



Year 8

Assessment Fortnight 16th May - 27th May 2022

- ◇ Which subjects will be assessed?
- ◇ What will the assessment look like?
- ◇ How long will each assessment be?
- ◇ How should I prepare for these assessments?

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All students in Years 7, 8 and 9 will be taking summer assessments in English, Humanities, Maths, MFL and Science.

This booklet outlines the type of assessment and the length and focus of each assessment so that you know what to expect in each subject and so that you can prepare yourself.

- ◇ Assessments will be held in normal lesson time when you are timetabled for the subject and will be in your normal classroom. Two weeks before the assessment fortnight, your class teacher will be able to tell you which lesson the examination will be held in. You will have a timetable so that you can fill in all of your assessments. This will help you to stay organised, be prepared and reduce stress.
- ◇ When the assessment is going to begin the teacher will explain that the class are to remain in 'examination conditions'. This means you are to remain in absolute silence and listen carefully to instructions. Do not interrupt instructions - wait until the teacher asks if there are any questions then raise your hand.
- ◇ We will use these assessments to understand where you are at in your learning and to see how we can best support your progress. They may also help some subjects, such as Maths, to make sure you are in the right group for you.

All other subjects are assessed throughout the year. This may be through end of unit tests, project work or ongoing assessments. These assessments will inform the teachers of students' progress and form the basis of what we report to you.

Science

Assessment type: Examination
Number of assessment: 1
Length of each assessment: 45 minutes
This assessment will assess students' science skills : ◇ Data analysis
This assessment will assess students' knowledge and understanding of: Biology Food and Nutrition Unicellular Organisms Plants and biodiversity Chemistry Metals Rocks Physics Fluids Light
Students should prepare for this by: ◇ Recording/revising using Exploring Science text book ◇ Practice questions in text book ◇ Use exercise book to revise

English

Assessment type: Examination
Number of assessments: 2
Length of each assessment: 45 minutes
Name of assessment: ◇ English Literature ◇ English Language
This assessment will assess students' knowledge and understanding of: ◇ Paper 1 – English Literature: The Tempest ◇ Paper 2 – Language: Creative Writing
Students should prepare for this by: ◇ Revising key characters and themes in Shakespeare play studied. Analysing language and effect. ◇ Writing imaginative and engaging short stories; including interesting characters, effective dialogue and thoughtful plotline.

Humanities

Assessment type: Examination
Number of assessments: 1
Length of assessment: 50 minutes
Format Section A: Geography (15 marks), Section B: History (15 marks) Section C: Religious Studies (15 marks) Each section will have a combination of short answer knowledge based questions and extended questions, ending with an essay linked to the topic. Students will need to answer all questions
Timing 50 minutes (15 minutes per section plus 5 minutes reading and checking time)
This assessment will assess students' understanding of: Geography: <i>Population, resources and environmental issues (15 marks):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ General geographical skills e.g. compass points, grid references, distance and scale;◇ Reasons for population growth (both natural increase and migration)◇ The problems with resourcing a growing population;◇ Managing population growth (including population policies);◇ Environmental issues created by our growing population (e.g. global warming, deforestation, overfishing). History: <i>Making of the UK (15 marks):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ The reasons for Henry VIII's break from Rome in 1534;◇ The slave triangle and the middle passage;◇ Life on plantations;◇ The abolition of slavery.

Dual Languages: Second Year French/Spanish

Assessment type: French—Reading and Speaking, Spanish—Listening and Speaking
Number of assessment: 2
Length of assessment: 1 paper (reading/listening) of approximately 45 minutes and a 2-4 minutes speaking assessment.
This assessment will assess students' knowledge and understanding of: French: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ My identity, hobbies and interests◇ Where I live◇ Holidays in Paris◇ Food and drink◇ Present, past and future tenses Spanish: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Holidays◇ Hobbies and interests◇ Food and drink◇ Making plans◇ Present, past and future tenses
Students should prepare for this by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revising from their exercise book• Recap vocabulary using <i>Quizlet</i> Related help can be found in the relevant text books for Year 8: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ French: Studio 2 -on Pearson Active Learn◇ Spanish: Viva 2—on Pearson Active Learn NOTES

Dual Languages: First Year French/Spanish

Assessment type: French—Reading and Writing, Spanish—Listening and Writing
Number of assessment: 2
Length of assessment: 2 papers of approximately 45 minutes each.
This assessment will assess students' knowledge and understanding of:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Family and friends◇ Hobbies and interests◇ Where I live◇ Life at school◇ Food and drink◇ Present, past and future tenses
Students should prepare for this by:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revising from their exercise book• Recap vocabulary using <i>Quizlet</i>
Related help can be found in the relevant text books for Year 8: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ French: Studio 1 and 2 -on Pearson Active Learn◇ Spanish: Viva 1 and 2—on Pearson Active Learn
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Religious studies: *Sikhism (15 marks):*

- ◇ The importance of Guru Gobind Singh
- ◇ What the K's are and what they represent
- ◇ You will need to be able to explain at least one major Sikh festival;
- ◇ Sikhism, media representation and human rights.

Students should prepare for this by:

- ◇ Reading through the notes in your different Humanities books;
- ◇ Looking back over your previous assessments;
- ◇ Looking at relevant resources on BBC Bitesize;
- ◇ Creating your own revision materials e.g. flash cards, mind maps, revision notes etc.

Mathematics

Assessment type: Examination
Number of assessments 2
Length of assessment: 45 minutes each
This assessment will assess students' knowledge and understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Algebra: Continuing sequences Function machines Solving equations Graphs• Geometry: Calculate perimeter and area of quadrilaterals• Numbers: Order of operations Fractions and percentages of an amount Ordering numbers Directed numbers Mixed numbers and improper fractions Arithmetic with fractions• Statistics: Calculate the mean and the median• Simple arithmetic, reasoning and problem solving skills <p>This list is not exhaustive and only show some of the topics covered in the core test. Please refer to the lists uploaded by your class teacher on TEAMS.</p>
Students should prepare for this by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Detailed topic lists, for each assessment, have been uploaded on TEAMS◇ MyMaths◇ Maths Watch◇ Corbett Maths

Modern Foreign Languages: French/Spanish

Assessment type: Listening, Reading and Speaking
Number of assessment: 3
Length of assessment: 2 papers of approximately 45 minutes each and a 2-4 minutes speaking assessment .
This assessment will assess students' knowledge and understanding of: <p>French:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Hobbies and interests◇ Holidays in Paris◇ Where I live◇ Food and drink◇ Present, past and future tenses <p>Spanish:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ Holidays◇ Hobbies and interests◇ Food and drink◇ Present, past and future tenses
Students should prepare for this by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revising from their exercise book• Recap vocabulary using <i>Quizlet</i> <p>Related help can be found in the relevant text books for Year 8:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ French: Studio 2 -on Pearson Active Learn◇ Spanish: Viva 2—on Pearson Active Learn <p>NOTES</p>