

External assessment

A guide for Year 12 students October 2020





For all Queensland schools

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External assessment in the new QCE system

One of the biggest changes in the new QCE system is the way students are assessed in General subjects.

All students in General subjects will now sit an external assessment at the end of Year 12. Final results in General subjects are based on your achievement in internal assessments, which are set and marked by your school, and one external assessment.

External assessments are subject-specific written examinations that are:

- common to all schools
- summative they count towards overall results for General subjects
- developed and marked by the QCAA using a common marking scheme.

This guide tells you everything you need to know about external assessment, including what will be tested, the equipment you'll need, what to expect and how to prepare.

COVID-19

The QCAA is monitoring the COVID-19 situation in the community and following the advice of the Queensland Government so that we can provide schools and students with the most recent information and assistance in the lead-up to the assessments. Like schools, our priority is the health and safety of students, and our decisions and actions will be made with this in mind.

Schools have been given advice on how to manage situations in which students are unable to complete assessments.

Who sits the external assessments?

External assessments are held in all General subjects.

For most subjects, there is one assessment paper. In Mathematics and Science subjects, there are two papers — some held on the same day, some on consecutive days.

The small number of students who undertake the Senior External Examination (SEE) program will also sit external assessments. The SEE program is only for adult learners and Year 12 students who are unable to access particular senior subjects at their school, usually languages other than English.

Applied subjects do not have external assessments.

When are the external assessments held?

External assessments are held in Term 4 each year. In 2020, the main assessment block will run from Monday 26 October to Tuesday 17 November. Two sessions will be held each day (AM and PM) and start times may vary slightly between schools. Your school will tell you the start time and location for each of your assessments. You can view the external assessment timetable in Appendix 1 or on the QCAA website.

Assessments in SEE subjects may occur outside of the main assessment timeframe. The timetable for the SEEs is in Appendix 2.

Timetable clashes

The QCAA and your school will identify any timetable clashes that may exist and will reschedule the assessment/s to another session. Where there is a clash within a morning or afternoon session, you will be allocated to the alternative session on the same day.

If this occurs, you will need to sign an agreement that you will not engage in academic misconduct by discussing the test questions with students who have previously sat the test.

The QCAA may conduct additional authenticity checks on your work if your assessment has been rescheduled.

Where are the external assessments held?

Usually, you will sit external assessments at your school. In some cases, a variation to venue may be required if:

- your main learning provider
 - does not have a suitable external assessment venue
 - is a distance education provider
 - has students at multiple campuses
- you
 - are geographically isolated
 - are representing Australia or your state in an official capacity at a sporting, academic or cultural event
 - are currently residing outside of Queensland
 - have an illness or injury preventing you from attending your school.

Events such as family holidays, birthdays or weddings are not valid reasons to apply for a variation to venue.

In most cases where a variation to venue is required, your school or main learning provider will apply to the QCAA. If a variation to venue is approved, you will need to show photo identification to the venue supervisor on the day of your assessment.

What will be tested?

Depending on the subject, external assessments will test your knowledge of the subject matter in either Unit 4 or Units 3 and 4 of the syllabus.

Each subject syllabus contains specific details about the external assessment, including what will be tested, the format of the assessment and the response length.

An overview of the external assessments in each learning area can be found in Appendixes 3–10:

- Appendix 3: English subjects overview
- Appendix 4: Health and Physical Education subjects overview
- Appendix 5: Humanities and Social Sciences subjects overview
- Appendix 6: Languages subjects overview
- Appendix 7: Mathematics subjects overview
- Appendix 8: Sciences subjects overview
- Appendix 9: Technologies subjects overview
- Appendix 10: The Arts subjects overview

The lists contain details about external assessment for:

- General subjects
- Alternative sequence (AS) courses of study implemented by some schools as an option for managing combined classes in low-candidature subjects
- the Senior External Examination (SEE) program individual subject examinations for eligible Year 12 students and adult learners.

What equipment will I need?

The equipment you need for each external assessment will depend on the subject. As well as general items, you may need specific items such as calculators or electronic devices.

It is important to make sure you have everything you need for each assessment. Supervisors will check your equipment, including calculators, before you enter the examination room.

General items approved for all assessments

You can bring the following items into all your examinations:

- black or blue pens
- 2B pencils, sharpener and eraser (**Note:** A 2B pencil is only required for multiple choice questions. Black or blue pens must be used for all other written responses.)
- highlighters students should not highlight their responses but are free to highlight stimulus or questions when permitted by the exam supervisor
- a clear plastic ruler
- water in a clear unlabelled bottle
- asthma inhaler.

You may use a clear plastic container or ziplock bag to carry your equipment if needed.

Subject-specific equipment

Subject-specific equipment requirements are listed in Appendix 11. The appendix includes requirements for:

- General subjects
- Alternative sequence (AS) courses of study
- the Senior External Examination (SEE) program.

QCAA-approved calculators

Calculators are only permitted for some assessments. Assessments that require a calculator are detailed in the subject-specific equipment list (Appendix 11) and the subject syllabus. If you are sitting an assessment that requires a calculator, the calculator must:

- meet the requirements set out in the scientific calculator list (Appendix 12) or graphics calculator list (Appendix 13)
- be handheld and solar or battery powered
- be cleared of memory before the assessment.

For assessments that permit the use of a non-programmable calculator (Accounting, Economics, Geography, Legal Studies), the calculator must be handheld and solar or battery powered. It must not allow access to the following functions: computer algebra system (CAS), spellchecker, dictionary, thesaurus or translator (see scientific calculator list).

Student devices

A student device is a battery-powered laptop or tablet. For assessments that require the use of a student device, you will either bring your own device or your school will provide one. Your school will advise you of the arrangements that apply to student devices for your assessments.

Subjects that require a device

The following subjects will require you to respond to digital stimulus (audio or audiovisual recording) in the external assessment:

- Chinese
- Chinese SEE
- Dance
- Film, Television & New Media
- French
- German and German AS

Japanese and Japanese ASKorean SEE

Italian

- Music
- Music Extension
- Spanish
- Vietnamese SEE

• Indonesian SEE

Depending on the subject, digital stimulus may include audio (MP3) and video (MP4) files. Your school will provide you with an individual USB containing the required audio or audiovisual file or a file and location to access.

What you will need to access the digital stimulus

To access the digital stimulus, you will need:

- individual access to a student device (e.g. desktop computer, laptop) so you can listen and/or view the files as many times as you choose throughout the assessment session
- the latest version of a media player that plays MP3 and MP4 files, installed on the device you are using
- wired earphones/headphones consistent with the guidelines for academic integrity (wireless/bluetooth-enabled earphones/headphones are not allowed).

What you cannot take into the examination room

The items below are prohibited in any examination room, except if specifically approved as access arrangements and reasonable adjustments (AARA) or listed as approved equipment for an assessment, e.g. for a subject that requires students to use a device or permits the use of a dictionary:

- mobile phones
- smart watches and fitness trackers
- any other electronic device that stores, retrieves, displays or communicates digital information
- correction fluid or correction tape
- dictionaries
- erasable pens
- blank paper, notes, any printed/written material
- tissues*.

* Schools may supply tissues in assessment rooms, but students cannot bring them in.

What to expect on examination days

The QCAA sets specific procedures for students, schools and supervisors to follow for each external assessment.

Important note about COVID-19

You should not attend an assessment session if you:

- are displaying symptoms of COVID-19
- have been directed to quarantine or self-isolate
- have tested positive to COVID-19.

If any of these apply to you, you should immediately contact the External Assessment Coordinator at your school.

Directions for students

You must observe the QCAA's student directions as well as your school's rules and those of any other external assessment venue you attend.

IMPORTANT: If you breach any of the following directions, your external assessment result may be withheld.

- 1. Do not attempt to gain access to or receive information about any external assessment.
- 2. Do not allow someone else to sit an external assessment on your behalf.
- 3. Arrive at least 30 minutes before your assessment. Contact the EA Coordinator at your school/assessment venue immediately if you will arrive late for your assessment.
- 4. Bring your own approved equipment. You may use a clear plastic container or ziplock bag to carry it in.
- 5. Place all prohibited materials in your bag or locker before entering the assessment room. Bags must be stored outside the room.
- 6. Do not bring food into the assessment room unless you have AARA approval.
- 7. Follow all directions given by supervisors.
- 8. Line up in an orderly manner outside the assessment room and follow directions regarding behaviour and equipment checks.
- 9. Do not enter the room until instructed.
- 10. Once you enter the room do not speak to anyone except a supervisor raise your hand and wait quietly.
- 11. Sit at the desk identified by your place card.
- 12. If you have a water bottle, place it on the floor when not in use.
- 13. Remove your watch and place it in clear view on your desk (**Note:** smart watches and fitness trackers are prohibited). Equipment may be removed from a container or ziplock bag and placed on your desk.
- 14. When instructed, attach a barcode from your place card in the space provided on the front cover of the response book. Then write your name, LUI, school name and school code in the spaces provided.
- 15. Do not pick up any writing equipment or touch a calculator during perusal time.
- 16. Do not write in the response book or touch a calculator during planning time.
- 17. Do not cheat or help others to cheat. All work submitted must be your own. Do not look at or copy another student's work.
- 18. Do not ask to borrow equipment from other students. Do not communicate in any way with any other student.
- 19. Do not ask anyone to explain or interpret an assessment item.
- 20. If you need additional assessment materials, or need to leave the room, signal a supervisor by raising your hand and wait quietly.
- 21. You will not be able to leave the assessment room in the first 40 minutes of the scheduled start time except in an emergency (i.e. you may leave after 9:40 am for a morning session and after 1.10 pm for an afternoon session).
- 22. You will not be able to leave in the last 10 minutes of the assessment session except in an emergency.

- 23. Carefully follow the instructions written on all your assessment materials.
- 24. Do not write or draw any offensive content on your assessment materials.
- 25. Keep your response books intact. Do not remove any pages or parts of pages.
- 26. Stop writing immediately when instructed to do so by a supervisor.
- 27. Remain seated and silent while your assessment materials are collected and checked.
- 28. Do not leave the assessment room until instructed by a supervisor.
- 29. Do not take any assessment materials with you when you leave the room including place cards, planning paper, stimulus books and question books.

Academic misconduct

What is academic misconduct?

Academic misconduct includes a range of behaviours, including those listed in the table below.

Type of misconduct	Examples
Cheating while under supervised conditions	A student:
	 begins to write during perusal time or continues to write after the instruction to stop writing is given
	 uses unauthorised equipment or materials
	 has any notation written on their body, clothing or any object brought into an assessment room
	• communicates with any person other than a supervisor during an examination, e.g. through speaking, signing, electronic device or other means, such as passing notes, making gestures or sharing equipment with another student.
Collusion	When:
	 more than one student works to produce a response and that response is submitted as individual work by one or multiple students
	 a student assists another student to commit an act of academic misconduct
	• a student gives or receives a response to an assessment.
Contract cheating	A student:
	 pays for a person or a service to complete a response to an assessment
	 sells or trades a response to an assessment.
Copying work	A student:
	 deliberately or knowingly makes it possible for another student to copy responses
	 looks at another student's work during a supervised assessment
	 copies another student's work during a supervised assessment.

Type of misconduct	Examples
Disclosing or receiving information about an assessment	 A student or other person: gives or accesses unauthorised information that compromises the integrity of the assessment, such as stimulus or suggested answers/responses, before a response to an assessment is completed makes any attempt to give or receive access to secure assessment materials.
Fabricating	A student: • invents or exaggerates data • lists incorrect or fictitious references.
Impersonation	 A student: arranges for another person to complete a response to an assessment in their place, e.g. impersonating the student in a performance or supervised assessment completes a response to an assessment in place of another student.
Misconduct during a supervised assessment	A student distracts and/or disrupts others in an assessment room.
Plagiarism or lack of referencing	A student completely or partially copies or alters another person's work without attribution (another person's work may include text, audio or audiovisual material, figures, tables, design, images, information or ideas).

If you engage in academic misconduct, you may not receive your external assessment results.

How to prepare

What your school will do to help you prepare

Your school will help you prepare for external assessments by teaching the subject matter in the syllabus.

The QCAA has also developed sample papers for schools and students to use. The samples allow schools to understand how the syllabus objectives and subject matter will be assessed and will help you understand what to expect during the examinations.

Your school may use the sample papers as mock examinations. This gives you the opportunity to revise and test your subject knowledge and helps you understand the types of questions you may be asked and how you will need to respond.

What you can do

Before the test

To prepare yourself for external assessments:

- check the external assessment timetable (Appendix 1) or the SEE assessment timetable (Appendix 2) — Your school will set the start time within the prescribed window for your assessment. You must check your school timetable, as start and finish times may vary slightly
- check the equipment list (Appendix 11), and the lists of approved scientific calculators (Appendix 12) and approved graphics calculators (Appendix 13) to make sure you have everything you need
- download the subject syllabus you'll find it on the senior subjects page of the QCAA website
- review the subject matter for Unit 4, or Units 3 and 4 (depending on the subject) and look over the assessment techniques
- check the external assessment description in the syllabus it gives you an overview of how you'll be assessed, what the objectives are and what you'll be required to do
- view the sample assessment papers on the senior subjects page of the QCAA website they will give you extra insights about the type of questions you may be asked. You'll find the samples on the Assessment tab on each General syllabus page. Your teacher has access to other samples that they may use in class under examination conditions
- watch the external assessment videos on the external assessment preparation page on the myQCE website — they feature insights from QCAA learning area managers and advice to help you prepare
- identify how much space the word limits take up in your handwriting and practise writing responses within the limits
- develop a study timetable to help keep you on track don't forget to schedule regular breaks and allow time for things you enjoy so you can maintain a healthy balance
- consider forming a study group with classmates.

On the day of the test

The following four strategies can help you manage your time when you're sitting the external assessments.

Use the perusal/planning time effectively

This is where you should read and consider the assessment.

During perusal time, you're not allowed to write on the test paper, the response book, or use a calculator. Perusal time is your chance to get an overview before you start, so look over the paper thoroughly and think about your approach.

Unlike perusal time, planning time allows you to consider the assessment **and** write a plan for how you will answer the questions. You are permitted to make notes, but you're not allowed to start writing in the response book. You will be provided with two pieces of planning paper to write on. Notes made during planning time are collected by your school, but are not graded or used as evidence of achievement.

