

2018 MID-YEAR EXAM FORMAT & SCOPE
SEC 2 EXPRESS

Level / Stream	Subject	Paper	Duration	Description	Mark Allocation	Marks	Weightage
Sec 2E	English Language Paper ONE	1	1 hr 40 mins	Section A: Editing Candidates identify and edit grammatical errors in a short written text.	1 mark each	10	50%
				Section B: Situational Writing Candidates write 200–250 words on a given situation which will involve viewing a visual text.	nil	30	
				Section C: Continuous Writing Candidates write 250 –300 words on one of four topics set.	nil	30	

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Sec 2E	English Language Paper TWO	2	1 hr 40 mins	Comprehension Section A Candidates respond to questions based on Text 1, a visual text.	1-2 marks for each question	5	50%
				Section B Candidates respond to a variety of literal, inferential, quotation, vocabulary, own words or evaluative questions based on Text 2 which is a narrative or a recount.	1-4 marks for each question	20	
				Section C Candidates respond to a variety of literal, inferential, quotation, vocabulary, own words or evaluative questions based on Text 3, a non-narrative text, and write an 80-word response to a summary writing task.	1 - 2 marks for each question and summary question is 15 marks	25	

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Sec 2E	Mathematics (4048)	Paper 1	1 hour	10 - 12 short-answer and structured questions. Answer all questions.	2 - 5 marks per question	40	40%
		Paper 2	1 hour 30 mins	Section A (28 marks) About 6 to 7 structured questions Section B (32 marks) About 5 structured and long-answer questions involving higher order thinking skills. Answer all questions.	4 - 7 marks per question	60	60%
		Topics : Chapter 1: Direct and Inverse Proportion Chapter 2: Linear Graphs and Simultaneous Linear Equations Chapter 3: Expansion and Factorisation of Quadratic Expressions Chapter 4 : Further Expansion and Factorisation of Algebraic Expressions Chapter 5 : Quadratic Equations and Graphs Chapter 6: Algebraic Fractions and Formulae Chapter 7: Congruence and Similiarity Include Sec 1 topics (10-15%) List Sec 1 topics: Percentages, number patterns, approximation and estimation, integers , rational and real numbers, RATE RATIO AND SPEED.					

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Sec 2E	Lower Sec Science	1 h 30 min	1 h 30 min	Section 1 (Phy) Section 1A: 10 MCQ Section 1B: 3 to 5 Stru Qns Section 1C: One Free Response Qn	Section 1A: 10 marks Section 1B: 17 marks Section 1C: 8 marks	35 m	43.75%
				Section 2 (Chem) Section 2A: 15 MCQ Section 2B: 3 to 5 Stru Qns	Section 2A: 15 marks Section 2B: 22 marks Section 2C: 8 marks	45 m	56.25%
				Chemistry Topics: Model of Matter - Atoms and Molecules, Ionic and Covalent Bonding, Writing Chemical Formula and Equations, Elements, Compounds and Mixtures, Solutions and Suspensions, Separation Techniques Physics Topics: Electricity, Effects of Electricity, Power, Household Electricity			

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Sec2E	Geography	1	1 hour 15 min	Chapter 3: Housing Shortage	Map Reading: 5 marks Structured Questions: 30 marks	35	15%

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Sec2E	History	1	1 hour 15 min	Chapter 5: Japanese Occupation/ Post-War Chapter 6: Aspirations of People (1945-1959)	Section A: SBQ (20m) SBQ (a) – Inference 6m SBQ (b and c) – Comparison 14m Section B: SEQ (15m) 1 X 5m, 1 X 10m	35	15%
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Sec 2E	English Literature		1 h 40 min	Section A: Structured Questions on either Unseen Prose or Poetry	25 marks	25m	50%
				Section B: Choice between an essay or PBQ on Boy in Striped PJs	25 marks	25m	50%
The Boy in Striped Pajamas Chapters 1-12 Unseen Poetry/Prose							

