

King's Scholarship Examination.

REGULATIONS DATED 9TH JULY, 1928, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER SECTION 65 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923, AND LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT IN TERMS OF SECTION 99 (3) OF THE ACT AFORESAID.

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1. The examination will be held in June concurrently with the Junior and Senior certificate examinations of the Ministry but the practical tests may be held at an earlier date.

Candidates must take the Senior Certificate papers in English, Geography and Elementary Mathematics. Special papers will be set in Arithmetic and Vocal Music and the tests in Reading, Practice of Teaching and Singing will be specially arranged. The examination in History will be that set for section A. of the Senior Certificate in that subject. In all other subjects candidates will be allowed to take the papers for Senior *or* Junior Certificate provided, however, that those who take the Senior Certificate paper in any subject, in which an alternative is allowed, will be credited with the full marks assigned to them by the examiners while those taking the Junior Certificate paper in any subject will be given credit for 75% only of the marks assigned to them by the examiners.

NOTE.—The arrangement whereby the examinations for Junior Certificate may be taken instead of those for Senior Certificate is temporary only and may be modified from time to time.

2. Monitors and senior pupil teachers serving in public elementary schools in Northern Ireland on 1st January, 1928, are exempt from payment of an examination fee at their first examination but those appointed after that date will be charged a fee of ten shillings. All other candidates (including those for appointment as junior assistant mistress) will be charged an examination fee of one guinea. Monitors and senior pupil teachers who are not in their final year of service are not eligible for admission to the examination.

3. Forms of application for admission to the examination will be forwarded to all applicants and these forms must be returned to the Ministry fully and accurately filled, and accompanied where necessary by the entrance fee not later than 31st January in the year of examination, except as provided for in paragraph four in the case of graduates of a University.

4. Graduates of a University may be admitted to a one year course of training without passing the King's Scholarship examination, after consideration of their qualifications, provided that the Committee for the Training of Teachers is satisfied that they are in every respect suitable to undergo a course of training, and that their admission does not entail the exclusion of more suitable candidates. Such graduates should have a knowledge of the courses prescribed in the King's Scholarship programme in Drawing, Vocal Music and Domestic Economy including Needlework (women) and will be required to pass such examination in these subjects as may be prescribed by the Ministry. Applications from graduates will be received not later than the 10th July. All other candidates for admission to training must present themselves for examination in the obligatory subjects of the programme.

NOTE.—To be eligible for admission as a Matriculated Student in the Faculty of Arts of the Queen's University of Belfast on the result of the King's Scholarship Examination, it is necessary, in accordance with the University's Regulations, that the candidate should :—

- (a) pass the examination and be placed in the First Division; *and*
- (b) pass in the subjects required by the University for Matriculation in the Faculty of Arts, viz., in English; Arithmetic; Mathematics; and in any *three* of the following, one of which *must* be a language:— Geography, Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Latin, French, German, Greek, Spanish, Irish, History.

5. The programme of the examination consists of two sections (A) obligatory subjects which all candidates must take, and (B) optional subjects of which a candidate may take not more than two.

A.—*Obligatory Subjects* and marks assigned to each.

Reading	100
English	400
Geography	100
Elementary Mathematics	200
Arithmetic	200
Drawing	100
Music	100
Practice of Teaching	150
Domestic Economy, including Needlework (for women only)	200
Physics or Chemistry or Botany (Senior Certificate) or Experimental Science (Junior Certificate) (for men only)	100

B.—*Optional Subjects* (of which not more than two may be taken)—100 marks each—History, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Irish, Greek. As an alternative to one of these subjects, women candidates only may take Experimental Science or Physics or Chemistry or Botany.

NOTE.—Monitors and Pupil Teachers will be allowed "Service Marks" up to a limit of 100 in addition to the marks for teaching obtained at the test.

This privilege also applies to Junior Assistant Mistresses having at least three years efficient service, who attend the King's Scholarship examination as candidates for training, provided they have not absented themselves from their schools prior to the examination for the purpose of study.

6. Failure in any one of the following subjects involves failure in the whole examination :—Reading, English, Arithmetic, Practice of Teaching, Domestic Economy (including Needlework) or Singing (in the case of women whose marks do not entitle them to a place in the first or second division). Failure in one or even in two of the other obligatory subjects does not necessarily disqualify a candidate, but failure in three obligatory subjects disqualifies a candidate.

7. Candidates who pass the examination are arranged in three divisions in accordance with the total marks obtained by them in sections A and B subject to the proviso contained in regulation 1. There will be no competition for places as between men and women.

