# PSLE MATHEMATICS (0008)

# For Examination from 2018

# **PURPOSE OF THE EXAMINATION**

The purpose of the Mathematics examination is to assess pupils' attainment in mathematics at the end of primary education with respect to the objectives of the <a href="Primary Mathematics syllabus">Primary Mathematics syllabus</a>.

# **ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES**

	Pupils should be able to:
AO1	recall mathematical facts, concepts, rules and formulae; perform straightforward computations and algebraic procedures
AO2	interpret information; understand and apply mathematical concepts and skills in a variety of contexts
AO3	reason mathematically; analyse information and make inferences; select appropriate strategies to solve problems

# **EXAMINATION FORMAT**

The examination consists of two written papers comprising three booklets.

Paper	Booklet	Item Type	Number of questions	Number of marks per question	Total marks	Duration
1	А	Multiple-choice	10	1	10	1 h
			5	2	10	
	В	Short-answer	5	1	5	
			10	2	20	
2		Short-answer	5	2	10	
		Structured/ Long-answer	12	3, 4 or 5	45	1 h 30 min
Total			47	-	100	2 h 30 min

# Notes

- 1. Both papers will be scheduled on the same day with a break between the two papers.
- 2. Paper 1 comprises two booklets. The use of calculators is **not** allowed.
- 3. Paper 2 comprises one booklet. The use of calculators is allowed.

#### **Item Types**

# Multiple-choice question

For each question, four options are provided of which only one is the correct answer.

The 1-mark multiple-choice questions will be straightforward questions that assess basic concepts and skills of the Primary Mathematics syllabus.

#### 1-mark Short-answer Question

For each question, a candidate has to write his answer in the space provided. Marks are awarded for correct answers. Any unit required in an answer is provided and a candidate has to give his answer in that unit.

The 1-mark short-answer questions will be straightforward questions that assess the basic concepts and skills of the Primary Mathematics syllabus.

### 2-mark Short-answer question

The question may comprise one or two parts. For each question, a candidate has to write his answer(s) in the space(s) provided. Marks are awarded as follows:

- For questions with two parts, 2 marks are awarded for the correct answers, one mark for each part.
- For questions with one part only, 2 marks are awarded for the correct answer. If an incorrect answer is given, 1 mark is awarded for the correct method or working shown.

Any unit required in an answer is provided and a candidate has to give his answer in that unit.

# Structured / Long-answer Question

For each question, a candidate has to show his method of solution (working steps) clearly and write his answer(s) in the space(s) provided.