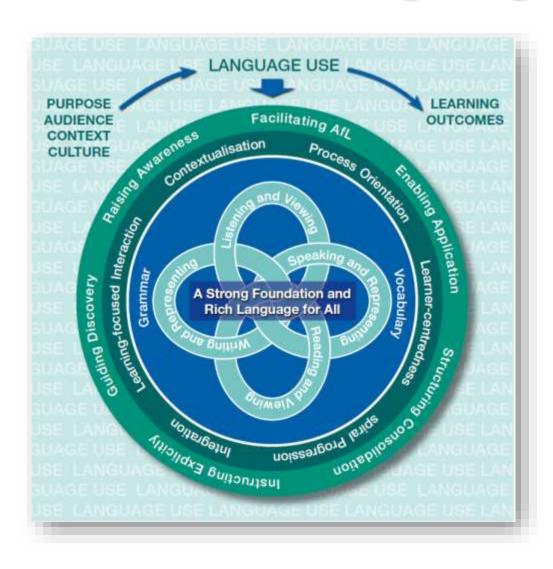


ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Primary 4



Areas of Language Learning



- Listening & Viewing
- Reading & Viewing
- Speaking & Representing
- Writing & Representing
- Grammar
- Vocabulary



An overview

Language Learning Area	STELLAR (National Curriculum)	School-based Curriculum	
Reading & Viewing	 Supported Reading Retelling (P5 & P6) KWL Sustained Silent Reading (SSR) 	 Library Structured Reading Programme (SRP) Newspaper-reading (Mini Red Dot) Oral Communication Package 	
Writing & Representing	Writing Process Cycle (WPC)Text-Type Writing	 CPS Writing Package (P.O.E.M) Journal (3-4 entries per term) Mini Red Dot Reflections (Journal) 	
Speaking & Representing	 Effective and purposeful interaction and group discussion embedded in all key strategies 	Oral Communication Package	
Listening & Viewing	 Listening and viewing skills for understanding and critical thinking taught through all key strategies using audio and graphic stimuli 		
Grammar	 Whole-Part-Whole Approach Explicit teaching of grammar in meaningful context using STELLAR readers 		
Vocabulary	Text-Based ApproachSTELLAR Readers	Working with WordsSpelling (in context)	



What is STELLAR?

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Strategies for **English** Language Learning and Reading

- Teaching and learning of English using more speaking and listening activities
- Children learn reading and writing using rich and interesting books, with discussions led by the teacher



STELLAR 2.0 (Primary 4 – 2023)

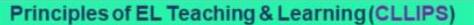
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The STELLAR programme was reviewed and refined to better prepare learners for the changing context of language use. This includes:

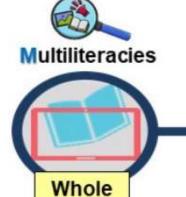
- a greater need for linguistic and communicative competence, adaptability and flexibility for a more disruptive global environment
- rapid development in information technology that has shaped our understanding of literacy and linguistic skills in English to include multiliteracies
- future workplace readiness with rising emphasis on interpersonal skills, higher-order cognitive skills and information systems skills.

Framework for Language Learning in the STELL Classroom





EL Teaching Processes (ACoLADE)



LISTENING, READING AND VIEWING

Enjoy texts and understand that they serve different purposes

Shared Book Approach 1 Reading for Pleasure Supported Reading KWL Retelling **Guided Reading**

Differentiated Instruction

Metacognition



STRENGTHENING LANGUAGE USE

Understand how language choices affect the text purpose

Shared Book Approach 2 Noticing Modified PPP Approach Oracy Think-aloud

Annotation





SPEAKING, WRITING AND REPRESENTING

Compose texts using appropriate features and/or modes to suit different text purposes

> Modified Language Experience Approach (MLEA) **Guided Writing** Writing Process Cycle

Guided by ELS 2020:

Principles of EL Teaching & Learning (CLLIPS)

> **EL Teaching Processes** (ACOLADE)

Pedagogical Emphases (MMI)

