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**PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING EXAMINATION**

**EXAMINATION RULES AND  
REGULATIONS  
FOR CANDIDATES**



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## 1. INTRODUCTION

- Welcome to the final year of your Primary school education journey. This is a milestone year where you will be sitting for the Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE).
- This booklet contains instructions, rules and regulations for the PSLE. Please read carefully and comply with them.
- You may refer to the checklist in *Annex D3* as a guide on what to take note of and bring for the PSLE.
- Please share the information in this booklet with your parents / guardians.
- If you are sitting for the Non-Tamil Indian Language (NTIL) examination, you will also be given a set of “Instructions for Candidates on the NTIL Examination”. Please approach your teacher / school for the document.
- Visit SEAB’s website at <https://www.seab.gov.sg> for details on the PSLE syllabus.
- Approach your teacher if you have any questions.
- We wish you the best in your PSLE.

## **2. SITTING FOR EXAMINATIONS**

### Examination Fees

- It is compulsory for you to sit for all papers of your examination (e.g. Oral, Listening Comprehension, written papers).
- The examination fees that you need to pay is based on your citizenship status on 19 April 2023, the last day of examination registration.
- If you are a Singapore Citizen as of 19 April 2023, you will get a full waiver of the examination fees. If you are a Singapore Permanent Resident (PR) or an International Student (IS) as of 19 April 2023, you will pay the examination fees based on your status.
- You will not be given a waiver or a change in your examination fees if you gain Singapore citizenship or Singapore PR after 19 April 2023.

### Examination Timetable and Safe Management Measures

- The examination timetable is found in *Annex A*. The duration of each examination paper includes the time to read the questions, write and/or shade your answers.
- To prepare for emergencies such as a pandemic, you must observe and comply with any new instructions and safe management measures that SEAB may announce closer to the examination dates. You will be

informed of any updated instructions and procedures through your school.

## **2.1 Points to note in the Examination**

### Shading of answers to Multiple Choice Questions

- Do not write your answers in the question booklet as they will not be marked.
- Use a **2B pencil to shade your answers on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS). Shade the oval completely and firmly** so that your answers can be clearly read.
- Use a soft eraser if you wish to change your answers. Erase the shaded answer completely before shading on the new oval.
- Do not crumple, fold, tear, wet, damage the OAS or make any unnecessary marks on any part of the form, other than shading the oval for the questions.

### Questions that require you to provide your answers on the answer booklet:

- **Write your answers clearly in black (recommended) or dark blue ballpoint pen and draw diagrams with a sharp 2B pencil.**
- You are recommended to use a **0.5mm tip** ballpoint pen. This reduces possible smudging and to ensure that your writing is clear.

- Do not write the answers in pencil as the responses may be too faint for marking. Pencils should only be used for drawings.
- Do not use erasable ink pen.
- Do not write your answers in shaded figures as this may affect the legibility of the answers.
- Do not use correction fluid or tape as it may affect the readability of your answers. There were instances where candidates did not complete their answers after the correction fluid or tape had been applied. Correction fluid or tape may also damage the answer scripts (e.g. covering other parts of the answers or pages getting stuck together).
- Do not highlight your answers using a highlighter as it may also make it harder for your answers to be read by markers.

## **ORAL EXAMINATION**

- Your Oral examination for English Language (EL) / Foundation EL and Mother Tongue Language (MTL) / Foundation MTL are held on two separate days.
- Your school will inform you of your reporting time and the examination that you will be sitting for, prior to the two days of your Oral examination.

- Do not bring any reading materials or notes to the examination rooms, including the silent preparation station.
- Do not leave the examination venue and the school until the examination personnel tell you to do so.

## **LISTENING COMPREHENSION EXAMINATION**

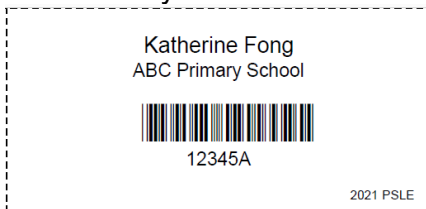
- The Listening Comprehension (LC) examination consists of multiple-choice questions (MCQs).
- Shade the appropriate oval on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) using a 2B pencil when answering to each question.
- You must complete the shading of answers within the duration of the LC examination. No extra time will be given at the end of the LC broadcast to shade the answers.
- **If you are not able to hear the LC broadcast clearly, raise your hand immediately to inform the invigilator.**

## **WRITTEN EXAMINATION**

- The written examination will be held over five days.
- Paste your personalised barcode label on the allocated space of the question/ answer booklet or

sheet's cover page. The barcode label will be issued by the invigilator.

- Check that your information on the label is correct.