Manage your time

The time limit for each examination will be enforced, so you will need to plan your time and pace yourself. Set deadlines for each part of the assessment and try to stick to them.

The assessment is designed to allow ample time for you to answer.

If you are unsure about a question or believe there is an error in it, try to answer it as best you can before moving on to the next question.

Think and plan before you respond

Give yourself time to understand the meaning of each task or question and what it's asking you to do. Make sure you do everything that you're asked.

Your responses will be scanned for marking, so pay careful attention to instructions about writing spaces. Do not write in spaces or on pages that have an instruction like 'Do not write on this page'. These spaces are not scanned so any work you do will not be marked.

Response spaces

Response spaces are designed to fit the response length, but if you have large handwriting or make an error and need extra space, there are spare pages at the back of the question and response book. You can also ask the supervisor for an extra response book.

Some assessments require you to answer on a diagram, graph or map. If you make an error, a spare copy is available at the back of the response book. You can also ask the supervisor if you need another copy.

Review your work

Allow some time to check your work and go back to any questions you were unsure about before the end of each assessment.

If you have used additional response materials, you will need to attach a barcode (from your place card) to each response to make sure they are scanned and marked.

Important things to remember

- Think positively be well prepared and maintain a healthy attitude, so you can do your best work.
- Get plenty of rest the night before each assessment. Staying up late to study the night before an examination can make you tired and may affect your ability to concentrate.
- Double check when your assessments are and the equipment you will need.
- Check your transport arrangements so you can arrive well before the scheduled time.

Access arrangements and reasonable adjustments

Students who have a disability or impairment, a medical condition, or experience circumstances that may be a barrier to their performance in external assessment, may be eligible for access arrangements and reasonable adjustments (AARA). These may include the following adjustments:

- extra time to complete the assessment
- rest breaks to take a break during the assessment due to a medical condition
- alternative format of papers, e.g. enlarged font size or braille
- using a computer or assistive technology to read or respond to the assessment.

In most cases, your school or main learning provider will have made AARA applications on your behalf. Your teacher can provide you with an outcome letter from the QCAA.

On the day of the assessment, you can choose to use all, part or none of the approved adjustments. Talk to your external assessment coordinator on the day.

Illness and misadventure

If your ability to attend or participate in assessments is adversely affected by an illness or unexpected event, you may be eligible for AARA. This will only apply if the event:

- is unforeseen and beyond your control, e.g. death of a family member
- is not of your own choosing or that of your parents/carers, e.g. not a family holiday
- has an adverse effect on your ability to attend or participate in the assessment.

You should contact your school as soon as possible if you are ill or experience circumstances that prevent you from attending the assessment.

If you are ill, but able to attend, you should also inform the supervisor of your illness as soon as possible. This may be before, during or immediately after the session.

Applications for external assessments can be submitted from 14 days before the start of the assessment period to seven days after the assessment.

Supporting documentation

To support applications for illness or misadventure, you need to provide evidence of an event or occurrence and that there was a negative impact on your ability to attend or sit the assessment.

For health conditions, you will need to provide a report from an independent health professional that includes the following details:

- the illness, condition or event
- date of diagnosis or onset
- symptoms, treatment or course of action
- explanation of probable effect of the illness, condition or event.

For non-medical applications, written evidence from a relevant independent professional or an independent third party such as a social worker, member of the clergy, police officer, solicitor or funeral director. The person providing the documentation must not be a relative or have a close personal relationship with you.

For more information about AARA or illness and misadventure, visit the AARA page on the QCAA website.

Results

How will my assessments be marked?

Multiple choice response sheets are scanned electronically. You will receive one mark for each correct response. You will receive zero for each incorrect response and zero for items you do not attempt or where you have given more than one response.

Extended response tasks are marked independently by at least two different QCAA-trained markers. The markers will apply specific criteria to your writing, and their marking will be monitored to ensure fairness and consistency.

Short response questions are also marked by QCAA-trained markers. They will make judgments about your work against a specific marking scheme, and their marking will be monitored as part of the QCAA's quality-control processes.

Your examination response papers will remain the property of the QCAA and will not be returned to you after the assessment.

How does external assessment contribute to final results?

In most General subjects, external assessment contributes 25% towards your subject result. In Mathematics and Science subjects it contributes 50%.

Adjusted procedures for 2020

The COVID-19 pandemic resulted in changes to senior schooling. The QCAA reduced the number of summative internal assessments in General subjects and adjusted procedures for calculating final subject results.

In 2020, your final result in General subjects is based on your achievement in two internal assessments and one external assessment.

How are final subject results calculated?

The results from your external assessments will provide a score out of 25 or 50, depending on the subject.

This result is then added to your two internal assessment results (for Units 3 and 4) to give a mark out of 100 and a grade of A to E for each subject. If you want to find out more, there is a factsheet on the QCAA website that explains how General subject results will be calculated in 2020.

The marks you received for your internal assessments are not affected by your external assessment result.

When and where can I view my results?

The results for your first internal assessment have been available in your learning account since late June. The second internal assessment result will be in your learning account before the start of the external assessment period. Your combined result for the two internal assessments will be provided to your school in a report.

Your external assessment results and final subject results will be available in your learning account on 19 December, together with your Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) (if eligible).

You can access your learning account via the Student Portal on the myQCE website. You'll need your 10-digit Learner Unique Identifier (LUI) the first time you register for the Student Portal. Then you can log in with your email and nominated password.

Can I ask the QCAA to check my external assessment results?

If you believe there has been a marking error, you can apply to the QCAA to have your external assessment or Senior External Examination script re-examined. You will need to submit a reassessment form and the application fee by 18 January 2021.

The reassessment may decrease, confirm or increase the result. If the result changes, the QCAA will issue a new Senior Statement or Statement of Results, advise the Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) of the new result and refund the application fee.

More information about results is available on the QCE results page of the QCAA website.

What contributes to the ATAR

The Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) is responsible for calculating students' tertiary entrance ranks, known as Australian Tertiary Admission Ranks (ATARs).

The only information QTAC uses to calculate an ATAR is a student's final subject results. They are not supplied with individual external or internal assessment results.

An ATAR is calculated from either:

• a student's best five General subject results

or

 a student's best results in a combination of four General subject results, plus one Applied subject result or completed VET qualification at Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Certificate III level or above.

If a student is eligible for an ATAR in both categories, QTAC will use their higher ATAR.

To be eligible for an ATAR, students must satisfactorily complete a QCAA English subject. While students must meet this standard, it is not mandatory for the English result to be included in the ATAR calculation.

You can find more information about the ATAR on the QTAC website.

Appendix 1: External assessment timetable 2020

Week 1 (Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October)

Date	AM session	PM session
Monday 26 October	English 2 hrs + 15 mins English as an Additional Language 2 hrs + 15 mins	Business 2 hrs + 15 mins
Tuesday 27 October	Mathematical Methods (Paper 1) 90 mins + 5 mins	Mathematical Methods (Paper 2) 90 mins + 5 mins
Wednesday 28 October	Design 2 hr + 15 mins	Visual Art 2 hrs + 10 mins
Thursday 29 October	Ancient History 2 hrs + 15 mins	General Mathematics (Paper 1) 90 mins + 5 mins Specialist Mathematics (Paper 1) 90 mins + 5 mins
Friday 30 October	General Mathematics (Paper 2) 90 mins + 5 mins Specialist Mathematics (Paper 2) 90 mins + 5 mins	English & Literature Extension 2 hrs + 30 mins

Week 2 (Monday 2 November – Friday 6 November)

Date	AM session	PM session
Monday 2 November	Biology (Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 mins	Biology (Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins
Tuesday 3 November	Legal Studies 2 hrs + 15 mins	Physical Education 2 hrs + 15 mins
Wednesday 4 November	Chemistry (Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 mins	Chemistry (Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins
Thursday 5 November	Economics 2 hrs + 15 mins Health 2 hrs + 15 mins	Accounting 2 hrs + 15 mins Music 2 hrs + 20 mins
Friday 6 November	Modern History 2 hrs + 15 mins	Geography 2 hrs + 15 mins

Week 3 (Monday 9 November – Friday 13 November)

Date	AM session	PM session
Monday 9 November	Physics (Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 mins	Physics (Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins
Tuesday 10 November	Psychology (Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 mins	Psychology (Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins
Wednesday 11 November	Digital Solutions 2 hrs + 15 mins Food & Nutrition 2 hrs + 10 mins	Literature 2 hrs + 15 mins
Thursday 12 November	Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Studies 2 hrs + 15 mins Study of Religion 2 hrs + 15 mins Chinese Extension 2 hrs + 20 mins French Extension 2 hrs + 20 mins German Extension 2 hrs + 20 mins	Aerospace Systems 2 hrs + 10 mins Drama 2 hrs + 20 mins
Friday 13 November	Film, Television & New Media 2 hrs + 20 mins German 2 hrs + 5 mins	Dance 2 hrs + 20 mins Engineering 2 hrs + 10 mins

Week 4 (Monday 16 November – Tuesday 17 November)

Date	AM session	PM session
Monday 16 November	Earth & Environmental Science (Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 mins Marine Science (Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 mins	Agricultural Science (Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 mins Music Extension 2 hrs + 20 mins Philosophy & Reason 2 hrs + 15 mins
Tuesday 17 November	Earth & Environmental Science (Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins Marine Science (Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins French 2 hrs + 5 mins	Agricultural Science (Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins Chinese 2 hrs + 5 mins Italian 2 hrs + 5 mins Japanese 2 hrs + 5 mins Spanish 2 hrs + 5 mins

Appendix 2: Senior External Examination (SEE) assessment timetable 2020

- The Senior External Examination (SEE) is a program of individual subject examinations offered to eligible Year 12 students and adult learners.
- SEEs are 100% external examination subjects and are assessed differently from mainstream General subjects.
- Students must attend all components of the examination to receive a result. If a student is absent from either the written or oral component of a language examination, no result is issued. No alternative arrangements can be made if a student does not attend a scheduled written examination.

SEE Languages examinations oral component

The date and time of the oral component for each student will be provided at the start of Week 1 in Term 4.

Date/time	Subject	Conditions
Monday 12 October – Friday 23 October	Chinese SEE Indonesian SEE Korean SEE Vietnamese SEE	Extended response multimodal (8–10 minutes) plus Extended response spoken (7–8 minutes)
Monday 12 October – Friday 6 November	Arabic SEE Modern Greek SEE Polish SEE Punjabi SEE Russian SEE	Conversation (approximately 7 minutes) plus Discussion (approximately 8 minutes)

The oral component will be completed online at the student's school.

SEE written examinations

Date	AM session	PM session
Tuesday 20 October		Arabic SEE (written component) 2 hrs + 15 mins Polish SEE (written component) 2 hrs + 10 mins Punjabi SEE (written component) 2 hrs + 10 mins Russian SEE (written component) 2 hrs + 10 mins
Friday 23 October	General Mathematics SEE (SEE 1 PSMT examination) 3 hrs + 15 mins Visual ART SEE (SEE 1 practical examination) 4 hours + 10 mins	
Monday 26 October	English SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1 & Paper 2) 3 hrs + 25 mins	English SEE (SEE 1 Section 1 & Section 2) 3 hrs + 25 mins (in total when combined)
Tuesday 27 October	Mathematical Methods SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1) 90 mins + 5 mins	Mathematical Methods SEE (SEE 2 Paper 2) 90 mins + 5 mins Latin SEE 3 hrs + 5 mins
Wednesday 28 October	Ancient History SEE (SEE 1 Section 1 & Section 2) 3 hrs + 25 mins	Mathematical Methods SEE (SEE 1 PSMT examination) 3 hrs + 15 mins Visual Art SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1 & Paper 2) 3 hrs + 20 mins
Thursday 29 October	Ancient History SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1 & Paper 2) 3 hrs + 25 mins	General Mathematics SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1) 90 mins + 5 mins
Friday 30 October	General Mathematics SEE (SEE 2 Paper 2) 90 mins + 5 mins	Legal Studies SEE (SEE 1 Section 1 & Section 2) 3 hrs + 25 mins
Monday 2 November	Biology SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 mins	Biology SEE (SEE 2 Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins
Tuesday 3 November	Legal Studies SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1 & Paper 2) 3 hrs + 25 mins	Biology SEE (SEE 1 Section 1 & Section 2) 3 hrs + 20 mins

Date	AM session	PM session
Wednesday 4 November	Chemistry SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 mins	Chemistry SEE (SEE 2 Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins
Thursday 5 November	Accounting SEE (SEE 1 combination response) 3 hrs + 25 mins Chemistry SEE (SEE 1 Section 1 & Section 2) 3 hrs + 20 mins	Accounting SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1 & Paper 2) 3 hrs + 25 mins
Friday 6 November	Modern History SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1 & Paper 2)Modern History SEE (SEE 1 Section 1 & Section 2 3 hrs + 25 mins3 hrs + 25 mins3 hrs + 25 mins	
Monday 9 November	Physics SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1) 90 mins + 10 minsPhysics SEE (SEE 2 Paper 2) 90 mins + 10 mins	
Tuesday 10 November	Physics SEE (SEE 1 Section 1 & Section 2) 3 hrs + 20 mins	
Thursday 12 November	Chinese SEE (written component) 2 hrs + 15 mins Korean SEE (written component) 2 hrs + 15 mins	
Friday 13 November		Indonesian SEE (written component) 2 hrs + 15 mins
Monday 16 November	Philosophy & Reason SEE (SEE 1 Section 1 & Section 2) 3 hrs + 25 mins	Philosophy & Reason SEE (SEE 2 Paper 1 & Paper 2) 3 hrs + 25 mins
Tuesday 17 November	Vietnamese SEE (written component) 2 hrs + 15 mins	
Tuesday 1 December	Modern Greek SEE (written component) 2 hrs + 15 mins	

Appendix 3: English subjects overview

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
English	Time: 2 hours plus planning time (15 minutes) Length: 800–1000 words Resources: No notes or copies of prescribed texts allowed.	Extended response Analytical essay Focus: a literary text from the prescribed text list. Choose from two unseen questions specific to each prescribed text.
English as an Additional Language	Time: 2 hours plus planning time (15 minutes) Length: 800–1000 words Resources: No notes or copies of prescribed texts allowed.	Extended response Analytical essay Focus: a literary text from the prescribed text list. Choose from two unseen questions specific to each prescribed text.
Literature	Time: 2 hours plus planning time (15 minutes) Length: 800–1000 words Resources: No notes or copies of prescribed texts allowed.	Extended response Analytical essay Focus: a literary text from the prescribed text list. Choose from two unseen questions specific to each prescribed text.
English & Literature Extension	Time: 2 hours plus planning time (30 minutes) Length: 800–1000 words (excluding quotations)	Extended response Theorised exploration of unseen text Selection of three unseen short texts of comparable complexity provided in the examination.
English SEE	SEE 1	
	Time: 3 hours plus 25 minutes planning time Section 1 Time: approximately 2 hours Length: 800–1000 words Section 2 Time: approximately 1 hour Length: 500–700 words Resources: No notes or copies of prescribed texts allowed.	Extended response This examination paper consists of two sections: Section 1: Extended written response for a public audience An extended response to two literary texts chosen from the Senior External Examination prescribed text list and studied in depth in Unit 3. Section 2: Persuasive written response to contemporary social issue, chosen from the issues specified by the QCAA for that year.
		SEE 2
	Time: 3 hours plus 25 minutes planning time and is completed in one sitting	Extended response This examination paper consists of two papers:
	Paper 1 Time: 1 hour plus 10 minutes planning time Length: 500–700 words Paper 2 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: 800–1000 words Resources: No notes or copies of prescribed texts allowed.	 Paper 1: Imaginative written response Topic: Candidates will choose a poetry text from those identified by the QCAA in the Senior External Examination prescribed text list for SEE 2, Paper 1 as a springboard for an imaginative written response. Paper 2: Analytical written response to a literary text that is studied in depth in Unit 4. Candidates must choose a literary text from those identified by the QCAA in the Senior External Examination prescribed text list for SEE 2, Paper 2. Choose from two unseen questions specific to each prescribed text.