Whole-part-whole Approach

- Lower Primary
- Middle Primary
- Upper Primary

Gradual Release of Responsibility

Term	Unit	Teaching Titles
	1	Making Ice Cream
1		A Nasty Accident (Supplementary)
	2	Life of a Vet (Digital text)
	3	The Paralympic Games (Digital text)
2	4	The World Beyond Us (Digital text)
	5	Ruby's Sunflower
3	6	Dinosaurs Exist!
	7	Heartbeats in the Dark
4	8	All the Buzz About Honey
	9	What Happens When You Laugh
		Rats' Nests (Supplementary)



Reading (aloud and silently)

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- Supported Reading
- KWL

Explicit teaching of comprehension strategies to understand at literal, inferential and evaluative levels

- Make predictions
- Verify responses
- Make simple judgement of characters



STELL



Writing

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Writing Process Cycle (WPC)

Class Writing Group Writing Individual Writing

Name of Writer:

Cedar Primary School POEMS Rubrics

Individual Writing

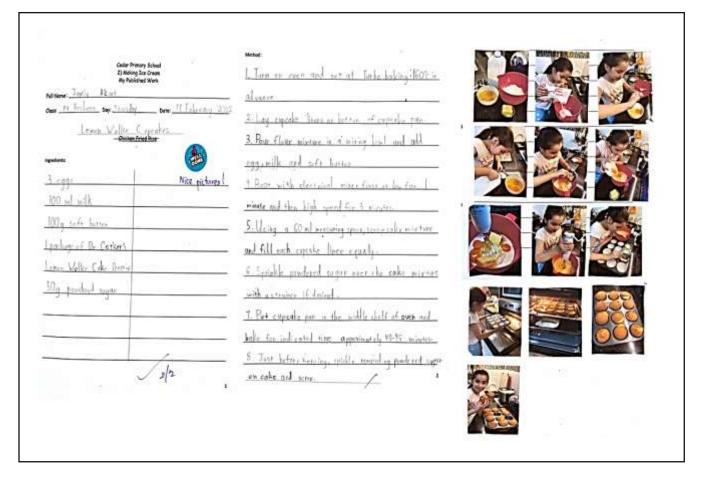
P.O.E.M approach:
 Purpose
 Organisation
 Elaboration
 Mechanics

Levels Purpose		Organisation	Elaboration	Mechanics	Style	
Level 4	□ You have written on the topic. □ You have used at least one of the pictures to develop your story. □ Your story is interesting.	Your story is easy to follow. There is very good sequencing and linking of ideas.	☐ You have elaborated your ideas well.	You are able to write with hardly any errors in sentence structure, grammar, spelling and punctuation.	☐ Your choice of vocabulary is effective and engaging.	
Level 3	☐ You have written on the topic. ☐ You have used at least one of the pictures to develop your story. ☐ Your story is simple.	☐ There is a gap in the flow of your story but I can still understand it. ☐ There is good sequencing and linking of ideas.	Only some of your ideas are developed.	☐ You made some errors in sentence structure, grammar, spelling and punctuation.	You could expand the range of words for better engagement.	
Level 2	You have tried to address the topic. You have not used the picture to develop your story. Your story is confusing.	☐ There are many gaps in the flow of your story. ☐ There is some attempt to sequence and link the ideas in your story.	Your ideas are mostly not developed.	You made a lot of errors in sentence structure. grammar, spelling and punctuation, making it hard to read.	There is limited word choice and a few instances of wrong usage.	
Level 1	You have not addressed the topic. You have not used the picture to develop your story. Your story is very confusing.	I don't understand how things happen in your story. You have not sequenced and linked the ideas in your story.	Your ideas are not developed.	You have made many errors in sentence structure, grammar, spelling and punctuation, making it very difficult to understand your story.	The range of words used is very basic.	
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Writing Different Text Types

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Cedar Primary School 1) Canoe Diary Our Class Writing Date of entry who are you writing to 25 December 2021 Dear Diary As it was a distance away from my home, we took 200. We saw many animals there. My favourite cinimal was the White Tiger. It is a rare sight, It's name is pasha. I was in awe when I saw the beautiful animals. It was an awsome experience I hope to go to the zoo again! " -) future Good night! ___ sign off | end of entry



Journal Writing



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- Weekly/Fortnightly submission
- Free expression based on a given topic/guiding questions
- Do not correct any language errors
- Current affairs reflections (Mini Red Dot)