- The invigilator will inform you if you are required to write your index number on the cover page of the question/ answer booklets.
- Read and follow the instructions printed on each question booklet and answer booklet / sheet carefully.
- **For all written papers**, you must:
  - Write your answers with a black (recommended) or dark blue ballpoint pen.
  - Draw diagrams with a sharp 2B pencil.
  - Not use correction fluid/tape.
  - Not use highlighters on any parts of your answers.
- **For Composition papers**, you must:
  - Write your answers on all the lined or boxed pages of your composition answer booklet.
  - Write on both sides of your answer booklet.
  - Do not leave any lines on your answer booklet.



- **For English Language (EL) Paper 1**, you must:
  - Write your answers on the allocated pages for Situational Writing and Continuous Writing Paper 1.
- **For Foundation English Language (FEL) Paper 1**, and if you use any **Additional Booklet (for EL/FEL Paper 1)** you must:
  - Write the question number at the top of every page in the Answer Booklet.
  - Begin every new answer on a fresh page in the Answer Booklet.
- **For papers with MCQs**, shade the appropriate oval on the Optical Answer Sheet (OAS) or answer sheet using a 2B pencil when answering to each question.

## 2.2 Examination Regulations

**BEFORE  
the start of the examination**



**You must:**

- Be punctual for all examination papers. You will not be given make-up time if you are late without valid reason(s).

- Be seated at your assigned desk at least 15 minutes before the start of each examination.
- Be in your school uniform when you report for the examination at your school / examination centre.
- **Pay attention when the examination personnel is giving instructions.**
- Bring all materials needed for the examination. They include black (recommended) or dark blue ballpoint pens, 2B pencils, soft erasers, sharpeners and standard mathematical instruments (ruler, protractor and set-squares).



- **Do not have in your possession** any unauthorised electronic, smart, computerised or communication devices in the examination venue (e.g. examination room / hall, quarantine room, waiting room). Examples include but are not limited to the following:

- **Computerised devices**

- Tablet
- Pocket PC
- PDA
- Digital diary
- eBook

- **Communication devices**

- Mobile phone
- Smart watch
- Earphone

- **Smart devices**

- Smart watch
- Smart glasses
- Fitness tracker

- **Other Electronic devices**

- Camera
- Audio recorder / player
- Gaming device
- Storage device

- For papers that allow the use of dictionaries or calculators, **do not bring** printed dictionaries / electronic dictionaries or calculators that are not on

the approved list into the examination venue (e.g. examination room / hall).

- **Place your bag** outside the examination venue or in a place identified by the examination personnel.
- **Do not bring** unauthorised materials into the examination venues (e.g. examination room/ hall). Examples include but are not limited to the following:
  - Writing papers
  - Sticky notes
  - Books
  - Writings on entry proof
  - Notes / reference materials
  - Conversion table / Formulae sheets in mathematical set or calculator cover

**Please surrender any unauthorised devices, equipment, materials and personal belongings to the invigilator immediately if you have brought them into the examination room / hall. You will not be penalised if you do so before the examination begins.**

### **DURING the examination**

- **Do not attempt to cheat or assist in cheating.**  
**Face the front. Do not turn or look around** during your examination, as this may be perceived as an attempt to cheat.



- **Do not communicate (verbally or non-verbally)** with other candidates before and during your examination, and before you are released from the examination venue.
- **Pay attention when the examination personnel are giving instructions, stop writing and put down your pen immediately when instructed to do so.**
- If you are not feeling well or need to go to the toilet urgently, remain seated and raise your hand to inform the invigilator. The examination personnel will bring you to a rest area or toilet.
- **Do not eat** in the examination venues (e.g. examination room / hall, quarantine room, waiting room).

**AT THE END  
of the examination**



- You must **stop writing and close your answer booklet immediately** when told to do so by the invigilator.
- You must **remain seated, face the front, and not communicate (verbally or non-verbally) with other candidates**, while the question booklets, answer booklets and/or OAS are being collected.

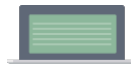
- **Do not remove** any used or unused papers, question booklets, answer booklets and OAS from the examination room / hall.
- **Do not leave the examination venues** (e.g. examination room / hall and quarantine / waiting room) **without permission from the examination personnel.** You are only allowed to leave the examination room / hall and quarantine / waiting room when you are told to do so by the examination personnel.



If you cheat, attempt to cheat, assist in cheating, misbehave, or do not follow the examination regulations during the examination, you may:

- Be banned from taking the examination.
- Be expelled from the examination venue (e.g. examination room / hall).
- Be disallowed from sitting for subsequent papers.
- Have your examination results terminated or be imposed with a grade penalty.
- Have your result slip and/or examination certificate withheld or confiscated.
- Be banned from registering for the examination in the future.

