Practice Online Mathematics Fact Sheet

- **Practice Online Mathematics** is a new series of interactive online maths tests for Australian and New Zealand children in Years 3 to 12 (Years 4 to 12 in New Zealand).

- It offers parents exceptional value for money, with each test and results package retailing at only $6.99.

- The developers of the tests, Educational Assessment Australia, are best known for the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS), pencil and paper assessments in English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing offered annually. Over 2 million students from around the world enter ICAS each year.

- **Practice Online Mathematics** is the perfect way for students to prepare for this year’s ICAS Mathematics papers, as well as other skills-based assessments. It can also be used for general revision or preparation for selective High School and Opportunity Class entry tests.

- **Practice Online Mathematics** tests children’s skills through 40 age-appropriate questions across 5 key areas: Algebra and Patterns, Chance and Data, Measurement and Units, Numbers and Arithmetic and Space and Geometry. The tests are designed to be completed in 40 minutes.

- After completing the test, each child receives a comprehensive individual report detailing performance. For each question, children are provided with their answer, the correct response and the percentage of previous test-takers who answered the question correctly. The report also breaks the questions down by skill area, giving vital insights into areas of strength and weakness.

- Children have the option of revisiting the test questions for up to 48 hours after receiving the results, allowing them to review the test with a parent or tutor.

- Research has shown that to improve student performance, opportunities to practice skills and receive timely and informed feedback are critical. Dr Sofia Kesidou, Group Executive, EAA states, *Practice Online Mathematics* addresses these issues by giving students challenging questions, while also giving them rapid feedback, in a less competitive home environment. … It is the ability to provide timely feedback on tests that improves a students’ understanding, not just the test itself. …Having the support of parents is also critical for a students’ learning."

- **Practice Online Mathematics** will be available for purchase in Australia, Cook Islands, Fiji, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Vanuatu on **31 July 2012**. It can be purchased on the EAA website at [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/practice-online](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/practice-online)