To encourage expression and creativity





Current Affairs Reflections (Mini Red Dot)

School Values: Kindness, Integrity, Resilience, Responsibility, Creativity Journal 3 · Feed, bothe and play with your pets daily to keep them hoppy and 27 Januaru Journal 3 Some Ways to be 30 January 2 kind to animals. . If your trying to help it but its healthy. How to be kind to onimals. luting you, try to get a corrier and lure the animal in with some food. Ways to be kind to animals. · Do not hurt other onimals . If you find a lost animal, help it. · Do not disturb them when there inteintionally * Out make fun of the animal. are eating, sleeping or biting . Try to pet the animal "If your polling it, then it runs away, Respect the animals and other somethina. do not follow it. The animal need space. wildlife creature. · If the animal is hurtlinjured try · Do not pull cats tails. It wil to help it like taking it to a vetatarise. A good ranninder to me Most importantly... hurt them · Feed the animal some food Love The Animals ! ! · Do not go near an animal that · Don't kick or hurt the onimal have nests on babus. . How can won be kind to anomals? They belong and never hart then. . Don't disturb them when there be kind to the animals. · Do keep a distance from wild deeping. . If it's a stray try giving it food and animais. · Do not catapult a beehive on SEVERY AUIML even binds. helping them When they're have IS IMPORTANT or leave them in peace and no 1- TO US 8 · Do take care of your pets to animals. The world will be in. "We also can help them by not stepping on them on no to use a stick and others pake then making them was

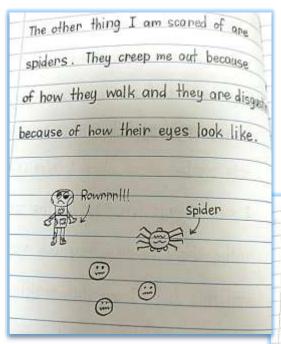
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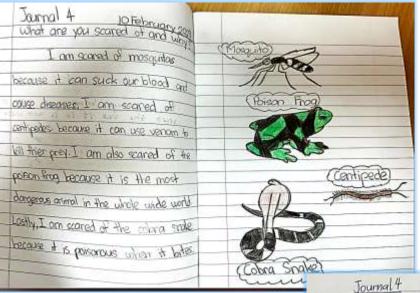


Journal Entries

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Other Programmes & Activities

Structured Reading Programme (Fortnightly)

- Library Period (Fortnightly)
- Library Programme (On-going)
 - Avid Reader Award
 - Quizzes
 - Book highlights
- Newspaper Reading: Mini Red Dot [Monthly]
- READ@CPS
- Partnership with NLB





Students' Resources

- Blue File (EL Worksheets)
- White File (Writing)
- STELLAR Worksheets (EPH/CPDD)
- EL Worksheets (exam format)
- Student Learning Space (SLS)
- Exercise Book (Journal)



End-of-Year Exam Format (Primary 4 -EL)

Pape	er Component	Marks	Format
1	Writing	20	A topic with pictures, prompts and helping words> 120 words- 50 min
2	Language Use & Comprehension	50	 -Booklet A –MCQ questions (Grammar, Vocabulary & Visual Text) -Booklet B – Grammar Cloze, Sentence Combining & Comprehension OE -1h 15min
3	Listening Comprehension	14	 Picture Matching Picture Sequencing Note-taking Comprehension MCQ About 20 min
4	Oral Communication	16	Reading AloudStimulus- Based Conversation
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Tips for Parents & Guardians





- Choose materials (books/magazines/movies) together with your child.
- Read and watch movies together.
- Explore different genres with your child
- Build vocabulary actively take note of new vocabulary (words & phrases)
- Communicate using Standard English
- Listen to English radio stations / songs
- Provide authentic learning experiences
- Focus on child's interests
- Build confidence

