



YISHUN SECONDARY SCHOOL

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END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION 2023 EXAMINATION FORMAT AND TOPICS SECONDARY 3 EXPRESS

END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION					
Class(es)	Subject & Code	Chapter/ Area of Focus	Format	Marks / % Overall	Duration
3E1 – 3E5	English Language (1184)	Writing Reading Comprehension Listening Comprehension Oral Communication	Paper 1: Grammar Editing, Situational Writing, Continuous Writing	70m (35%)	1 h 50 min
			Paper 2: Visual Text, Comprehension and Summary	50m (35%)	1 h 50 min
			Paper 3: Listening	30m (10%)	45 min
			Paper 4: Oral Communication	30m (20%)	20 min
3E1 – 3E5	Higher Chinese Language (1116)	Email Essay Grammar Vocab Comprehension Oral Communication	Paper 1: informal & formal email, composition – narrative, expository	80m (40%)	2 h
			Paper 2: close passage, comprehension (MCQ & open-ended)	80m (40%)	1 h 45 min
			Paper 3: Oral	40m (20%)	15 min
3E1 – 3E5	Chinese Language (1160)	Email Essay Grammar Vocab Comprehension Oral Communication Listening Comprehension (LC)	Paper 1: informal & formal email, composition – narrative, expository, argumentative	60m (30%)	2 h
			Paper 2: close passage, Comprehension (MCQ & open-ended)	70m (35%)	1 h 30 min
			Paper 3: LC (MCQ)	20m (10%)	30 min
			Paper 3: Oral	50m (25%)	10 min
3E4 3E5	Chinese B (1153)	Email Essay Grammar Vocab Comprehension Oral Communication Listening Comprehension (LC)	Paper 1: informal email and picture composition	20m (20%)	50 min
			Paper 2: language application and comprehension (MCQ)	30m (30%)	1 h
			Paper 3: LC (MCQ)	20m (20%)	30 min
			Paper 3: Oral	30m (30%)	15 min

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3E3 3E4	Higher Malay Language (1117)	Email Essay Grammar Vocab Comprehension Oral Communication	Paper 1: informal & formal email, composition - narrative, expository	80m (40%)	2 h
			Paper 2: close passage, comprehension (MCQ & open-ended)	80m (40%)	1 h 45 min
			Paper 3: Oral	40m (20%)	15 min
3E1 3E3 – 3E5	Malay Language (1148)	Email Essay Grammar Vocab Comprehension Oral Communication Listening Comprehension (LC)	Paper 1: informal & formal email, composition - narrative, expository, descriptive	60m (30%)	2 h
			Paper 2: close passage, idioms, comprehension (MCQ & open-ended)	70m (35%)	1 h 30 min
			Paper 3: LC (MCQ)	20m (10%)	30 min
			Paper 3: Oral	50m (25%)	10 min
3E1 3E2 3E4	Higher Tamil Language (1147)	Email Essay Grammar Vocab Comprehension Oral Communication	Paper 1: Email (informal) /forum writing, Essay (Narrative, descriptive, expository)	80m (40%)	2 h
			Paper 2: Close passage, grammar, editing, comprehension (MCQ, open-ended), Summary writing	80m (40%)	1 h 45 min
			Paper 3: Oral	40m (20%)	15 min
3E1 – 3E5	Tamil Language (1157)	Email Essay Grammar Vocab Comprehension Oral Communication Listening Comprehension	Paper 1: informal & formal email, composition – narrative, expository	60m (30%)	2 h
			Paper 2: Idioms, transformation of sentence, close passage, comprehension (MCQ & open-ended)	70m (35%)	1 h 30 min
			Paper 3: LC (MCQ)	20m (10%)	30 min
			Paper 3: Oral	50m (25%)	10 min

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3E1 - 3E5	Social Studies (2260/01) (2261/01) (2289/01)	Issue 1: Exploring Citizenship and Governance - Chap 1 to 3 Issue 2: Living in a Diverse Society - Chapter 4 to 7	Section A: Source Based Questions Section B: Structured Response Questions	35m 15m Total 50m (50%)	1 h 45 min
3E1 -3E5	Elective Geography (2260/02)	Geography In Everyday Life Cluster Topics 1 – 3 Climate Cluster Entire Topics 1 Topic 2.1 – 2.2	Section A: Cluster 1: Geography in Everyday life (GEL) Cluster Section B: Cluster 3: Climate Cluster	25m 25m Total: 50m (50%)	1 h 45 min
3E1 - 3E5	Elective History (2261/02)	Chapter 1: Impact of World War I Chapter 2: Authoritarian Regime - Case Study of Nazi Germany Chapter 3: Authoritarian Regime - Case study of Militarist Japan Chapter 4: War in Europe	Section A: Source Based Questions Section B: Essay Questions	30m 20m Total: 50m (50%)	1 h 50 min
3E1	Pure Geography (2279 01/02)	Geography in Everyday Life Cluster Tourism Cluster Climate Cluster	Updated Paper 1 Question 1 – Geography in Everyday Life Topic 3 Question 2 – Cluster 2 Tourism Paper 2 Question 1 - Geography in Everyday life cluster Topics 1 – 2 Question 2 – Climate Cluster	25m 25m 25m 25m Total 100m (100%)	1 h 45 min 1 h 45 min