## 2.3 Use of Dictionaries



### Mother Tongue Languages (MTL)

- You are allowed to use **approved dictionaries** for **Paper 1 (Composition) of the MTL and Higher MTL examinations**. Refer to *Annex B* for the list of approved printed and electronic dictionaries (e-dictionaries).

### Non-Tamil Indian Languages (NTIL)

- You are allowed to use dictionaries for NTIL Paper 1 (Composition). There is no list of approved dictionaries for NTIL. You can bring in any monolingual dictionary.

### Other General Instructions

- No annotation on any pages of your printed dictionaries is allowed. Annotations include stickers, highlighted text or written text. Your dictionaries must also be checked by your school beforehand and bear the school's stamp.
- If you are using e-dictionaries, they must be checked by your school beforehand. A school stamp is not required.
- Your e-dictionaries must be battery operated and set to the silent mode. Ear-pieces / headphones / power banks are not permitted in the examination venue.

You are advised to bring along a spare set of batteries for your electronic dictionary.

- Any fault with your e-dictionary during the examination will not be accepted as justification for special consideration. If required, you may bring more than one approved e-dictionary into the examination venue.
- You must remove any external storage media (e.g. memory card and plug-in modules) from your e-dictionary before the examination if your e-dictionary has an external storage function.



If you have an unauthorised dictionary with you during the examination, it will be confiscated.

You are not allowed to borrow any dictionary from other candidates during the examination.

## 2.4 Use of Scientific Calculators



You are only allowed to use **approved scientific calculator models** for Mathematics Paper 2 / Foundation Mathematics Paper 2. Refer to *Annex C* for the list of approved calculator models for use.



### **Your calculator must:**

- Be silent, with a visual display only
- Indicate the original model number and brand clearly, for verification purposes
- Be in working condition (this includes the power supply). This is the responsibility of the candidate and any calculator fault will not be accepted as justification for special consideration. You may bring more than one approved calculator into the examination venue.

### **You are to ensure the following:**

- Do not share calculators with other candidates during the examination



- Do not bring in calculators with an external storage function which can allow users to capture and store data via external storage media, e.g. cards, tapes and plug-in modules
- Do not bring in calculators with wireless communication capability with other machines, e.g. infra-red communication capability
- Do not bring in calculators with capabilities for storing and playing back verbal information



- Do not bring in any calculators or instruction leaflets containing any mathematical formula, conversion table, instructions, or handwritings. Any such information that is found on the calculator and cannot be removed must be securely covered.



You will be going against the regulations if you use calculators with unacceptable features or for the retrieval of information / programs during your examination.

## **2.5 Access Arrangements**

- Access Arrangements (AA) are examination arrangements granted to candidates with specific learning and/or physical needs that have been diagnosed before the candidates' examinations. This is to enable them to sit for their examinations without compromising the assessment objectives. These arrangements are not intended to give a candidate an unfair advantage over other candidates in the same examination.
- Your school would have assisted you in applying for AA for the 2023 PSLE for any existing conditions that you may have, by the submission deadline in February 2023. You will receive your AA outcome letter through your school about three months after the submission of your application. If you have not received the letter after this period, please approach your school for assistance.

- Bring along and show the approved AA outcome letter to the examination personnel before the start of each of your examination.
- If you wish to withdraw from your approved AA, a letter of withdrawal is required from your parent / guardian. The letter must be submitted through your school to SEAB, at least five days before the date of the examination that your AA has been applied for. SEAB will not provide you with the AA once you have withdrawn it.
- Your result slip and examination certificate will still be annotated if you did not make use of the approved AA during the PSLE, or if your withdrawal application from the AA is not submitted in time.
- Your result slip and examination certificate will be annotated if you have any of the approved AA listed below.
  - Extra time allowance (including preparation time for Oral examination);
  - Exemption from an examination paper e.g. Oral paper, Listening Comprehension paper;
  - Modification of examination papers;
  - Use of word processor facilities and other computer aids;
  - Use of reader; and
  - Use of scribe.

Note: Other approved AA provisions will not be annotated.

## 2.6 Annotation Symbols

- There are three types of annotation symbols. The explanations for the symbols are indicated on the back of the result slip and examination certificate.

- **Exemption Symbol (#)**

‘The candidate was exempted from satisfying the full range of assessment objectives in this subject.’

- **Access Arrangement Symbol (+)**

‘The candidate sat the paper under Access Arrangements.’

- **Absent Without Valid Reason Symbol (\*)**

‘The candidate was absent for the subject without a valid reason.’

