precisely timed
  - Practice test materials are available to help teachers prepare pupils for the 2023 tests.

- Teachers may prepare pupils for SATs by showing them past questions and test papers.
- This is done so that pupils are familiar with:
  - what the booklets look like and their layout
  - the different types of questions and where to write answers
  - how they should answer a question e.g. write a sentence, draw a line to join two statements, circle the correct answer

# Pupil absence

- If a pupil is absent and does not return within 5 school days of the scheduled test date, or an application for a timetable variation is rejected, they will be recorded as absent.
- Pupils who do not take all test papers for a subject will receive a score for the papers they have completed but will not receive a scaled score. The overall outcome for a pupil who does not complete all test papers for a subject will be 'Absent'.

# Writing

- There is no test for writing.
- Teachers make a judgement on writing based on set criteria and statements.
- Teacher assessment judgements are reported.

- Reading, grammar, punctuation and spelling, and mathematics tests are marked externally, not by teachers in school.
- Schools usually inform parents of SATs results when annual reports are sent home in the summer term.

# EXAMPLES OF PAST PAPERS



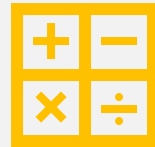
# Examples of past test papers for:



Reading



Grammar, punctuation and  
spelling



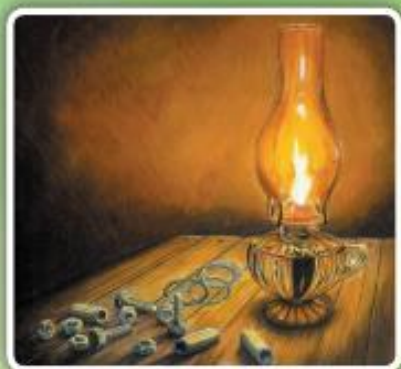
Mathematics



The Park



Fact Sheet:  
About Bumblebees



Music Box

# Reading Booklet

2019 key stage 2 English reading booklet

## Reading test

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- 2019 reading booklet
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## Key stage 2

# Answer booklet

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- Questions are set out in different ways in the answer booklet
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### English reading

Reading answer booklet

First name						
Middle name						
Last name						
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year	
School name						
DfE number						

2019 national curriculum tests

## Key stage 2

### English grammar, punctuation and spelling

#### Paper 1: questions

First name						
Middle name						
Last name						
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year	
School name						
DfE number						

# Past paper

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Different  
types of  
questions

## Key stage 2

### Mathematics

#### Paper 1: arithmetic

First name						
Middle name						
Last name						
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year	
School name						
DfE number						

## Key stage 2

### Mathematics

#### Paper 2: reasoning

First name						
Middle name						
Last name						
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year	
School name						
DfE number						

## Key stage 2

### Mathematics

#### Paper 3: reasoning

First name						
Middle name						
Last name						
Date of birth	Day		Month		Year	
School name						
DfE number						

Paper 1: arithmetic

Paper 2: reasoning

Paper 3: reasoning