

GCE O-Level Examinations 2021

Briefing for Candidates

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Examination Centre Number: 2071

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1. EXAMINATION DATES

15 October 2021

To

15 November 2021

(Exam attire: Full school uniform)

2. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF CANDIDATES

Category	Examination Arrangements
Confirmed case of COVID-19 infection Stay Home Notice (SHN)	Not allowed to sit for examinations.
Quarantine Order (QO) <i>Including candidates pending issuance of QO.</i>	
Approved Absence (AA) <i>Due to MOH's mandatory testing or Health Risk Warning.</i>	Allowed if entry PCR test is negative and to self-swab ART at regular intervals, in compliance with MOH's testing regime.
Leave of Absence (LOA) (Confirmed) <i>For candidates who had close contact with confirmed case(s) and are not pending issuance of QO.</i>	Allowed if supervised ART is negative and to test at regular intervals.
LOA (QO) <i>For candidates who are staying in the same household as individuals serving QO.</i>	
LOA (SHN) <i>For candidates who are staying in the same household as individuals serving SHN at home.</i>	

2. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF CANDIDATES

AA <i>For candidates with household members (aged 6 and above) who have flu-like symptoms.</i>	Allowed if a one-time self-swab ART is negative.
MC due to ARI (Acute respiratory infection)	Allowed if recovered and PCR test is negative.
MC due to Fever (non-ARI)	Allowed if recovered and one-time self-swab ART is negative.

Testing Arrangement for candidates under LOA

For candidates under LOA -- LOA (Confirmed), LOA (QO), LOA (SHN)

- Required to undergo supervised self-swab ART at the Exam Centre, on the first day of examination after they are placed on LOA and then at regular intervals, until the LOA is rescinded.
- Candidates must report to the Gym room (near the canteen, beside the vending machine) at least **1 hour** before the examination to do the ART.

3A. EXAMINATION VENUES (WRITTEN)

- **Attendance and temperature taking** will be supervised by the Form Teachers/ KPs

Class	REPORTING VENUE	REPORTING TIME	EXAM VENUE	DATE(S)
4-1	C2-01	<u>45 minutes</u> before the start of the exam	Hall	15 Oct to 15 Nov
4-2	C2-02		Hall	
4-3	C2-03		Hall	
4-4	C2-04		Hall	
5-1	D3-03		AVA	

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Class	REPORTING VENUE	REPORTING TIME	EXAM VENUE	DATE(S)
4N(O-Level)	D1-01	<u>45 minutes</u> before the start of the exam	D1-01	15 Oct to 15 Nov
3-1, 3-3	C1-03	Mother Tongue on 10 Nov: 0715h	Hall	10 Nov
3-2, 3-4	C1-04			

3B. EXAMINATION VENUES **(LC/ WRITTEN for MTB only)**

LC: MOTHER TONGUE B	REPORTING VENUE	REPORTING TIME	EXAM VENUE	DATE(S)
4E5N	COMP LAB 1	1615 h	COMP LAB 1	15 Oct
Written: MOTHER TONGUE B	REPORTING VENUE	REPORTING TIME	EXAM VENUE	DATE(S)
4E5N	COMP LAB 1	0730 h	COMP LAB 1	12 NOV

3C. ACCESS ARRANGEMENT

Students with Access Arrangement must
bring the AA Outcome for every exam.

4. IMPORTANT INFORMATION (MAJOR DISRUPTIONS)



Major Train Service Disruptions:

If you are able to reach your school before the end of the paper

1. Inform your school immediately and go to your school.
2. Look out for instructions on bridging transport services OR go to the Passenger Service Centre located in the MRT stations for assistance. (You do not need to produce an excuse letter from MRT station)
3. You will be given the full duration to sit the examination.



4. IMPORTANT INFORMATION (MAJOR DISRUPTIONS)

Major Train Service Disruptions:



If you are unable to reach your school before the end of the paper

1. Inform your school immediately.
2. Go to the nearest exam centre to take the examination. The information can be found in:
 - SEAB website (www.seab.gov.sg)
 - LTA's 'My Transport' APP
 - SEAB's Advisory Posters at the MRT station
3. You will be given the full duration to sit for the paper if you reach the exam centre before the end of the paper.
4. Inform your school if you arrive after the paper has ended OR are unable to reach a school at all.