This is to indicate factually that the candidate had taken the examination under conditions that are different from standard prescribed testing conditions and it is done to uphold the integrity of the system.

A student’s progression to secondary education will not be affected by the annotation, as school postings do not take such annotations into account.

## 2.7 Instructions for Unexpected Situations



- If you are hospitalised or suffering from contagious diseases (e.g. chicken pox or Hand, Foot & Mouth Disease), you must inform your school as soon as you have seen a doctor. Arrangements can be made for you to sit the examination if:
  - you have been certified as medically fit by a qualified medical practitioner to sit the examination; and
  - your request to sit the examination is submitted through your school to SEAB before the start of your examination.
- If you are **not feeling well** and are **not able to sit for your examination**, please inform your school before the examination for advice.

## 3. RESULTS & CERTIFICATES

### 3.1 PSLE Results Release

- The tentative dates for the release of the 2023 PSLE results are between 22 and 24 November 2023.

### 3.2 Result Slips and Certificates

- You will receive your PSLE result slip and examination certificate through your school.

- You will receive your PSLE certificate if you are awarded a grade for at least one PSLE subject. Ungraded subjects are not reflected on the examination certificate.
- If SEAB suspects that any examination rule or regulation has been breached, SEAB may withhold your result slip and examination certificate, pending the outcome of the investigation. After the investigation, SEAB will decide whether to issue your result slip and examination certificate to you.
- The PSLE grades that will be awarded with are as follows:

SUBJECT	RESULT
English Language	Achievement Level (AL): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (AL 1 is the highest and AL 8 the lowest)
Chinese / Malay / Tamil Language	
Bengali / Gujarati / Hindi / Panjabi / Urdu Language	
Mathematics	
Science	
Foundation English Language	Achievement Level (AL): A, B, C (AL A is the highest and AL C the lowest)
Foundation Chinese / Malay / Tamil Language	
Foundation Bengali / Gujarati / Hindi / Panjabi / Urdu Language	
Foundation Mathematics	
Foundation Science	
Higher Chinese / Higher Malay / Higher Tamil Language	Distinction, Merit, Pass, Ungraded

- Your PSLE score is derived from your overall performance in all subjects except Higher Chinese / Higher Malay / Higher Tamil Language.
- The personal particulars printed on your examination certificate are based on the particulars that were reflected on the verification slip, which your parent / guardian had verified during your PSLE registration.
- Any request for a reprint of your examination certificate due to an amendment of your personal particulars must be made through your school by **15 December 2023**. Requests received after the deadline may not be considered.
- An administrative charge of S\$50 is payable for each request.
- The original examination certificate must be returned to the school in exchange for the reprinted examination certificate.
- SEAB does not issue duplicate copies of the result slips and examination certificates. Digitised PSLE results are available instead.
- For information on digitized results, visit SEAB website at <https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/services/purchase-of-statements-of-results>.

### 3.3 Withdrawal from PSLE

- If you withdraw from the PSLE, you will not be issued any result slip or examination certificate.
- You will not be given a refund of the examination fees.

### 3.4 Appeal for Review of PSLE Results

- If you wish to apply for a review of your PSLE results, you must submit your request through your **Principal**.
- **An appeal fee will be charged** for each subject.
- Your appeal application must reach SEAB through the school **within one week from the date of release of the PSLE results**.
- Appeals received after the deadline will not be considered.

### 3.5 Ownership of Examination Materials

- The national examination materials (e.g. examination question papers and answer scripts) are copyrighted and **must not be disseminated, published, reproduced in any other form or posted online**, without prior permission from SEAB. SEAB will take the necessary actions if there are any copyright infringements.
- SEAB may recall any issued documents (including result slips and examination certificates) from you at any time in its sole discretion. Reasons for such

recalls include, but are not limited to, a discovery that you had committed a serious breach of the examination rules and regulations. In such cases, the candidate must return the required documents to SEAB without delay. A failure to comply may result in legal proceedings against you to recover such documents and the associated costs.

- All materials submitted for examination purposes (e.g. examination scripts) are deemed as examination materials and their rights shall be assigned to SEAB.
- By registering for the examinations offered by SEAB, you shall assign your rights in the examination materials to SEAB, and acknowledge that SEAB may collect, use and disclose your data for the purpose of carrying out all functions and duties of the SEAB under the SEAB Act 2003.



