

2026 Primary 6 Assessment Format

Primary 6

Subjects:

1. English & Foundation English Language
2. Mathematics & Foundation Mathematics
3. Science & Foundation Science
4. Mother Tongue & Foundation Mother Tongue Language
5. Higher Mother Tongue Language

2026 Assessment Weightings

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Weighted Assessment 1 (100%)	Weighted Assessment 2 (100%)	Preliminary Exam (100%)	PSLE*

*For 2025 PSLE calendar and exam format, please visit SEAB website:
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Term 3
Preliminary Examination
(100%)

P6 English Language

Preliminary Examination Format

Paper	Components	Marks	Duration
1	Situational Writing: 14 m Continuous Writing: 36 m	50 m	1 h 10 min
2	Language Use & Comprehension	90 m	1 h 50 min
3	Listening Comprehension	20 m	About 35 min
4	<u>Oral</u> Reading Aloud: 15 m Stimulus-Based Conversation: 25 m	40 m	About 10 min
Total		200 m	-

P6 English Language

Paper 2 Format

Duration of Paper: 1 h 50 min

Booklet	Item Type	No. of Qns	Total Marks
A (MCQ)	Grammar	10	10 m
	Vocabulary	5	5 m
	Vocabulary Cloze	5	5 m
	Visual Text Comprehension	5	5 m
	Total (Booklet A)	25	25 m
B	Grammar Cloze	10	10 m
	Editing for Spelling & Grammar	10	10 m
	Comprehension Cloze	15	15 m
	Synthesis / Transformation	5	10 m
	Comprehension	10	20 m
	Total (Booklet B)	60	65 m
Total (Paper 2)			90 m

P6 Foundation English Language

Preliminary Examination Format

Paper	Components	Marks	Duration
1	Situational Writing :9 m Continuous Writing:16 m	25 m	1h 10 min
2	Language Use and Comprehension	40 m	1h
3	Listening Comprehension	15 m	About 30 min
4	<u>Oral</u> Reading Aloud: 8 m Stimulus-Based Conversation : 12 m	20 m	About 10 min
Total		100 m	-

P6 Foundation English Language

Paper 2 Format

Duration of Paper: 1 h

Booklet	Item Type	No. of Qns	Total Marks
A (MCQ)	Grammar	5	5 m
	Punctuation	2	2 m
	Vocabulary	3	3 m
	Visual Text Comprehension	5	5 m
B	Form Filling	3	3 m
	Editing for Spelling	3	3 m
	Editing for Grammar	3	3 m
	Synthesis / Transformation	3	3 m
	Comprehension Cloze	3	3 m
	Comprehension Passage A	3	10 m
	Comprehension Passage B	4	
Total (Paper 2)			40 m

P6 Mathematics

Preliminary Examination Format

Duration of Paper 1: 1 h 10 min (Calculator not allowed)

Duration of Paper 2: 1 h 20 min (Calculator allowed)

Paper	Booklet	Item Type	No. of Qns	No. of Marks per Qn	Total Marks
1	A	MCQ	10	1 m	50 m
			8	2 m	
	B	Short-answer	12	2 m	
2	-	Short-answer	5	2 m	50 m
		Structured/ Long-answer	10	3, 4 or 5	
Total			45	-	100 m

P6 Foundation Mathematics

Preliminary Examination Format

Duration of Paper 1: 1 h (Calculator not allowed)

Duration of Paper 2: 45 min (Calculator allowed)

Paper	Booklet	Item Type	No. of Qns	No. of Marks per Qn	Total Marks
1	A	MCQ	10	1 m	46 m
			10	2 m	
	B	Short-answer	8	2 m	
2	-	Short-answer	10	2 m	34 m
		Structured	4	3 or 4	
Total			42	-	80 m

P6 Science

Preliminary Examination Format

Duration of Paper: 1 h 45 min

Format of Paper		No. of questions	No. of marks per question	Total Marks
Section A	Multiple-choice	30	2	60 m
Section B	Structured	10 – 11	2 - 5	40 m
Total		-		100 m

P6 Foundation Science

Preliminary Examination Format

Duration of Paper: 1 h 15 min

Format of Paper		No. of questions	No. of marks per question	Total Marks
Section A	Multiple-choice	20	2	40 m
Section B	Short response and Structured Questions	9 - 11	2 - 4	30 m
Total		-		70 m

P6 Mother Tongue Language

Preliminary Examination Format

Paper	Components	Marks	Duration
1	<u>Essay</u> , choose between • Topic Essay (4 - 5 guiding qns) or • Picture Essay (6 pictures with the last being a Question Mark & 8 helping words)	40 m	50 min
2	Language Use & Comprehension	90 m	1 h 40 min
3	Listening Comprehension	20 m	About 35 min
4	<u>Oral</u> Reading Aloud: 20 m Video Stimulus-Based Conversation: 30 m	50 m	About 10 min
Total		200 m	-

P6 Mother Tongue Language

Paper 2 Format

Duration of Paper: 1 h 40 min

Booklet	Item Type	No. of Qns	Total Marks
A (MCQ)	Language Use	15	30 m
	Cloze Passage	5	10 m
	Comprehension 1	5	10 m
B	Complete the Dialogue (CL & ML) Homonyms (TL)	4	8 m
	Comprehension 2	11	32 m
Total (Paper 2)			90 m

P6 Foundation Mother Tongue Language

Preliminary Examination Format

Paper	Components			Marks	Duration
1	Language Use:	5 Qns	5 m	15 m	40 min
	Reading Comprehension:	2 Qns	4 m		
	Graphic Stimulus:	3 Qns	6 m		
2	Listening Comprehension			30 m	About 35 min
3	<u>Oral</u> Reading Aloud: 15 m Video Stimulus-Based Conversation: 40 m			55 m	About 10 min
Total				100 m	-

P6 Higher Mother Tongue Language

Preliminary Examination Format

Duration of Paper 1: 50 min

Duration of Paper 2: 1 h 20 min

Paper	Section	Components			Marks
1	-	<u>Essay</u> , choose between - Scenerio-based Topic Essay or - Complete the Story			40 m
2	A	Language Use 1:	5 Qns	10 m	60 m
	B	Language Use 2:	5 Qns	10 m	
	C	Comprehension 1:	6 Qns	16 m	
	D	Comprehension 2:	7 Qns	24 m	
Total					100 m