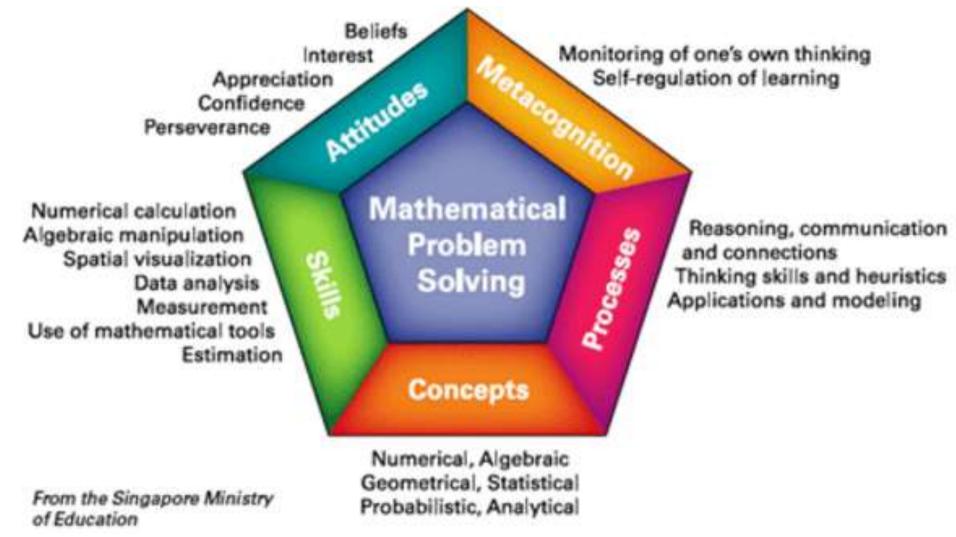


MATHEMATICS

Primary 4



MOE Mathematics Framework





P4 Mathematics Curriculum

- ✓ Follows a spiral progression in building up content across the levels
- Lays a strong foundation for students to acquire mathematical concepts and skills for everyday use
- Develops thinking, reasoning, communication, application and metacognitive skills
- Builds confidence and foster interest in Mathematics



Processes & Metacognition



STUDY the problem

- Read the problem and highlight the key information
- What do I know? What do I need to find out?
 Can I retell the problem in my own words?





ORGANISE details and think of a plan

- · Look at the information given and come up with a plan
- How would I solve this problem? Which heuristic can I use?
 Have I come across a similar problem before?



ACT out the plan

- · Solve the problem by carrying out the plan
- Are my equations written clearly and systematically? Is there another way to solve this problem if my plan does not work?



REFLECT on your solution

- Check your work
- Does my answer make sense? Is my answer reasonable? Are the correct units written? Is there an alternative method?



Skills & Concepts



STUDY the problem

What do I know? What do I need to find out? an I retell the problem in my own words



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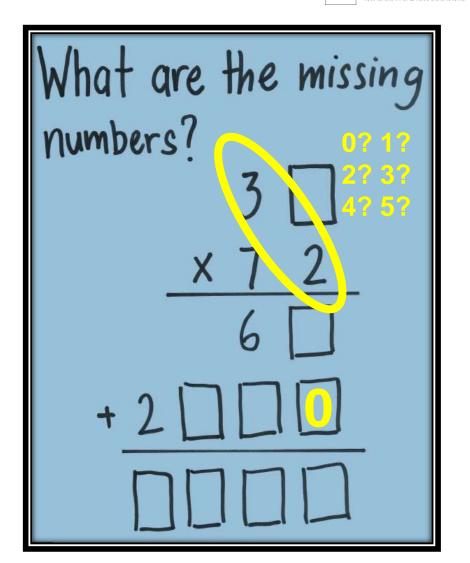