Appendix 4: Health and Physical Education subjects overview

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Health	Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: written, 800–1000 words (2 x 400–500 word responses)	 Extended response Two extended responses to an unseen question using an unseen stimulus that can have information relating to: context/s characteristics of target group/s methodology and resources of specified action strategies for characteristics of innovations that have been implemented. Focus: The application of the health approaches, frameworks and resources in contexts.
Physical Education Physical Education AS	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes perusal time Length: 800–1000 words in total, including multiple-choice questions short paragraph response items of 150–250 words per item extended response to unseen stimulus of 400 words or more 	 The external assessment in Physical Education assesses learning pertaining to Objectives 1, 4, 5, 6 and 7. The assessment instrument may include: multiple-choice questions short-response questions extended response to an unseen question or statement and stimulus. Focus: All questions and stimulus are based on subject matter from Unit 4.

Appendix 5: Humanities and Social Sciences subjects overview

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Studies	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: written responses, 50–250 words per item (800–1000 words in total) unseen stimulus material no notes are allowed. 	Short response Sentence, short paragraph/s and other types of item responses, e.g. drawing, labelling and calculating. Focus: Unit 4 Topic 2: Reconciliation and recognition
Accounting	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: multiple-choice items practical items short items — paragraph responses, 50–250 words each item. Other: unseen stimulus non-programmable calculator permitted. 	 Combination response Multiple-choice items Problem/s requiring the application of accounting principles and processes Problem/s requiring synthesis to solve the accounting problem/s Short item/s to unseen stimulus requiring analysis, interpretation and evaluation of the financial statements of a public company Focus: Unit 4 Topic 2: Complete accounting process for a trading GST business and Topic 3: Performance analysis of a public company
Ancient History	Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: 3–5 questions with a total word length of 800–1000 words.	 Short responses to historical sources Consists of a number of short items requiring paragraph responses that include references to historical sources and evidence Stimulus specifications Up to 12 sources Sources not provided before the exam Focus: One nominated topic from Unit 4 Topics 6–12 that will be the basis for external assessment. Schools will be notified of the topic at least 12 months before the external assessment is implemented. 2020: Unit 4 Topic 12: Augustus
Business	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: short items — paragraph responses 50–250 words each item extended-response item — business report — 400–600 words examination in its entirety — 800–1000 words. Unseen stimulus 	 Combination response Short response items — paragraph responses Extended response item — business report Focus: Unit 4 Topic 2: Transformation of a business

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Economics	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: multiple-choice items short-response items — 50–250 words per item extended-response item — 400–600 words examination in its entirety — 800–1000 words. Rulers free from markings other than measurement indicators are permitted. Non-programmable calculator permitted. 	 Combination response Multiple-choice Short-response — responses may take the form of diagrams and graphs, sentences and/or paragraphs as required by each item. Extended response — unseen stimulus for one extended-response item, which assesses analysis and evaluation objectives. The stimulus will include text and/or visual stimulus. Focus: Unit 4 Topic 2: Economic management
Geography	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: short-response items (approximately 50–150 words per item) extended-response item (approximately 450–600 words) examination in its entirety 800–1000 words. Stimulus materials are not provided prior to the exam. Non-programmable calculators are permitted. Rulers free from markings other than measurement indicators are permitted. 	 Combination response Short response — 5–8 short-response items in response to stimulus (data): may include explanation, measurement, calculations, drawing, labelling and annotating maps, diagrams and graphs responses may take the form of creating maps and graphs, annotating, sentences and/or paragraphs as required by each item. One extended-response item in response to stimulus (data) may include using a model and/or calculations. Stimulus materials will consist of visual texts, e.g. maps, graphs, statistics, infographics, images, diagrams and minimal text. Focus: Unit 4 Topic 2: Global population change
Legal Studies	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: short-response items — 50–250 words per item extended-response item — 400–600 words examination in its entirety — 800–1000 words. Non-programmable calculator permitted. 	 Combination response Short response Short-response items assess the comprehension objective. Responses may take the form of diagrams, sentences and/or paragraphs as required by each item. Extended response Unseen stimulus for one extended-response item which assesses analysis and evaluation objectives and require a decision to be made. The stimulus will include text and/or visual stimulus. Focus: Unit 4 Topic 1: Human rights and Topic 3: Human rights in Australian contexts
Modern History	Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: 3–5 questions with a total word length of 800–1000 words	 Short responses to historical sources Consists of a number of short items requiring paragraph responses that include references to historical sources and evidence Up to 12 sources Focus for 2020: Unit 4 Topic 1: Australian engagement with Asia since 1945 Aspect of the topic: Australia and the Vietnam War

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Philosophy & Reason	Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: written, 800–1000 words No notes allowed.	 Extended response A response to an unseen problem, question or hypothesis Unseen stimulus materials The student will be required to compare and evaluate two political philosophies that have been studied in Unit 4 Topic 2. Focus: Unit 4 Topic 2: Political philosophy.
Study of Religion	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: written responses, 50–250 words per item (800–1000 words in total) unseen stimulus material no notes are allowed. 	 Examination — short response Sentences, paragraph/s and other types of item responses, e.g. drawing, labelling and calculating. Focus: Unit 4 Topic 2: Religion and human rights Stimulus specifications Stimulus will be succinct enough to allow students sufficient time to engage with them. Stimulus will be presented in written texts or visual texts.
Ancient History AS	Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: 3–5 questions with a total word length of 800–1000 words.	 Short responses to historical sources Consists of a number of short items requiring paragraph responses that include references to historical sources and evidence Stimulus specifications Up to 12 sources Sources not provided before the exam Focus for 2020: One nominated topic from Unit 4 Topics 6–12 that will be the basis for external assessment. Schools will be notified of the topic at least 12 months before the external assessment is implemented. 2020: AS unit 4 Topic 12: Augustus
Economics AS	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time. Length: multiple-choice items short-response items — 50–250 words per item extended-response item — 400–600 words examination in its entirety — 800–1000 words. Rulers free from markings other than measurement indicators are permitted. Non-programmable calculator permitted. 	 Combination response Multiple choice Short-response items. Responses may take the form of diagrams and graphs, sentences and/or paragraphs as required by each item. Extended response Unseen stimulus for one extended-response item, which assesses analysis and evaluation objectives. The stimulus will include text and/or visual stimulus. Focus for 2020: AS unit 4 Topic 2: Economic management

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Geography AS	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: short-response items (approximately 50–150 words per item) extended-response item (approximately 450–600 words) examination in its entirety 800–1000 words. Stimulus materials are not provided prior to the exam. Non-programmable calculators are permitted. Rulers free from markings other than measurement indicators are permitted. 	 Combination response Short response — 5–8 short-response items in response to stimulus (data): may include explanation, measurement, calculations, drawing, labelling and annotating maps, diagrams and graphs response may take the form of creating maps and graphs, annotating, sentences and/or paragraphs as required by each item. One extended-response item in response to stimulus (data) may include using a model and/or calculations. Stimulus materials will consist of visual texts, e.g. maps, graphs, statistics, infographics, images, diagrams and minimal text. Focus for 2020: AS unit 4 Topic 2: Global population change
Legal Studies AS	 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: short-response items — 50–250 words per item extended-response item — 400–600 words examination in its entirety — 800–1000 words. Non-programmable calculator permitted. 	 Combination response Short-response items assess the comprehension objective. Responses may take the form of diagrams, sentences and/or paragraphs as required by each item. One extended-response item to unseen stimulus. Focus for 2020: AS unit 4 Topic 1: Human rights and Topic 3: Human rights in Australian contexts
Modern History AS	Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: 3–5 questions with a total word length of 800–1000 words.	 Short responses to historical sources Consists of a number of short items requiring paragraph responses that include reference to historical sources and evidence Stimulus specifications Up to 12 sources Sources not provided before the exam Focus for 2020: Unit 4 Topic 1: Australian engagement with Asia since 1945 Aspect of the topic: Australia and the Vietnam War

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Accounting SEE		SEE 1
022	Time:	Combination response
	3 hours plus 25 minutes planning time	Section 1: Short items
	Length:	Candidates respond to four short items preparing
	 short items — paragraph responses 50–100 words each 	paragraph responses to demonstrate comprehension of concepts, principles and/or processes.
	practical items	Section 2: Practical items
	• extended-response item — business	Candidates respond to two practical items.
	report (extract) of 600–800 words.	Practical item 1 requires the application of accounting principles and processes for a sole trader
	Other:	trading GST business.
	unseen stimulus	Practical item 2 requires candidates to synthesise
	 non-programmable calculator permitted 	and solve a goal-oriented problem relating to fully classified financial statement reporting for a sole trader trading GST business.
		Section 3: Extended-response item
		One extended-response item that requires sustained analysis, interpretation and evaluation to answer one question in response to unseen stimulus.
		Business report extract that will include:
		 analysis and interpretation of financial data and information and fully classified financial statement reporting
		 analysis and interpretation of financial data and information focusing on one area of performance
		 evaluation of accounting practices.
		Focus: Unit 3 Topic 1: Managing resources for a trading GST business and Topic 2: Fully classified financial statement reporting for a trading GST business

	SEE 2
Time: The total examination time is 3 hours plus a total of 25 minutes planning time.	The paper consists of two papers. Paper 1: Short response
	 Practical responses
Paper 1	– financial documents
Time: 1 hour plus 10 minutes planning time	 cash budgets including input areas, statements of estimated receipts from accounts receivable
Length:	and statements of GST payable and receivable
 practical items 	Short responses
 short items — paragraph responses, 50 words each paragraph 	Focus: Real-life accounting context for a trading GST business relating to Unit 4 Topic 1: Cash
Other:	management
unseen stimulus	Paper 2: Short response
non-programmable calculator permitted	Multiple-choice items
Paper 2	Problem/s requiring the application of accounting
Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning	principles and processes
time	 Problem/s requiring synthesis to solve the counting problems.
Length:	problems
 multiple-choice items 	 Short items responding to unseen stimulus requiring analysis, interpretation and evaluation of
practical items	the financial statements of a public company
 short items — paragraph responses, 50–250 words each item 	Focus: Unit 4 Topic 2: Complete accounting proces for a trading GST business and Topic 3:
Other:	Performance analysis of a public company
unseen stimulus	
non-programmable calculator permitted	

Ancient History SEE		SEE 1
	Time: 3 hours plus a total of 25 minutes	Section 1: Short response
	planning time and is completed in one sitting Section 1	• 3–7 short items
		 Up to 12 unseen sources that demonstrate different perspectives
	Time: approximately 1 hour	Focus: Unit 3 Topic 4: Fifth Century Athens (BCE)
	Length: total word length of 500–700 words	Section 2: Essay in response to historical sources
	Section 2 Time: approximately 2 hours Length: 800–1000 words	 An essay in response to historical sources requires sustained analysis, synthesis and evaluation of the stimulus material in order to fully support a candidate-generated hypothesis
		Up to 12 sources
		 Sources not provided before the examination
		Focus: Unit 3 Topic 1: Thebes — East and West, 18th Dynasty Egypt
		SEE 2
	Time: The total examination time is 3 hours plus a total of 25 minutes planning time. Paper 1 Time: 1 hour plus 10 minutes planning time Length: 500–700 words Paper 2 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: total word length of 800–1000 words	This examination paper consists of two papers: Paper 1: Combination response
		Short response
		• 3–5 unseen questions
		Extended response
		 Up to 9 unseen sources that demonstrate different perspectives
		Focus: Unit 4 Topic 4: Rome — the Punic Wars
		Paper 2: Short responses to historical sources
		 Consists of a number of short items requiring paragraph responses that include references to historical sources and evidence
		Stimulus specifications
		Up to 12 sources
		• 3–5 questions
		Sources not provided before the exam
		Focus: One nominated topic from Unit 4 Topics 6–12 that will be the basis for external assessment. Schools will be notified of the topic at least 12 months before the external assessment is implemented.
		2020: Unit 4 Topic 12: Augustus

Legal		SEE 1	
Studies SEE	Time: 3 hours plus 25 minutes planning time and is completed in one sitting	This examination consists of two sections:	
	Section 1	Section 1: Combination responseShort-response items, where responses may take	
	Time: approximately 2 hours	the form of diagrams, sentences and/or	
	Length:	paragraphs as required by each item	
	 short-response items — 50–250 words per item 	 Extended response to unseen stimulus, which assesses analysis and evaluation and requires a decision to be made 	
	extended-response item — 400–600 words	Focus: Unit 3 Topic 1: Governance in Australia: Combination response	
	• Section 1 in its entirety — 800–1000 words.	Section 2: Extended response to stimulus — analytical essay	
	Section 2	 Analytical essay response to one unseen item, 	
	Time: approximately 1 hour	using unseen stimulus materials	
	Length: 500–700 words Non-programmable calculator permitted.	Focus: Unit 3 Topic 2: Law reform within a dynamic society	
	SEE 2		
	Time: The total examination time is 3 hours plus 25 minutes planning time Paper 1	The paper consists of two papers: Paper 1: Extended response to stimulus — argumentative essay	
	Time: 1 hour plus 10 minutes planning time.	Argumentative essay Argumentative essay in response to one unseen item, using unseen stimulus materials	
	Length: 500–700 words	Focus: Unit 4 Topic 1: Human rights and	
	Non-programmable calculator permitted.	Topic 2: The effectiveness of international law	
	Paper 2	Paper 2: Combination response	
	Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time	 Short-response items where responses may take the form of diagrams, sentences and/or paragraphs as required by each item 	
	Length:	Extended response to unseen stimulus, which	
	 short-response items — 50–250 words per item 	assesses analysis and evaluation and requires a decision to be made	
	 extended-response item — 400–600 words 	Focus: Unit 4 Topic 1: Human rights and Topic 3: Human rights in Australian contexts	
	• Total — 800–1000 words.		