## **Annex A: 2023 PSLE Timetable**

### **Oral Examination**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Paper</b>	<b>Time</b>
Tuesday, 15 August	English Language  Foundation English Language  Chinese Language Malay Language Tamil Language	0800 – 1330 h
Wednesday, 16 August	English Language  Chinese Language Malay Language Tamil Language  Foundation Chinese Language Foundation Malay Language Foundation Tamil Language  Bengali Language Gujarati Language Hindi Language Panjabi Language Urdu Language Foundation Bengali Language Foundation Gujarati Language Foundation Hindi Language Foundation Panjabi Language Foundation Urdu Language	0800 – 1330 h

## Listening Comprehension Examination

Date	Paper	Time
Friday, 15 September	Chinese Language Malay Language Tamil Language	0900 – 0935 h*
	Foundation Chinese Language Foundation Malay Language Foundation Tamil Language	0900 – 0940 h*
	Bengali Language Gujarati Language Hindi Language Panjabi Language Urdu Language Foundation Bengali Language Foundation Gujarati Language Foundation Hindi Language Foundation Panjabi Language Foundation Urdu Language	0900 – 0930 h*
	English Language Foundation English Language	1115 – 1150 h*

*\*Actual duration may differ slightly.*

## Written Examination

Date	Paper	Time	Duration
Thursday, 28 September	English Language Paper 1	0815 – 0925 h	1h 10min
	English Language Paper 2	1030 – 1220 h	1h 50min
	Foundation English Language Paper 1	0815 – 0925 h	1h 10min
	Foundation English Language Paper 2	1030 – 1150 h	1h 20min

<b>Date</b>	<b>Paper</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Duration</b>
Friday, 29 September	Mathematics Paper 1	0815 – 0915 h	1h
	Mathematics Paper 2	1030 – 1200 h	1h 30min
	Foundation Mathematics Paper 1	0815 – 0915 h	1h
	Foundation Mathematics Paper 2	1030 – 1130 h	1h
Monday, 2 October	Chinese Language Paper 1 Malay Language Paper 1 Tamil Language Paper 1  Bengali Language Paper 1 Gujarati Language Paper 1 Hindi Language Paper 1 Panjabi Language Paper 1 Urdu Language Paper 1	0815 – 0905 h	50min
	Chinese Language Paper 2 Malay Language Paper 2 Tamil Language Paper 2  Bengali Language Paper 2 Gujarati Language Paper 2 Hindi Language Paper 2 Panjabi Language Paper 2 Urdu Language Paper 2	1015 – 1155 h	1h 40min
	Foundation Chinese Language Paper 1 Foundation Malay Language Paper 1 Foundation Tamil Language Paper 1	0815 – 0855 h	40min

<b>Date</b>	<b>Paper</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Duration</b>
Tuesday, 3 October	Science	0815 – 1000 h	1h 45min
	Foundation Science	0815 – 0930 h	1h 15min
Wednesday, 4 October	Higher Chinese Language Paper 1 Higher Malay Language Paper 1 Higher Tamil Language Paper 1	0815 – 0905 h	50min
	Higher Chinese Language Paper 2 Higher Malay Language Paper 2 Higher Tamil Language Paper 2	1015 – 1135 h	1h 20min

### **PSLE Marking Exercise**

The 2023 PSLE Marking Exercise is scheduled from 16 to 18 October 2023. All primary schools will be closed during this period to facilitate the conduct of the marking exercise.

## Annex B: List of Approved Dictionaries

### Approved Chinese Dictionaries

S/N	TITLE	PUBLISHER	ISBN NUMBER	APPROVED PERIOD
1	新编学生实用词典（第七版增订本）	新亚出版社	981-255-911-6 978-981-255-911-1	2019 – 2023
2	新编小学实用词典	新亚出版社	981-274-954-3 978-981-274-954-3	2019 – 2023
3	新世纪学生华语词典	怡学出版社 • 商务印书馆	978-981-4237-75-8	2021 – 2025

### Approved Chinese e-Dictionaries

S/N	NAME & MODEL	PUBLISHER	APPROVED PERIOD
1	Besta All Pass 1	iKnow Pte Ltd / Ellton Enterprise Pte Ltd	2020 – 2024
2	Besta All Pass S1	Ellton Enterprise Pte Ltd	2022 – 2026
3	Besta All Pass 5	Ellton Enterprise Pte Ltd	2022 – 2026
4	HansVision PX2201	Creative Knowledge Labs Pte Ltd	2021 – 2027
5	HansVision PX2181	Creative Knowledge Labs Pte Ltd	2021 – 2027
6	HansVision PX2221	Creative Knowledge Labs Pte Ltd	2023 – 2027
7	HansVision PX2131	Creative Technology Ltd / Creative Knowledge Labs Pte Ltd	2021 – 2025

