Year 2 (Grade 7) and Year 3 (Grade 8) Assessment Rubrics

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Criterion A: Knowing and understanding (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. demonstrate knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and the use of appropriate language
ii. demonstrate knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts
iii. use acquired knowledge to inform their artwork.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	The student: i. demonstrates limited knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and limited use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates limited knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates limited use of acquired knowledge to inform his or her artwork.	
3–4	The student: i. demonstrates adequate knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and adequate use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates adequate knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates adequate use of acquired knowledge to inform his or her artwork.	
5–6	The student: i. demonstrates substantial knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and substantial use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates substantial knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates substantial use of acquired knowledge to inform his or her artwork.	
7–8	The student: i. demonstrates excellent knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and excellent use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates excellent knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates excellent use of acquired knowledge to inform his or her artwork.	

Criterion B: Developing skills (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. demonstrate the acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrate the application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student: i. demonstrates limited acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates limited application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.	
3–4	The student: i. demonstrates adequate acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates adequate application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.	
5–6	The student: i. demonstrates substantial acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates substantial application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.	
7–8	The student: i. demonstrates excellent acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates excellent application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.	

Criterion C: Thinking creatively (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. outline a clear and feasible artistic intention

ii. outline alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions

iii. demonstrate the exploration of ideas through the developmental process to a point of realization.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student:	
	 i. presents a limited outline of an artistic intention, which may lack clarity or feasibility ii. presents a limited outline of alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions iii. demonstrates limited exploration of ideas through the developmental process, which may lack a point of realization. 	
3–4	The student:	
	 i. presents an adequate outline of a clear and/or feasible artistic intention ii. presents an adequate outline of alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions iii. demonstrates adequate exploration of ideas through the developmental process to a point of realization. 	
5–6	The student:	
	 i. presents a substantial outline of a clear and feasible artistic intention ii. presents a substantial outline of alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions iii. demonstrates substantial exploration of ideas through the developmental process to a point of realization. 	
7–8	The student: i. presents an excellent outline of a clear and feasible artistic	
	intention ii. presents an excellent outline of alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions iii. demonstrates excellent exploration of ideas through the developmental process to a point of realization.	

Criterion D: Responding (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. outline connections and transfer learning to new settingsii. create an artistic response inspired by the world around themiii. evaluate the artwork of self and others.

Achievement level Task specific clarifications Achievement level descriptor The student does not reach a standard described by any of the 0 descriptors below. The student: 1 - 2i. presents a limited outline of connections and may transfer learning to new settings ii. creates a **limited** artistic response that is **possibly** inspired by the world around him or her iii. presents a limited evaluation of the artwork of self and others. The student: 3 - 4i. presents an adequate outline of connections and occasionally transfers learning to new settings ii. creates an **adequate** artistic response that is **occasionally** inspired by the world around him or her iii. presents an adequate evaluation of the artwork of self and others. The student: 5-6 i. presents a substantial outline of connections and regularly transfers learning to new settings ii. creates a substantial artistic response that is regularly inspired by the world around him or her iii. presents a substantial evaluation of the artwork of self and others. The student: 7-8 i. presents an excellent outline of connections with depth and insight, and effectively transfers learning to new settings ii. creates an excellent artistic response that is effectively inspired by the world around him or her iii. presents an excellent evaluation of the artwork of self and others.