Modern		SEE 1
Modern History SEE	Time: 3 hours plus a total of 25 minutes planning time and is completed in one sitting Section 1 Time: approximately 1 hour Length: total word length of 500–700 words Section 2 Time: approximately 2 hours Length: 800–1000 words	 SEE 1 This examination paper consists of two sections: Section 1: Short response 3–7 short items Up to 12 unseen sources Focus for 2020: Unit 3 Topic 5: Germany, 1914–1945 Aspect of the topic: Youth Resistance in Nazi Germany (1933–1945) Section 2: Essay in response to historical sources An essay in response to historical sources requires sustained analysis, synthesis and evaluation of the stimulus material in order to fully support a candidate-generated hypothesis Up to 12 sources
		 Sources not provided before the examination Focus for 2020: Unit 3 Topic 9: China, 1931–1976 Aspect of the topic: Origins, nature and significance of the Cultural Revolution (1966–1976)
		SEE 2
	Time: The total examination time is 3 hours plus a total of 25 minutes planning time. Paper 1 Time: 1 hour plus 10 minutes planning time Length: 500–700 words Paper 2 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: total word length of 800–1000 words	This examination paper consists of two papers:

Philosophy & Reason SEE	SEE 1		
	Time: 3 hours plus a total of 25 minutes	Section 1: Extended response	
	planning time and is completed in one sitting Section 1 Time: approximately 2 hours Length: 800–1000 words No notes allowed. Section 2 Time: approximately 1 hour Length: 500–700 words No notes allowed.	 Candidates will be required to analyse one contemporary ethical issue related to Unit 3 Topic 1: Moral philosophy and propose an outcome or resolution. The proposed outcome or resolution is to be justified through an analysis and evaluation of two ethical theories, both related to this topic. Theories to be used include two of the following: utilitarianism, Kantian ethics or virtue ethics. Candidates will be required to use unseen stimulus materials provided with the exam paper. The candidate response will be written in the form of an analytical essay. 	
		Focus: Unit 3 Topic 1: Moral philosophy	
		Section 2: Short response	
		 Candidates are required to respond to a number of short items relating to the school of thought nominated by the QCAA from the list provided in Unit 3, Topic 2. 	
		• Candidates will be required to interpret, analyse and evaluate philosophical arguments relating to the nominated school of thought.	
		• Stimulus may include quotes, general text or images that encapsulate key concepts; situations or scenarios for candidates to engage with; key philosophers and/or key philosophical concepts to be used.	
		Focus: Unit 3 Topic 2: Philosophical schools of thought.	
		2020: Philosophical school of thought: Existentialism	
		SEE 2	
	 Time: The total examination time is 3 hours plus a total of 25 minutes planning time. Paper 1 Time: 1 hour plus 10 minutes planning time 	 Paper 1: Short response Candidates are required to respond to a number of short items relating to Unit 4 Topic 1: Rights. They will be required to interpret, analyse and evaluate philosophical arguments, ideas and information relating to rights. 	
	Length: 500–700 words No notes allowed.	• Candidates are required to use unseen stimulus materials provided with the examination paper.	
	Paper 2 Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes planning time Length: 800–1000 words	• Stimulus may include quotes, general text or images that encapsulate key concepts; situations or scenarios for candidates to engage with; key philosophers and/or key philosophical concepts to be used.	
	No notes allowed.	Focus: Unit 4 Topic 1: Rights	
		Paper 2: Extended response	
		 A response to an unseen problem, question or hypothesis. 	
		 Unseen stimulus materials The student will be required to compare and evaluate two political philosophies that have been studied in Unit 4 Topic 2. 	
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Appendix 6: Languages subjects overview

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Chinese	 Time: 2 hours plus 5 minutes perusal. Length: Responses in English written short answer responses, up to 100 words per item total response of 300–400 words Responses in Chinese written short and extended answer responses, up to 300 characters per item total response of 400–600 characters Resources: Notes and reference materials are not permitted. Unseen stimulus 	 Combination response This examination is a combination of extended and short responses in English and Chinese related to three to six unseen Chinese stimulus texts. Chinese stimulus written text/s and transcripts of 600–1000 characters in length, when combined. The <i>Hànyū pīnyīn</i> phonetic system should not be used in Chinese responses. Criterion: Analysing Chinese texts in English and Chinese This criterion requires students to: respond to three to six Chinese stimulus texts, of which at least one is written, and one is audio or audiovisual, which are authentic related to the Unit 4 subject matter respond in English and Chinese to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g. interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams completing items requiring short and/or extended responses responding to unseen stimulus texts interpreting ideas and information in Chinese texts analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to Chinese text/s write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified. Criterion: Creating Chinese texts

FrenchTime: 2 hours plus 5 minutes perusal.Combination response This examination is a combination of extended and short responses in English and French related to three to six unseen French stimulus texts. French stimulus written texts and transcripts of 500-800 words in length, when combined.• written short answer responses up to 100 words D0-400 wordsCriterion: Analysing French texts in English and French The criterion requires students to:• written short answer responses of 200-300 words• written extended answer responses of 200-300 words• written extended answer responses of 200-300 words• authentic • related to the Unit 4 subject matter • written text/s and transcripts of 500-800 words in leagt one is written, and one is audio or audiovisual, which are • authentic • related to the Unit 4 subject matter • written text/s and transcripts of 500-800 words in length, when combined• total response of 200-300 words• respond to the Unit 4 subject matter • written text/s and transcripts of 500-800 words in length, when combined• total response of 200-800 words• respond in English and French to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g. • completing items requiring short and/or extended responses • responding to unseen stimulus texts • interpreting ideas and information in French texts• analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to French texts• write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified.• write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified.
Students respond in French to unseen questions,

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
German German AS	 Time: 2 hours plus 5 minutes perusal. Length: Responses in English written short answer responses, up to 100 words per item total response of 300–400 words. Responses in German written short answer responses up to 100 words per item written extended answer responses of 200–300 words total response of 400–600 words Resources: Notes and reference materials are not permitted. 	 Combination response This examination is a combination of extended and short responses in English and German related to three to six unseen German stimulus texts. German stimulus written text/s and transcripts of 500–800 words in length when combined. Criterion: Analysing German texts in English and German The criterion requires students to: respond to three to six German stimulus texts, of which at least one is written, and one is audio or audiovisual, which are authentic related to the Unit 4 subject matter written text/s and transcripts of 500–800 words in length, when combined respond in English and German to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g. interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams completing items requiring short and/or extended responses responding to unseen stimulus texts interpreting ideas and information in German texts analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to German text/s write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified. Criterion: Creating German texts

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Italian	Conditions Time: 2 hours plus 5 minutes perusal Length: Responses in English • written short answer responses, up to 100 words per item • total response of 300–400 words Responses in Italian • written short answer responses up to 100 words per item • written extended answer responses of 200–300 words • total response of 400–600 words Resources: Notes and reference materials are not permitted.	 Response type/technique/genre/subject matter Combination response This examination is a combination of extended and short responses in English and Italian related to three to six unseen Italian stimulus texts. Italian stimulus written text/s and transcripts of 500–800 words in length when combined. Criterion: Analysing Italian texts in English and Italian The criterion requires students to: respond to three to six Italian stimulus texts, of which at least one is written, and one is audio or audiovisual, which are authentic related to the Unit 4 subject matter written text/s and transcripts of 500–800 words in length, when combined respond in English and Italian to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g. interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams completing items requiring short and/or extended responses responding to unseen stimulus texts analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to Italian text/s write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified. Criterion: Creating Italian texts

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Japanese Japanese AS	 Conditions Time: 2 hours plus 5 minutes perusal Length: Responses in English written short answer responses, up to 100 words per item total response of 300–400 words Responses in Japanese written short and extended answer responses, up to 400 characters per item total response of 550–750 characters. Resources: Notes and reference materials are not permitted. 	 Combination response This examination is a combination of extended and short responses in English and Japanese related to three to six unseen Japanese stimulus texts. Japanese stimulus written text/s and transcripts of 800–1200 characters in length when combined. Responses in Japanese should be in a combination of kana and kanji. Criterion: Analysing Japanese texts in English and Japanese The criterion requires students to: respond to three to six Japanese stimulus texts, of which at least one is written, and one is audio or audiovisual, which are authentic related to the Unit 4 subject matter respond in English and Japanese to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g. interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams completing items requiring short and/or extended responses responding to unseen stimulus texts interpreting ideas and information in Japanese texts analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to Japanese texts write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified. Criterion: Creating Japanese texts

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Spanish	 Time: 2 hours plus 5 minutes perusal Length: Responses in English written short answer responses, up to 100 words per item total response of 300–400 words Responses in Spanish written short answer responses up to 100 words per item written short answer responses of 200–300 words total response of 400–600 words. Resources: Notes and reference materials are not permitted. 	 Combination response This examination is a combination of extended and short responses in English and Spanish related to three to six unseen Spanish stimulus texts. Spanish stimulus written text/s and transcripts of 500–800 words in length when combined. Criterion: Analysing Spanish texts in English and Spanish The criterion requires students to: respond to three to six Spanish stimulus texts, of which at least one is written, and one is audio or audiovisual, which are authentic related to the Unit 4 subject matter respond in English and Spanish to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g. interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams completing items requiring short and/or extended responses responding to unseen stimulus texts interpreting ideas and information in Spanish texts analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to Spanish text/s write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified. Criterion: Creating Spanish to unseen questions, scenarios, scenarios contait ideas are maintained, developed and justified.
Chinese Extension	 Time: 2 hours plus 20 minutes planning time. Length: an extended response of 500–700 characters. Resources: Chinese dictionaries and notes are not permitted. 	 Extended response The summative external examination is an extended response using stimulus material from a range of different text types and on topics from the areas of study. Students will be asked to select one stimulus from the choice of provided materials. They will respond, in the form of an analytical essay, by providing perspectives on the ideas in the stimulus material and relating them to the topics studied in Units 3 and 4. Criterion: Analysing Chinese texts This criterion requires students to: analyse and evaluate ideas in Chinese texts draw conclusions and justify their points of view. Criterion: Creating Chinese texts This criterion requires students to: provide a personal, critical and/or creative response to stimulus adhere to the conventions of the text type.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
French Extension	Time: 2 hours plus 20 minutes planning time. Length: an extended response of 500–700 words. Resources: French dictionaries and notes are not permitted.	Extended response The summative external examination is an extended response using stimulus material from a range of different text types and on topics from the areas of study. Students will be asked to select one stimulus from the choice of provided materials. They will respond, in the form of an analytical essay, by providing perspectives on the ideas in the stimulus material and relating them to the topics studied in Units 3 and 4. Criterion: Analysing French texts This criterion requires students to: • analyse and evaluate ideas in French texts • draw conclusions and justify their points of view. Criterion: Creating French texts This criterion requires students to: • provide a personal, critical and/or creative response to stimulus • adhere to the conventions of the text type.
German Extension	Time: 2 hours plus 20 minutes planning time. Length: an extended response of 500–700 words. Resources: German dictionaries and notes are not permitted.	 Extended response The summative external examination is an extended response using stimulus material from a range of different text types and on topics from the areas of study. Students will be asked to select one stimulus from the choice of provided materials. They will respond, in the form of an analytical essay, by providing perspectives on the ideas in the stimulus material and relating them to the topics studied in Units 3 and 4. Criterion: Analysing German texts This criterion requires students to: analyse and evaluate ideas in German texts draw conclusions and justify their points of view. Criterion: Creating German texts This criterion requires students to: provide a personal, critical and/or creative response to stimulus adhere to the conventions of the text type.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Arabic SEE	Oral examination	Oral examination
	Time: approx. 15 minutes	Section 1: Conversation
	Section 1: Conversation (approx. 7 minutes) Section 2: Discussion (approx. 8 minutes)	• Involves a general conversation between the candidate and the assessor/s, via an online sharing platform, about the candidate's interactions with the Arabic language and culture as learners
	Resources:	Section 2: Discussion
	Dictionaries or electronic devices are not permitted.	 The candidate will be required to discuss their chosen sub-topic and the supporting visual material they have brought with them.
	 Notes or cue cards are not permitted. 	 The focus of the discussion will be on exploring aspects of the sub-topic, including information, opinions and
	Written examination	ideas.
	Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes reading time	Written examination
	Length:	The examination will be in the form of a question and answer book. The examination will consist of three
	Section 2 Part B: response of	sections.
	approximately 150 words	Section 1: Listening and responding
	Section 3: response of 200–300 words	 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing information from spoken texts
	Resources:	Part A
	Monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes are permitted.	 Questions will be phrased in English for responses in English.
		Part B
		 Questions will be phrased in English and Arabic for responses in Arabic.
		Section 2: Reading and responding
		 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing and responding to information from written texts
		Part A
		 Candidates will be required to read one text in Arabic and listen to one text in Arabic.
		 Questions will be phrased in English for responses in English.
		Part B
		 Candidates will be required to read one text in Arabic and respond to a task based on information and ideas provided in the text.
		 The task will be phrased in English and Arabic for a response in Arabic.
		Section 3: Writing in Arabic
		• Candidates will be required to write a text that presents ideas and/or information and/or opinions and/or arguments.
		 The tasks will be phrased in English and Arabic for a response in Arabic.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Chinese SEE	Oral examination	Oral examination
	Section 1: Multimodal	Section 1: Extended response — multimodal
	Duration: 6 weeks notification	Criterion: Analysing Chinese texts in Chinese
	and preparation with QCAA- provided stimulus	• A prepared, individual, multimodal response to Chinese stimulus texts
	Length: 8–10 minutes in Chinese	 An open-ended task responding to three to five QCAA- provided Chinese stimulus texts
	Section 2: Spoken	Section 2: Extended response — spoken
	Length: 7–8 minutes in Chinese	Criterion: Exchanging information and ideas in Chinese
	Resources:	An individual spoken response to unseen open-ended follow-up questions in an examiner–candidate
	Dictionaries not permitted.	conversation in Chinese
	Written examination	Written examination
	Time : 2 hours plus 15 minutes perusal	The examination is a combination of extended and short written responses in English and Chinese related to three
	Length:	to six unseen Chinese stimulus texts.
	 Responses in English 	Criterion: Analysing Chinese texts in English and Chinese
	 written short answer 	This criterion requires candidates to:
	responses, up to 100 words per item	 respond to three to six Chinese stimulus texts, which
	 – total response of 	– are authentic
	400–600 words	 relate to Units 3 and 4 subject matter
	Responses in Chinese written short and	 include at least one written text, and one audio or audiovisual text
	extended answer responses, up to	 are 500–800 characters in length, when combined as written text/s and transcript/s
	300 characters per item – total response of	 respond in English and Chinese to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g.
	500–700 characters	 interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams
	Resources:	 – completing items requiring short and/or extended responses
	No supporting materials permitted.	 responding to unseen stimulus texts
		 interpreting ideas and information in Chinese texts
		 analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to Chinese text/s
		 write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified.
		Criterion: Creating Chinese texts
		 This criterion requires candidates to respond to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems in Chinese.
		 Candidates may choose to use full form characters in their response.
		 The Hànyǔ pīnyīn phonetic system may be drawn on to communicate meaning when a character cannot be recalled. This may, however, not be appropriate to the criterion and objectives and thus may affect the candidate's level of achievement.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Indonesian	Oral examination	Oral examination
SEE	Section 1: Multimodal	Section 1: Extended response — multimodal
	Duration: 6 weeks notification	Criterion: Analysing Indonesian texts in Indonesian
	and preparation with QCAA- provided stimulus	 A prepared, individual, multimodal response to Indonesian stimulus texts
	Length: 8–10 minutes in Indonesian	 An open-ended task responding to three to five QCAA- provided Indonesian stimulus texts
	Section 2: Spoken	Section 2: Extended response — spoken
	Length: 7–8 minutes in Indonesian	Criterion: Exchanging information and ideas in Indonesian
	Resources:	An individual spoken response to unseen open-ended
	Dictionaries not permitted.	follow-up questions in an examiner–candidate
	Written examination	conversation in Indonesian
	Time: 2 hours plus 15 minutes	Written examination
	perusal	The examination is a combination of extended and short
	Length:	written responses in English and Indonesian related to three to six unseen Indonesian stimulus texts.
	 Responses in English 	Criterion: Analysing Indonesian texts in English and
	 written short answer 	Indonesian
	responses, up to 100 words per item	This criterion requires candidates to:
	 – total response of 	• respond to three to six Indonesian stimulus texts, which
	400–600 words	– are authentic
	 Responses in Indonesian written short answer responses, up to 100 words per item written extended answer responses of 200–300 words total response of 400–600 words. Resources: No supporting materials permitted. 	 relate to Units 3 and 4 subject matter
		 include at least one written text, and one audio or audiovisual text
		 are 500–800 words in length, when combined as written text/s and transcript/s
		 respond in English and Indonesian to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g.
		 interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams
		 – completing items requiring short and/or extended responses
		 responding to unseen stimulus texts
		 interpreting ideas and information in Indonesian texts
		 analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to Indonesian text/s
		 write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified.
		Criterion: Creating Indonesian texts
		 Requires candidates to respond to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems in Indonesian