8	HansVision PX2101	Creative Technology Ltd / Creative Knowledge Labs Pte Ltd	2021 – 2025
9	HansVision PX2051	Creative Technology Ltd / Creative Knowledge Labs Pte Ltd	2021 – 2025
10	Besta All Pass 2	iKnow Pte Ltd / Ellton Enterprise Pte Ltd	2022 – 2026
11	Besta All Pass 3	iKnow Pte Ltd / Ellton Enterprise Pte Ltd	2022 – 2026
12	Besta All Pass S2	Ellton Enterprise Pte Ltd	2022 – 2027
13	Besta All Pass 6	Ellton Enterprise Pte Ltd	2022 – 2027

### **Previously Approved Chinese Dictionaries\***

<b>S/N</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>PUBLISHER</b>	<b>ISBN NUMBER</b>
1	华语规范字典	胜利出版私人有限公司	9971-61-969-5
2	华语规范词典	胜利出版私人有限公司	981-237-067-6
3	规范汉语词典	联营出版有限公司	983-820-627-X
4	时代商务馆学华语词典	新加坡泛太平洋教育出版社	978-981-271-770-2
5	新汉语字典	联营出版有限公司	9789830102160 9789830109619
6	新华现代汉语词典	思达出版有限公司 商务印书馆国际有限公司	981-4176-11-7
7	新世纪学生新词典	怡学出版社・商务印书馆	981-4133-55-8 978-981-4133-55-5
8	新世纪高级汉语词典	怡学出版社・商务印书馆	981-4070-36X 981-4133-40X 978-981-4133-40-1
9	现代汉语词典(第五版)	商务印书馆	7-100-04385-9 978-7100-04385-4

10	最新规范汉语词典	联营出版有限公司	983-820-865-5 9789830109602
11	最新汉语大词典(世纪版)	联营出版有限公司	983-820-625-3 983-820-626-1
12	实用汉语词典	胜利书局	9971-61-513-4
13	时代新汉语词典	联邦出版社, 华语教学出版社	981-01-8-720-3
14	现代汉语新词典	商务印书馆	981-009-289X 978-981-009-289-4
15	现代汉语小词典(增补本)	朗文出版有限公司, 商务印书馆	978912475343
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18	现代实用汉语词典	联营出版有限公司	983-820-863-9 983-820-864-7
19	新华字典(第十版)	商务印书馆	7-100-03974-1 978-7100-03974-1 7-100-03931-2 978-7100-03931-4
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21	新编学生词典	上海书局	997190672
22	新世纪汉语词典	怡学出版社·商务印书馆	981-4070-661 978-981-4070-66-9
23	最新学生词典	联营出版有限公司	967-9985-78-4
24	世纪版新汉语字典	联营出版(马)有限公司	978-983-01-0961-9
25	规范汉语词典	联营出版(马)有限公司	978-983-820-627-3
26	最新规范汉语词典(修订版)	联营出版(马)有限公司	978-983-01-0960-2
27	最新汉语大词典(世纪版)	联营出版(马)有限公司	983-820-625-3 983-820-626-1
28	新世纪高级学习词典	怡学出版社·商务印书馆	978-981-4333-25-2

29	最新汉语大词典（第5版）	联营出版（马）有限公司	978-983-01-1073-8 978-983-01-1122-3
30	全球华语大词典	Marshall Cavendish Education Pte Ltd	978-981-4684-38-5

### **Previously Approved Chinese e-Dictionaries\*\***

<b>S/N</b>	<b>NAME &amp; MODEL</b>	<b>PUBLISHER</b>
1	Besta All Pass-1	Besta DigiTech Pte Ltd
2	Besta New All Pass-1	iKnow Pte Ltd
3	ZZ New-01	ZZ Perfection Pte Ltd
4	ZZ New-A+	ZZ Perfection Pte Ltd

\*Stylus that comes with these approved e-dictionaries can be used in examinations.



## Approved Malay e-Dictionaries<sup>#</sup>

S/N	NAME & MODEL	PUBLISHER	APPROVED PERIOD
1	Global Translator / Model M188 e-dictionary (Kamus Bimbit Elektronik Riang Ria)	EDN-Media Consultant Pte Ltd	2021 – 2025

<sup>#</sup>Stylus that comes with these approved e-dictionaries can be used in examinations.

## Previously Approved Malay Dictionaries\*

S/N	TITLE	PUBLISHER
1	Kamus Dewan (Edisi Kedua)	Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka
2	Kamus Dewan (Edisi Ketiga)	Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka
3	Kamus Dewan (Edisi Keempat)	Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka
4	Kamus Pelajar (Terbitan KBSM)	Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka
5	Kamus Pelajar (Terbitan Khas KBSM)	Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka
6	Kamus Palajar Bahasa Malaysia (Edisi Kedua)	Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka
7	Kamus Pelajar Bahasa Malaysia (Terbitan Khas KBSM)	Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka
8	Kamus Palajar Bahasa Melayu Dewan (Edisi Kedua)	Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka
9	Kamus Komprehensif Bahasa Melayu	Oxford Fajar Sdn. Bhd.

