

OPSA FOUNDATION PHASE

Grade 3 – Term 3 Series A Assessment Programme

Assessment principle

OPSA does not conduct formal assessment throughout the term. Series A is an end-of-Term 3 summative assessment. Grade 3 is assessed in Home Language, First Additional Language, Mathematics and Life Skills. Each report subject carries 100 marks; total = 400.

Task / Subtask	Subject	Assessment activity	Assessment format	Marks
Task 1.1	Home Language	Oral work	Practical task – oral	10
Task 1.2	Home Language	Reading	Practical task – reading	15
Task 1.3	Home Language	Phonics	Question paper – phonics	10
Task 1.4	Home Language	Handwriting	Practical task – writing	10
Task 1.5	Home Language	Writing – one integrated task	Practical task – writing	25
Task 1.6	Home Language	Presentation	Practical task – presentation	10
Task 1.7	Home Language	Reading response	Question paper – comprehension	10
Task 1.8	Home Language	Language use – one task	Question paper – language	10
Task 2.1	First Additional Language	Reading	Practical task – reading	15
Task 2.2	First Additional Language	Phonics	Question paper – phonics	10
Task 2.3	First Additional Language	Writing – one integrated task	Practical task – writing	30
Task 2.4	First Additional Language	Language use – one integrated task, including consolidation	Question paper – language	30
Task 2.5	First Additional Language	Reading response	Question paper – comprehension	15
Task 3	Mathematics	One integrated Term 3 question paper	Question paper	100
Task 4.1	Life Skills	Beginning Knowledge	Question paper	25
Task 4.2	Life Skills	Personal and Social Well-being	Question paper	25
Task 4.3	Life Skills	Creative Arts	Practical task – create/perform	25
Task 4.4	Life Skills	Physical Education	Practical task – performance	25

Mathematics paper distribution

Numbers 15; Operations 15; Relationships 10; Problem solving 15; Patterns 15; Measurement 10; Space and shape 10; Data handling 10

Five-day assessment programme

Day	Session 1	Session 2
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Day 1	Home Language: Task 1 – oral/reading/phonics	First Additional Language: Task 2 – listening/reading/phonics as applicable
Day 2	Home Language: remaining Task 1 subtasks – handwriting/writing/presentation/language as applicable	First Additional Language: remaining Task 2 subtasks – writing/language/reading response as applicable
Day 3	Mathematics: Task 3 – integrated question paper /100	Life Skills: Task 4.1 Beginning Knowledge /25
Day 4	Life Skills: Task 4.2 Personal and Social Well-being /25	Life Skills: Task 4.3 Creative Arts /25
Day 5	Life Skills: Task 4.4 Physical Education /25	Complete any individual oral/reading assessment still outstanding

Marking and reporting

- Practical tasks are marked through direct observation of performance or a concrete product.
- Question papers are completed in writing and marked with a memorandum.
- Subtask marks are combined to produce a final mark out of 100 per report subject.