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Korean SEE	Oral examination	Oral examination
	Section 1: Multimodal	Section 1: Extended response — multimodal
	Duration: 6 weeks notification	Criterion: Analysing Korean texts in Korean
	and preparation with QCAA- provided stimulus	 A prepared, individual, multimodal response to Korean stimulus texts
	Length : 8–10 minutes in Korean	 An open-ended task responding to three to five QCAA- provided Korean stimulus texts
	Section 2: Spoken	Section 2: Extended response — spoken
	Length: 7–8 minutes in Korean	Criterion: Exchanging information and ideas in Korean
	Resources:	An individual spoken response to unseen open-ended
	Dictionaries not permitted.	follow-up questions in an examiner–candidate conversation in Korean
	Written examination	Written examination
	Time: 2 hours, plus 15 minutes perusal	The examination is a combination of extended and short written responses in English and Korean related to three
	Length:	to six unseen Korean stimulus texts.
	 Responses in English 	Criterion: Analysing Korean texts in English and Korean
	– written short answer	This criterion requires candidates to:
	responses, up to 100 words per item	respond to three to six Korean stimulus texts, which
	 total response of 	– are authentic
	400–600 words	 relate to Units 3 and 4 subject matter
	Responses in Korean	 include at least one written text, and one audio or audiovisual text
	 written short and extended answer 	– are 650–1000 $^{ m Al}$ ja in length when combined as
	responses, up to 650 자ja	written text/s and transcript/s
	per item	 respond in English and Korean to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g.
	– total response of 800–1200 자 ja. Resources:	 interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams
		 – completing items requiring short and/or extended responses
	No supporting materials	 responding to unseen stimulus texts
	permitted.	 interpreting ideas and information in Korean texts
		 analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to Korean text/s
		 write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified.
		Criterion: Creating Korean texts
		 Requires candidates to respond to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems in Korean

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Latin SEE	Written examination	Written examination
		 Written examination Section 1: Prescribed text — Prose This section will consist of three questions: a translation into English of one extract of approximately 80 words in total four short-answer parts based on one or more extracts from the prescribed text one extended response question based on one or more extracts with an expected response length of approximately 400 words. Section 2: Prescribed text — Verse This section will consist of three questions: a translation into English of one extract of approximately 12 lines four short-answer parts based on one or more extracts from the prescribed text one extended response question based on one or more extracts from the prescribed text and the prescribed text of approximately 12 lines four short-answer parts based on one or more extracts from the prescribed text one extended response question based on one or more extracts from the prescribed text Section 3: Unseen texts This section will consist of four questions based on extracts of approximately 400 words.
		 a translation into English of approximately 60 words short-answer parts based on a different section of the
		extracttwo questions will be based on one extract of non-prescribed verse
		 a translation into English of approximately 10 lines short-answer parts based on a different section of the extract.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Modern Greek SEE	Oral examination	Oral examination
	Time: approx. 15 minutes	Section 1: Conversation
	Section 1: Conversation (approx. 7 minutes) Section 2: Discussion	 Involves a general conversation between the candidate and the assessor/s, via an online sharing platform, about the candidate's interactions with the Greek
	(approx. 8 minutes)	language and culture as learners
	Resources:	Section 2: Discussion
	Dictionaries or electronic devices are not permitted.	 The candidate will be required to discuss their chosen sub-topic and the supporting visual material they have brought with them.
	Notes or cue cards are not permitted.	 The focus of the discussion will be on exploring aspects of the sub-topic, including information, opinions and
	Written examination	ideas.
	Time: 2 hours, plus 15 minutes reading time	Approved materials and equipment
	Length: Section 2 Part B: response of	 The supporting visual material must consist of one image on a piece of paper no larger than A3 size. Three-dimensional objects are not permitted.
	approximately 150 words Section 3: response of 200–300 words	• The supporting visual material should not include any writing. If the supporting visual material does contain writing, the amount of writing must be minimal.
	Resources:	Writing, the amount of writing must be minimal.
	 Monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes are permitted. 	The examination will be in the form of a question and answer book. The examination will consist of three sections.
		Section 1: Listening and responding
		 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing information from spoken texts
		Part A
		Questions will be phrased in English for responses in English.
		Part B
		 Questions will be phrased in English and Greek for responses in Greek.
		Section 2: Reading and responding
		 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing and responding to information from written texts
		Part A
		 Candidates will be required to read one text in Greek and listen to one text in Greek.
		Questions will be phrased in English for responses in English.
		Part B
		 Candidates will be required to read one text in Greek and respond to a task based on information and ideas provided in the text.
		 The task will be phrased in English and Greek for a response in Greek.
		Section 3: Writing in Greek
		Candidates will be required to write a text that presents ideas, information, opinions and/or arguments.
		 Tasks will be phrased in English and Greek for a response in Greek.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Polish SEE	Oral examination	Oral examination
	Time: approx. 15 minutes	Section 1: Conversation
	Section 1: Conversation (approx. 7 minutes) Section 2: Discussion	 Involves a conversation between the candidate and the assessor/s about the candidate's personal world, e.g. family and friends, school life, interests and aspirations
	(approx. 8 minutes)	Section 2: Discussion
	Written examination	The candidate:
	Time: 2 hours and 30 minutes, plus 10 minutes reading time	 will be required to discuss the subject of the in-depth study chosen for discussion
	Length:	 explores with the assessor/s the subject of the in-depth study and refers to the texts studied
	Section 2 Part B: response of approximately 150 words in	 may also refer to personal experiences related to the subject of the in-depth study.
	Polish	Written examination
	Section 3: response of approximately 250 words in	Section 1: Listening and responding
	Polish Resources:	 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing information from spoken texts
	Monolingual and/or bilingual	Part A
	print dictionaries in one or two volumes are permitted.	 Three texts; questions will be written in English for responses in English.
		Part B
		 Three texts; questions will be written in English and Polish for responses in Polish.
		Section 2: Reading and responding
		 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing and responding to information from written texts
		Part A
		 Candidates will be required to read one or two texts in Polish.
		 Questions will be written in English for responses in English.
		Part B
		 Candidates will be required to read a short text in Polish and respond to a task based on information and ideas provided in the text.
		 The task will be written in English and Polish for a response in Polish.
		Section 3: Writing in Polish
		 Candidates will be required to write a text that presents ideas, information, opinions and/or arguments.
		 Tasks will be written in English and Polish for a response in Polish.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Punjabi SEE	Oral examination	Oral examination
	Time: approx. 15 minutes	Section 1: Conversation
	Section 1: Conversation (approx. 7 minutes) Section 2: Discussion	 Involves a conversation between the candidate and the assessor/s about the candidate's personal world, e.g. family and friends, school life, interests and aspirations
	(approx. 8 minutes)	Section 2: Discussion
	Resources:	• The candidate will be required to discuss the subject of
	 Dictionaries or electronic devices are not permitted. 	the in-depth study chosen for discussion.The focus of the discussion will be to explore aspects of
	 Notes or cue cards are not permitted. 	the language and culture of Punjabi-speaking communities.
	Written examination	Written examination
	Time: 2 hours and	Section 1: Listening and responding
	30 minutes, plus 10 minutes reading time	 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing information from spoken texts
	Length:	Part A
	Section 2 Part B: response of approximately 150 words in	 Three texts; questions will be written in English for responses in English.
	Punjabi	Part B
	Section 3: response of approximately 250 words in Punjabi	 Three texts; questions will be written in English and Punjabi for responses in Punjabi.
	Resources:	Section 2: Reading and responding
	• Monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or	 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing and responding to information from written texts
	two volumes are permitted.	Part A
		• Candidates will be required to read two texts in Punjabi.
		 Questions will be written in English for responses in English.
		Part B
		 Candidates will be required to read one or two texts in Punjabi and respond to a task based on information and ideas provided in the text/s.
		 The task will be written in English and Punjabi for a response in Punjabi.
		Section 3: Writing in Punjabi
		 Candidates will be required to write a text that presents ideas, information, opinions and/or arguments.
		 Tasks will be written in English and Punjabi for a response in Punjabi.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Russian SEE	Oral examination	Oral examination
	Time: approx. 15 minutes	Section 1: Conversation
	Section 1: Conversation (approx. 7 minutes) Section 2: Discussion	 Involves a conversation between the candidate and the assessor/s about the candidate's personal world, e.g. family and friends, school life, interests and aspirations
	(approx. 8 minutes)	Section 2: Discussion
	Resources:	• The candidate will be required to discuss the subject of
	 Dictionaries or electronic devices are not permitted. 	the in-depth study chosen for discussion.The focus of the discussion will be to explore aspects of
	 Notes or cue cards are not permitted. 	the language and culture of Russian-speaking communities.
	Written examination	Written examination
	Time: 2 hours and	Section 1: Listening and responding
	30 minutes, plus 10 minutes reading time	 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing information from spoken texts
	Length:	Part A
	Section 2 Part B: response of approximately 150 words in	 Three texts; questions will be written in English for responses in English.
	Russian	Part B
	Section 3: response of approximately 250 words in Russian	 Three texts; questions will be written in English and Russian for responses in Russian.
	Resources:	Section 2: Reading and responding
	• Monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or	 Designed to assess the candidate's knowledge and skill in analysing and responding to information from written texts
	two volumes are permitted.	Part A
		• Candidates will be required to read two texts in Russian.
		 Questions will be written in English for responses in English.
		Part B
		 Candidates will be required to read one or two texts in Russian and respond to a task based on information and ideas provided in the text/s.
		 The task will be written in English and Russian for a response in Russian.
		Section 3: Writing in Russian
		 Candidates will be required to write a text involving presentation of ideas, information and/or opinions.
		 Tasks will be written in English and Russian for a response in Russian.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Vietnamese	Oral examination	Oral examination
SEE	Section 1: Multimodal	Section 1: Extended response — multimodal
	Duration: 6 weeks notification	Criterion: Analysing Vietnamese texts in Vietnamese
	and preparation with QCAA- provided stimulus	 A prepared, individual, multimodal response to Vietnamese stimulus texts
	Length: 8–10 minutes in Vietnamese	 An open-ended task responding to three to five QCAA- provided Vietnamese stimulus texts
	Section 2: Spoken	Section 2: Extended response — spoken
	Length: 7–8 minutes in Vietnamese	Criterion: Exchanging information and ideas in Vietnamese
	Resources:	An individual spoken response to unseen open-ended
	Dictionaries not permitted.	follow-up questions in an examiner-candidate
	Written examination	conversation in Vietnamese
	Time: 2 hours, plus	Written examination
	15 minutes perusal	The examination is a combination of extended and short written responses in English and Vietnamese related to
	Length:	three to six unseen Vietnamese stimulus texts.
	Responses in English written short answer	Criterion: Analysing Vietnamese texts in English and Vietnamese
	responses, up to 100 words per item	This criterion requires candidates to:
	– total response of	• respond to three to six Vietnamese stimulus texts, which
	400–600 words	– are authentic
•	Responses in Vietnamese	 relate to Units 3 and 4 subject matter
	 written short answer responses, up to 	 include at least one written text, and one audio or audiovisual text
	100 words per item written extended answer 	 respond in English and Vietnamese to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems, e.g.
	responses of 200–300 words	 interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams
	 total response of 400–600 words. 	 completing items requiring short and/or extended responses
	Resources:	 responding to unseen stimulus texts
	No supporting materials	 interpreting ideas and information in Vietnamese texts
	permitted.	 analyse, synthesise and evaluate questions, scenarios and/or problems in response to Vietnamese text/s
		 write in full sentences, where appropriate, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified.
		Criterion: Creating Vietnamese texts
		 Requires candidates to respond to unseen questions, scenarios and/or problems in Vietnamese