## Approved Tamil Dictionaries

S/N	TITLE	PUBLISHER	APPROVED PERIOD
1	Lakshmi's Learners' Tamil Language Dictionary (Revised Edition) ISBN 978-981-08-6695-2	Lakshmi Publications, Singapore	2021 – 2025
2	Uma Natramil Peragaraathi (Revised Edition) ISBN 978-967-434-270-8	Uma Publications, Kuala Lumpur	2019 – 2023

### **Previously Approved Tamil Dictionaries\***

<b>S/N</b>	<b>NAME &amp; MODEL</b>	<b>PUBLISHER</b>
1	Lakshmi's Learners' Tamil Language Dictionary	Lakshmi Publications, Singapore
2	Puthiya Tamil Akaraathi (New Tamil – Tamil Dictionary)	Uma Publications, Kuala Lumpur
3	Tamil – Tamil Akara Muthali (M Shanmugam Pillai)	Government of Tamilnadu Textbook Committee
4	Kriyavin Tarkalat Tamil Akarati (Tamil – Tamil Version only) ISBN 978-81-85602-91-2	Cre-A Publishers, Chennai
5	Kazhakat Tamil Akaraathi (Tamil – Tamil Dictionary)	The South India Saiva Siddhanta Works Publishing Society, Tinnevely Limited, Chennai
6	Kazhakat Tamil Kaiyakaraathi (Tamil – Tamil Dictionary)	The South India Saiva Siddhanta Works Publishing Society, Tinnevely Limited, Chennai

\*All previously approved dictionaries, including those that no longer appear on the current approved list, can continue to be used for the national examinations unless there is a change in policy, syllabus or examination format. Under any of these situations, the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (SEAB) may withdraw the approval for use of these dictionaries in the examinations.

## Annex C: List of Approved Scientific Calculators

The following models of scientific calculators are suitable for PSLE Mathematics and Foundation Mathematics examinations.

S/N	Calculator Brand	Calculator Model	Approved Period <sup>†</sup>
1	CASIO	FX 82MS	2003 – 2026
2		FX 85MS	2003 – 2026
3		FX 95MS	2003 – 2026
4		FX 96SG Plus	2013 – 2025
5		FX 97SG X	2018 – 2026
6		FX 350MS	2003 – 2026
7	CANON	F-960SG	2017 – 2026
8	SHARP	EL W531S	2010 – 2023
9		EL W531S II	2018 – 2026
10		EL W531S II Silver Edition	2021 – 2025
11		EL W531XM	2014 – 2023
12		EL 533X	2013 – 2024

## Previously Approved Scientific Calculators that still can be used<sup>1</sup>

### Brand : CASIO

FX 82AU	FX 100C	FX 350TL	FX 911S
FX 82C	FX 100D	FX 350TLG	FX 911SA
FX 82D	FX 100S	FX 350W	FX 911W
FX 82L	FX 100V	FX D400	FX 911Z
FX 82LB	FX 100Z	FX 451M	FX 991D
FX 82SUPER	FX 115D	FX 500MS	FX 991N
FX 82SX	FX 115N	FX 570AD	FX 991S
FX 82TL	FX 115S	FX 570AV	FX 991V
FX 82W	FX 115V	FX 570CD	FX 992S
FX 85N	FX 135	FX 570CV	FX 992V
FX 85S	FX 350C	FX 570S	FX 992VB
FX 85V	FX 350D	FX 570Z	
FX 85VH	FX 350HA	FX 820MS	
FX 95 SG Plus	FX 350HB	FX 901	

### Brand : CANON

F 200	F 500	F 601	F 612
F 401	F 501	F 602	F 715S
F 402	F 502	F 604	F 720

<sup>1</sup> All previously approved calculator models, including those that no longer appear on the current approved list, can continue to be used for all national examinations unless there is a change in policy, syllabus or examination format. Under any of these situations, the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (SEAB) may withdraw the approval for use of these calculators in the examinations. The schools and the public will be notified at least two years in advance if there is any change in policy with regard to the use of any calculator in the national examinations.

