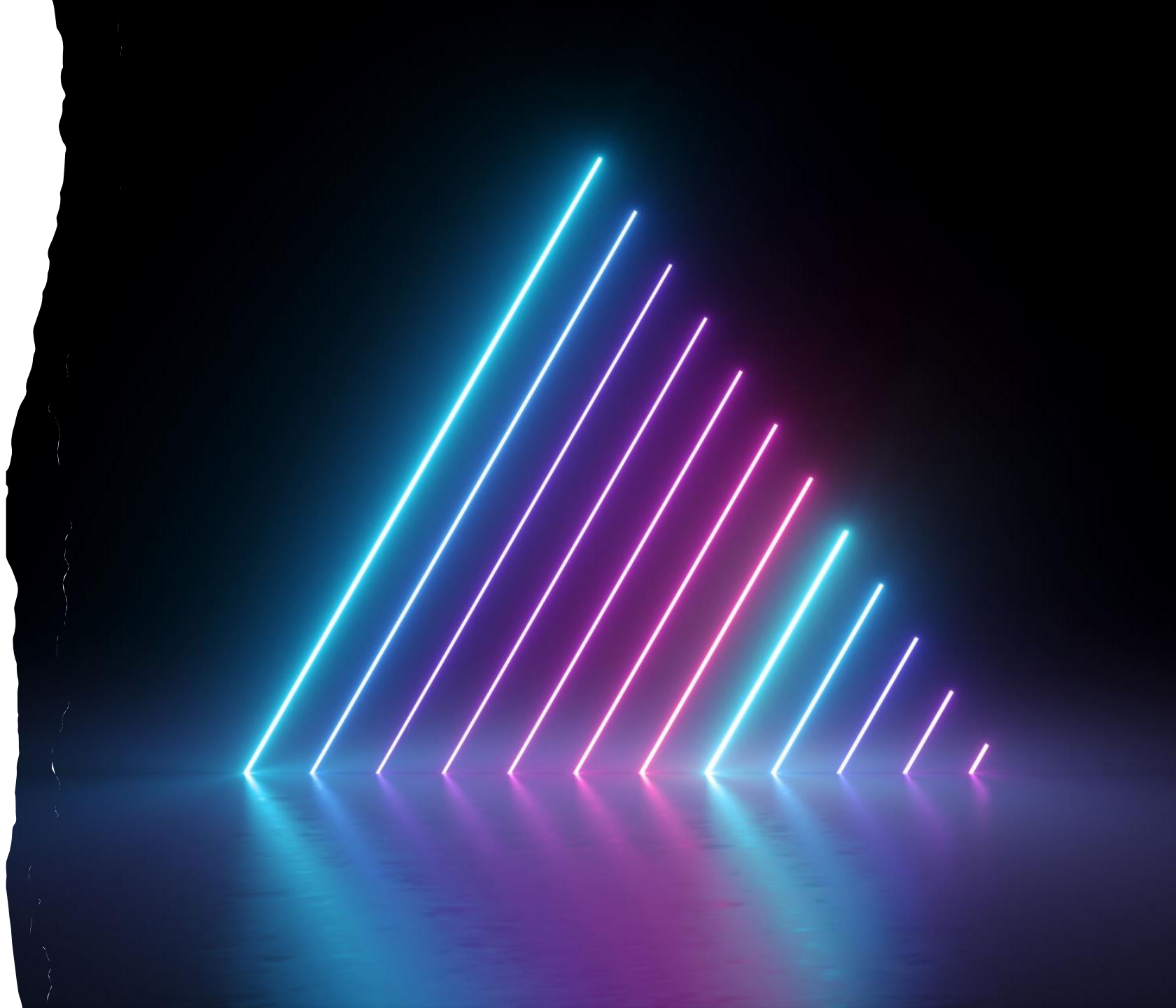
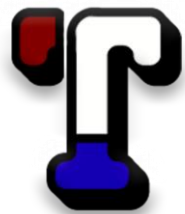


Top Tips

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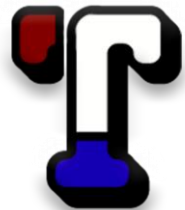
Preparation starts early:

The night before – get a good night's sleep,
early to bed!

And on the morning, have a good breakfast –
your brain needs feeding.



General test technique



Never leave a question out – if you don't know the answer, guess:

First, see how many obviously wrong answers you can get rid of.

If you have to guess, choose quickly. Don't waste time deciding which letter to choose.

Use the multiple-choice answers to give you an idea what you are looking for.

Keep an eye on the time.

Don't spend too long any one question. If you don't know one, move on.

Reading the question



Read the question carefully.

Make a note of words like
must, cannot, always, never.

Think 'what skill is this
question asking for?'

Verbal Reasoning/ English



If you don't know a word, see if looks like another word you do know.

Check word types and tenses – if you are looking for synonyms or antonyms chose the same word type.

Check any prefixes and suffixes.

Non-
Verbal

Look at:

Colour, shading, lines.

Shape, size, orientation,
direction, layering and order.

Reflection, rotation, lines of
symmetry or fold.



Maths

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Underline key words.

Decide on your method.

Remember your Number Bonds and Place Value.

Dividing Fractions: Keep, Change Flip.

Averages: Remember the Hey Diddle Diddle song.

Always simplify fractions.



Creative writing:

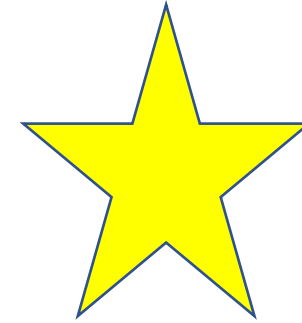
Use your planning time to decide 4 bullet points for your plot, characters and setting. Make a checklist of things to include

Write a paragraph for each bullet point; always leave 5 minutes for editing

Edit carefully. Check SPaG, see if you can improve vocabulary, Have you included speech and good punctuation () ; : - - ? !



And above all...



- Keep calm – you have worked hard and are prepared for this.
- If you feel nervous breath in for the count of 4, hold it for 4, then breath out for 4 – so this 3 times and that will help.
- See this as a chance to show off what you know but remember this test is about finding the right school for you next year – wherever that may be.
- Remember: Your family is proud of you. You are a star.
- Go show the world how amazing you are.