4. IMPORTANT INFORMATION (MAJOR DISRUPTIONS)

Information for Candidates

- The list of Exam Centres that are near MRT/LRT stations is available at

- ✓ SEAB website
(www.seab.gov.sg)



- LTA's 'MyTransport' APP
(1 week before exam day)

- Each MRT station has a poster with information of nearby Exam Centres.

The poster is from the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (SEAB). It provides instructions for candidates in the event of a major train service disruption. It lists the nearest exam centre for DT 1 Bukit Panjang, categorized by exam level: O/N(A)/N(T)-Level and A-Level. It also includes QR codes for downloading the LTA's MyTransport.SG mobile app and accessing the 'Find-My-Way' module.

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INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES TAKING THE SINGAPORE-CAMBRIDGE GCE EXAMINATIONS

IN THE EVENT OF A MAJOR TRAIN SERVICE DISRUPTION

Please report at your exam centre if you are able to reach there before the end of the exam paper. If you arrive at the exam centre before the end of the paper, you will be given the full duration to sit the exam.

If you are unable to reach your exam centre before the end of the paper, you can go to the nearest exam centre and report to the Chief Presiding Examiner.

Nearest Exam Centre

DT 1 Bukit Panjang	For O / N(A) / N(T)-Level: Teck Whye Secondary School Zhenghua Secondary School West Spring Secondary School Green Ridge Secondary School Fajar Secondary School
	For A-Level: Pioneer Junior College Millennia Institute

You can download LTA's MyTransport.SG mobile app and access 'Find-My-Way' module for the list of exam centres.

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5A. REMINDERS (BEFORE EXAMINATION)

1. Read the “**Exam Rules & Regulations for School Candidates Booklet**” carefully within 2 days of this briefing. The booklet was issued in Term 2.

2. Approved Calculators
Read **Annex 8** A-1 and A-2 Pg 25-31 for details on the list of approved calculators.

3. Approved Dictionaries
 - Read Annex 8 B-1 Pg. 32 and Annex C **Pg. 35 – 38** for details on the approved dictionaries.

 - **Bilingual dictionaries are not allowed**

 - **E-dictionaries** need to be silent, and come without earpiece and external storage media (e.g. SD card), with extra batteries prepared. Extra batteries will not be provided for you.

5A. REMINDERS (BEFORE EXAMINATION)

4. Check the **reporting times and examination venues for every paper** carefully within 2 days of this briefing.
5. At your reporting venue, **sit according to your register number**. At the exam venue, **your seat will be the same throughout the entire exam period**. Please check this seating plan (which will be pasted outside the exam venue) before 15 Oct.
6. Question Papers for **Art (6123/2) & Higher Art (6124/2)** will be issued on **19 Oct 2021** to candidates.

5A. REMINDERS (BEFORE EXAMINATION)

7. Prepare the following necessary items that you will need for the exam:

- **Stationery in transparent case/ holder**
- **Approved dictionary & calculator**
- **Photo identification e.g. NRIC/ e-z link card**
- **Relevant documents**
(e.g. **entry proof** and **letter to show CPE that AA has been approved**)
- **Working thermometer** as your temperature will need to be taken at the reporting venue
- **proper attire and grooming** (i.e. full school uniform)

5A. REMINDERS (BEFORE EXAMINATION)

8. **Eat and drink healthily** and have sufficient rest to avoid falling sick.
9. Manage your daily activities to **minimize exposure to COVID-19.**
10. **Inform your Form Teacher(s) at the earliest opportunity for advice on follow-up action(s), if you have a possible change or an actual change in your health status (e.g. scheduled for a swab test for COVID-19).**
11. **Clarify all doubts or raise any concern** with your Form Teachers and /or PE (Ms Ji Yu) at the earliest opportunity before the start of the examination period.

5B. REMINDERS (ON EXAMINATION DAYS)

1. If you are not well, e.g. **having a fever** (38°C and above) or exhibiting **flu like symptoms**, inform your teacher and **do NOT report for the examination**.
You should see a doctor immediately.
2. You are **encouraged to report 45 minutes before the start of the exam**.
Inform your Form Teacher(s) if you are going to be late for the examination.
3. **Maintain safe distancing** at the reporting and examination venues and **avoid intermingling**.
4. **Strictly no communication** with peers on the way to or inside the examination venues.
5. You should **wear a surgical face mask at all times**. The use of a face shield is not allowed unless due to a medical condition (which must be certified).

