

# **Overview of the Subject Options Exercise (SOE) – Subject Combinations D to G (at least 5 G3 subjects)**

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# Agenda

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## Subjects Offered and Subject Combinations PDF



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# **1. Subjects Offered**

## 2026 Sec 3 G3 Subjects Offered - Overview

### Languages

- English Language
- Mother Tongue Language
- Higher Mother Tongue Language

### Mathematics

- Mathematics
- Additional Mathematics

### Humanities

- Social Studies with either:
  - Elective Geography
  - Elective History
  - Elective Literature in English
- Geography
- Literature in Chinese

### Sciences

- Chemistry
- Biology
- Physics
- Science (Chemistry, Biology)
- Science (Physics, Chemistry)

### Applied Studies

- Nutrition and Food Science

### Others

- Computing
- Principles of Accounts

## 2026 Sec 3 G3 Subjects Offered

Subjects	Code	Cat	G1	G2	G3	Subject Requirements
English Language	EL	L1	✓	✓	✓	Students to be offered these subjects at the same subject level unless they meet the criteria for these subjects to be offered at a More Demanding Level (MDL).
Mother Tongue Languages	MTL	OTH	✓	✓	✓	
Mathematics	MA	MA	✓	✓	✓	
Science (Chem, Bio)	SC (C, B)	SC		✓	✓	
Science (Phy, Chem)	SC (P, C)	SC		✓	✓	
Social Studies, Elective Geography	SS, EG	HUM		✓	✓	
Social Studies, Elective History	SS, EH	HUM		✓	✓	
Social Studies, Elective Literature in English	SS, E.LIT	HUM		✓	✓	

### Subject Categories (Cat)

HUM	Humanities
MA	Mathematics
SC	Science
OTH	Others

## 2026 Sec 3 G3 Subjects Offered (with criteria)

Subjects	Code	Cat	G1	G2	G3	Subject Requirements
Additional Mathematics	AM	MA			✓	At least 4 subjects at G3 (EL, MA, SC, HUM)
Chemistry	CHEM	SC			✓	At least 5 subjects at G3 (EL, MA, SC, HUM1, HUM2) Strong foundation in S2 Science G3
Biology	BIO	SC			✓	
Physics	PHY	SC			✓	
Literature in Chinese	LIT CL	HUM			✓	At least 5 subjects at G3 (EL, MA, SC, HUM1, HUM2) Strong foundation in S2 Chinese Language G3
Geography	GEO	HUM			✓	At least 5 subjects at G3 (EL, MA, SC, GEO, HUM) Strong foundation in S2 Geography G3 <u>and</u> taking S2 History G3 or S2 Literature in English G3

## 2026 Sec 3 G3 Subjects Offered (with criteria)

Subjects	Code	Cat	G1	G2	G3	Subject Requirements
Higher Mother Tongue Language	HMT	OTH			✓	At least 5 subjects at G3 (EL, MA, SC, HUM1, HUM2) Strong foundation in S2 Mother Tongue Language G3
Principle of Accounts	POA	OTH		✓	✓	G3: At least 4 subjects at G3 (EL, MA, SC, HUM) and Good performance in English Language G3 and Math G3
Computing	COM	OTH	✓		✓	G3: At least 5 subjects at G3 (EL, MA, SC, HUM1, HUM2) Strong foundation in S2 Math G3 and English Language G3
Nutrition and Food Science	NFS	OTH	✓	✓	✓	Placement to G3 NFS: Proficient (≥ 70 marks)