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Sec2E	Food and Consumer Education	Paper 2	4 h	FCE MY Project	Planning & Proposal - 10m Preparation & Research - 16m Product & Outcome - 14m Reflection & Evaluation - 10m	50m	50%
		Paper 1	1 h	Section A: Short-answer Qns Section B: Structured Qns and Data-Response Qn Section C: Data-Response Qn and Open-Ended Qns	Section A - 15m Section B - 20m Section C - 35m	70 m	50%
Topics for Paper 1:							
Chapter 1 : Food Preparation and Culinary Skills							
Chapter 2 : Food Presentation							
Chapter 3 : Evaluation of Food							
Chapter 4 : Food Culture							
Chapter 6 : Smart Shopping							
Chapter 7 : Advertising							

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Sec2E	Higher Chinese (1116)	Paper1	1Hour 30 Minutes	Section A. Informal / Formal e-mail (choose 1 out of 2) Section B–Composition (choose 1 out of 3 questions)	20 marks 60 marks	80	45%
		Paper2	1Hour 30 Minutes	1. Fill in the blanks 2. Edit Grammatical Errors	5 Qns 10 marks 6 Qns 12 marks	80	45%
		Paper3	30Minutes	Listening Comprehension	10 MCQ 20 marks	20	20%
Topics: Vocabulary and content in 2HCL Textbook(A) & Workbook (A)							

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Sec 2E	CL (1160)	Paper 1	hour 30 min	Section A - email (Informal)(Choose 1 out of 2) Section B-Composition (Choose 1 out of 3)	Section A (20 marks per question)	60	40%
		Paper 2	hour 30 min	1. Fill in the blank 2. Close passage 3. Comprehension (1) MCQ 4. comprehension (2) open ended	1. 10 Qns 10 marks 2. 10 Qns 10 marks 3. 8 Qns 16 marks 4. 8 Qns 34marks	70	47%
		Paper 3	Listening comprehension (30 Mins)	Conversation passages, story, news broadcast	10 MCQ Qns 20 marks	20	13%
Topics : Chapter 1,2,3,4,5,7,8,10,11,12 Sec 2E textbook (A),workbook							

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SEC 2E	Tamil (1157)	Paper 1	1 hour 30 mins	Section A : 2 E-mail questions; 1 formal, 1 informal. Choose either one. Section B: Composition. Choose 1 out of 3.	Section A 20 marks. Section B: 40 marks	60	35%
		Paper 2	1 hour 30 mins	Language Use & Comphension Section A1: Grammar & Word Formation (5 questions) Section A2: Idioms (5 questions) Section A3: Cloze Passage (5questions) Section B: MCQ Comprehension 2 Authentic Passage (5 questions)Section C: Comprehension (5 Comprehension Questions, 4 Vocabulary Questions)	Section A: 10 marks Section A2: 10 marks Section A3: 10 marks Section B: 10 marks Section C: 30 marks	70	45%
		Paper 3	30 mins	Listening Comprehension Conversation stories, passages and broadcast 10 MCQ questions	20 marks	20	20%

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SEC 2E	Malay (1148)	Paper 1	1 hour 30 mins	Section A: 2 E-mail questions; 1 formal, 1 informal. Choose either one.	Section A 20 marks Section B: 40 marks	60	35%
				Section B: Composition. Choose 1 out of 3.			
		Paper 2	1 hour 30 mins	Language Use & Comprehension	Section A: 10 marks Section A2: 10 marks Section A3: 10 marks Section B: 10 marks Section C: 30 marks	70	45%
				Section A1: Grammar & Word Formation (5 questions)			
				Section A2: Idioms (5 questions)			
				Section A3: Cloze Passage (5 questions)			
				Section B: MCQ Comprehension 2 Authentic Passage (5 questions)			
		Section C: Comprehension (5 Comprehension Questions, 4 Vocabulary Questions)					
		Paper 3	30 mins	Listening Comprehension	20 marks	20	20%
				Conversation stories, passages and broadcast			
10 MCQ questions							