Solve the problem by carrying out the plan

Are my equations written clearly and systematically? Is there

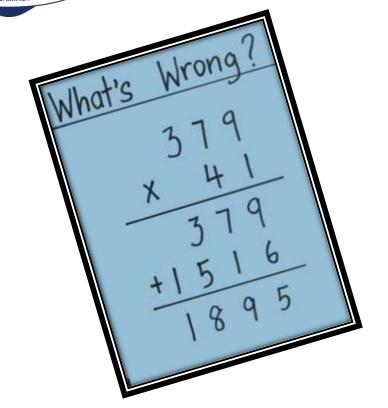


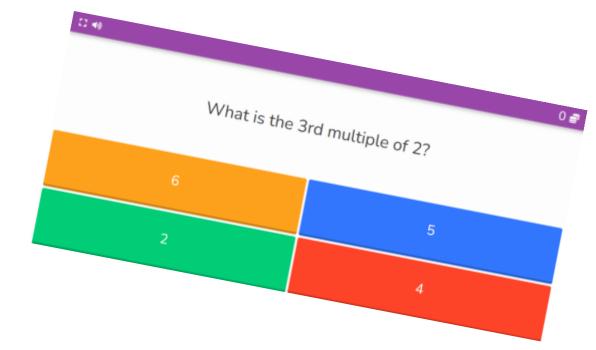
- **✓ Application of concept learnt**
- ✓ Make sense of what has been taught
- √ Relevance to real life
- **✓ Math talk**





Skills & Concepts









Skills & Concepts – Learning Experiences









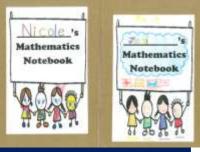


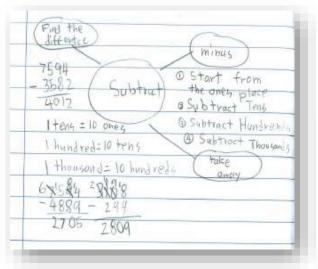


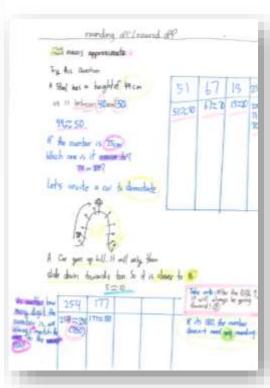


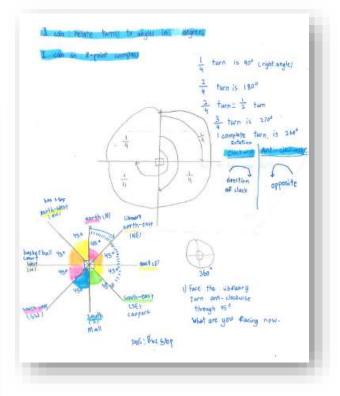


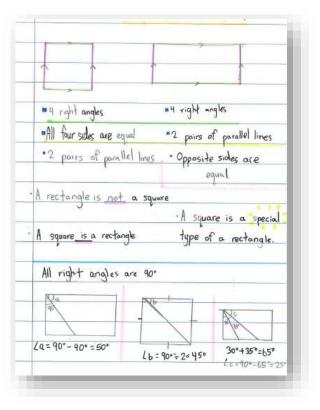
Skills & Concepts – Use of Mathematics Notebook





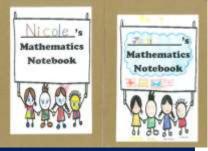


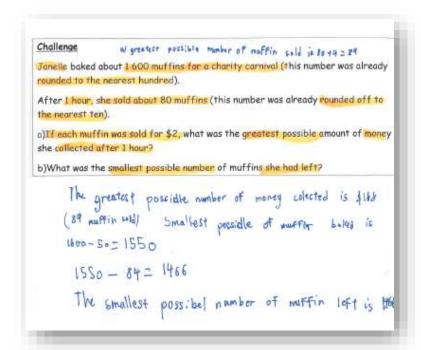


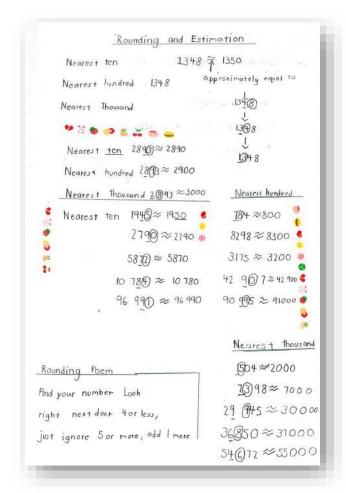


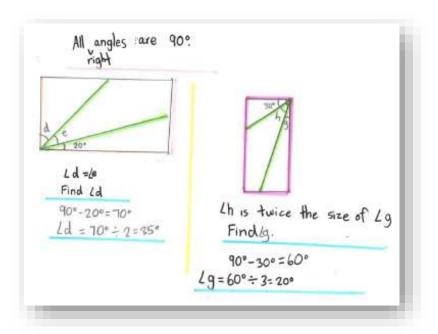


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Primary 4 Mathematics Syllabus

