



NORTH VISTA SECONDARY SCHOOL

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2023

EXAMINATION FORMAT AND TOPICS

Class	Subject & Code	Chapter / Area of Focus	Format	Marks / % Overall	Duration
4E1-4E4 5N	English Language (4Exp - 1184 5N - 1128)	- Writing - Reading Comprehension - Listening Comprehension - Oral Communication	Paper 1: Section A: Editing Section B: Situational Writing Section C: Continuous Writing Paper 2: Section A: Visual Text Comprehension Section B: Narrative Text Comprehension Section C: Non-narrative Text Comprehension Paper 3: Listening Comprehension Paper 4: Oral	Paper 1: 70m (35%) Paper 2: 50m (35%) Paper 3: 30m (10%) Paper 4: 30m (20%)	Paper 1: 1 hr 50 min Paper 2: 1 hr 50 min Paper 3: ~1h
4E1-4E5 5N 3E (HCL)	Chinese Language (1160)	- Email - Essay - Cloze Passage - Comprehension - Oral Communication - Listening Comprehension	Paper 1: Email and Essay Writing Paper 2: Section A: Cloze passage Section B: MCQ - Comprehension Section C: Open-ended Comprehension Paper 3: Listening Comprehension (MCQ) Paper 4: Oral Reading Aloud and Conversation	Paper 1: 60m (30%) Paper 2: 70m (35%) Paper 3 (LC): 20m (10%) Paper 3 (Oral): 50m (25%)	Paper 1: 2 hr Paper 2: 1 hr 30 min Paper 3 (LC): 30 min
4E1 - 4E4 5N	Malay Language (1148)	- Email - Essay - Grammar - Proverbs - Cloze Passage - Comprehension - Oral Communication - Listening Comprehension	Paper 1: Email and Essay Writing Paper 2: MCQ, Short-structured questions Fill in the blanks Paper 3: Listening Comprehension (MCQ) Paper 4: Oral Reading Aloud and Conversation	Paper 1: 60 m (30%) Paper 2: 70m (35%) Paper 3 (LC): 20m (10%) Paper 3 (Oral): 25%	Paper 1: 2 hr Paper 2: 1 hr 30 min Paper 3 (LC): 30 min
4E1-4E4	Higher Chinese (1116)	- Email - Essay - Cloze Passage - Grammar - Comprehension - Summary - Oral Communication	Paper 1: Email and Essay Writing Paper 2: Cloze passage, Grammar, Comprehension, Summary Paper 3: Oral	Paper 1: 80m (40%) Paper 2: 80m (40%) Paper 3: 40m (20%)	Paper 1: 2 hr Paper 2: 1 hr 45 min Paper 3: 20 min
4E1-4E4	Chinese Language B (1153)	- Writing - Cloze passage - Reading Comprehension - Listening Comprehension - Oral Communication	Paper 1: Email <u>or</u> Essay Writing Paper 2: Section A: Cloze passage Section B & C: MCQ - Comprehension Paper 3: Listening Comprehension (MCQ) Paper 4: Oral Reading Aloud and Conversation	Paper 1: 20 m (20%) Paper 2: 30m (30%) Paper 3 (LC): 20m (10%) Paper 3 (Oral): 30m (30%)	Paper 1: 50 min Paper 2: 1 hr Paper 3 (LC): 30 min
4E1-4E4	Mathematics (Revised) (4052)	Refer to Syllabus Outline (Issued to students)	Paper 1: There will be about 26 short answer questions. Candidates are required to answer all questions. Paper 2: There will be 9 to 10 questions of varying marks and lengths. The last question in this paper will focus specifically on applying mathematics to a real-world scenario. Candidates are required to answer all questions.	Paper 1: 90m (50%) Paper 2: 90m (50%)	Paper 1: 2 h 15 mins Paper 2: 2 h 15 mins
5N	Mathematics (4048)	Refer to Syllabus Outline (Issued to students)	Paper 1: There will be about 25 short answer questions. Candidates are required to answer all questions. Paper 2: There will be 10 to 11 questions of varying marks and lengths. The last question in this paper will focus specifically on applying mathematics to a real-world scenario. Candidates are required to answer all questions.	Paper 1: 80m (50%) Paper 2: 100m (50%)	Paper 1: 2 h Paper 2: 2 h 30 mins

