

Briefing for Parents

English &
Mother Tongue
Languages

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Format of Standard EL Paper

- Paper 1 – Writing 55 marks
- Paper 2 – Language 95 marks
- Paper 3 – Listening Comprehension 20 marks
- Paper 4 – Oral 30 marks

Format of Foundation EL Paper

- Paper 1 – Writing 40 marks
- Paper 2 – Language 60 marks
- Paper 3 – Listening Comprehension 20 marks
- Paper 4 – Oral 30 marks

P5 & P6 Standard Mother Tongue Language Components

Component	Marks
1. Paper 1: Composition	40 (20%)
2. Paper 2: Language Use & Comprehension	90 (45%)
3. Paper 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Reading aloud- Conversation (video as stimulus)- Listening Comprehension	20 (10%) 30 (15%) 20 (10%)
TOTAL	200 (100%)

P5 & P6 Foundation Mother Tongue Language Components

Component	Item	Marks/ Duration
1. Paper 1: Language Use & Comprehension	10 Qns (mainly MCQ)	15(15%) 40 min
2. Paper 2: Oral		
- Reading aloud	1	15(15%)
- Conversation (video as stimulus)	1	40(40%)
3. Paper 3: Listening Comprehension	15 MCQ	30(30%)
TOTAL		100

P5 & P6 Higher Mother Tongue Language Components

Component	Marks
1. Paper I: Composition	40
2. Paper 2: Language Use & Comprehension	60
TOTAL	100

Supporting your child

- Create a bilingual environment at home. **Make a conscious effort to communicate with your child in both English & Mother Tongue languages.**
- Increase your child's exposure to EL / MTL by:
 - Bringing them to the library to borrow suitable books
 - Having book discussions with your child
 - Watching educational TV shows with them
 - Allowing your child to tune in to radio stations
 - Playing word games with your child to increase the usage of good language
- Manage your child's screen time well

Supporting your child

- Encourage your child to...
 - Adopt good habits at home:
 - Setting aside time for school homework and self-revision
 - Sleeping early so that they are alert and attentive for school the next day
 - Set their own targets and monitor their own progress.
 - Revise grammar/vocabulary items and strategies (like annotation, looking out for contextual clues, referencing) and comprehension skills taught by the language teachers.
 - Refer to model compositions on how to use various essay starters, endings and other writing techniques and even useful phrases.
 - For oral, speak clearly and in complete sentences.
 - Express their opinions and support their ideas with elaborations and examples in their day-to-day conversations with you

Support Reading

- Is essential for academic success in any subject area
- Helps your child to build his/her vocabulary
- Develops awareness of sentence structures
- Develops ideas for good writing
- Read with/to your child or be present to support

Exposure to a variety of texts (any form of genre)

Use other platforms apart from just books : Newspapers, NatGeo Magazines ; News Apps (Little Red Dot/CL/ML)

Resources for Parents

- Lil' but Mighty English - <https://www.lilbutmightyenglish.com/tips>
- Writing Resources - <https://writingsamurai.com/resources/>
- Marshall Cavendish - <https://www.mceducation.com/sg/parents-students>
- Ezhishi learning portal (CL) - <https://www.ezhishi.net/Contents/>
- Xuele (CL) - https://www.mtl.moe.edu.sg/xuele/MOE_web/main.html
- List of Approved MT Dictionaries for Use in PSLE - <https://www.seab.gov.sg/home/examinations/approved-dictionaries>
- E-cekap(ML): <https://www.mtl.moe.edu.sg/ecekap/>
- Permainan Bahasa : <https://lamanbahasa.wordpress.com/permainan-bahasa/>

Thank You

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