5B. REMINDERS (ON EXAMINATION DAYS)

6. **You are only allowed to use the “designated” toilets.** You must observe the safe distancing measures when queuing up for the toilet.

	Reporting room	Toilet	
4-1	C2-01	Science block	Level 1
4-2	C2-02	Science block	Level 2
4-3	C2-03	Block C	Level 2
4-4	C2-04	Block C	Level 1
5-1	D3-03	Block D	Level 3
4N	D1-01	Block D	Level 1
3-1, 3-3	C1-03	Block D	Level 2
3-2, 3-4	C1-04	Block C	Level 3

5B. REMINDERS (ON EXAMINATION DAYS)

7. **Listen attentively** to the instructions given, e.g. the instructions **related to Common Last Topic (CLT) before the start of the examination** and **read the examination instructions to candidates** carefully.
8. **Strictly no borrowing** of stationery, dictionaries, calculators and examination equipment during the examination.
9. Any **irregularity and malpractice** (e.g. **attempt to cheat, possession of unauthorized devices, communication with peers, posting examination materials online**) **will be recorded and reported** and a statement may be taken.
10. **No extra time will be given for latecomers** and a **statement will be taken** by CPE at the end of paper
11. **Please inform an examination personnel immediately if you are unwell, while attempting any examination paper or task.**

5B. REMINDERS (ON EXAMINATION DAYS)

12. Go back to your **reporting venue** if there is a short break between the papers that day.
13. **Inform your Form Teacher(s) at the earliest opportunity for advice on follow-up action(s), if you have a possible change or an actual change in your health status (e.g. scheduled for a swab test for COVID-19)**
14. **If Form Teacher(s) cannot be reached on examination days, contact the General Office at 6443 0563** to ask to speak to the PE (Ms Ji Yu) or even a School Leader (i.e. Vice-Principal or Principal)
15. Should there be an emergency or crisis while attempting an examination paper or task (e.g. a fire or a serious security breach), stay calm and listen for instructions, and discern if there is an actual need to perform “Run, Hide and Tell” if instructions are not readily available.

5C. REMINDERS (AFTER EXAMINATION ENDS)

1. Perform **wipe-down** with solution and paper provided by the invigilators
- after each exam - **before leaving the examination venue.**
2. **Dismissal will be staggered.**
3. **Check if there is another paper later in the day** before leaving
the examination centre.
4. **Do not post or discuss examination materials or questions online.**
5. Inform your Form Teacher(s), Year Head or the School Counsellor if
you **wish to talk to someone** after a paper ends.
6. Do go home immediately after your exam ends.

5D. REMINDERS (SPECIAL CONSIDERATION APPLICATION)

Schools may apply Special Consideration for students who have:

- **sat the examination under adverse circumstances (e.g. illness, bereavement or temporary injury etc), or**
- **missed an examination of a paper that constitutes not more than 50% of the total assessment by component weighting for the subject, due to illness, bereavement or temporary injury etc**

All applications must be submitted together with the following:

- **A Medical Report / Doctor's Certifying Letter which must include the diagnosis of the illness and dated on the same examination day, or Relevant Supporting documents (for non-medical cases)**
- **MCs without doctor's diagnosis and/or medical reports will not be accepted.**

All applications for Special consideration must reach SEAB within 3 days after the examination (by 18 Nov).

6. WHO TO CONTACT?

In case of an emergency, contact

- Form Teacher(s)
- General Office at 6443 0563 (to ask to speak to the PE Ms Ji Yu or even a School Leader i.e. Vice-Principal or Principal)

7. Study Break

Level	Start date of Written Examination	Dates for study break (where online consultation will be conducted)	Last day to report for lessons in school
Sec 4E/ 5N (GCE-O)	15 Oct (Fri) 2.30 pm – EL Listening Comprehension Exam	11 Oct (Mon) – 15 Oct (Fri – 12 pm)	8 Oct (Fri)

Lastly, please stay healthy and do take care, everyone!

WISHING YOU ALL THE

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