8. To qualify for admission to training, candidates will further be required to satisfy tests as to (a) general suitability for the profession of teaching, (b) medical fitness; and additional marks will be awarded as a result of these tests on the following scales—

(a) General suitability : maximum 100 marks.

(b) Medical fitness : maximum 100 marks.

Failure to secure the necessary minimum award in either (a) or (b) will involve complete disqualification.

For the purpose of these tests, candidates, taken in order of merit, sufficient in number for the scholarships available, will be interviewed and medically examined, together with an additional ten per cent. of those next in order of merit, provided however that not less than five additional candidates of each group (men and women) for each College shall be treated in this manner. The final selection of the candidates for admission to training will not be made until the results of these tests are available.

9. (a) Candidates for admission to training must be not less than 18 and not more than 25 years of age on the 1st of January following the date of admission, provided however that the Ministry may at its discretion allow a candidate for the purpose of recording her age under this regulation to deduct therefrom any period spent by her as assistant teacher or junior assistant mistress in a recognised school in Northern Ireland; but that no such deduction shall in any case exceed four years in all, and provided also that the Ministry may at its discretion allow a candidate who is a graduate of any recognised University to deduct from his age for the purpose of this regulation a period of three years if the application is made within two years of graduation. (b) Candidates are required, before admission to training, to sign an agreement to serve for five years as teachers in Public Elementary Schools in Northern Ireland.

10. Prizes of £10, £5, £2 10s. 0d., and £1 10s. 0d. will be awarded to students on admission to the training colleges for the best essays on some subject or subjects based on the study of certain books or authors prescribed for reading after the conclusion of the King's Scholarship Examination; the fourth prize will be awarded from the proceeds of the "Worship Fund."

It is expected that all candidates for admission to training will read the books prescribed in the interval between the King's Scholarship Examination and the beginning of training.

The names of the books prescribed for 1929 will be found in the programme of examination.

11. Junior Assistant Mistresses.—Candidates for certificates of qualification as junior assistant mistresses must pass the King's Scholarship Examination. They are required to present themselves for examination in the obligatory subjects only.

All junior assistant mistresses must, on first appointment be over eighteen and under thirty years of age. No candidate for appointment can be admitted to the examination who has not attained the age of seventeen years at the beginning of the examination.

Forms of application for admission to the examination will be forwarded to all applicants and these forms must be returned to the Ministry fully and accurately filled, and accompanied by the entrance fee of one guinea not later than 31st January in the year of the examination.

A candidate who has passed the King's Scholarship Examination in the manner prescribed, and secured (within three years from the date of the examination) appointment from a Manager as junior assistant mistress will be recognised on probation for a

period of six months. The appointment will be confirmed on the usual conditions in the case of probationers who have obtained satisfactory reports from the Inspector.

During the six months' period the probationer must pass a practical test in infant teaching, and should satisfy the Inspector as to her ability to give the infants suitable training, and to teach the subjects of the programme for Standards I. and II. including Handwork, Physical Training, Observation and Information Lessons, and Drawing.

The books prescribed in the programme of examination should be studied by juniors assistant mistresses.

12. In any case of doubt or difficulty as to the construction of these rules, or as to any claim, right or liability thereunder, the decision of the Ministry shall be final.

13. The foregoing regulations will come into operation on 1st August, 1928, and will supersede previous regulations for King's Scholarship Examination.

14. These regulations may be cited as the Regulations for King's Scholarship Examinations, 1928.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 9th day of July, 1928.

A. N. Bonaparte Wyse,
Secretary.

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PROGRAMME OF EXAMINATION.

I. The Senior Certificate and Junior Certificate syllabuses referred to in this programme are those prescribed in the programme of the Secondary School Certificate examinations which may be purchased from H. M. Stationery Office, 15 Donegall Square West, Belfast, or through any bookseller (price 5d. net).

A. *Obligatory Subjects.*

(1) READING.

Candidates will be expected to read with fluency, correctness and intelligence a passage in English prose or verse, and to explain words and phrases in it; they will also be expected to recite correctly and with taste 150 lines selected from Shakespeare, Milton or Wordsworth.

(2) ENGLISH. (Syllabus for Senior Certificate).

(3) GEOGRAPHY. do. do.

(4) ELEMENTARY MATHEMATICS. do.

(5) ARITHMETIC.

Simple and compound rules, measures and multiples, vulgar and decimal fractions, the metric system, proportion (simple and compound), square root and the application of the unitary method to the solution of questions in simple interest, discount and stocks.

