



2023 key stage 1 and 2 technical pre-test trial information

Key Stage & Subject	Trial information
Key Stage 1 – English reading	<p>Each child will take one test, made up of two booklets that must be taken on separate days.</p> <p>Booklet one will have the text and questions combined and will last 30 minutes.</p> <p>Booklet two will have a separate reading booklet and answer booklet and will last 40 minutes.</p>
Key Stage 1 – English grammar, punctuation, and spelling	<p>Each child will take one test, made up of one spelling paper and one question paper.</p> <p>The spelling paper will last 15 minutes and should be administered by a member of staff from the school as a whole class activity.</p> <p>The question paper will follow and will last 25 minutes, including 5 minutes at the beginning for practice questions.</p> <p>A reasonable break should be given between each paper.</p>
Key Stage 1 - mathematics	<p>Each child will sit one test, made up of one arithmetic paper and one reasoning paper.</p> <p>The arithmetic paper will last around 20 minutes.</p> <p>The reasoning paper will last around 35 minutes.</p> <p>A reasonable break should be given between each paper.</p>
All key stage 1	<p>The administration times given above are a guide.</p> <p>If the majority of children are still working at the end of the test time, along with the administrator, please use your judgement to decide if you will allow the children to continue or not. The test should only continue for a few minutes past the given administration time.</p> <p>Administration arrangements are more flexible for KS1 so the tests can be stopped if the children need a break and then be resumed so children still have the appropriate length of time.</p> <p>KS1 trial tests should be administered by a member of school staff and supported by the trained administrators unless specifically requested.</p>

Key Stage 2 – English reading main and anchor	<p>For the main trial each child will sit two complete tests, each comprising of a reading prompt and answer booklet.</p> <p>Both papers will last 60 minutes each.</p> <p>Children should be given a reasonable break in between each test.</p> <p>A small portion of schools will sit the anchor-only combination, for this each child will only need to sit one complete test lasting 60 minutes. You will be told in advance of administration if this is your school.</p>
Key Stage 2 – English grammar, punctuation, and spelling main	<p>Each child will sit two complete tests, made up of a question component and a spelling component.</p> <p>Both papers will last 60 minutes each.</p> <p>Children should be given a reasonable break in between each test.</p>
Key Stage 2 – English grammar, punctuation, and spelling anchor	<p>Each child will sit one complete test, made up of a question component and a spelling component.</p> <p>The paper will last 60 minutes.</p>
Key Stage 2 - mathematics main and anchor	<p>Each child will sit one complete test, made up of three papers.</p> <p>Paper 1 (arithmetic) should be completed first, this paper will take 30 minutes.</p> <p>Paper 2 and 3 (reasoning) will follow and will take 40 minutes each.</p> <p>Children should be given a reasonable break between each paper.</p>
All key stage 2	<p>The administration times provided should not be changed for most pupils.</p> <p>Additional time can be added for pupils with SEN who would usually receive this in the live national curriculum tests.</p> <p>The NFER administrator will lead the administration with support of a member of school staff.</p>

The team at NFER are here to help you at any time.

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