**Brand : SHARP**

EL 506L	EL 509WM	EL 531P	EL 546LV
EL 509G	EL 509WS	EL 531RH	EL 546VA
EL 509L	EL 509X	EL 531V	EL 553
EL 509MS	EL 510R	EL 531VB	EL 556G
EL 509R	EL 520G	EL 531VH	EL 556L
EL 509V	EL 520L	EL W531M	
EL 509VM	EL 531GH	EL 546G	
EL 509W	EL 531LH	EL 546L	

**Brand : TEXAS INSTRUMENTS**

BA II PLUS	TI 30XA	TI 30XSOLAR	TI 35X
BA REAL ESTATE		TI 32 EXPLORER PLUS	
BA 35 SOLAR	TI 30XIIB	TI 34	TI 36XSOLAR
TI 25 STAT	TI 30XIIS	TI 34II	
TI 30X	TI 30 CHALLENGER		

**Brand : HEWLETT PACKARD**

HP 6S	HP 8S	HP 10B	HP 10S+
HP 6S SOLAR	HP 9S	HP 10S	HP 14B

**Brand : AURORA**

SC 110	SC 170	SC 260
SC 120	SC 200	SC 500
SC 150	SC 210	SC 550

**Brand : FIAMO**

SC 6	SC 20
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**Brand : HOSEKI**

H 1030	H 1031
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**Brand : HUBBLE COMPUTING**

SC 10B	SC 10C
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**Brand : KARCE**

KC107	KC109	KC S3500
KC108	KC S187	

## Annex D1: Items allowed for use and not allowed for use during the examination

Items allowed	Items <u>not</u> allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stationery such as 2B pencils, soft erasers, sharpeners, black (recommended) / dark blue ballpoint pens</li> <li>Standard mathematical instruments such as rulers, protractors, set-squares (must not contain formula or formula sheet)</li> <li>Approved scientific calculators (only for Mathematics / Foundation Mathematics Paper 2)</li> <li>Approved printed / electronic dictionaries (only for MTL / Higher MTL / NTIL Composition Papers)</li> <li>Spare set of batteries for calculators / electronic dictionaries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electronic / communication / entertainment / gaming devices</li> <li>Study notes / books / paper</li> <li>Instruction leaflets containing mathematical formula / conversion table / instructions</li> <li>Non-standard mathematical instruments e.g. model rulers</li> <li>Unapproved calculators or electronic dictionaries with unacceptable features</li> </ul>



This checklist is not exhaustive and serves only as a guide. Before your examination, read this instructions booklet thoroughly to check if there are other items that you may need to bring or cannot bring.

## **Annex D2: DOs and DON'Ts for the examinations**

To ensure that your responses are captured or read clearly during marking, you should take note of the following Dos and Don'ts:

# **DOs**

### **OPTICAL ANSWER SHEETS (OAS)**

- ✓ Use a 2B pencil to shade the ovals.
- ✓ Shade the oval completely.
- ✓ Erase completely your wrongly shaded ovals or any unnecessary marks.



### **ANSWER BOOKLET / ANSWER SHEET FOR WRITTEN PAPERS**

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|---|---|
| ✓ Use a 2B pencil to shade your multiple-choice questions (MCQ) ovals.        | ✓ Write your answers clearly with a black (recommended) or dark blue ballpoint pen in the writing space provided. 0.5mm tip ballpoint pen is recommended. |
| ✓ Cancel your errors made by crossing out your wrong word / sentence clearly. | ✓ Erase completely your wrongly shaded MCQ ovals or any unnecessary marks outside the provided writing space.   |



# DON'Ts



**DON'T** write your answers with pencil.



**DON'T** use correction fluid or correction tape to avoid smudges.



**DON'T** crumple, fold, tear, wet or damage your OAS, answer booklet/ answer sheet in any way.



**DON'T** use highlighters to highlight on any part of your answer.



**DON'T** write answers too close to the markings and spine.



**DON'T** deface (e.g. shade, colour, write, etc) the barcodes, QR Codes and skunk marks printed on the OAS / answer booklet / answer sheet.

The diagram shows a vertical answer sheet with a red border. On the left side, there is a vertical column of small squares (barcodes). On the right side, there is a vertical column of small squares (skunk marks). The main area is a grid of horizontal lines for writing. At the top, there is a header area with the number '7' and a small box containing the text 'On [ ]'. Below the header, there is a large area with horizontal lines for writing. At the bottom, there is a footer area with the text 'Please do not write in the margins.' and a small box containing the text 'Ex 31 202101'.

### **Annex D3: Checklist for PSLE**

- ☐ Have you read through the examination regulations?
- ☐ Have you allocated sufficient travelling time to your school so that you can report at least 30 minutes before the start of your examination?
- ☐ Have you brought all the necessary items that you need to sit for the examination?
- ☐ Have you read Annex D1 to ensure that the items you brought are allowed for use during the examination?
- ☐ Have you read the DOs and DON'Ts in Annex D2 for the examinations?