



Year 6 SATs 2025/26 Presentation  
for Parents, Carers & Guardians –  
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# What are the SATs?

- SATs are the Standardised Assessment Tests that are given to children at the end of Key Stage 2.
- The SATs take place over four days between 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> May 2026. They are carried out in exam conditions and are marked externally.
- The results are sent to the school in July.
- The SATs papers consist of:
  - Spelling, punctuation and grammar (paper 1: Grammar/ Punctuation/ Spelling) – 45 mins.
  - Spelling, punctuation and grammar (paper 2: Spelling test) – approximately 20 mins.
  - Reading – 60 mins.
  - Maths (paper 1: Arithmetic) – 30 mins.
  - Maths (paper 2: Reasoning) – 40 mins.
  - Maths (paper 3: Reasoning) – 40 mins

Writing is assessed using evidence collected throughout Year 6. There is no Year 6 SATs writing test.



# Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Paper 1

The children will have been working hard with their class teacher on developing and securing their knowledge of the technical vocabulary needed in this test.

This test focuses on:

- Grammatical terms/ word classes;
- Functions of sentences;
- Combining words, phrases and clauses;
- Verb forms, tenses and consistency;
- Punctuation;
- Vocabulary;
- Standard English and formality.

This test requires a range of answer types but does not require longer formal answers.



## Reading:

There is one reading test that lasts for 60 minutes.

The test is designed to measure if the children's comprehension of age-appropriate reading material meets the national standard. There are three different set texts for children to read. These could be any combination of non-fiction, fiction and/ or poetry.

The test covers the following areas (known as 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.



## Maths:

The maths assessments consist of three tests.

- Paper 1: Arithmetic (30 minutes)
- Paper 2: Reasoning (40 minutes)
- Paper 3: Reasoning (40 minutes)



## The Results

Tests are marked externally. Once marked, the tests will be given the following scores:

- A raw score (total number of marks achieved for each paper);
- A scaled score (see below);
- A judgement on if the National Standard has been met.

Scaled scores range from 80 to 120.

A scaled score of 100 or more shows the pupil is meeting the National Standard.



## Supporting your child in preparing for the SATs

- Don't use past papers from after 2017 as they are used in school to prepare the children. Look at [www.sats-papers.co.uk](http://www.sats-papers.co.uk) for past Key Stage 2 papers.
- Give your child a quiet, distraction free space to complete homework or study.
- Ensure your child is eating and drinking well and getting a good amount of sleep.
- Keep revision light. Going over key skills (times tables, real world mental maths as you are shopping or cooking) is a good way to keep revision light.
- If you're looking to support your child further with maths at home, there are lots of good websites with free Year 6 revision resources.



- [KS2 - BBC Bitesize](#)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>

- [21 Best Free Year 6 SATs 2022 Revision Resources for KS2 Maths \(thirdspacelearning.com\)](#)

<https://thirdspacelearning.com/blog/free-ks2-sats-papers-sats-revision-maths/>

- [Maths Genie - Primary - KS2 SATs Revision](#)

<https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/primary.html>

- [Free KS2 SATS Online 10-Minute Tests | CGP Books](#)

<https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/resources/ks2-sats-online-10-minute-tests>

- [SATs Year 6 | TheSchoolRun](#)

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/sats/sats-year-6>