Appendix 7: Mathematics subjects overview

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
General Mathematics	 Paper 1 (30%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal; QCAA- approved scientific calculator only. Paper 2 (20%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal; QCAA- approved scientific calculator only. Total time is 3 hours plus 10 minutes perusal. The QCAA formula sheet will be provided for both papers. Notes are not permitted. 	 The external assessment for General Mathematics will representatively sample subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Subject matter from Units 1 and 2 is assumed knowledge and may be drawn on, as applicable, in the development of the examination. Short-response format, consisting of a number of items that ask students to respond to the following activities calculating using algorithms drawing, labelling or interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams short items requiring multiple-choice, single-word, term, sentence or short-paragraph responses justifying solutions, using appropriate mathematical language where applicable responding to seen or unseen stimulus materials interpreting ideas and information. Complex unfamiliar (20%). Typically, these problems focus on any of the objectives. Simple familiar (60%). Typically, these problems focus on objectives 1, 2 and 3.
Mathematical Methods	Paper 1 (technology-free, 25%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal. No calculator or technology of any type is permitted in Paper 1. Paper 2 (technology-active, 25%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal. Total time is 3 hours plus 10 minutes perusal. Access to a QCAA-approved handheld graphics calculator (no CAS functionality) is a requirement for Paper 2, and scientific calculators may also be used. The QCAA formula sheet will be provided for both papers.	 The external assessment for Mathematical Methods will representatively sample subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Subject matter from Units 1 and 2 is assumed knowledge and may be drawn on, as applicable, in the development of the examination. Short-response format, consisting of a number of items that ask students to respond to the following activities calculating using algorithms drawing, labelling or interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams short items requiring multiple-choice, single-word, term, sentence or short-paragraph responses justifying solutions, using appropriate mathematical language where applicable responding to seen or unseen stimulus materials interpreting ideas and information. Complex unfamiliar (20%). Typically, these problems focus on any of the objectives. Simple familiar (60%). Typically, these problems focus on objectives 1, 2 and 3.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Specialist Mathematics Specialist Mathematics AS	 Paper 1 (technology-free, 25%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal. No calculator or technology of any type is permitted in Paper 1. Paper 2 (technology-active, 25%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal. Total time is 3 hours plus 10 minutes perusal. Access to a QCAA-approved handheld graphics calculator (no CAS functionality) is a requirement for Paper 2, and scientific calculators may also be used. The QCAA formula sheet will be provided for both papers. 	 The external assessment for Specialist Mathematical will representatively sample subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Subject matter from Units 1 and 2 is assumed knowledge and may be drawn on, as applicable, in the development of the examination. Short-response format, consisting of a number of items that ask students to respond to the following activities calculating using algorithms drawing, labelling or interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams short items requiring multiple-choice, single-word, sentence or short-paragraph responses justifying solutions using appropriate mathematical language where applicable responding to seen or unseen stimulus materials interpreting ideas and information. Complex unfamiliar (20%). Typically, these problems focus on any of the objectives. Simple familiar (60%). Typically, these problems focus on objectives 1, 2 and 3.
General Mathematics SEE 1	The total examination time is 3 hours plus 15 minutes planning time. The use of a QCAA-approved handheld scientific calculator is required.	 This examination is a problem-solving and modelling task drawing from subject matter from at least one of the following topics in Unit 3: Topic 1: Bivariate data analysis Topic 2: Time series analysis Topic 3: Growth and decay in sequences. A problem-solving and modelling task is developed in response to a mathematical investigative scenario or context. It requires candidates to respond with a range of understanding and skills, such as using mathematical language, appropriate calculations, tables of data, graphs and diagrams. Candidates must provide a written response to a specific task or issue set in a context that highlights a real-life application of mathematics. The task requires candidates to use provided stimulus material involving subject matter from the nominated topics, which will have sufficient scope to allow candidates to address all the stages of the problem-solving and mathematical modelling approach.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
General Mathematics SEE 2	 Paper 1 (30%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal; QCAA- approved scientific calculator only. Paper 2 (20%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal; QCAA- approved scientific calculator only. Total time is 3 hours plus 10 minutes perusal. The QCAA formula sheet will be provided for both papers. Notes are not permitted. 	 The external assessment for General Mathematics will representatively sample subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Subject matter from Units 1 and 2 is assumed knowledge and may be drawn on, as applicable, in the development of the examination. Short-response format, consisting of a number of items that ask students to respond to the following activities calculating using algorithms drawing, labelling or interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams short items requiring multiple-choice, single-word, term, sentence or short-paragraph responses justifying solutions, using appropriate mathematical language where applicable responding to seen or unseen stimulus materials interpreting ideas and information. Complex unfamiliar (20%). Typically, these problems focus on any of the objectives. Simple familiar (60%). Typically, these problems focus on objectives 1, 2 and 3.
Mathematical Methods SEE 1	The total examination time is 3 hours plus 15 minutes planning time. The use of a QCAA-approved handheld graphics calculator is required.	 This examination is a problem-solving and modelling task drawing from subject matter from at least one of the following topics in Unit 3: Topic 2: Further differentiation and applications 2 Topic 3: Integrals. A problem-solving and modelling task is developed in response to a mathematical investigative scenario or context. It requires candidates to respond with a range of understanding and skills, such as using mathematical language, appropriate calculations, tables of data, graphs and diagrams. Candidates must provide a written response to a specific task or issue set in a context that highlights a real-life application of mathematics. The task requires candidates to use provided stimulus material involving subject matter from the nominated topics, which will have sufficient scope to allow candidates to address all the stages of the problem-solving and mathematical modelling approach.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Mathematical Methods SEE 2	 Paper 1 (technology-free, 25%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal. No calculator or technology of any type is permitted in Paper 1. Paper 2 (technology-active, 25%): 90 minutes plus 5 minutes perusal. Total time is 3 hours plus 10 minutes perusal. Access to a QCAA-approved handheld graphics calculator (no CAS functionality) is a requirement for Paper 2, and scientific calculators may also be used. The QCAA formula sheet will be provided for both papers. 	 The external assessment for Mathematical Methods will representatively sample subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Subject matter from Units 1 and 2 is assumed knowledge and may be drawn on, as applicable, in the development of the examination. Short-response format, consisting of a number of items that ask students to respond to the following activities calculating using algorithms drawing, labelling or interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams short items requiring multiple-choice, single-word, term, sentence or short-paragraph responses justifying solutions, using appropriate mathematical language where applicable responding to seen or unseen stimulus materials interpreting ideas and information. Complex unfamiliar (20%). Typically, these problems focus on any of the objectives. Simple familiar (60%). Typically, these problems focus on objectives 1, 2 and 3.

Appendix 8: Sciences subjects overview

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Agricultural Science Agricultural Science AS	 Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Paper 2: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Total time 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal 	 Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4. This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items: multiple choice short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus extended response (300–350 words or equivalent).
Biology Biology AS	 Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Paper 2: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Total time 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal 	 Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4. This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items: multiple choice short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus extended response (300–350 words or equivalent).
Chemistry	 Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Chemistry</i> <i>formula and data book</i> provided. Paper 2: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Chemistry</i> <i>formula and data book</i> provided. Total time 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal 	 Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4. This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items: multiple choice short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus.
Earth & Environmental Science	 Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Paper 2: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Total time 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal 	 Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4. This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items: multiple choice short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus extended response (300–350 words or equivalent).

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Marine Science	 Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Paper 2: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Total time 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal 	 Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4. This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items: multiple choice short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus extended response (300–350 words or equivalent).
Physics Physics AS	 Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Physics</i> <i>formula and data book</i> provided. Paper 2: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Physics</i> <i>formula and data book</i> provided. Total time 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal 	 Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4. This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items: multiple choice short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus.
Psychology Psychology AS	 Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Paper 2: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Total time 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal 	 Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4. This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items: multiple choice short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus extended response (300–350 words or equivalent).
Biology SEE 1	require assumed knowledge fro	topics and subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Examinations
	 Time: Approximately 1 hour. QCAA-approved graphics calculator permitted; unseen stimulus. Length: up to 500 words in total, consisting of short responses, i.e. single words, sentences or short paragraphs (fewer than 50 words) paragraphs, 50–250 words per item other types of item responses, e.g. interpreting and calculating. 	 Description Section 1 is a data test that assesses the application of a range of cognitions to multiple provided items related to subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Unit objective 1 is not assessed in this instrument. Specifications Candidates respond to items using qualitative data and/or quantitative data derived from the subject matter and mandatory practicals from Units 3 and 4. The data test contains two to four datasets and consists of a number of different types of items, which include: short response items requiring single-word, sentence or short paragraph responses calculating using algorithms interpreting datasets.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
	s	ection 2: Extended response
	Time: Approximately 2 hours.	Description
	Total time approximately 3 hours. Length: 800–1000 words	Section 2 is a response to secondary data that assesses the application of a range of cognitions to an unseen question and stimulus related to subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Unit objective 1 is not assessed in this
		instrument.
		Specifications
		This section requires an extended response to an item using unseen secondary data.
		Candidates are required to select, analyse, interpret and evaluate the secondary data provided within the assessment instrument.
		This secondary data could include:
		 qualitative data and/or quantitative data from an experiment designed by modifying one of the mandatory practicals from Units 3 and 4
		 excerpts from scientifically credible sources, such as scientific journals; books by well-credentialed scientists; and websites of governments, universities, independent research bodies or science and technology manufacturers
		 data and claims related to the Science as a Human Endeavour (SHE) statements in Units 3 and 4.
Biology SEE 2	Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA-	Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4.
	approved graphics calculator permitted.	This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items:
	Paper 2: 90 minutes plus	multiple choice
	10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted. Total time 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal.	 short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus
		• extended response (300–350 words or equivalent).

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Chemistry SEE 1	This examination consists of two sections. Examinations will be based on topics and subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Examinations require assumed knowledge from Units 1 and 2 The total examination time is 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal time.	
		Section 1: Data test
	Time: approximately 1 hour.	Description
	QCAA-approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Chemistry formula and</i> <i>data book</i> provided; unseen	Section 1 is a data test that assesses the application of a range of cognitions to multiple provided items related to subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Unit objective 1 is not assessed in this examination.
	stimulus.	Specifications
	Length: up to 500 words in total, consisting ofshort responses, i.e. single	Candidates respond to items using qualitative data and/or quantitative data derived from the subject matter and mandatory practicals from Units 3 and 4.
	words, sentences or short paragraphs (fewer than	The data test contains two to four datasets and consists of a number of different types of items, which include:
	 50 words) paragraphs, 50–250 words per item 	 short response items requiring single-word, sentence or short paragraph responses calculating using algorithms
	 other types of item responses, e.g. interpreting and calculating. 	 interpreting datasets.
	Section 2: Extended response	
	Time: approximately 2 hours	Description
	Length: 800–1000 words QCAA-approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Chemistry formula and</i> <i>data book</i> provided; unseen	Section 2 is a response to secondary data that assesses the application of a range of cognitions to an unseen question and stimulus related to subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Unit objective 1 is not assessed in this examination.
	stimulus.	Specifications
		This section requires an extended response to an item using unseen secondary data.
		Candidates are required to select, analyse, interpret and evaluate the secondary data provided within the assessment instrument.
		This secondary data could include:
		• qualitative data and/or quantitative data from an experiment designed by modifying one of the mandatory practicals from Units 3 and 4
		 excerpts from scientifically credible sources, such as scientific journals; books by well-credentialed scientists; and websites of governments, universities, independent research bodies, or science and technology manufacturers
		 data and claims related to the Science as a Human Endeavour (SHE) statements in Units 3 and 4.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Chemistry SEE 2	 Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Chemistry</i> <i>formula and data book</i> provided. Paper 2: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Chemistry</i> <i>formula and data book</i> provided. 	 Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4. This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items: multiple choice short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus.
Physics SEE 1	require assumed knowledge from	topics and subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Examinations
		Section 1: Data test
	Time: approximately 1 hour. QCAA-approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Physics formula and</i> <i>data book</i> provided; unseen	Description Section 1 is a data test that assesses the application of a range of cognitions to multiple provided items related to subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Unit objective 1 is not assessed in this examination.
	 stimulus. Length: up to 500 words in total, consisting of: short responses, i.e. single words, sentences or short paragraphs (fewer than 	Specifications Candidates respond to items using qualitative data and/or quantitative data derived from the subject matter and mandatory practicals from Units 3 and 4. The data test contains two to four datasets and consists of
	 paragraphs (rewer than 50 words) paragraphs, 50–250 words per item other types of item responses, e.g. interpreting and calculating. 	 a number of different types of items, which include: short response items requiring single-word, sentence or short paragraph responses calculating using algorithms interpreting datasets.
	Se	ection 2: Extended response
	Time: approximately 2 hours. QCAA-approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Physics formula and</i> <i>data book</i> provided; unseen stimulus.	Section 2 is a response to secondary data that assesses the application of a range of cognitions to an unseen question and stimulus related to subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Unit objective 1 is not assessed in this examination. Specifications This section requires an extended response to an item
	Length: 800–1000 words	using unseen secondary data. Candidates are required to select, analyse, interpret and evaluate the secondary data provided within the assessment instrument.
		This secondary data could include:
		 qualitative data and/or quantitative data from an experiment designed by modifying one of the mandatory practicals from Units 3 and 4
		 excerpts from scientifically credible sources, such as scientific journals; books by well-credentialed scientists; and websites of governments, universities, independent research bodies, or science and technology manufacturers
		 data and claims related to the Science as a Human Endeavour (SHE) statements in Units 3 and 4.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Physics SEE 2	Paper 1: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Physics</i> <i>formula and data book</i> provided.	Summative external assessment assesses learning from both Units 3 and 4, Objectives 1–4. This examination will include two papers. Each paper consists of a number of different types of possible items: • multiple choice
	Paper 2: 90 minutes plus 10 minutes perusal. QCAA- approved graphics calculator permitted; seen <i>Physics</i> <i>formula and data book</i> provided.	 short response items requiring single-word, sentence or paragraph responses; calculating using algorithms; interpreting graphs, tables or diagrams; responding to unseen data and/or stimulus.

