

PLACEMENT EXAM SYLLABUS

Material to be covered by entrants to Form 4

The Placement exam will comprise of 3 Sections:

- Use of English
 - Reading Comprehension & Analysis
 - Composition
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Use of English

PRESENT TENSES

- Present Simple
- Present Continuous
- Present Perfect Simple
- Present Perfect Continuous

PAST TENSES

- Past Simple
- Past Continuous
- Past Perfect Simple
- Past Perfect Continuous

FUTURE TENSES

- Future Simple
- Future Continuous
- Shall
- Be going to
- Present Simple for future
- Present Continuous for future
- Future Perfect Simple
- Future Perfect Continuous

- Modal Verbs
- Imperative Verbs
- Suffixes / Prefixes
- Punctuation [“ ” ; : ‘]
- Homophones
- Prepositions of time / place / movement
- Passive Voice
- Reported Speech
- Conditionals
- Wishes

Reading Comprehension & Analysis

TYPES OF TASKS

- Reading Comprehension
- Analysis
- Summary Writing

SKILLS EXAMINED

- P.E.E. for both Implicit and Explicit information
- Identification of target audience & author's purpose
- How the writer achieves effect / Impact on reader
- Ability to identify:
 - Figures of Speech
 - Irony
 - Flashback
 - Foreshadowing
 - Alliteration

Composition

TASKS

- News Report
- Argumentative Article
- Diary Entry/Imagine you are
- Descriptive Writing

SKILLS / LANGUAGE EXAMINED

- Persuasive Devices
- Descriptive Devices
- Linking Words
- Adverbials
- Expressions for comparison