

English SATs _

and how to beat them!

THE PAPERS

Monday 13th May, 2019:

Grammar, punctuation and spelling test Paper 1: **45 mins**

Spelling test Paper 2: approximately: **15 mins**

Tuesday 14th May, 2019:

Reading comprehension paper: **60 mins**

SPaG HOMEWORK TO PREPARE FOR PAPER 1

- **USE THE BOOKLET!**
- **Attempt all questions**
- **Don't panic!**
- **Get help if you are stuck**
- **Don't use the internet**
- **USE THE BOOKLET!**

PUNCTUATION AND GRAMMAR PAPER 1

Sample question

Which verb completes the sentence so that it uses the subjunctive form?

I wish I _____ able to join you, but it will not be possible.

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SPELLING - 20 marks

- Each night, go through your child's spellings with them.
- Just learn a few a night.
- Use the spelling strategies poster in the back of their planners.

READING PAPER

- **ALL** reading is valuable - let your child see you **enjoy** reading
- **Talk** to your child about what they are reading: ask them about the plot, characters, their feelings, actions, ask them to predict
- **Look up** definitions of words
- Help them to interpret instructions

READING PAPER

Sample question

Look at the paragraph beginning: One of the victims... What does the word invaders suggest about the humans arriving on Mauritius?

WRITING

- **Give them opportunities to write: shopping lists, thank you letters, notes**
- **Check what you can - capital letters**
- **Don't allow them to think, "That'll do." It won't!**

PRAISE! PRAISE!PRAISE! PRAISE!PRAISE!

And finally...

Here's some advice from the previous year 6 pupils.

“Do more reading.”

“Do all your SPaG homework.”

“Don't panic, just work hard!”

“Try your hardest and enjoy every moment.”