Appendix 9: Technologies subjects overview

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Aerospace Systems	Time: 2 hours plus perusal (10 minutes)	The external assessment in Aerospace Systems assesses learning pertaining to Objectives 1, 2, 3, 5 and 7.
	The QCAA formula sheet required. Notes are not permitted.	Summative external assessment assesses learning from Unit 4. The assessment consists of a number of items that may ask students to respond to the following activities:
	Use of technology is required:	 sketching, drawing, graphs, tables and diagrams
	non-programmable scientific and flight calculator permitted.	 multiple-choice items, writing single-word, sentence or short-paragraph responses calculating using formulas
	Protractor and ruler required.	 responding to unseen stimulus materials.
	Total length: 800–1000 words or equivalent, including a number of:	Where applicable, students are required to write in full sentences, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified.
	 multiple-choice, single-word or sentence response items 	The percentage allocation of marks must match the following specifications:
	 short-paragraph response 	Complex unfamiliar (20%)
	items of 50–150 words per item	Complex familiar (20%)
	 items requiring calculations. 	• Simple familiar (60%).
Design	Time: 2 hours plus planning (15 minutes)	The external assessment in Design assesses learning pertaining to Objectives 2, 4, 5 and 6.
	Stimulus: unseen Equipment required: • black ink pen	A design challenge involves students documenting a period of focused design work to meet a deadline. Students use the develop phase of the design process to respond to a provided design brief and stimulus that includes:
	black felt-tip pen2B pencil	 a description of the features and sustainable requirements of a redesign problem
	 sharpener, eraser, ruler a set of coloured pencils or 	 design criteria that can be used to judge the quality of the design ideas
	pens	 visual and written stimulus to support the design brief.
	 A3 tracing paper Length: four A3 pages 	The student response will include the following assessable evidence:
		 ideas devised in response to a redesign problem
		 evaluation of ideas against design criteria to make refinements
		 synthesis of ideas and sustainable information to propose a sustainable design concept
		 representation of ideas and a sustainable design concept using schematic and/or ideation sketching.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Digital Solutions	 Time: 2 hours plus perusal (15 minutes) Length: 800–1000 words in total, including: 50–250 words for short-response answers 400 words or more for the extended response. 	 The external assessment in Digital Solutions assesses learning pertaining to Objectives 1, 2, 3, 5 and 7. This assessment will include a combination of one extended response, a number of short response and/or multiple-choice questions. The extended response: is constructed using one item; the item is a response to an unseen problem based on stimulus material requires sustained analysis, synthesis and evaluation to fully solve a problem. The short response: consists of a number of items that ask students to respond to the following activities: sketching, labelling or interpreting tables or diagrams multiple-choice, sentence or short-paragraph responses writing and calculating using algorithms responding to unseen stimulus materials. Where applicable, students are required to write in full sentences, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified.
Engineering	 Time: 2 hours plus perusal (10 minutes) Other: Only the QCAA formula sheet is permitted. Notes are not permitted. Use of technology is required: non-programmable scientific calculator only permitted. Protractor and ruler required. Protractor and ruler required. Length: 800–1000 words in total or equivalent, including a number of: multiple-choice, single-word or sentence response items short-paragraph response items of 100–150 words per item items requiring calculations. 	 The external assessment in Engineering assesses learning pertaining to Objectives 1, 2, 3 and 5. The external assessment in Engineering assesses learning from Unit 4. The assessment consists of a number of items that may ask students to respond to the following activities: sketching, drawing, graphs, tables and diagrams multiple-choice items, single-word, sentence or shortparagraph responses calculating using formulas responding to seen or unseen stimulus materials. Where applicable, students are required to write in full sentences, constructing a response so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified. The percentage allocation of marks must match the following specifications: Complex unfamiliar (20%) Simple familiar (60%).

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Food & Nutrition	Time: 2 hours plus perusal (10 minutes).	The external assessment in Food & Nutrition assesses learning pertaining to Objectives 1, 2,3, 4, 5 and 7.
	 Length: 800–1000 words in total or equivalent, including: short-paragraph response items of 50–250 words per item 400 words or more for 	The examination in Food & Nutrition uses a combination of extended- and short-response questions related to Unit 4 topics. The short response:
		 is constructed using several items, which are a response to an unseen question, scenario or problem with unseen stimulus materials
	extended response.	 may require analysis, synthesis and/or evaluation to fully respond to a question, scenario or problem
		 requires students to write in dot points, with some full sentences, constructing a response that may have paragraphs so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified
		 may require other types of item responses, such as drawing, labelling, graphing and tabulation of food and nutrition data.
		The extended response:
		• is constructed to include a minimum of one problem to a maximum of two problems. If two problems are presented, they will be from different contexts. Students respond to one problem only
		 requires students to respond to an unseen problem with unseen stimulus materials
		 requires sustained analysis, synthesis and evaluation to fully respond to the problem
		 requires students to write in full sentences, constructing a response of several paragraphs so that ideas are maintained, developed and justified.

Appendix 10: The Arts subjects overview

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Dance Dance AS	 Time: 2 hours plus 20 minutes planning time. Unseen stimulus succinct enough to allow students sufficient time to engage with them will be provided. Students will be provided with contextual information during the examination to support understanding of the stimulus. Length: 800–1000 words 	Summative external assessment draws from the learning in both Units 3 and 4. Objectives 3, 5, 6 and 7 are not assessed in this instrument. Extended response Students are required to analyse, interpret and evaluate information in the development of a response to an unseen stimulus and an unseen question in a written mode. The extended response examination requires: • a response to an unseen question selected from various options and unseen stimulus • sustained analysis, interpretation and evaluation to fully answer a question • a response in the form of an analytical essay that expresses a viewpoint.
Drama Drama AS	 Time: 2 hours plus 20 minutes planning time. Unseen stimulus succinct enough to allow students sufficient time to engage with them will be provided. Students will be provided with contextual information during the examination to support understanding of the stimulus. Length: 800–1000 words 	Summative external assessment draws from the learning in both Units 3 and 4. Objectives 3, 5 and 6 are not assessed in this instrument. Extended response Students are required to analyse, synthesis, evaluate and justify information in the development of a response to an unseen stimulus and an unseen question selected from various options. The extended response examination requires: • a response to an unseen question selected from various options and unseen stimulus • sustained analysis, synthesis, evaluation and justification to fully answer a question • a response in the form of an analytical essay that expresses a viewpoint.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Film, TV & New Media Film, TV & New Media AS	 Time: 2 hours plus 20 minutes planning time. Unseen stimulus succinct enough to allow students sufficient time to engage with them will be provided. Students will be provided with contextual information during the examination to support understanding of the stimulus. Length: 800–1000 words 	Summative external assessment draws from the learning in both Units 3 and 4. Objectives 2, 3, 6, 7 and 9 are not assessed in this instrument. Extended response Students are required to analyse and appraise information in the development of a response to an unseen question in a written mode. This may involve solving a problem, expressing and justifying a viewpoint, analysing and interpreting moving image media to communicate meaning, or applying concepts or theories. The extended response examination requires: • a response to an unseen question selected from various options and unseen stimulus • sustained analysis and appraisal to fully answer a question • a response in the form of an analytical essay that expresses a viewpoint.
Music Music AS	Time: 2 hours plus 20 minutes planning time. Unseen stimulus succinct enough to allow students sufficient time to engage with them will be provided. Students will be provided with contextual information during the examination to support understanding of the stimulus. Length: 800–1000 words	Summative external assessment draws from the learning in both Units 3 and 4. Objectives 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 10 are not assessed in this instrument. Extended response Students are required to analyse and evaluate information in the development of a response to an unseen question in a written mode. This may involve solving a problem, expressing and justifying a viewpoint, analysing and interpreting artwork to communicate meaning, or applying concepts or theories. The extended response examination requires: • a response to an unseen question selected from various options and unseen stimulus • sustained analysis and evaluation to fully answer a question • an analytical essay that expresses a viewpoint.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Music Extension	 Time: 2 hours plus 20 minutes planning time. Length: written, 800–1000 words Other: unseen stimulus students will be provided with contextual program notes during the examination to support understanding of the stimulus. 	 The external assessment for Music Extension contributes 25% to a student's overall subject result. It draws from the learning of both Units 3 and 4. Extended response In an extended written response, students are required to evaluate, examine and express information in the development of a response to an unseen question in a written mode. The extended response examination requires: a response to an unseen question selected from various options and unseen stimulus sustained evaluation and examination to fully answer a question
Visual Art Visual Art AS	 Time: 2 hours plus 10 minutes planning time. Unseen stimulus succinct enough to allow students sufficient time to engage with them will be provided. Students will be provided with contextual information during the examination to support understanding of the stimulus. Length: 800–1000 words 	Summative external assessment draws from the learning in both Units 3 and 4. Objectives 6 and 7 are not assessed in this instrument. Extended response Students are required to analyse, interpret, evaluate and justify information in the development of a response to an unseen question in a written mode. This may involve solving a problem, expressing and justifying a viewpoint, analysing and interpreting artwork to communicate meaning, or applying concepts or theories. The extended response examination requires: • a response to an unseen question selected from various options and unseen stimulus • sustained analysis, interpretation, evaluation and justification to fully answer a question • a response in the form of an analytical essay that expresses a viewpoint.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
Visual Art SEE	 SEE 1 Time: 4 hours plus 10 minutes planning time. Other: unseen stimulus candidates will be provided with contextual information during the examination to support understanding of the stimulus. Candidates may take into the examination room a container of resources and art media relevant for the resolution of two-dimensional responses. This container should be: no larger than a standard box size of 46 cm x 36 cm x 31 cm approximately; a document box would be appropriate able to be managed by the candidate provided for inspection by the invigilator/s prior to the examination. Candidates should arrive early at the examination to allow for the inspection to occur. The artwork is to be created using the candidate's own resources and art media and must be in the form of a two-dimensional (i.e. flat) artwork that may incorporate two-dimensional resources, using the A2 art paper. 	Examinations will be based on topics and subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Examinations require assumed knowledge from Units 1 and 2. The practical examination requires the development and experimentation of ideas to generate a resolved two-dimensional artwork in response to a concept. The particular concept for the coming year will be nominated by the QCAA. This information will be made available on the QCAA website. The concept nominated by the QCAA can be interpreted in a variety of ways and studied through the four contexts — formal, personal, cultural and contemporary. Candidates use available art media to make a two-dimensional artwork that explores the nominated concept through an individualised focus. Focuses are individual pathways that define interpretations and responses to a concept and explore the boundaries between the subject and the viewer. The focus defines the candidate's interpretations of the stimulus materials presented in the examination paper. Candidates should explore the possible interpretations of the nominated concept using two-dimensional media and techniques of their choice. These should be selected with the examination setting and timeframe in mind. Assessment will be based on the candidate's demonstration of the assessment objectives. Prior to the examination, candidates are to collect a variety of resources that may serve as stimulus or be included in the artwork itself.

Subject	Conditions	Response type/technique/genre/subject matter
	 SEE 2 Paper 1 Time: 2 hours plus 10 minutes planning time. Length: 800–1000 words. Other: unseen stimulus candidates will be provided with contextual information during the examination to support understanding of the stimulus. Paper 2 Time: 1 hour plus 10 minutes planning time. Length: 500–700 words. Other: unseen stimulus materials will be succinct enough to allow candidates sufficient time to engage with them candidates will be provided with contextual information during the examination to support understanding of the stimulus. Total time for SEE 2 is 3 hours plus 20 minutes perusal. Total time for Visual Art SEE is 7 hours plus 30 minutes planning time. 	 Examinations will be based on topics and subject matter from Units 3 and 4. Examinations require assumed knowledge from Units 1 and 2. This examination paper consists of two papers: Paper 1: Extended response Paper 2: Artist's statement. Paper 1: Extended response Students are required to analyse, interpret, evaluate and justify information in the development of a response to an unseen question in a written mode. This may involve solving a problem, expressing and justifying a viewpoint, analysing and interpreting artwork to communicate meaning, or applying concepts or theories. The extended response examination requires: a response to an unseen question selected from various options and unseen stimulus sustained analysis, interpretation, evaluation and justification to fully answer a question a response in the form of an analytical essay that expresses a viewpoint. Paper 2: Artist's statement An artist's statement is a written text that accompanies the display of their work. It assists an audience in understanding the purpose or motivations behind the artwork, communicates concept and focus, and considers the dialogue between artist and audience. It is interpretative rather than descriptive. The artist's statement should document the candidate's: individual interpretation of the nominated concept and their focus research, with references to artworks, artists and images that have influenced them or directed their thinking the direction they have taken in producing the artwork.

