# PRIMARY FIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Parent's Briefing (2025)

### **Curriculum Materials**

- STELLAR Readers
- Learning Sheets
- School Worksheets
- Listening and Oral Practices
- Literature Programme 'Sing to the Dawn'

### **English Paper**

P	aper	Component	Item Type	Marks	Weighting	Duration
	1 /	Situational Writing	OE	14	25%	1h 10
		Continuous Writing	OE	36		min
	2	Language Use and Comprehension	OE/ MCQ	90	45%	1h 50 min
	3/	Listening Comprehension	MCQ	20	10%	35 min
	4	Oral Communication	OE	40	20%	10 min
		Total		200	100%	

### Revised Examination Format for the Primary 5s since 2024

- Increase in the oral weighting from 15% to 20%
- Slight reduction in the weighting for English Paper 1 and 2
- For Situational Writing in the English Paper 1, one of the bullet points will require students to offer their own ideas
- For Visual Text Comprehension, there will be 2 texts instead of 1. One of them will have visuals included. There is a reduction from 8 to 5 questions
- For Editing, there is a reduction from 12 to 10 questions

### **ORAL COMMUNICATION**

Content	Marks
Reading Aloud	15
Stimulus-Based Conversation	25
Total	40

#### STIMULUS-BASED CONVERSATION

#### Use of TREES to organise presentation

**Thoughts** 

Reasons

Examples

Experiences

Suggestions

### LISTENING COMPREHENSION

- 20 multiple-choice questions
- texts include news items, announcements, advertisements, instructions, conversations, speeches and stories

#### SITUATIONAL WRITING

### Task Fulfillment

(6 Marks)

- ability to use relevant facts found in the given text
- understanding and awareness of PURPOSE, AUDIENCE and CONTEXT

# Language, Organisation and Context

(8 Marks)

- logical arrangement of ideas
- correct grammatical structures, spelling and punctuation

### SITUATIONAL WRITING

Purpose	<ul> <li>Why is the recipient receiving the email/letter/report?</li> <li>What is the writer's intention?</li> </ul>
Audience	<ul> <li>Who is the intended recipient? (determines the context)</li> </ul>
Context	<ul> <li>Is it a formal or informal piece of writing?</li> <li>What should be the tone of the email/letter/report?</li> </ul>

#### SITUATIONAL WRITING

Salutation	•	refer to task given
Introduction	•	include pleasantries for informal context
Conclusion	•	end with a concluding sentence in relation to the purpose sign off based on the context

### **CONTINUOUS WRITING**

Content (18 marks)	<ul> <li>Relevant ideas with elaboration and details</li> <li>Development of ideas and interest value</li> <li>Adherence to given topic and pictures</li> </ul>
Language and Organisation (18 marks)	<ul> <li>Correct grammatical structures, spelling and punctuation</li> <li>Wide and appropriate use of vocabulary</li> <li>Sequencing, paragraphing and linking of ideas and facts</li> </ul>

### PAPER 2 BOOKLET A (multiple-choice questions)

COMPONENT	NO. OF ITEMS	MARKS
Grammar	10	10
Vocabulary	5	5
Vocabulary Cloze	5	5
Visual Text Comprehension	5	5
	TOTAL	25

## PAPER 2 BOOKLET B (open-ended questions)

COMPONENT	NO. OF ITEMS	MARKS
Grammar Cloze	10	10
Editing for Spelling and Grammar	10	10
Comprehension Cloze	15	15
Synthesis and Transformation	5	10
Comprehension OE	10	20
	Total	65

### Comprehension Cloze (Strategies)

- 15 blanks
- Students to identify contextual clues from given text based on
  - topic sentence (information text)
  - connectors (e.g. contrast, cause and effect)
  - collective term
  - fixed phrases/ phrasal verbs

### IMPROVING THE LEVEL OF PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH

- Listening to and Speaking good English
- Reading a wide variety of books and newspapers (What's Up newspapers)
- Writing frequently

#### **Suggested Reads for P5s**

https://www.nlb.gov.sg/main/site/-/media/NLBMedia/Documents/DiscoveReads/Children/Reading-Recommendations/Booklists/Primary-5-Suggested-Reads-2024.pdf