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Content

Whole Numbers up to 100 000 / Factors and Multiples / Four Operations / Fractions / Decimals Numbers

Time / Area and Perimeter / Angles / Symmetry /
Rectangles and Squares Measurement & Geometry

Tables and Line Graphs

Statistics



End-of-Year Exam - Format

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Duration: 1 h 45 min

Primary 4

Section A – 20 Multiple Choice Questions (40%)

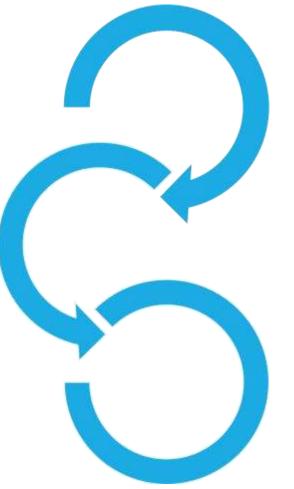
Section B – 16 Short Answer Questions (32%)

Section C – 8 Long Answer Questions (28%)



Mathematics Approach – Gradual Release of Responsibility

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Teacher Demonstrates

Teacher/Students Do Together

Students Do Together

Students Try on Their Own (Apply)



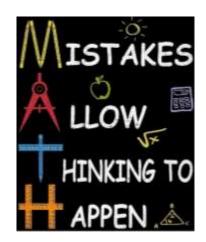
Supporting Your Child in Learning

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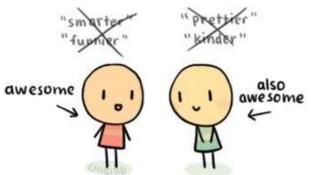
Attendance Active Participation Attitude

Focus. Self-Discipline. Effort Determines Success

Achievement







- * Create routines
- * Communicate & Encourage
- * Celebrate improvement











MOTHER TONGUE LANGUAGES

Primary 4



PURPOSE & GOALS OF MTL LEARNING

School Values: Kindness, Integrity, Resilience, Responsibility, Creativity

To support and enable every student to learn MTL to as high a level as each student is able to.

- Communication proficiency and ability to communicate in MTL for the competitive edge
- Culture understand and develop unique identity through deeper appreciation of culture, traditions, literature and history.
- Connection to connect with communities across Asia and the people who speak that language and share that culture.



PURPOSE & GOALS OF MTL LEARNING

School Values: Kindness, Integrity, Resilience, Responsibility, Creativity

Active and Interactive teaching and learning environment

- Helps students to like, learn and use their MTL as a living language, and produce proficient users who can communicate effectively in a variety of real-life settings.
 - 2-year MTSP starting at P3
 - 2-year HMT starting at P3
 - MTL Fortnight and P4 Cultural & Language Camp
 - National and School-based language competitions
 - Online Learning Portals (SLS, eZhiShi)
 - MT Reading Programme



P4 MOTHER TONGUE End-of-Year Exam

- Paper 1: Composition Writing (15 marks, 15%)
 - Duration: 40 min
 - Picture composition (4 pictures)
 - Dictionaries are not allowed during exam
- Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension (45 marks, 45%)
 - Duration 1 h
 - Dictionaries are not allowed during exam
- Paper 3: Listening Comprehension (10 marks, 10%)
- Paper 4: Oral (30 marks, 30%)
 - Read Aloud and Picture Conversation



P5 HIGHER MOTHER TONGUE END-OF-YEAR EXAM

- Paper 1: Composition Writing (40 marks, 40%)
 - Duration: 50min
 - Choose to do either 1 Topical composition OR Continuous Writing
 - SEAB-approved dictionaries may be used during exam
- Paper 2: Language Use and Comprehension (60 marks, 60%)
 - Duration: 1 h 20 min
- Grading
 - Distinction: 80 100 marks
 - Merit: 65 79 marks
 - Pass: 50 64 marks
 - Ungraded below 50 marks



ELIGIBILITY FOR HIGHER MOTHER TONGUE AT P5

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• P4 students who achieved Band 1 (85 marks & above) for MT, will be recommended to offer Higher Mother Tongue at P5 next year.

