

Dear Parents and Carers,

[BETTER TUITION PRACTICE ENTRANCE EXAM, 3rd SEPTEMBER, 2023](#)

We hope your child found their exam to be a useful experience. Please find below the average scores and estimated likelihood of passing. You can compare the average scores with your child's individual percentages. If you haven't yet calculated your child's percentage score, please divide your child's total score by 132 and multiply your answer by 100. You can use a calculator for this.

Next Steps

Your child should complete his/her **corrections**, using our **video tutorials** to help. These are short videos which explain each question in the exam. You may decide not to do the tutorials because of the imminence of the real exam.

If you do decide to do the video tutorials, please ensure that your child does not spend too long on these and that s/he gets plenty of time to relax before the real exam. It's very important that your child goes into the exam with a positive mindset.

Video Tutorials:

You will find our video tutorials here:-

Link: <http://bettertuition.co.uk/practice-entrance-exam-f-video-tutorials/>

We have not used a password this month, to make everything as easy as possible. We will add a password after 5th September but please feel free to contact us for this.

If you have any difficulty in accessing the video tutorials, please try switching to a different browser, e.g. Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge.

Average Scores and Analysis

I am happy to report the following average scores for the September Practice Exam 2023. These represent the scores of 55 students.

Mean Scores 2023

Overall: 67%

Breakdown of results

Non-Verbal Reasoning Paper One: 72%

Verbal Reasoning Paper One: 75%

Maths Paper One: 65%

Verbal Reasoning Comprehension Paper Two: 62%

Verbal Reasoning Paper Two: 75%

Maths Paper Two: 64%

Non-Verbal Reasoning Paper Two: 65%

What does this mean? To calculate the mean scores, we added all the scores together then divided by 55 (this is the number of scores). If your child scored ABOVE the mean, their score is above average. If your child scored BELOW the mean, their score is below average.

Median Scores 2023

Overall: 66%

Breakdown of results

Non-Verbal Reasoning Paper One: 63%

Verbal Reasoning Paper One: 72%

Maths Paper One: 64%

Verbal Reasoning Comprehension Paper Two: 59%

Verbal Reasoning Paper Two: 63%

Maths Paper Two: 72%

Non-Verbal Reasoning Paper Two: 60%

What does this mean? To calculate the median scores, we put the scores in order and selected the middle value. If your child scored ABOVE the median, this is an encouraging sign, as it means s/he is in the top half of the cohort.

Range of Scores 2023

Overall: 46%

Breakdown of results

Non-Verbal Reasoning Paper One: 65%

Verbal Reasoning Paper One: 52%

Maths Paper One: 72%

Verbal Reasoning Comprehension Paper Two: 54%

Verbal Reasoning Paper Two: 41%

Maths Paper Two: 55%

Non-Verbal Reasoning Paper Two: 64%

What does this mean? To calculate the range of scores, we subtracted the lowest score from the highest score. For example, the highest verbal reasoning score on paper one was 52 percentage points above the lowest score.

Estimated Likelihood of Passing

We can normally give a confident estimate for the likelihood of passing, based on exam scores in previous years. However, in 2023 the Trafford Consortium has a new exam format. This means that we have had to change our exam papers. Our estimated likelihood of passing is therefore unlikely to be as precise as in previous years. Using our professional judgement, developed over 15 years of entrance exam tuition, our estimated likelihood of passing is as follows:

Overall Scores

Above 76%: Very likely to pass

71 - 75%: Likely to pass

65 - 70%: Borderline: much depends on performance on the day.

Below 65%: Less likely to pass UNLESS your child was very nervous OR s/he applied poor exam technique, such as rushing through the paper or failing to read the questions carefully.

We hope you will get in touch if you have any comments, queries or feedback. You will find notes on the exam at the back of your child's question paper.

We would like to wish your child the very best of luck for the exam and for all their future endeavours.

Best Wishes,

Christine McLaughlin and Paul Syrett

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P.S. For those of you whose children will be sitting the Loreto/ St Ambrose exam, we are running a final practice exam on 10th September at Hartford Community Centre. This exam costs £40 as it is offered without video tutorials. Do let us know if you are interested.