



**PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2025
EXAMINATION FORMAT AND TOPICS
SECONDARY 4 NORMAL TECHNICAL**

SECONDARY 4 NORMAL TECHNICAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION					
Teaching Groups	Subject & Code	Chapter/ Area of Focus	Format	Marks / % Overall	Duration
4E11, 4E16	English Language (1195)	Writing Language Use and Reading	Paper 1: Editing, Situational Writing, Continuous Writing	70m (30%)	1 h 20 min
		Comprehension	Paper 2: Language Use and Reading Comprehension	60m (40%)	1 h 20 min
		Listening Comprehension	Paper 3: Listening	20m (10%)	45 min
		Oral Communication	Paper 4: Reading Aloud, Spoken Interaction	40m (20%)	20 min (includes 10 min of prep time)
4E21, 4E22 and 4E26	English Language (1190)	Writing	Paper 1:	70m (35%)	1 h 50 min
		Comprehension	Editing, Situational Writing, Continuous Writing		
		Listening	Paper 2: Comprehension Texts and Summary Task	50m (35%)	1 h 50 min
		Oral Communication	Paper 3: Listening	30m (10%)	45 min
4CL9	Basic Chinese (1202)	Vocab	Paper 1: cloze passage, vocab, Comprehension (MCQ), SMS/ informal email writing	30m (30%)	50 min
		Grammar	Paper 2: Oral	50m (50%)	10 min
		Comprehension	Paper 3: LC (MCQ)	20m (20%)	30 min
4CL7	Chinese Language (1196)	Listening Comprehension (LC)			
		Oral Communication			
		Listening Comprehension (LC)	Paper 1: informal & formal email, Composition - narrative, expository, argumentative	60m (30%)	2 h
			Paper 2: cloze passage, Comprehension (MCQ & open-ended)	60m (30%)	1 h 30 min
			Paper 3: LC (MCQ)	20m (10%)	30 min
			Paper 3: Oral	60m (30%)	10 min



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4ML9	Basic Malay Language (1203)	Vocab Grammar Comprehension	Paper 1: Cloze passage, vocab, Comprehension text MCQ, Functional writing	30m (30%)	50 min
		Oral Communication	Paper 2: Oral	50m (50%)	10 min
		Listening Comprehension (LC)	Paper 3: LC (MCQ)	20m (20%)	30 min
4ML7	Malay Language (1197)	Functional Writing	Paper 1: Written Interaction, Respond writing and formal email, Composition - narrative, expository, descriptive	60m (30%)	2 h
		Essay Grammar Vocab, Comprehension Oral Communication Listening Comprehension (LC)	Paper 2: cloze passage, Comprehension (MCQ & open-ended)	60m (30%)	1 h 30 min
			Paper 3: LC (MCQ)	20m (10%)	30 min
			Paper 4: Oral	60m (30%)	10 min
4TL9	Basic Tamil Language (1204)	Functional writing Vocab	Paper 1: part A Functional writing Paper 1: part B	30m (30%)	50 min
		Idioms TGrammar Comprehension Listening Comprehension (LC) Oral Communication	Idioms, Cloze PSG, visual stimulus MCQ, text MCQ	50m (50%)	10 min
			Paper 2: Oral Paper 3: LC (MCQ)	20m (20%)	30 min



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4S11	Science (5148)	All chapters	Paper 1: e-examination	50m (50%)	1 h 15 min
			<p>Section A: 30 multiple-choice questions and 2 to 5 selected response questions</p> <p>Section B will carry 10 marks and consist of 2 to 3 selected-response, short-answer and/or structured questions with video, animation or interactive stimuli.</p> <p>Paper 2: Short-answer and structured</p>	<p>Section A: 30 m + 10 m</p> <p>Section B: 10 m</p> <p>50m (50%)</p>	1 h
4M21, 4M22 and 4M26	Mathematics Syllabus A (4045)	All topics from Sec 1 to 4	Paper 1 There will be about 23 short answer questions.	70m (50%)	2 h
			<p>Paper 2 Section A: Questions with varying lengths, the last question focuses specifically on applying mathematics to a real-world scenario.</p> <p>Section B: Do 1 question from the 2 long structured questions.</p>	70m (50%)	2 h



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4M11 and 4M16	Mathematics Syllabus T (4046)	All topics from Sec 1 to 4	Paper 1 11-13 short questions carrying 2-4 marks and 2 longer structured questions carrying 6-8 marks, developed around a context. Cover topics from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number and Algebra • Geometry and Measurement • Real-World Contexts 	50m (50%)	1 h 30 min
			Paper 2 11-13 short questions carrying 2-4 marks and 2 longer structured questions carrying 6-8 marks, developed around a context Cover topics from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number and Algebra • Statistics and Probability • Real-World Contexts 	50m (50%)	1 h 30 min
4U11 and 4U16	CPA (7018)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer Fundamentals (CPF) • Media Elements (MEL) • Document Processing (DOP) • Spreadsheets (SST) • Multimedia Communication (MMC) • Media Computing (MEC) 	Paper 1: MCQ and Short Structured Questions	60m (30%)	1 h 15 min
			Paper 2: Practical	70m (35%)	1 h 30 min
			Paper 3: Practical	70m (35%)	1 h 30 min



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4K16	Music (6129)	<p>Paper 1: Listening Paper This paper comprises the following Areas of Study: Popular Music from 2000 onwards, Western Classical Music, Music for Film and Television, and Music from Local Cultures.</p> <p>The rigour of active listening would equip candidates with the competencies to listen, analyse, articulate their musical intentions and evaluate their musical decisions.</p>	<p>Paper 1</p> <p>Part A: Multiple Choice Questions</p> <p>Part B: Short Answer Questions</p>	<p>40%</p> <p>20m</p> <p>20m</p>	1 h
		<p>Paper 2: Creating and Performing</p> <p>This mini coursework requires students to create by producing a song or instrumental music arrangement and performing a part in the song or music live, based on any one of the genres covered in the areas of study (except Music for Film and Television).</p>	<p>Paper 2 Coursework Task 1</p>	40m (60%)	30 min performance slot



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4RO1	RO (A301/01) (A301/03)	Paper 1 Students must be able to demonstrate knowledge and understanding on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types of retail store • Types of merchandise • Importance of housekeeping activities • Receiving and Storing Merchandise • Tagging of Merchandise • Replenishing Merchandise • Importance of inventory control • Updating the Stock Record Card • Stock Replenishment 	Paper 1 Written Examination	30m (50%)	1 h
		Paper 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will be required to do a research on the product • Students must be able to demonstrate ability to perform sales presentation on selected product • Students must be able to demonstrate ability to find information about the features and benefits of the chosen products, demonstrate sales presentations skill as well as cashier duties 	Paper 3 Practical Examination – Demonstrate Selling Skills	120m (50%)	15 min per student (whole duration is 8:00 am - 2:00 pm)



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4R16	Art (6128)	Paper 2: (Portfolio) Part (A) Digital Journal Part (B) Art and Design work Part (C) Personal Response	Paper 2 Portfolio and journal	100m (60%)	20 weeks
		Paper 1: (Art Task) 1. Investigation and Development of a Solution 2. Aesthetic/Design Qualities 3. Visual Presentation 4. Personal Response	Paper 1 One task accompanied with a visual stimulus will be offered five weeks before the commencement of the examination. Within the task, three product outcomes will be offered. Students must select one product to respond in relation to the task and visual stimulus given.	100m (40%)	3 h