
FREE DIAGNOSTIC · MATHS · 20 MINUTES

The Mini Mock

Ten questions across three levels. By the end you'll know exactly where your teen is starting from — and which level to work on first. No guessing.

What's inside

- 10 real exam-style questions (Entry Level 3, Level 1, Level 2)
- Space to show working — the way the real exam rewards
- A score tracker and full answer key
- A results guide that tells you exactly what to do next

REWIRED FOR PARENTS · FUNCTIONAL SKILLS

Before you start

This isn't a test you pass or fail. It's a map. Wherever your teen gets stuck is simply the level to start at — that's the whole point, and it's good information either way.

How to run it

1. Hand it over, set a timer for 20 minutes. Don't hover.
2. No calculator for Entry Level 3. Calculator allowed for Level 1 and Level 2 — we've marked which is which.
3. Ask them to show working in the boxes. Functional Skills gives marks for method, not just the answer.
4. Mark it together using the answer key. Use the results guide on the last page to find the starting level.

What the three levels mean

Entry Level 3 — whole numbers, basic money and time. The foundation. If your teen struggles here, this is where to build from — and that's completely normal.

Level 1 — percentages, decimals, multi-step problems. Where most NEET teens sit, and accepted by many colleges and apprenticeships.

Level 2 — ratio, data, multi-stage reasoning. The GCSE grade-4 equivalent. The one that opens the most doors.

Tip: the moment they go from confident to hesitant is the level to start at. Don't push past it — momentum beats ambition every time.

Entry Level 3 — Foundations

Whole numbers, basic money and time. No calculator.

QUESTION 1

$$345 + 167 + 88 = ?$$

- ☐ A) 590
- ☐ B) 600
- ☐ C) 610
- ☐ D) 580

Show your working:

QUESTION 2

A bus ticket costs £2.80. You pay with a £5 note. How much change do you get?

- ☐ A) £2.80
- ☐ B) £2.20
- ☐ C) £3.20
- ☐ D) £2.00

Show your working:

QUESTION 3

You need to be at an appointment at 2:15 PM. The bus takes 35 minutes. What time should you catch the bus?

- ☐ A) 1:30 PM
- ☐ B) 1:40 PM
- ☐ C) 1:45 PM
- ☐ D) 1:50 PM

Show your working:

Level 1 — Building Confidence

Percentages, decimals, multi-step problems. Calculator allowed.

QUESTION 4

A jacket costs £65. It's reduced by 20% in a sale. What's the sale price? [\[calculator\]](#)

- ☐ A) £45
- ☐ B) £52
- ☐ C) £55
- ☐ D) £48

Show your working:

QUESTION 5

A recipe for 4 people uses 300g of flour. How much flour do you need for 6 people? [\[calculator\]](#)

- ☐ A) 400g
- ☐ B) 450g
- ☐ C) 500g
- ☐ D) 350g

Show your working:

QUESTION 6

You work 7.5 hours a day, 5 days a week, at £9.50 per hour. What's your weekly pay before tax? [\[calculator\]](#)

- ☐ A) £356.25
- ☐ B) £342.50
- ☐ C) £375.00
- ☐ D) £332.50

Show your working:

QUESTION 7

A train departs at 09:47 and arrives at 11:23. How long is the journey?

■ A) 1h 26m

■ B) 1h 36m

■ C) 1h 46m

■ D) 2h 24m

Show your working:

Level 2 — GCSE Equivalent

Multi-step, ratio, data interpretation. Calculator allowed.

QUESTION 8

A phone contract costs £32 per month for 24 months, plus a one-off payment of £79. What's the total cost? [\[calculator\]](#)

- ☐ A) £768
- ☐ B) £847
- ☐ C) £835
- ☐ D) £860

Show your working:

QUESTION 9

Paint is mixed in the ratio 3:2 (white to blue). You need 15 litres in total. How many litres of blue paint do you need? [\[calculator\]](#)

- ☐ A) 5 litres
- ☐ B) 6 litres
- ☐ C) 8 litres
- ☐ D) 9 litres

Show your working:

QUESTION 10

A shop increases all prices by 15%. A pair of trainers was £80. After the increase, they go on sale at 10% off. What's the final price? [\[calculator\]](#)

- ☐ A) £82.80
- ☐ B) £79.20
- ☐ C) £76.00
- ☐ D) £82.00

Show your working:

Score tracker

Tick each question right or wrong as you mark together. The pattern matters more than the total.

Q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Right	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Wrong	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Answer key

Q1: B) 600

Q2: B) £2.20

Q3: B) 1:40 PM

Q4: B) £52

Q5: B) 450g

Q6: A) £356.25

Q7: B) 1h 36m

Q8: B) £847

Q9: B) 6 litres

Q10: A) £82.80

While you mark — three things to watch for

- 1. Where they slowed down.** The question where your teen went from quick and confident to hesitant tells you more than the score. That's the edge of what they know — and exactly where to start.
- 2. Careless vs stuck.** A wrong answer with correct working is a careless slip — not a level problem. A blank working box is the real signal. That's why the boxes matter.
- 3. The conversation after.** Don't lead with what they got wrong. Lead with "you got further than you thought, didn't you?" — because they almost always did, and that's what gets them back to the table tomorrow.

Read your results

Find where your teen first started getting questions wrong. That's the level to begin at — not where they got their last one right.

Stuck at Questions 1–3 → start at **Entry Level 3**. Build the foundation first. This is a starting line, not a setback.

Stuck at Questions 4–7 → start at **Level 1**. The most common spot, and accepted by most colleges and apprenticeships.

Stuck at Questions 8–10 → start at **Level 2**. Close to GCSE-equivalent — polish the multi-step reasoning and book the exam.

Nailed all 10 → your teen is ready to **book the Level 2 exam**. Use a prep pack to rehearse the exam format and go.

What to do this week

Knowing the level is the hard part — you've just done it. Next: 30 minutes a day with real exam-format materials, and book the exam early so there's a date on the calendar. The free 6-part course walks you through the whole system.

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