

SOLIHULL

11+ ENTRANCE EXAMINATION SYLLABUS

In the 11+ age group candidates sit English and Mathematics papers plus Verbal & Non-Verbal Reasoning papers.

ENGLISH

There will be one paper lasting one hour. It will contain two tasks.

Task 1 will test the candidates' reading skills. They will be assessed on their ability to comprehend and understand a fiction passage. They will be expected to write critically about aspects of character, setting, situation and theme. They will also need to consider closely the writer's choice of language. They might be required to use quotations from the text to support their points.

Task 2 will allow the candidates to write a composition. Credit will be given for imagination, clarity of expression, grammatical accuracy and quality of imagery.

MATHEMATICS

There will be one paper lasting one hour. It will contain three sections.

Section A

This section will consist of a series of short questions in which the candidates will not be required to show working.

Sections B and C

These sections will consist of longer problems, often with several parts, where the candidates are asked to think through more complex and testing situations.

Calculators will not be allowed in the examination.

SUMMARY OF WORK TO BE COVERED

- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of whole numbers (but not complicated long division)
- Simple fractions
- Simple decimals
- Time and the 24 hour clock
- Recognition of patterns of numbers
- Finding areas of squares and rectangles
- Simple direct proportion
- Time, distance and speed in simple cases
- Averages
- Problems involving money
- Very simple probability