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3E3	Pure History (2174)	Unit 1: Chapter 1: British Colonial Rule in Malaya Chapter 2: Dutch Colonial Rule in Indonesia Chapter 4: The Paris Peace Conference and the League of Nations in the 1920s Chapter 5: Authoritarian Regime - Case study of Nazi Germany Chapter 6: Authoritarian Regime - Case study of Militarist Japan Chapter 7: Outbreak of WWII in Europe	Paper 1 • Section A: Source-based Questions • Section B: Structured Essay Questions Paper 2: • Section A: Source-based Questions • Section B: Structured Essay Questions	30m 20 m 30m 20 m Total 100m (100%)	1 h 50 min 1 h 50 min
3E1 3E3	Literature in English (2065/01) (2065/02)	Paper 1 John Wyndham: The Chrysalids (Chapters 1 to 8) Unseen Poetry Paper 2 Jean Tay: Boom Act 1	Paper 1 Section A: Choice of Passage-based Question or Essay Section B: Unseen Poetry Essay Question Passage-based Question	25m 25m 50m (25m per Q) Total 100m (100%)	1 h 40 min
3E1 – 3E5	Additional Mathematics (4049)	Chapters 1 to 9	Questions with varying lengths, some questions may integrate ideas from more than 1 topic of the syllabus (max marks per question is 10)	90m (100%)	2 h 15 min
3E1 - 3E5	Mathematics (4052)	Sec 1 and 2 all topics Sec 3: Chapter 1 to 11.	Paper 1 There will be about 26 short answer questions Paper 2 Questions with varying lengths, the last question focuses specifically on applying mathematics to a real-world scenario	90m (50%) 90m (50%)	2 h 15 min 2 h 15 min

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3E1	Biology (6093)	Chapters 2 to 9, 11	Paper 1: 40 MCQ Paper 2: Section A: Structured questions Section B: 2 long questions, 10m each Choose 1 out of 2	40m (37.5%) 80m (62.5%) 70m 10m	1 h 1 h 45 min
3E1 3E2	Chemistry (6092)	Chapters 1 to 9, 14 and 15	Paper 1: 40 MCQ Paper 2: Section A: Structured questions Section B: 2 long questions, 10m each Choose 1 out of 2	40m (37.5%) 80m (62.5%) 70m 10m	1 h 1 h 45 min
3E1 3E2	Physics (6091)	Chapters 1 to 9, 11 to 13	Paper 1: 40 MCQ Paper 2: Section A: Structured questions Section B: 2 long questions, 10m each Choose 1 out of 2	40m (37.5%) 80m (62.5%) 70m 10m	1 h 1 h 45 min
3E3 3E5	Science (Chemistry/ Biology) (5088)	Science (Biology) Chapter 2 to 9 Science (Chemistry) Chapter 1 to 8, 11 and 12	Paper 1: 40 MCQ Paper 3 (Chemistry) & Paper 4 (Biology) Section A Short, structured questions & Section B Long questions, students choose 1 out of 2	40m (23.6%) 55m + 10m (38.2% per paper)	1 h 1 h 15 min per paper
3E4	Science (Physics, Chemistry) (5086)	Science (Physics) Chapter 1 to 11 Science (Chemistry) Chapter 1 to 8, 11 and 12	Paper 1: 40 MCQ Paper 2 (Physics) & Paper 3 (Chemistry) Section A Short, structured questions & Section B Long questions, students choose 1 out of 2	40m (23.6%) 55m + 10m (38.2% per paper)	1 h 1 h 15 min per paper

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3E4	Design & Technology (7059)	The questions will be design-centric. Question 1 requires knowledge application of Section 1 Design. Question 2 to Question 4 require knowledge application of Section 2 Technology; specifically structures, mechanisms and electronics.	Paper 1: short answer type questions and proposed sketches by candidates. Paper 2: Coursework	80m (40%) Q1: 26m Q2: 54m 60m (60%)	2 h 22 weeks
3E5	Art (6123)	Paper 1: Mixed-media illustration Paper 2: 1. Investigation and Interpretation of Theme 2. Exploration and Development of Theme 3. Aesthetic Qualities 4. Control of Materials and Technical Processes 5. Personal Response	Paper 1: Coursework Paper 2: Drawing and Painting 5 Pages of A3 sized Preparatory Studies and a Final Artwork	100m (60%) 100m (40%)	6 weeks 3 h
3E5	Exercise and Sports Science (6081)	1. Motor and Learning Development 2. Sports Physiology 3. Sports Psychology 4. Sports Sociology 5. Biomechanics	E-exam (updated) Paper 1: Section A: MCQs, Fill in the Blanks, Matching Section B: Short Answer Questions Section C: Short Answer Questions based on video Paper 2: Coursework	80m (40%) 20m 40m 20m 100m (60%)	2 h 22 weeks