

# South Australia Police

## Recruit Entrance Examination

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The Recruit Entrance Examination is conducted as part of the selection process for entry to the South Australia Police. It is designed to assess each applicant's ability to cope with the academic content of the Police Constables' Training Course and the subsequent demands of police duties.

Obtaining a pass in the Examination does not guarantee acceptance into the South Australia Police. Other selection requirements must also be met.

Applicants who fail to reach a satisfactory standard are permitted to re-sit the Examination after a period of 12 months has elapsed.

The Examination is usually administered in Adelaide to groups of approximately 15 applicants. It is conducted on weekdays between 8.40 a.m. and 12 noon. Pens, question booklets and answer sheets are provided.

Currently there are six (6) tests in the Examination. Each test is timed. Before each test is commenced instructions about how to do the test are given and practice examples may be completed.

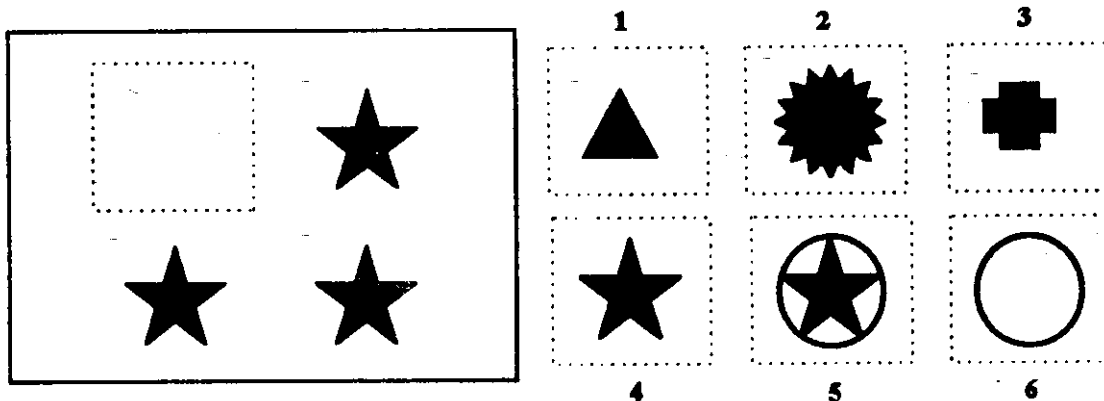
The Examination consists of tests measuring non verbal reasoning ability, verbal reasoning ability, grammatical knowledge, spelling, reading comprehension and written expression. However, the Examination content may change without prior notice. Some information about each test is given below.

### Non Verbal Reasoning Ability

Concerned with how well you can think and solve problems. A series of puzzles are given, each of which has a piece missing. You must decide which piece of several given alternatives will complete each puzzle.

