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Ordinary Level (2025)**

**Burmese
(Syllabus 3249)**

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INTRODUCTION

This document provides details of the Ordinary Level Burmese syllabus for candidates in **Singapore**.

Note: The use of dictionaries is not permitted in this assessment.

ASSESSMENT

AVAILABILITY

This syllabus is available in November only.

RULES OF COMBINATION

Candidates will take Paper 1 only.

SCHEME OF ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

Paper 1	
duration: 3 hours	weighting: 100%

DESCRIPTION OF COMPONENTS

One paper containing the following sections will be set:

PAPER 1: (3 hours) (100 marks)

Section A – Composition (50 marks)

From a choice of five topics, two compositions – each of about 150 words – are to be written in the language. The choice of topics will allow candidates to demonstrate ability in using written Burmese to:

- express an opinion
- communicate by letter
- narrate a story or series of events
- describe a scene or occasion
- compose or report a dialogue.

Section B – Translation (30 marks)

Candidates will be required to:

- translate a passage from Burmese into English (10 marks)
- translate a passage from English into Burmese (20 marks).

Section C – Reading Comprehension (20 marks)

One passage in Burmese will be set with questions to test the candidates' general understanding of the gist of the passage as well as their understanding of specific information given. The passage may be drawn from fiction, non-fiction, newspapers, magazines, etc. Answers are to be written in Burmese.