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Important Dates 2008

Subject	EAA Closing Date	Test Date	Results Available
Science	Thursday 1 May	Thursday 29 May	Late July
Spelling	Tuesday 13 May	Thursday 12 June	Late August
Writing	Tuesday 13 May	Thursday 12 June	Late August
Mathematics	Wednesday 2 July	Tuesday 29 July	Late September
English	Wednesday 17 July	Tuesday 12 August	Early October
Computer Skills	Wednesday 13 August	Wednesday 27 August	Late October

Entry Fees

Subject	Entry Fee per student (includes GST)
Science	AUD 6.60
Spelling	AUD 8.80
Writing	AUD 12.10
Mathematics	AUD 6.60
English	AUD 6.60
Computer Skills	AUD 6.60

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Test Details

Science

Paper	Year Level	Breakdown of Questions	Test Duration
A	Y 3	30 multiple choice	45 minutes
B	Y 4	30 multiple choice	45 minutes
C	Y 5	40 multiple choice	55 minutes
D	Y 6	40 multiple choice	55 minutes
E	Y 7	45 multiple choice	1 hour
F	Y 8	45 multiple choice	1 hour
G	Y 9	45 multiple choice	1 hour
H	Y 10	45 multiple choice	1 hour
I	Y 11	45 multiple choice	1 hour
J	Y 12	45 multiple choice	1 hour

Spelling

Paper	Year Level	Breakdown of Questions	Test Duration
A	Y 3	12 dictation (teacher marked) / 13 multiple choice 'rules and conventions' / 6 proofreading / 9 correcting (teacher marked)	25 minutes plus dictation
B	Y 4	15 dictation (teacher marked) / 13 multiple choice 'rules and conventions' / 8 proofreading / 9 correcting (teacher marked)	25 minutes plus dictation
C	Y 5	15 dictation (teacher marked) / 13 multiple choice 'rules and conventions' / 8 proofreading / 9 correcting (teacher marked)	25 minutes plus dictation
D	Y 6	15 dictation (teacher marked) / 15 multiple choice 'rules and conventions' / 10 proofreading / 10 correcting (teacher marked)	25 minutes plus dictation
E	Y 7	15 dictation (teacher marked) / 15 multiple choice 'rules and conventions' / 10 proofreading / 10 correcting (teacher marked)	25 minutes plus dictation

Writing

Paper	Year Level	Theme	Test Duration
A	Y 3	Narrative	30 minutes
B	Y 4	Narrative	30 minutes
C	Y 5	Narrative	30 minutes
D	Y 6	Narrative	30 minutes
E	Y 7	Narrative	30 minutes
F	Y 8	Narrative	30 minutes
G	Y 9	Narrative	30 minutes
H	Y 10	Narrative	30 minutes
I	Y 11	Narrative	30 minutes
J	Y 12	Narrative	30 minutes



Mathematics

Paper	Year Level	Breakdown of Questions	Test Duration
A	Y 3	40 multiple choice	45 minutes
B	Y 4	40 multiple choice	45 minutes
C	Y 5	40 multiple choice	45 minutes
D	Y 6	35 multiple choice/ 5 free response	1 hour
E	Y 7	35 multiple choice/ 5 free response	1 hour
F	Y 8	35 multiple choice/ 5 free response	1 hour
G	Y 9	35 multiple choice/ 5 free response	1 hour
H	Y 10	35 multiple choice/ 5 free response	1 hour
I	Y 11	35 multiple choice/ 5 free response	1 hour
J	Y 12	35 multiple choice/ 5 free response	1 hour

For Papers A to E inclusive, calculators are not allowed.
For Papers F to J inclusive, calculators are required.

English

Paper	Year Level	Breakdown of Questions	Test Duration
A	Y 3	45 multiple choice	45 minutes
B	Y 4	45 multiple choice	45 minutes
C	Y 5	50 multiple choice	50 minutes
D	Y 6	50 multiple choice	50 minutes
E	Y 7	55 multiple choice	55 minutes
F	Y 8	55 multiple choice	55 minutes
G	Y 9	60 multiple choice	1 hour
H	Y 10	60 multiple choice	1 hour
I	Y 11	60 multiple choice	1 hour
J	Y 12	60 multiple choice	1 hour

Computer Skills

Paper	Year Level	Breakdown of Questions	Test Duration
A	Y 3	30 multiple choice	30 minutes
B	Y 4	30 multiple choice	30 minutes
C	Y 5	35 multiple choice	35 minutes
D	Y 6	35 multiple choice	35 minutes
E	Y 7	40 multiple choice	40 minutes
F	Y 8	40 multiple choice	40 minutes
G	Y 9	45 multiple choice	45 minutes
H	Y 10	45 multiple choice	45 minutes



General Achievement Test (GAT)

Paper	Year Levels	Breakdown of Questions	Test Duration
English	Y 6, 7 & 8	20 multiple choice	20 minutes
Mathematics	Y 6, 7 & 8	10 multiple choice / 10 free response	20 minutes
Science Literacy	Y 6, 7 & 8	9 multiple choice / 1 writing task	20 minutes

Fees (all are inclusive of GST)

AUD 11.00 per student and a minimum order of 10 students is required.
The cost covers the supply of test materials as a PDF file and the marking and reporting of results.
Print & Dispatch (optional): AUD 5.50 per booklet.

General Achievement Test Plus (GAT PLUS)

Paper	Year Levels	Breakdown of Questions	Test Duration
GAT	Y 6, 7 & 8	complete ICAS - GAT	60 minutes
English	Y 6, 7 & 8	5 multiple choice / 1 writing task	40 minutes
Mathematics	Y 6, 7 & 8	10 multiple choice / 10 free response	25 minutes
Science Literacy	Y 6, 7 & 8	20 multiple choice	25 minutes

Fees (all are inclusive of GST)

AUD 22.50 per student and a minimum order of 10 students is required.
The cost covers the supply of test materials as a PDF file and the marking and reporting of results.



Awards

Award	For each year level in each state
Medal	when a top score is judged to be sufficiently meritorious
High Distinction Certificate	the top 1% of participants
Distinction Certificate	the next 10% of participants
Credit Certificate	the next 25% of participants
Participation Certificate	for all remaining participants
Achievement Certificate	Schools may wish to award this certificate to students who have not received one of the Credit, Distinction or High Distinction certificates for high scores. Achievement Certificates can be downloaded from an individual school's secure online reporting website. The awarding of Achievement Certificates is entirely at the discretion of schools.

For further conditions for eligibility of awards, please refer to the ICAS terms and conditions on the EAA website <http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/terms>

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