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FREE CHECKLIST

Scholarship Preparation Checklist

A step-by-step plan to prepare a strong,
calm scholarship applicant.

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What scholarship tests actually assess

Independent school scholarship exams (including ACER and Edutest formats) typically assess written expression, reading comprehension, mathematics and abilities. The writing task rewards clear thinking, structure and control under time pressure — the same craft that underpins strong school writing generally.

THE PREPARATION TIMELINE

6-3 MONTHS OUT

Build the foundations

- ☐ Confirm the test format and date for each school.
- ☐ Establish a weekly writing routine — one timed piece a week.
- ☐ Read widely and discuss ideas to build a bank of examples.
- ☐ Learn a persuasive and a narrative structure by heart.

2 MONTHS OUT

Sharpen under pressure

- ☐ Move all practice to strict timed conditions.
- ☐ Get written feedback and redraft each piece.
- ☐ Practise planning in under two minutes.
- ☐ Build a short list of flexible ideas and examples.

THE FINAL FORTNIGHT

Peak, then taper

- ☐ Two full timed papers under realistic conditions.
 - ☐ Review feedback — fix recurring errors, not everything.
 - ☐ Confirm logistics: venue, timing, what to bring.
 - ☐ Ease off the week before — rest beats cramming.
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ON THE DAY

- ☐ Read every prompt twice before choosing.
- ☐ Plan for ninety seconds before writing.
- ☐ Leave two minutes to edit for sense and punctuation.

NEXT STEP

Prepare a calm, confident applicant.

Our scholarship preparation builds exam-ready writing with timed practice and expert feedback. Book a free assessment and we'll tailor a plan to your target schools.

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