Mensuration. (Difficult problems will not be set.) Area of rectilinear figures, surfaces of cylinder, pyramid, cone and sphere.

(6) DRAWING.

Either the Senior Certificate or the Junior Certificate syllabus.

(7) VOCAL MUSIC.

THEORY.

Staff Notation :—Treble stave ; major scales and key signatures ; diatonic intervals ; simple time signatures ; transcription from one time to another ; easy transposition ; musical terms,

OR

Tonic Sol-fa :—The common scale, its chordal structure ; mental effects ; diatonic intervals ; pitch of keys ; two, three and four-pulse measures ; simple time names ; musical terms

Practical Test.

To sol-fa, from the examiner's pointing on the modulator, simple passages without transition ; to sing an easy sight test from the tonic sol-fa notation or from the staff notation.

(8) PRACTICE OF TEACHING.

Two test lessons must be given in the presence of the inspector.

Knowledge of the method of keeping the report book, roll book, and school register will be required.

Standard works on methods of teaching should be used by the teacher.

Full teaching notes of at least 30 lessons, which have been given by the candidate, 12 of which should be Kindergarten or Observation and Information lessons, must be submitted.

The test lessons will be selected from these.

In order to obtain the practice in teaching necessary for this test candidates who are not monitors or pupil teachers and who desire to take the subject should attend a public elementary school in Northern Ireland. The consent of the manager and the principal teacher of the school must be obtained in advance. Notification of this attendance must also be sent in advance by the candidate to the inspector.

Attendance at a public elementary school to qualify for marks in Practice of Teaching must cover six weeks of full attendance between 1st July, 1928 and 1st April, 1929, which may be taken in two portions, or alternatively one day or two half-days each week from the 1st September, 1928, to the 31st March, 1929. Each candidate will be required to furnish to the inspector a certificate of attendance signed by the principal teacher of the school.

- (9) DOMESTIC ECONOMY, including Needlework (for women only).

Either the Senior Certificate or the Junior Certificate syllabus.

- (10) SCIENCE. (for men only).

One only of the following subjects :—

Physics (Senior Certificate)

or

Chemistry (Senior Certificate)

or

Botany (Senior Certificate)

or

Experimental Science (Junior Certificate).

B.—OPTIONAL SUBJECTS

(not more than two may be taken by a candidate).

- (1) HISTORY.

Section A. of the Senior Certificate syllabus.

- (2) LATIN.

- (3) FRENCH

- (4) GERMAN

- (5) SPANISH

- (6) IRISH.

- (7) GREEK.

Syllabus for Senior or for Junior Certificate.

- (8) (for women only) PHYSICS or CHEMISTRY or BOTANY—syllabus for Senior Certificate, or EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCE—syllabus for Junior Certificate.

(Only one of these Science subjects may be taken.)

II. The following books are prescribed for the examination in 1929 for prizes under section 10 of the Regulations.

Kipling : Jungle Tales.

Hardy : Under the Greenwood Tree.

Swift : Gulliver's Travels.

Hawthorne : Tanglewood Tales.
 Stevenson : New Arabian Nights.
 Conrad : The Typhoon.
 Jerome K. Jerome : Three Men in a Boat.
 Faraday : The Chemical History of a Candle.

III. The following books are prescribed for study by junior assistant mistresses on probation in accordance with section 11 of the Regulations.

Early Education of Children	..	Laura Plaisted.
Education by Life	Henrietta Brown-Smith.
Gates of Learning	(Educational Company of Ireland).
Handwork and its place in Early Education	Laura Plaisted.
Physical Exercises for Rural Schools	(Board of Education).
Physical Exercises for Children under Seven	(Board of Education)

A. N. Bonaparte Wyse,
 Secretary.

Ministry of Education,
 Belfast, 9th July, 1928.

Parliamentary Grant (Education Authorities).

REGULATIONS, DATED 3RD OCTOBER, 1928, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER SECTIONS 73, 76 AND 77 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, NORTHERN IRELAND, AND PRESENTED TO BOTH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT IN TERMS OF SECTION 99 (2) OF THAT ACT.

1928. No. 101.

In accordance with the provisions of Sections 73, 76 and 77 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923 (hereinafter called "the Act"), the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland (hereinafter called "the Ministry"), with the approval of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

(1) The date on or before which each Education Authority shall in each local financial year submit to the Ministry a financial scheme (herein referred to as "the Scheme") in a form prescribed by the Ministry shall, except in the case of an Education Authority