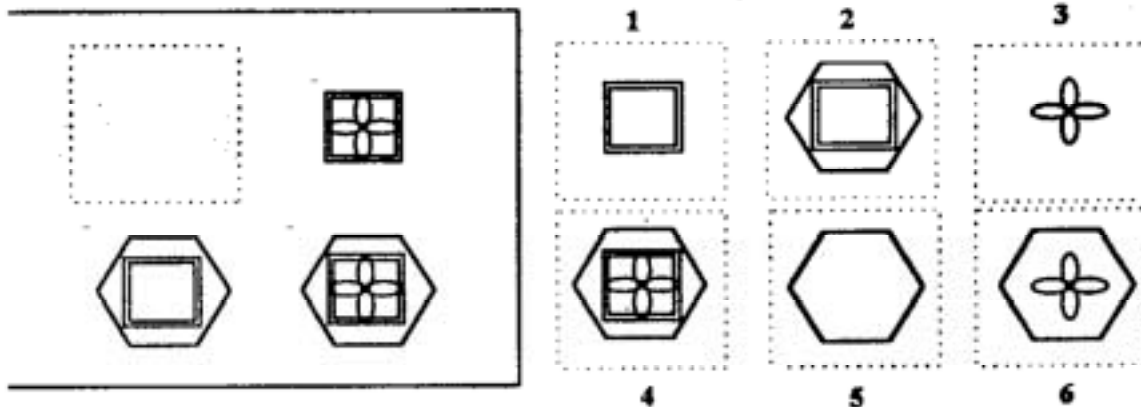
### Examples

1. Which piece completes the pattern?

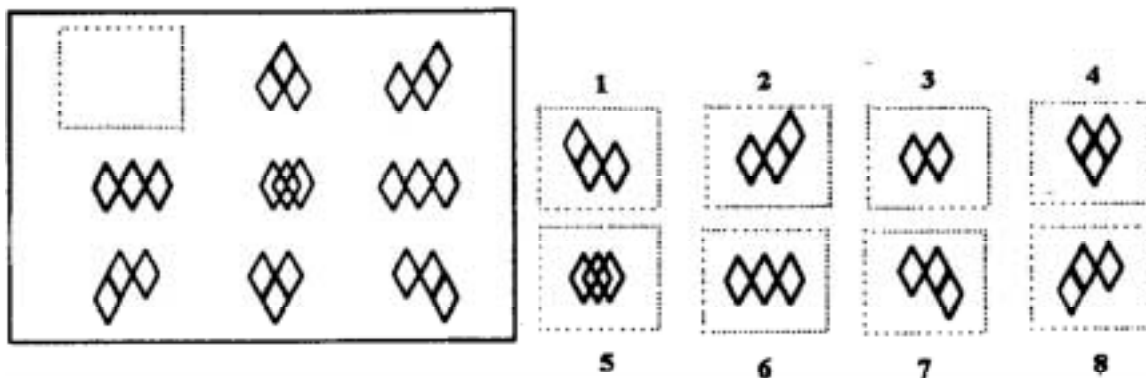


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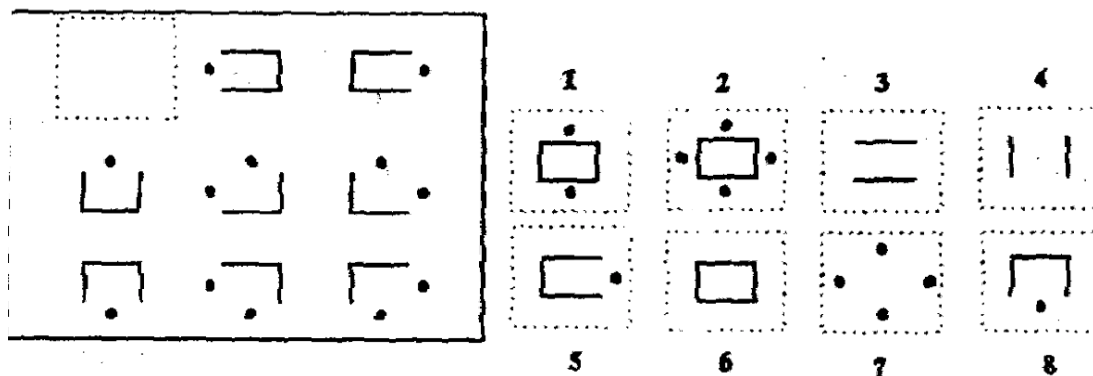
2. Which piece completes the pattern



3. Which piece completes the pattern?



4. Which piece completes the pattern?





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**Spelling**

Consists of a list of words which must be spelt correctly. Each word is read out aloud, repeated a second time in a sentence to give an idea of its meaning, then repeated again by itself. A short pause is given to allow time to write down the word before the next word is read out.

**Reading Comprehension**

Measures the ability of applicants to read and understand written English. Candidates are required to read various passages of written English and understand the information contained in each passage. At the end of each passage questions are asked about the content of the preceding passage. Candidates must choose the correct answer to each question from several alternative answers.

**Written Expression**

Brief notes are provided which have been made by a police officer at the scene of a crime. Candidates are required to prepare a written report about the incident based upon the notes provided. The report is judged for clarity of expression and the ability to write in grammatically correct English.

**Answers to above questions**

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|----|---------|-----|---------|
| 1. | 4       | 7.  | B       |
| 2. | 1       | 8.  | A and D |
| 3. | 1       | 9.  | B       |
| 4. | 6       | 10. | A       |
| 5. | D       | 11. | C       |
| 6. | C and E | 12. | E       |