

Q&A for G3 Group

No.	Question	Answer
1	Can students apply now but drop after successful placement for computing?	We are awaiting for more information from MOE. However, as there are very limited vacancies available for Computing, you may wish to consider your options carefully before applying.
2	Can students take O-level Music?	It can be offered as an external subject taken at a school that offers the subject.
3	How will be MT and HCL counted in scoring?	MT can only be counted once, so if you're a HMT student, the better score out of the 2, MT/HMT, will be counted in the L1R5 for JC.
4	Will students be able to take O-level literature?	It will not be offered in 2025.
5	How do students decide between Biology and Physics if he were to take the first two subject combinations?	In Lower Secondary Sciences, students are exposed to both Physics and Biology topics. This will provide some indication on where their interest lie.
6	Is there a possibility to take both A Maths & Literature?	We will not be offering Literature as an O-level subject in 2025.
7	For students choosing double science, is there a compulsory Science that they have to take?	Yes, the compulsory science subject will be Chemistry.
8	Will Food and Nutrition Science be offered as one of the subjects?	We will not be offering Upper Secondary Food and Nutrition Science in year 2025.
9	Is A Math compulsory for all combi?	No, A Math is not offered in Combination D.
10	If students are only good in History and Literature, what subject combination would be recommended?	We recommend Combination D which offers Pure History.
11	Does West Spring provide Pure Geography?	We will not be offering Upper Secondary Pure Geography in year 2025.
12	For Humanities, are there any fixed combinations?	None, except for combination D, where you must take Social Studies/Geography with Pure History if that is the selection.
13	How many subjects must the students take in all?	Students are recommended to take 7 subjects as shown in the table of subject combinations.
14	When do the students need to make the decision?	Students are to submit their options forms by 23 Oct.
15	Is there a "U-turn" option available after Sec 3?	We do not encourage students to change their minds after allocation of Sec 3 subject combinations. Please consider the options carefully and be prepared to commit to your choices when submitting the option form.

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16	If students are not eligible to take A Math, does it mean that the students will only take 6 subjects?	Students can choose subject combination D if they not eligible to take A Maths.
17	If to go JC, is it preferred to select A Maths over computing?	Different JCs have differing subject requirements. A Math may be a required subject, if you intend to take H2/H1 Math in JC. The decision should rest on your abilities as well as the career/university course you intend to pursue. For e.g., Architecture/Landscape, Business/Accountancy may require A Maths as a prerequisite. In such cases, choosing A Maths could be advantageous. Do check the respective JC and university programmes' pre-requisites directly or your child can also approach our ECG counsellor by making an appointment through their Form Teacher.
18	If students prefer a normal office job, what subjects should they take?	Different jobs require different sets of hard and soft skills. It is important for students to reflect on their strengths and interests before choosing their subject combination, they explore post-secondary courses and careers to aid them in their decision-making. Your child is also encouraged to approach our ECG counsellor by making an appointment through their Form Teacher.
19	If my child is selected for computing, will it be considered an additional subject?	No, it will be counted as one of the 7 subjects.
20	Can students take Pure Geography as private candidates at O-level?	As school candidates, students are not allowed to register as a private candidate for the same exam, i.e., O level Examination.
21	Will school force students who take Combination A or B to take Combination C or D if their performance falls below expectations?	Students will be given support to improve on their results if they are not doing well.
22	If students scored C for their Overall Math results, does it mean they can only choose Combination D?	Combination D is the recommended choice in this case.
23	For Combination D, students must take POA and Art or Pure History? No other choice of combination?	Yes, this is the combination offered.
24	For Combination B, students need to take both A Maths and Computing?	No, they only take one subject from this elective. They will have to choose either A Math or Computing.

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25	Are there other options if students want to take Literature?	The school is not able to offer all the subjects as we may have limitations in resources. We encourage students to be open-minded as they select their subject combinations.
26	Is it possible to take triple Science?	No, there will not be a triple Science combination.
27	Can I check what if Art*/Pure History* is not offered due to small class size?	Based on eligibility criteria and total cohort population, the school will usually be able to meet the class size for at least one of these elective subjects.
28	Are students eligible to go to Junior College if they choose to take computing instead of Amath?	Yes, Computing can be one of the relevant subjects to enter Junior College.
29	What if eventually my child prefers to take A math despite selected for computing, the option lies with the school or the child?	Students and parents should take into consideration the level of commitment before applying. Students are to stay committed as there are limited places. Withdrawals are strictly subjected to approval by MOE on a case-by-case basis.
30	Will E Math & A Math / MT & HMT be considered as 2 separate grades for the L1R5?	EM and AM are considered two different subjects. MT & HMT, only one will be counted.
31	May I know how combined Humanities is taught in West Spring? Do students attend separate lessons for Social Studies/ Geography or History and the weightage for exams is 50% & 50%?	They attend separate lessons for Social Studies/Geography/History. The weighting is 50% for Social Studies and 50% for Geography/History.
32	Do more students take Social Studies with History or Geography?	The number of students taking Geography or History depends on students' interest and their choice for that cohort.
33	Is there minimum grading students need to meet for Science for Combination A and B?	Criteria for Combination A and B is Minimum B overall for both Science and Math.
34	Do WSSS students generally perform better at O-level Biology or Physics?	Based on recent years' results, students have performed better in O-Level Physics.
35	What is the criteria for Science for Combinations C and D?	There is no criteria for Science for Combination C and D. It is a default subject to be taken for both combinations.