

# PSLE Foundation Mathematics

**Mathematics Department** 





### **ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES**

Pupils should be able to:

- recall specific mathematical facts, concepts, rules and formulae, and perform straightforward computations.
- interpret information, understand and apply mathematical concepts and skills in variety of simple concepts.
- Reason mathematically, analyse information and make inferences in simple situations.



### **Examination Format**



### **PSLE Mathematics**

### Paper 1

(use of calculator is NOT allowed)

### Paper 2

(use of calculator is allowed)

**Booklet A** 

**Booklet B** 





Paper	Booklet	Item Type	No. of questions	No. of marks per question	Total Marks	Duration
1	Α	Multiple Choice	10	1	10	1h
			10	2	20	
	В	Short Answer	10	2	20	
2	Short Answer		10	2	20	1 h
	Structured		6	3 or 4	20	
Total			46	-	90	2h

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### PAPER 1 BOOKLET A (MCQ)

In 586 930, the digit 8 stands for \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- (1) 8 hundreds
- (2) 8 thousands
- (3) 8 ten thousands
- (4) 8 hundred thousands



### PAPER 1 BOOKLET B & PAPER 2 Q1-10 (Short Answer Question)

A table costs \$155. It costs three times as much as a chair. Mrs Chan bought 1 table and 4 chairs. How much did she pay altogether?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_cm<sup>2</sup>



### PAPER 2 Q 11 -16 (Structured/ Long Answer Question)

Study the series of patterns below and answer the questions that follow.

Pattern 1	Pattern 2	Pattern 3

- (a) How many black dots will there be in Pattern 27?
- (b) Which pattern will have 119 black dots?

Ans: (a) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) \_\_\_\_\_

Target for the Various Sections
(For reference only)

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Paper	Booklet	Item Type	Marks	A (≥75)
	٨	MCQ	10	28
1	Α		20	20
T	В	SAQ	20	18
2	SAQ		20	18
	LAQ		20	15
	Total		90	79

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### **Time Management**

#### Paper 1

#### **Multiple Choice**

1-mark question 10 questions x = 10 mins

2-mark question 10 questions  $\times$  2 min = 20 mins

**Short-Answer** 

2-mark question 10 questions  $\times$  2 min = 20 mins

**Checking** 

10 mins

**Total time given for Paper 1** 60 mins

#### Paper 2

#### **Short-Answer**

2-mark question 10 questions x 2 min = 20 mins

### **Structured/Long-Answer**

3, 4-mark question 6 questions x = 30 mins

Checking 10 mins

**Total time given for Paper 2** 60 mins

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### ESSENTIAL TOOLS DURING EXAMINATION

- CALCULATOR
- MATHEMATICAL SET

Approved calculator model: Casio FX 97SG X







https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/approved-calculators





### **PSLE On-screen Marking**

Students are reminded:

- To use only 2B pencil for shading in OAS
- To use only dark blue or black ball point pens with 0.5mm nib size
- Not to highlight answers
- Not to use correction tape/fluid
- Not to write beyond the space given



### **Intervention and Support**

- 1. Supplementary class for all students
- 2. Additional support class for learners who need more support.

### **Assessment and Feedback**

- Termly assessment gather feedback and provide early intervention
- Timed practice train for <u>stamina</u> and <u>time management</u>





### **Focus**

### We want to strengthen the following basic skills in all our students:

- Four operations of whole numbers, fractions and decimals.
- Using formulas to find area and perimeter of circles, triangles and four sided figures; volume and speed
- Conversion e.g. kilograms to grams; fractions to percentage; decimals to fractions
- Math facts e.g. multiplication table



### **Focus**

Students who can cope with basic questions, we want to stretch them further in the following:

- Heuristic skills e.g. identifying a pattern
- Problem solving strategies e.g. model drawing
- Spatial Visualisation e.g. drawing of figures
- Reasoning and communication skills e.g. Journal writing





## Partnership with parents





### Things to note

 Check for NTUC – Number transfer, units and calculations

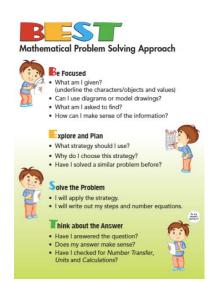
Example,

Weiming has \$456. Hafiz has \$234. How much money do they have altogether?

**Number transfer** 

calculation error

Answer: 636 Missing unit (\$)



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### Things to note

Train your child to check the **reasonableness** of the answers obtained.

Ann is 10 years old. Her father is four times her age. How old will her father be in 5 years time?

 $10 \times 4 = 40$ 

 $40 \times 5 = 200$ 

Not reasonable

Her father will be 200 years old in 5 years' time.

### Things to note

- Show all workings clearly
- Memorise the Multiplication Table
- Master number bonds up to 20 e.g. 7+8 = 15
- Write correct Mathematical statement

e.g. 
$$\frac{1}{4} = 25 \text{ x}$$
  $\frac{1}{4} = 25\% \checkmark$ 

$$\frac{1}{4} = 25\%$$

- Master basic algorithms for the four operations
- Master basic conversions e.g. kg to g

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### **Partnership with Parent**

- Ensure that your child completes his homework daily.
- Encourage your child to attempt all questions in daily assignments. Embrace mistakes
- Guide him through by getting him to verbalise his thoughts on how he can approach the question



### **Partnership with Parent**

- Praise, encourage and motivate
- Strategize focus on areas of weaknesses
- Review mistakes made. Cover solution and re-attempt the question.
- Be punctual for exam.





Play mathematical games and solve mathematical puzzles with your child.

Infuse Math concepts in daily situations like shopping trips, grocery buying and during meal times at food centres.

Visit Math Website

http://www.mathplayground.com

http://www.splashlearn.com





### THANK YOU

