



ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE ENTRANCE EXAM SYLLABUS

The exam is designed for students for whom English is not a first language/mother tongue but for whom it will be a language of instruction in the IB diploma programme.

The exam question paper is divided into two parts: Reading and Writing.

Reading task will be based on three short texts and will examine students' ability to

- identify both stated and implied information, opinions, attitudes,
- identify main ideas and supporting details,
- identify some aspects of style,
- select and organize material relevant to specific purposes,
- give personal response.

Writing task will require to respond to one of the read texts (in 50-60 words) and to answer a question on a topic dealing with one of the following (in 160-180 words):

- education
- leisure
- nature and environmental problems
- youth culture
- health and fitness
- customs and traditions
- social relationships.

The written task will examine students' ability to

- provide relevant information and ideas,
- develop and support ideas,
- present ideas clearly,
- use a range of appropriate vocabulary,
- demonstrate accuracy in spelling, grammar and sentence structure.

Duration of the exam 1 hour.