** Current P4 HMT students will not be "automatically" offered HMT at P5 next year. They are subjected to the same requirement as above.



Partnering Parent/Guardian to Support the Child/Ward

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Partnering You

- We will:
 - Inform you of your child's/ward's progress regularly
 - Provide ideas and suggestions to support your child's/ward's learning, where necessary
 - Share strategies to engage your child/ward in MTL learning at home in a fun and meaningful manner.



Partnering Parent/Guardian to Support the Child/Ward

Do	Avoid
Believe that your child can learn and wants to learn	Placing excessive attention on marks
Encourage your child to learn MTL	 Making comparison between
 Praise your child for his/her good effort and progress 	your child and other children's achievement
Set incremental and achievable goals with your child	 Doing school work for your child
Communicate with the school teacher regularly on your child's progress at home	Giving impression that MTL is not important



Partnering Parent/Guardian to Support the Child/Ward

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Partnering You

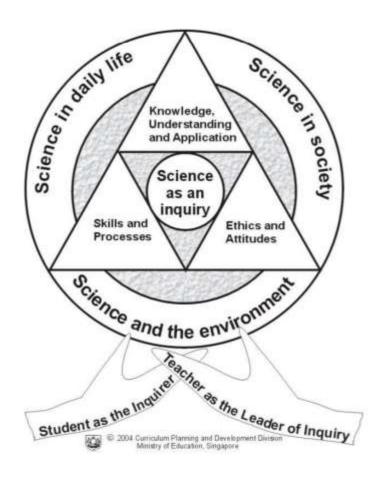
- Speak to your child in MTL whenever possible
- Show interest in your child's MTL learning journey
- Learn with your child, learn from your child
- Have regular conversations with your child about his/her experience in class
- Use a variety of resources, e.g. physical and digital resources to extend your child's language and literacy skills in MTL
- Encourage and accompany your child to read books or watch suitable TV programmes in MTL
- Provide a print-rich environment visit the library regularly, set up a reading corner at home



Science



Science Curriculum Framework



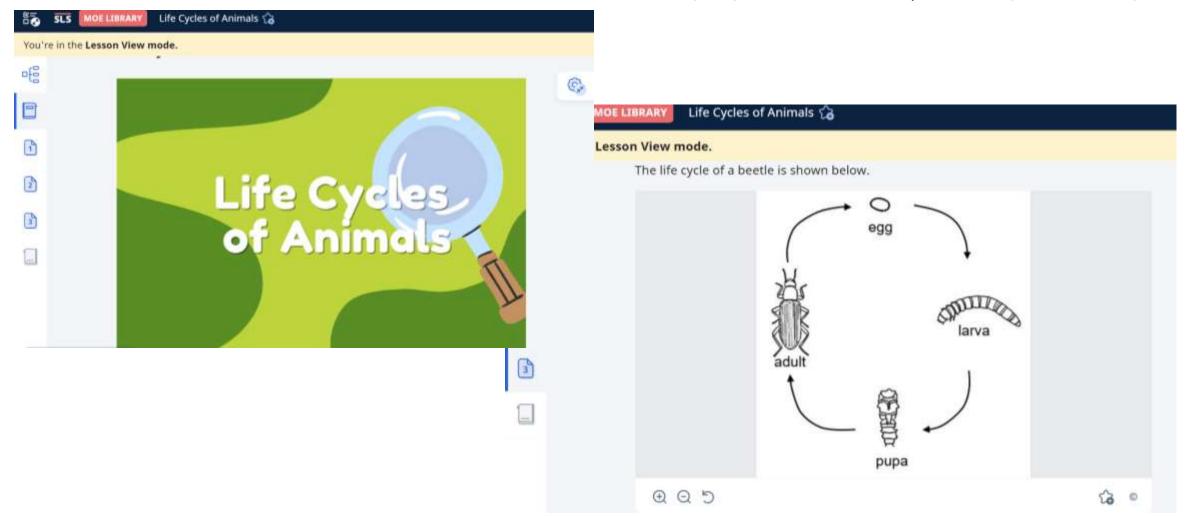








Student Learning Space (SLS)





