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Reading School - Admission to Year 7 in September 2019
Frequently Asked Questions regarding Offer of Places

Q	I have been offered a place at Reading School but have not had any communication from the school itself.
A	Emails were sent on 1 st March. If you have not received your email by 2 nd March please contact the school.
Q	I have not had an offer from my Local Authority.
A	Please contact your Local Authority.
Q	Is my son on the waiting list?
A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If your son's score is 108.00 or above, he will be on our waiting list unless you have been offered a place at your higher preference school. • The waiting list consists of the ranked order of candidates (adjusted for those living within the designated area) with scores of 108.00 or above who have not been offered a place at Reading School. • As at 1st March 2019, there were 89 candidates on the day waiting list and 4 candidates on the boarding waiting list; the highest total age weighted score on the day waiting list was 112.46 (within the Designated Area). The highest total age weighted score on the boarding waiting list was 109.34.
Q	My son achieved the pass mark but has not been offered a place. Why?
A	This is because the 138 day places and 12 boarding places for Year 7 have been offered to the highest scoring candidates and ranked in accordance with our oversubscription criteria. Your son will have been placed on our waiting list (please see Question above).
Q	My son achieved the pass mark and has not been offered a place or been placed on your waiting list. Why?
A	This is likely to be because your Local Authority has been able to offer you a place at the school that you indicated as a higher preference.
Q	Can I change my preference and put Reading School first?
A	Please contact your own Local Authority.
Q	Can my son's position on the waiting list change?
A	Your son's position on the waiting list may go up or down due to change of preference or withdrawals.
Q	Can papers be remarked?
A	All the entrance tests are double scanned and checked using different optical mark readers and different staff. The process is reliable and trustworthy and as a result re-marks would be unnecessary. The likelihood of any mistake being made in recording the correct test responses from the multiple choice answer sheet is negligible. However, if you do wish to have your son's papers re-marked, the cost of a re-mark would be £50 per paper. Please send in an email or letter with your son's full name, date of birth and candidate number outlining your request for a re-mark to the admissions office at Reading School. A remark will not give any other information other than confirmation of the standardised score.
Q	Can I appeal?
A	<p>If your child is not offered a place at the school of your choice, you have a right to appeal against this decision to an Independent Appeal Panel. In appealing, you should feel that there are very good mitigating circumstances for your son not gaining a place at Reading School which you believe affected his performance on the day of the entrance test. Please also consider the appeal in light of your son's overall score and ranked position.</p> <p>Appeals should be lodged to: Clerk to the Appeals Panel Committee Services Reading Borough Council Civic Offices, Bridge Street Reading RG1 2LU</p> <p>Tel: 0118 9372532, email: sarah.wilson@reading.gov.uk or submit an appeal online at http://www.reading.gov.uk/schoolappeals</p> <p>Deadline for submitting an appeal is 29th March 2019. Appeals will normally be heard during May and June.</p>

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