

FAQ's - Frequently asked Questions.

- **Will my child need to bring refreshments, pencils, and a rubber?**

Please can your child bring their own refreshments for the break and a few pencils and a rubber. (They will need to bring their own stationery and refreshments in the real test)

- **Can my child use a digital watch, and will there be a clock in the hall?**

Your child can use a normal watch, but NOT a digital watch as these are not allowed in the real test. There will be a clock in the hall as there will be in the real test.

- **What mark is normally required in the mock tests for potentially getting a place at Pates?**

From previous data in the mock tests, we can see that you child would need to get approximately 80%-85% in all areas. This would include verbal, non-verbal and mathematics sections to gain a place at Pates.

- **What mark in your mock tests indicates getting a potential place at a grammar school?**

From previous data in the mock tests, we can see that your child needs to achieve approximately between 60% - 65% to gain a place.

- **Is the spreadsheet standardized to age and what information does it contain?**

Our spreadsheet is not standardized to age, but in the real test it will be. Our spreadsheet will give you a comparison of the cohort's scores and ranking in all areas of the test. It will also give the percentage scores for overall verbal, non-verbal and mathematics. All names will be confidential, and your child will remain anonymous.

- **Will I get to see the test papers and the answer sheets from my child's mock test?**

Yes, you will receive a scanned copy of your child's answer sheets and a protected copy of the test papers which have copyright.

- **If my child is unable to attend the live mock, due to ill health can my child still do the paper?**

The online protected papers, answer sheets and answers would be sent to you in the following week by email. A spreadsheet would also be sent, with all the results of the cohort from each section in rank order and overall scores. The results of your child can then be compared using the spreadsheet.