Science Syllabus – An Overview

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Table 1: An Overview of the Primary Science Syllabus

Syllabus Requirement				White Space		
Themes		* Lower Block (Primary 3 and 4)		**Upper Block (Primary 5 and 6)	The freed up curriculum time is	
Diversity	•	Diversity of living and non-living things (General characteristics and classification) Diversity of materials			to enable teachers to use more engaging teaching and learning approaches, and/or to implement customised school-	
Cycles	•	Cycles in plants and animals (Life cycles) Cycles in matter and water (Matter)	•	Cycles in plants and animals (Reproduction) Cycles in matter and water (Water)	based programmes as long as the aims of the syllabus are met. This enables teachers to make learning more meaningful and	
Systems	•	Plant system (Plant parts and functions) Human system (Digestive system)	•	Plant system (Respiratory and circulatory systems) Human system (Respiratory and circulatory systems) Cell system Electrical system	enjoyable for their students.	
Interactions	•	Interaction of forces (Magnets)	•	Interaction of forces (Frictional force, gravitational force, force in springs) Interaction within the environment		
Energy	•	Energy forms and uses (Light and heat)	•	Energy forms and uses (Photosynthesis) Energy conversion		

https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/curriculum/syllabus



P4 Topics

Theme	Topics
Cycles	Life Cycle of Animals Life Cycle of Plants Matter
Energy	Light and Shadows Heat and Temperature



Examination Format – End of Year

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The examination consists of one written paper comprising two booklets, Booklet A and Booklet B.

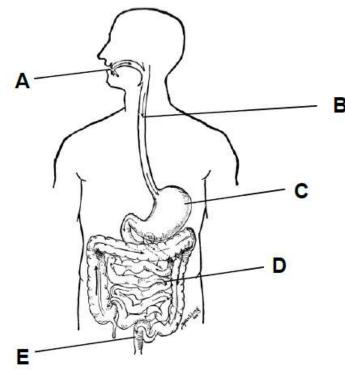
Booklet	Item type	Number of questions	Number of marks per question	Marks
Α	Multiple –choice	28	2	56
В	Open-ended	12 - 13	2-5	44

- a) Booklet A consists of 28 multiple-choice questions with four options. Each multiple-choice question carries 2 marks.
- b) Booklet B consists of 12-13 open-ended questions. Each open-ended question carries 2, 3, 4 or 5 marks.
- Candidates are required to answer all the questions in the two booklets.
- The duration of the paper is 1 hour 45 minutes.



Knowledge-Based Questions

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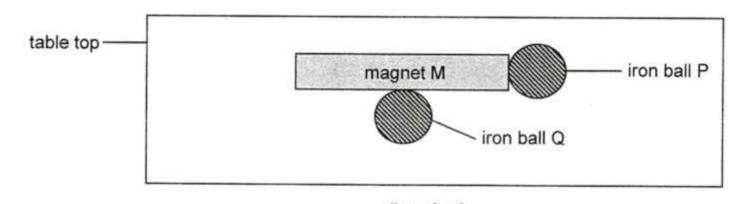
Which of the following parts absorbs digested food? D



Application-Based Questions

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John placed magnet M on a table. He then placed 2 similar iron balls, P and Q, next to magnet M as shown below.



When he lifted magnet M, ball P remained attach to M but ball Q did not. Explain why ball Q did not remain attach to magnet M.

Magnetic force is weakest at the centre of the magnet so it was not strong enough to attract iron ball Q.



Helping Your Child/Ward to Enjoy Science

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Exploring Science doing experiments and using videos:

https://www.scientificamerican.com/section.cfm?id=bring-science-home

https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/z2pfb9q

https://www.sciencekids.co.nz/

Learning Science Through Questioning



Learning Science through Stories

- Choose Stories that Interest your children
- Discuss the Science/Value Education behind the Stories



Exploring Science Outdoors with your child/ward

- Explore the outdoors at Nature Parks/Reserves/local attractions:
 - Fort Canning Park
 - Hort Park
 - Jurong Lake Gardens
 - Singapore Botanic Gardens
 - Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserves
 - Chek Jawa
 - Jurong Bird Park
 - Singapore Zoo
 - Marina Barrage



Thank You