

## Science PSLE Components

PAPER	COMPONENT	MARKS	WEIGHTAGE
<b>A</b>	<p><b>Multiple Choice</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For each question, four options are provided, of which only one is the correct answer.</li> <li>• Questions may include multiple statements, requiring students to identify all the correct statements in the answer.</li> <li>• Students should manage their time wisely – to spend about 2 minutes per question.</li> </ul>	<p>28 qns</p> <p>2 marks per qn</p>	56%
<p><b>B</b></p> <p>1 hr 45 min total for A &amp; B</p>	<p><b>Free Response</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For each question, a student has to write his or her answer in the space provided. Most questions are split into parts.</li> <li>• Students should minimise careless mistakes by reading the question carefully and ensure that they are answering to the question. Answers should always relate to the question and be given in the positive.</li> <li>• In the case of questions split into parts, students must ensure that their answer for subsequent parts is consistent with earlier parts.</li> <li>• In the case of experiment-based questions, students should first identify the aim of the experiment, the changed variable, and the measured variable.</li> <li>• Students should carefully analyse all data given in the question, with attention paid to trends in tables and axes of graphs.</li> <li>• Application questions may present familiar concepts in unfamiliar contexts. Students should carefully read the information given and relate it to their existing knowledge.</li> <li>• Students are encouraged to apply the following useful exam skills when tackling each question:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identify the topic of the question.</li> <li>2. Underline all key words.</li> <li>3. Organise all points before writing the answer.</li> <li>4. Understand that the mark allocation is an indication of the number of points that should be included in their answer.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<p>12-13 qns</p> <p>2-5 marks per qn</p>	44%