# MATHEMATICS GRADE 7-9 

## SECTION 4 CHANGES



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## PURPOSE

- To outline the changes in CAPS Section 4.
- To indicate the minimum number and type of formal assessment tasks to be administered per term.
- To determine the minimum suggested marks per task.
- To outline the assessment guidelines per Grade for Examinations (June and End of the Year) and the suggested marks per topic.
- To determine the weighting of assessment tasks for reporting purposes (per term).
- To indicate the weighting of tasks for progression and promotion purposes (SBA and End of the Year examination).
- To calculate the FINAL percentage mark for the learner.


## FORMS OF ASSESSMENT TASKS

There are 5 forms of formal assessment tasks in Mathematics:

- Assignment
- Investigation
- Test
- Project
- Examination

| CHANGES IN NUMBER OF FORMAL |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSEMENT TASKS PER TERM |  |  |  |  |
| TERM | CAPS (p. 155) |  | REVISED SECTION 4 (p. 3) |  |
|  | NUMBER | FORM | NUMBER | FORM |
| 1 | 2 | Test | 2 | Test |
|  |  | Assignment |  | Assignment |
| 2 | 3 | Test | 2 | Investigation |
|  |  | Investigation |  | Examination |
|  |  | Examination |  |  |
| 3 | 3 | Test | 2 | Test |
|  |  | Assignment |  | Project |
|  |  | Project |  |  |
| 4 | 3 | Assignment | 1 | Examination |
|  |  | Investigation |  |  |
|  |  | Examination |  |  |

Total $\quad 11$

## MINIMUM SUGGESTED MARKS PER ASSESSMENT TASK

- The following are the minimum suggested marks for each assessment task except examinations.

| GRADE | TEST | ASSIGNMENT | INVESTIGATION | PROJECT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| GRADE 7 | 40 marks | 50 marks | 40 marks | 50 marks |
| GRADE 8 | 50 marks | 50 marks | 40 marks | 50 marks |
| GRADE 9 | 50 marks | 50 marks | 50 marks | 50 marks |

## MINIMUM SUGGESTED MARKS PER ASSESSMENT TASK

- For examinations (June and End of the Year), two papers have been suggested per grade per examination.
- The following are the minimum suggested marks and Content Areas per paper per grade.

| PAPER | CONTENT AREAS | GRADE 7 | GRADE 8 | GRADE 9 | DURATION |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Numbers, Operations <br> and Relationships <br> Patterns, Functions and <br> Algebra | 50 marks | 60 marks | 75 marks |  |
| 2Space and Shape, <br> Measurement and Data <br> Handling (where <br> applicable) | 50 marks | 60 marks | 75 marks | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ hour per |  |
| paper |  |  |  |  |  |

## ASSESSMENT GUIDELINES

- Table 4.3.1 to 4.3.12 indicate the assessment guidelines for examinations (June and End of the Year) per grade (see pages 7-12).
- Each topic is allocated minimum marks that can vary by $\pm 2$ marks.
- Should the minimum suggested marks be exceeded, use the percentage mark to calculate the mark allocation per topic, i.e.

Mark allocation per topic $=\%$ mark per topic $\times$ total mark for the paper
N.B. \% mark per topic is always out of 100

## WEIGHTING OF ASSESSMENT TASKS FOR REPORTING PURPOSES (PER TERM)

- The total weighting of assessment tasks per grade per term is $100 \%$.
- The weighting for assignment, investigation and project is $40 \%$ per task.
- The weighting for tests and June examination is 60 \% per task.
- To calculate the percentage mark for each task per term, multiply \% mark for the task for the learner by the \% weighting for that particular task , i.e.
$\%$ mark per task $=\frac{\text { learner mark }}{\text { total per task }} \times 100 \times$ weighting for the task
N.B. weighting is a percentage, thus always out of 100
- To calculate the overall \% mark for the term, add the percentage marks for the two tasks per term.


# WEIGHTING OF ASSESSMENT TASKS FOR PROGRESSION AND PROMOTION PURPOSES 



- All tasks (Assignment, tests, investigation, June examination and Project) except the End of the Year Examination form School Based Assessment (SBA).
- The weighting for SBA for Grades 7-9 is $40 \%$.
- The table below indicates the weighting of each task for SBA.

| Test | Assignment | Investigation | June <br> examination | Project |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $6 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $6 \%$ |

N.B. There are 2 tests and each test has a weighting of $6 \%$.
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## SBA AND ITS WEIGHTING

- To calculate the percentage mark for each task for SBA, divide the learner's mark by the total mark for the task and multiply by the weighting of that task, i.e.
$\%$ mark per task $=\frac{\text { learner mark }}{\text { total per task }} \times 100 \times$ weighting of the task
N.B. weighting is a percentage, thus always out of 100
- To calculate the total SBA mark for the learner add all the above \% marks.


## END OF THE YEAR EXAMINATION AND ITS WEIGHTING

The \% weighting for End of the Year exam for Grades 7-9 is 60\%
To calculate the percentage mark for End of the Year Examination, divide the learner's mark by the total mark for the two papers and multiply by 60, i.e.
$\%$ mark for End of the Year exam $=\frac{\text { learner mark }}{\text { total per task }} \times 60$, or multiply the learner's \% mark for the exam by $60 \%$, i.e.
$\%$ mark per task $=\frac{\text { learner mark }}{\text { total per task }} \times 100 \times 60 \%$

## OVERALL MARKS FOR THE LEARNER

- To calculate the overall \% mark for the learner, add the \% for SBA and \% for End of the Year Examination, i.e.

Total \% mark $=$ \% mark for SBA + \% mark for End of the Year Examination

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