## **2. Subject Combinations and the Minimum Subject Levels**

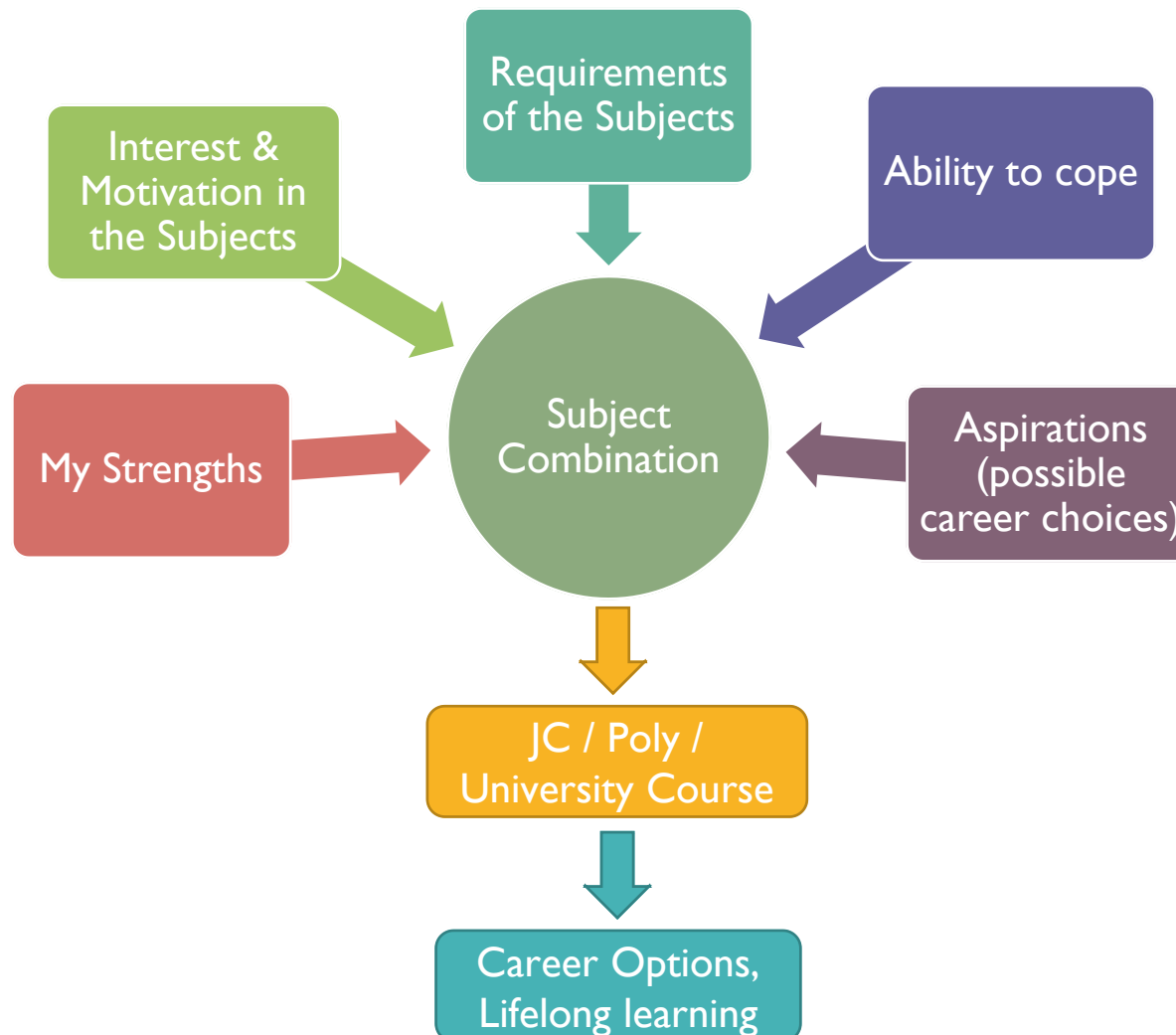


## Subject Combinations – dependent on Post-Sec pathways

Students taking at least	POST-SEC PATHWAYS					
	ITE Year 1 Entry	ITE Year 2 Entry	Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)	Polytechnic Year 1	Millennia Institute	Junior College
5 G3 subjects	✓	✓	NEW ✓	✓	✓	NEW ✓
4 G3 + 1 G2 subjects	✓	✓	NEW ✓	NEW ✓		
5 G2 subjects	✓	✓	✓			
4 G1 subjects	✓	NEW* ✓				

\*For students who meet ITE's Year 1 academic requirements

## Considerations for Subject Combination



## 2026 Subject Combinations and the Minimum Subject Levels

- A total of 7 subject combinations
- 4 combinations are for students taking at least 5 G3 subjects including the core subjects EL, MA, SC, HUM

Subject Combination	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Minimum Subject Numbers and Levels	4 G1	4 G1	5 G2	5 G3	5 G3	5 G3	5 G3
No. of Subjects	6	6	6	6	7	7	7 7+1
				Combined Science		Pure Sciences	

- The Minimum Subject Levels will include the offering and taking of subjects at a More Demanding Level (MDL) at the end of the year.

## 2026 Subject Combinations and the Minimum Subject Levels

Subject No.	Subject Combination	D	E
	<u>Minimum</u> Subject Numbers and Levels	5 G3	5 G3
1	English	○ EL G3	○ EL G3
2	Mother Tongue Language	○ MTL G1/ G2/ G3	○ MTL G1/ G2/ G3
3	Mathematics	○ MA G3	○ MA G3
4	Science	○ SC (P, C) G3 ○ SC (C, B) G3	○ SC (P, C) G3 ○ SC (C, B) G3
5	Humanities	○ SS, EG G3 ○ SS, EH G3 ○ SS, E.LIT G3	○ SS, EG G3 ○ SS, EH G3 ○ SS, E.LIT G3
6	Electives / 2 <sup>nd</sup> Humanities / 2 <sup>nd</sup> Science	○ GE G3 ○ LIT CL G3 ○ NFS G3 ○ POA G3	○ GE G3 ○ LIT CL G3 ○ NFS G3 ○ POA G3
7	Additional Mathematics		○ AM G3

### Combined science

\*for the subjects highlighted in Green, students are to choose one subject from the available subjects

### Additional Math

## 2026 Subject Combinations and the Minimum Subject Levels

Subject No.	Subject Combination	F	G
	<u>Minimum</u> Subject Numbers and Levels	5 G3	5 G3
1	English	○ EL G3	○ EL G3
2	Mother Tongue Language	○ MTL G1/ G2/ G3	○ MTL G1/ G2/ G3
3	Mathematics	○ MA G3	○ MA G3
4	Science	○ CHEM G3	○ CHEM G3
5	Humanities	○ SS, EG G3 ○ SS, EH G3 ○ SS, E.LIT G3	○ SS, EG G3 ○ SS, EH G3 ○ SS, E.LIT G3
6	Electives / 2 <sup>nd</sup> Humanities / 2 <sup>nd</sup> Science	○ PHY G3 ○ BIO G3	○ PHY G3 ○ BIO G3
7	Additional Mathematics	○ AM G3	○ AM G3
7 + 1	Electives / 2 <sup>nd</sup> Humanities		○ COM G3 ○ LIT CL G3

Pure science

\*for the subjects highlighted in Green, students are to choose one subject from the available subjects

### **3. Subjects Allocation Criteria**

## 2026 Sec 3 Subjects Allocation Criteria

Your child's / ward's subject combination will depend on the following:

- attitude during lessons and aptitude for the subject via feedback from subject teacher(s)
- marks of the required subject(s) – preferably distinctions for subjects that require a strong foundation
- overall academic performance
- class sizes and timetabling constraints
- availability of teachers and venues