Appendix 11: Subject-specific equipment

Subject	Additional approved subject-specific equipment
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Studies	Nil
Accounting Accounting SEE	non-programmable calculator
Aerospace Systems	 QCAA-approved scientific calculator QCAA-approved flight calculator protractor ruler or plotter
Agricultural Science Agricultural Science AS	QCAA-approved graphics calculator
Ancient History Ancient History AS Ancient History SEE	Nil
Arabic SEE	 monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)
Biology Biology AS Biology SEE	QCAA-approved graphics calculator
Business	Nil
Chemistry Chemistry SEE	QCAA-approved graphics calculator
Chinese Chinese SEE	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Dance Dance AS	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Design Design AS	 black ink pens black felt-tip pens 2B pencils, sharpener and eraser ruler a set of coloured pencils or pens
Digital Solutions	Nil
Drama Drama AS	Nil
Earth & Environmental Science	QCAA-approved graphics calculator

Subject	Additional approved subject-specific equipment
Economics	ruler free from markings other than measurement indicatorsnon-programmable calculator
Engineering	QCAA-approved scientific calculatorprotractorruler
English English SEE	Nil
English & Literature Extension	Nil
English as an Additional Language	Nil
Film, Television & New Media Film, Television & New Media AS	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Food & Nutrition	Nil
French	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
French Extension	Nil
General Mathematics	QCAA-approved scientific calculator
General Mathematics SEE	QCAA-approved scientific calculatorclear plastic ruler
Geography Geography AS	 non-programmable calculator coloured pencils ruler free from markings other than measurement indicators lead pencils eraser
German German AS	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
German Extension	Nil
Health	Nil
Indonesian SEE	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Italian	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device

Subject	Additional approved subject-specific equipment
Japanese Japanese AS	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Korean SEE	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Latin SEE	dictionary
Legal Studies Legal Studies AS Legal Studies SEE	non-programmable calculator
Literature	Nil
Marine Science	QCAA-approved graphics calculator
Mathematical Methods — Paper 2 (technology-active) Note: Paper 1 is technology-free; no calculator or technology of any type is permitted	 QCAA-approved graphics calculator QCAA-approved scientific calculator (permitted)
Mathematical Methods SEE — SEE 1	 QCAA-approved graphics calculator QCAA-approved scientific calculator (permitted) clear plastic ruler
Mathematical Methods SEE — SEE 2 Paper 2 (technology-active) Note: SEE 2 Paper 1 is technology-free; no calculator or technology of any type is permitted	 QCAA-approved graphics calculator QCAA-approved scientific calculator (permitted)
Modern Greek SEE	 monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)
Modern History Modern History AS Modern History SEE	Nil
Music Music AS	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Music Extension	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Philosophy & Reason Philosophy & Reason SEE	Nil
Physical Education Physical Education AS	Nil

Subject	Additional approved subject-specific equipment
Physics Physics AS Physics SEE	QCAA-approved graphics calculator
Polish SEE	 monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)
Psychology Psychology AS	QCAA-approved graphics calculator
Punjabi SEE	 monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)
Russian SEE	 monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)
Spanish	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Specialist Mathematics — Paper 2 (technology-active) Note: Paper 1 is technology-free; no calculator or technology of any type is permitted	 QCAA-approved graphics calculator QCAA-approved scientific calculator (permitted)
Study of Religion	Nil
Vietnamese SEE	 earphones/headphones (cannot be bluetooth, wireless or noise-cancelling) student device
Visual Art Visual Art AS	Nil
Visual Art SEE — SEE 1 (Practical examination)	 student's own collection of resources and art media contained in one standard box, measuring approximately 46 cm x 36 cm x 31 cm

Appendix 12: QCAA-approved scientific calculators

Calculators used by students in a summative external assessment must be handheld and solar or battery powered. Below is a list of calculators approved for use in General Senior Syllabus summative external assessments that permit the use of a scientific calculator (or a non-programmable calculator).

Brand	Models
Abacus	SXIIMATRIXa SXII-MATRIXn
Canon	F717SGA F-720 F-720i
Casio	fx-82AU fx-82AU PLUS fx-82AU PLUS II fx-82AU PLUS II 2nd Edition fx-82AS fx-82AU PLUS II 2nd Edition fx-82MS fx-82MS fx-82MS fx-83WA fx-85MS fx-100AU fx-100AU PLUS 2nd Edition fx-100S fx-300MS fx-350MS fx-911Z
Hewlett-Packard (HP)	HP 8s HP 10s HP 10s+
Scholar	DS-82MS KD-350MS D1-5 SC-150MX SC-250MX
Sharp	EL-509V EL-509WM EL-520WG EL-531TH EL-531VH EL-531WH EL-531X

	EL-531XH EL-W531HA
	EL-W531HA EL-W532THBW
	EL-W532XH
Texas Instruments (TI)	TI-30XB MultiView

Other calculators

Any calculator not listed above may be used as long as it meets the requirements listed below. This includes calculators with more limited features such as basic (pocket and desktop) calculators.

Features that are permitted

Calculators should be able to perform addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, square roots and powers. Scientific calculators also typically have access to the following features:

- trigonometric functions and inverse
- fractions and percentages
- statistical operations, such as standard deviation, mean and linear regression.

Features that are NOT permitted

Calculators must not allow access to the following features:

- saving expressions
- solving simultaneous equations
- displaying a graph
- matrix operations
- symbolic algebra manipulation
- programmability
- communication with other machines, students or the internet
- language translation.

Calculator emulation software or equivalent applications running on computers, laptops, tablets, iPads or mobile phones are not permitted.

Use of calculators in external assessment

Students are responsible for:

- bringing their own approved calculator
- the working condition of their calculator
- setting their calculator in the correct mode
- adhering to all instructions related to the use of approved calculators.

Students should be familiar with their model of calculator.

Calculators must be silent, handheld and solar or battery powered.

Students must ensure their calculator has adequate power. Where models allow, students can bring in spare batteries and change them. USB-rechargeable calculators should be fully charged prior to the assessment and have sufficient capacity to be used for the duration of the

assessment. Any power failure or other issue with a calculator during an assessment will not be taken into consideration.

Unless otherwise stated, students may use a maximum of two approved calculators of any model in an assessment that allows them. For example, two approved scientific calculators, or one approved scientific calculator and one basic (pocket or desktop) calculator.

Calculators must be free of lids, cases and covers that have printed instructions or formulas, and external storage media.

Students may not borrow a calculator from another student after entering the assessment room.

Any apps or programs that have features that are not permitted must be deleted or inaccessible.

Calculators must not be able to communicate wirelessly.

The calculator's memory must be cleared prior to the assessment.

Supervisors will check that calculators meet the specifications outlined in this document prior to the assessment.

Calculator use will be monitored throughout the assessment.

On completion of the assessment, calculators must be cleared so that students are not able to use them to store assessment questions and/or answers.

Appendix 13: QCAA-approved graphics calculators

Approved graphics calculators

Calculators used by students in a summative external assessment must be handheld and solar or battery powered. Below is a list of calculators approved for use in General Senior Syllabus summative external assessments that permit the use of a graphics calculator.

Brand	Models
Casio	CFX-9850GC Plus fx-9860G fx-9860GAU fx-9860GAU Plus fx-CG20AU fx-CG50AU
Hewlett-Packard (HP)	HP39Gii HP Prime (updated to the latest firmware in 'Exam Mode' with the correct features blocked)
Texas Instruments (TI)	TI-83 Plus TI-84 TI-84 Plus TI-84 Plus CE TI-84 Plus CE TI-84 Plus Silver Edition TI-84 Plus C Silver Edition TI-73 Explorer TI-Nspire CX TI-Nspire CX TI-Nspire CX II TI-Nspire CX II TI-Nspire CX II CAS (updated to the latest firmware in 'Press to Test' with the correct features blocked)

Graphics calculators NOT permitted

Calculator emulation software or equivalent applications running on computers, laptops, tablets, iPads or mobile phones are not permitted.

Below is a list of calculators that are **not** approved for use in a General Senior Syllabus summative external assessment that permits the use of a graphics calculator.

Brand	Models
Casio	ClassPad 300 ClassPad 330 ClassPad 330 Plus Algebra FX 2.0 (all versions) CFX-9970 (all versions) fx-CP400 (ClassPad II)
Hewlett-Packard (HP)	HP 38g (all versions) HP 40g HP 50g HP Prime (not in 'Exam Mode' with the correct features blocked)
Texas Instruments (TI)	TI-Nspire CX CAS TI-Nspire CAS with touchpad TI-89 Titanium TI-Nspire CX II CAS (not in 'Press to Test' with the correct features blocked) Voyage 200

Older models of calculators

Older models of calculators, including those listed as 'Approved', may have more limited features. Refer to the 'Other calculators' section below to see if a particular model has features that are not permitted. Review the calculator's user manual or contact the manufacturer for further advice about available features.

Other calculators

Any calculator not listed above may be used as long as it meets the requirements listed below. This includes calculators with more limited features such as scientific and basic (pocket and desktop) calculators.

Features that are permitted

Calculators should be able to perform addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, square roots and powers. Graphics calculators also typically have access to:

- drawing graphs with any viewing window; displaying table information; finding zeros, local minimum and maximums, and intersection points
- solving equations numerically, including system of linear equations
- determining a numerical derivative at a point
- determining a numerical definite integral

- determining statistical values, including normal and binomial distributions, ^{*n*}*P_r*, ^{*n*}*C_r*, one- and two-variable statistics
- performing statistical calculations including regression
- performing matrix, vector and complex number operations.

Features that are NOT permitted

Calculators must not allow access during the examination to:

- language translation
- symbolic algebra manipulation
- symbolic differentiation or integration
- · communication with other machines, students or the internet
- retrievable information, including databanks, dictionaries, mathematical formulas and text.

A calculator that has any of these features (inbuilt or downloaded) must be put into a test mode that prohibits access to these features during the examination. If the calculator cannot be put into a test mode that prohibits access to these features, a different calculator that meets the requirements must be used.

Use of calculators in external assessment

Students are responsible for:

- bringing their own approved calculator
- the working condition of their calculator
- setting their calculator in the correct mode
- adhering to all instructions related to the use of approved calculators.

Students should be familiar with their model of calculator.

Calculators must be silent, handheld and solar or battery powered.

Students must ensure their calculator has adequate power. Where models allow, students can bring in spare batteries and change them. USB-rechargeable calculators should be fully charged prior to the assessment and have sufficient capacity to be used for the duration of the assessment. Any power failure or other issue with a calculator during an assessment will not be taken into consideration.

Unless otherwise stated, students may use a maximum of two approved calculators of any model in an assessment that allows them. For example, two approved graphics calculators, or one approved graphics calculator and one approved scientific calculator.

Calculators must be free of lids, cases and covers that have printed instructions or formulas, and external storage media.

Students may not borrow a calculator from another student after entering the assessment room.

Any apps or programs that have features that are not permitted must be deleted or inaccessible.

Calculators must not be able to communicate wirelessly.

The calculator must be reset and/or cleared prior to the assessment as outlined below.

Supervisors will check that calculators meet the specifications outlined in this document prior to the assessment.

Calculator use will be monitored throughout the assessment.

On completion of the assessment, calculators must be reset and/or cleared such that students are not able to use them to store assessment questions and/or answers.

Instructions for approved calculators prior to external assessment

Brand	Models	Reset/Initialise process
Casio	CFX-9850GC Plus	 From the Main Menu launch the Memory App (press F) Select Reset Press EXE Press F1
	fx-9860G fx-9860GAU fx-9860GAU Plus fx-CG20AU fx-CG50AU	 From the Main Menu launch the System App (press G) Select Reset (F5) Select Next Page (F6) Select Initialize All (F2) Select Yes (F1) Select Yes (F1) (Note: If Add-ins are not installed, this step is not included.) Press EXIT Calculator will restart.
Hewlett- Packard (HP)	HP39Gii	 Press and hold ON, F1 and F6 simultaneously Release all keys in the reverse order See www.calcsplus.com.au/site/DefaultSite/filesystem/documents/datasheet s/HP39gII_1.pdf (p. 311)
	HP Prime	Prepare the calculator for the examination by updating to the latest firmware in Exam Mode. Ensure: • memory is erased • CAS functionality is disabled See www.hp.com/united-states/ExamMode_Whitepaper.pdf
Texas Instruments (TI)	TI-84 TI-83 Plus TI-84 Plus TI-84 Plus CE Silver Edition TI-84 Plus C Silver Edition	To clear RAM: • 2nd MEM (+) • 7: Reset • 1: All Ram • 2: Reset Calculator will display 'RAM cleared'. To clear Archive: • 2nd MEM (+) • 7: Reset • Press the right arrow to move from RAM to ARCHIVE • 1: Vars • 2: Reset Calculator will display 'Arc Vars Cleared'. See https://education.ti.com/en-au/resources/calculator-set-up
	TI-73 Explorer	To clear RAM: • Press [2nd] • Press [0] (MEM) • Select Option 7: Reset • Select Option 1: All RAM • Select Option 2: Reset

TI-Nspire CX TI-Nspire with touchpad TI-Nspire CXII	 To restore all system variables and memory to default settings: Home 2 (to open the My Documents file browser) Menu (to open the context menu) Delete All (you may need to arrow down) OK Note: This process must be executed regardless of whether the Document folder is empty. See https://education.ti.com/en-au/resources/calculator-set-up
TI-Nspire CXII CAS	Calculator must be updated to the latest firmware, have all system variables and memory restored to default settings, and be placed in Press-to-Test mode with CAS functionality disabled . See https://education.ti.com/en-au/software/update/ti-nspire-software- update to update to latest firmware. To restore all system variables and memory to default settings: • Home 2 (to open the My Documents file browser) • Menu (to open the context menu) • Delete All (you may need to arrow down) • OK Note: This process must be executed regardless of whether the Document folder is empty. To place in Press-to-Test mode with CAS functionality disabled : • Ensure the handheld is turned off. • Press and hold down the esc and on keys. • Do not release the keys until the Press-to-Test screen is displayed. • For CAS Mode, select Exact Arithmetic. • Untick all restrictions. • Press enter or click Enter Press-to-Test. • Press enter or click OK. Calculator will switch off and restart automatically. See https://education.ti.com/en-au/resources/calculator-set-up

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