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4E1 - 4E4	Additional Mathematics (4049)	Refer to Syllabus Outline (Issued to students)	Paper 1: There will be 12 – 14 questions of varying marks and lengths, up to 10 marks per question. Candidates are required to answer ALL questions. Paper 2: There will be 9 – 11 questions of varying marks and lengths, up to 12 marks per question. Candidates are required to answer ALL questions.	Paper 1: 90m (50%) Paper 2 : 90m (50%)	Paper 1: 2h 15 mins Paper 2 : 2h 15 mins
4E1 - 4E2	Chemistry (6092)	All chapters	Paper 1: MCQ Paper 2: Structured & Free Response Paper 3: Practical	Paper 1: 40m (30%) Paper 2: 80m (50%) Paper 3: 40m (20%)	Paper 1: 1 hr Paper 2: 1 hr 45 min Paper 3: 1 hr 50 min
4E1 - 4E4 5N	Science (Chemistry) (5076) (5078)	All chapters	Paper 1: MCQ Paper 3: Structured & Free Response Paper 5: Practical	Paper 1: 40m (20%) Paper 3: 65m (32.5%) Paper 5: 30m (15%)	Paper 1: 1 hr Paper 3: 1 hr 15 min Paper 5: 1 h 30 min
4E1 - 4E4	Physics (6091)	All chapters	Paper 1: MCQ Paper 2: Structured & Free Response Paper 3: Practical	Paper 1: 40m (30%) Paper 2: 80m (50%) Paper 3: 40m (20%)	Paper 1: 1 hr Paper 2: 1 hr 45 min Paper 3: 1 hr 50 min
4E1 - 4E3 5N	Science (Physics) (5076)	All chapters	Paper 1: MCQ Paper 2: Structured & Free Response Paper 5: Practical	Paper 1: 40m (20%) Paper 2: 65m (32.5%) Paper 5: 30m (15%)	Paper 1: 1 hr Paper 2: 1 hr 15 min Paper 5: 1 h 30 min
4E1	Biology (6093)	All Chapters	Paper 1: MCQ Paper 2: Structured & Free Response Paper 3: Practical	Paper 1: 40m (30%) Paper 2: 80m (50%) Paper 3: 40m (20%)	Paper 1: 1 hr Paper 2: 1 hr 45 min Paper 3: 1 hr 50 min
4E4	Science (Biology) (5078)	All Chapters	Paper 1: MCQ Paper 4: Structured & Free Response Paper 5: Practical	Paper 1: 40m (20%) Paper 4: 65m (32.5%) Paper 5: 30m (15%)	Paper 1: 1 hr Paper 4: 1 hr 15 min Paper 5: 1 h 30 min
4E1 - 4E4 5N	Social Studies (2272/01) (2273/01) (2274/01)	All chapters (Issues 1, 2 & 3)	Section A: Source-based Case Study (SBCS) Section B: Structured-response Questions (SRQ)	50m (50%)	1 hr 45 min
4E3	History (2174)	Paper 1: Unit 1 and 2 Paper 2: Unit 3 and 4	Paper 1: Source-based Case Study (SBCS) and Structured-essay Questions (SEQ) Paper 2: SBCS & SEQ	Paper 1: 50m (50%) Paper 2: 50m (50%)	Paper 1: 1 hr 40 min Paper 2: 1 hr 40min
4E4	Geography (2236)	- Plate Tectonics - Weather & Climate - Tourism - Food Resources - Coasts - Health & Diseases	Paper 1: Geographical Investigations (GI) & Structured Questions Paper 2: Structured Questions	Paper 1: 50m (50%) Pa	Paper 1: 1 hr 40 min Pa
4E1 - 4E3 5N	Elective Geography (2272/02)	- Plate Tectonics - Weather & Climate - Tourism - Food Resources	Section A: Geographical Investigations (GI) Section B: Structured Questions Section C: Structured Questions	50m (50%)	1 hr 40 min
4E4 5N	Elective History (2273/02)	Unit 1 and 3	Section A: Source-based Case Study (SBCS) Section B: Structured-essay Questions (SEQ)	50m (50%)	1 hr 40 min
4E2	Elective Literature (2274/02)	- Kindred - Unseen Prose - Unseen Poetry	Paper 1 Section A Essay Passage-based Questions Section B Unseen Poetry Questions	Paper 1: Section A 25m (25%) Section B 25m (25%)	Paper 1: 1 hr 40min
4E3	Design & Technology (7059)	All Chapters	Paper 1: Theory Paper 2: Coursework Examination	Paper 1: 80m (40%) Paper 2: (60%)	Paper 1: 2 hr Paper 2: In Progress

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4E3	Exercise & Sports Science (6081)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Physiology - Psychology - Motor learning - Biomechanics - Sociology 	Paper 1: Theory (E-paper) Paper 2: Coursework	Paper 1: 80m (40%) Paper 2: 60 m (60%)	Paper 1: 2 hr Paper 2: In progress
4E4	Nutrition & Food Science (6097)	All chapters	Section A - Multiple Choice Questions Section B - Structured Question Section C - Essay Question	100m (100%)	2 hr
4E4 5N	Art (6123/02)	Drawing/Painting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Realistic Observational Drawings - Exploration: Manipulation of Drawings - Toning, Shading & Highlights - Principle of Design (POD) & Foreshortening - Visual Hierachy 	Paper 1: Coursework Paper 2 : Drawing and Painting	Paper 1: 100m (60%) Paper 2: 100m (40%)	3 hr