Guidelines for the conduct of the Mathematics Mental Paper
(To be used ONLY if the recording does not work.)

1. Words written in **bold** should be **emphasised**.

2. Read, **loudly and clearly**, each question **twice in succession**. Allow 5 seconds for the students to work out each answer in the first section and write it down, 10 seconds for the students to work out each answer in the second section and write it down and 20 seconds for the students to work out each answer in the third section and write it down.

3. The use of rough paper for working out answers is **not allowed**. Any working on the answer sheet, however, will not be penalised.

4. The questions should be read out in **English** and **no code-switching/mixing is allowed**. Code-switching is **only** permitted when giving instructions to pupils, as indicated below.

5. Before starting the test, read out the following instructions. **Do not change or paraphrase** these instructions.

   • *I will read out each question twice in succession. Listen carefully. You will then have time to work out your answer.*
   *Se naqralek kull mistoqsija darbtejn wara xulxin. Ismagħni sew. Wara jkollok il-hin biex tweiġibha.*
   • *If you make a mistake, cross out the wrong answer and write the correct answer next to it.*
   *Jekk tieħu żball f’xi risposta, aqtagħha u ikteb ir-risposta t-tajba ħdejha.*
   • *You will not be allowed to ask any questions once the test has started.*
   *Ma tistax tistaqsijiet mistoqsijiet ladarba jkun beda t-test.*

6. At the end of the test, read out the following instructions. **Do not change or paraphrase** these instructions.

   • *The test is over; put down your pens.*
   *It-test spiċċa; poġġi l-bajrow fuq il-mejda.*
‘Now we are ready to start the test. For the following group of questions, you have 5 seconds to work out each answer and write it down. The first question is a practice question.’

‘Issa lesti biex nibdew it-test. Għal dawn il-mistoqsijiet li ġejjin, għandek 5 sekondi biex taħdem u tikteb kull risposta. L-ewwel mistoqsija li se naqralek hija mistoqsija ta’ Prattika.’

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<td>Write the number two hundred and fifty four in figures.</td>
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<td>What is the difference between eighty three and one hundred?</td>
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<td>Round eight point four to the nearest whole number.</td>
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<td>How many faces does a cuboid have?</td>
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‘For the following group of questions, you have 10 seconds to work out each answer and write it down.’

‘Għal dawn il-mistoqsijiet li ġejjin, għandek 10 sekondi biex taħdem u tikteb kull risposta.’

| 6. | Is the total of five, three and four even or odd? Tick the correct answer. |
| 7. | Write an angle which is bigger than a right angle. |
| 8. | The perimeter of a regular pentagon is fifty centimetres. What is the length of one of the sides? |
| 9. | Write a fraction which is equivalent to three fourths. |
| 10. | Pam has a twenty euro note. She spends ten euro fifty cent. How much change does she get? |
| 11. | Work out the mean of seven, ten and thirteen. |
| 12. | Six times a number is seventy two. What is the number? |
| 13. | How many grams are there in zero point seven kilograms? |
14. The **area of a rectangle** is twenty four square metres.
The **length of the rectangle** is six metres.
Work out the **width**.

15. A clock runs **ten minutes** fast.
When the clock shows **half past two**, what is the correct time?

‘**For the following group of questions, you have 20 seconds to work out each answer and write it down.**’

‘**Għal dawn il-mistoqsijiet li ġejjin, għandek 20 sekonda biex taħdem u tikteb kull risposta.**’

16. Tom sleeps at **nine o’clock** in the **evening**.
He wakes up at **seven o’clock** in the **morning**.
How many **hours** does he sleep?

17. In a music school, there are **eighty** students.
**Twenty percent** play the piano.
How many students **play** the piano?

18. Mum has **two and a half pies**.
She divides them in **quarters**.
How many **quarters** does she have?

19. A group of **sixty five students** are going on an outing.
A minibus can carry **fifteen students**.
What is the **least number of minibuses needed** to carry all the students?
Tick the correct answer.

20. The headmaster buys a notebook for every student.
Each notebook costs **one euro four cent**.
He buys **two hundred and fifteen** notebooks.
**Estimate** the **total cost**.

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