Criterion A: Inquiring and analyzing (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. explain and justify the need for a solution to a problem

ii. construct a research plan, which states and prioritizes the primary and secondary research needed to develop a solution to the problem

iii. analyse a group of similar products that inspire a solution to the problem

iv. develop a design brief, which presents the analysis of relevant research.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student: i. states the need for a solution to a problem ii. states some of the main findings of relevant research.	
3–4	The student: i. outlines the need for a solution to a problem ii. states the research needed to develop a solution to the problem, with some guidance iii. outlines one existing product that inspires a solution to the problem iv. develops a basic design brief, which outlines some of relevant research.	
5–6	The student: i. explains the need for a solution to a problem ii. constructs a research plan, which states and prioritizes the primary and secondary research needed to develop a solution to the problem, with some guidance iii. describes a group of similar products that inspire a solution to the problem iv. develops a design brief, which outlines the findings of relevant research.	
7–8	The student: i. explains and justifies the need for a solution to a problem ii. constructs a research plan, which states and prioritizes the primary and secondary research needed to develop a solution to the problem independently iii. analyzes a group of similar products that inspire a solution to the problem iv. develops a design brief, which presents the analysis of relevant research.	

Criterion B: Developing ideas (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. develop a design specification which outlines the success criteria for the design of a solution based on the data collected

ii. present a range of feasible design ideas, which can be correctly interpreted by others

iii. present the chosen design and outline the reasons for its selection

iv. develop accurate planning drawings/diagrams and outline requirements for the creation of the chosen solution.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	The student: i. lists a few basic success criteria for the design of a solution ii. presents one design idea, which can be interpreted by others iii. creates incomplete planning drawings/diagrams.	
3–4	The student: i. constructs a list of the success criteria for the design of a solution ii. presents a few feasible design ideas, using an appropriate medium(s) or explains key features, which can be interpreted by others iii. outlines the main reasons for choosing the design with reference to the design specification	
	iv. creates planning drawings/diagrams or lists requirements for the chosen solution.	
5-6	The student: i. develops design specifications, which identify the success criteria for the design of a solution ii. presents a range of feasible design ideas, using an appropriate medium(s) and explains key features, which can be interpreted by others iii. presents the chosen design and outlines the main reasons for its selection with reference to the design specification iv. develops accurate planning drawings/diagrams and lists requirements for the creation of the chosen solution.	
7–8	The student: i. develops a design specification which outlines the success criteria for the design of a solution based on the data collected ii. presents a range of feasible design ideas, using an appropriate medium(s) and annotation , which can be correctly interpreted by others iii. presents the chosen design and outlines the reasons for its selection with reference to the design specification iv. develops accurate planning drawings/diagrams and outlines requirements for the creation of the chosen solution.	

Criterion C: Creating the solution (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. construct a logical plan, which outlines the efficient use of time and resources, sufficient for peers to be able to follow to create the solution

ii. demonstrate excellent technical skills when making the solution

iii. follow the plan to create the solution, which functions as intended explain changes made to the chosen design and the plan when making the solution.

iv. present the solution as a whole

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student: i. demonstrates minimal technical skills when making the solution ii. creates the solution, which functions poorly and is presented in an incomplete form.	
3–4	The student: i. outlines each step in a plan that contains some details, resulting in peers having difficulty following the plan to create the solution ii. demonstrates satisfactory technical skills when making the solution iii. creates the solution, which partially functions and is adequately presented iv. outlines changes made to the chosen design or plan when making the solution.	
5–6	The student: i. constructs a plan, which considers time and resources, sufficient for peers to be able to follow to create the solution ii. demonstrates competent technical skills when making the solution iii. creates the solution, which functions as intended and is presented appropriately iv. outlines changes made to the chosen design and plan when making the solution.	
7–8	The student: i. constructs a logical plan, which outlines the efficient use of time and resources, sufficient for peers to be able to follow to create the solution ii. demonstrates excellent technical skills when making the solution iii. follows the plan to create the solution, which functions as intended and is presented appropriately iv. explains changes made to the chosen design and plan when making the solution.	

Criterion D: Evaluating (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. describe detailed and relevant testing methods, which generate accurate data, to measure the success of the solution ii. explain the success of the solution against the design specification

iii. describe how the solution could be improved

iv. describe the impact of the solution on the client/target audience.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student:	
	i. describes a testing method, which is used to measure the	
	success of the solution	
	ii. states the success of the solution.	
3–4	The student:	
	i. describes a relevant testing method, which generates data, to	
	measure the success of the solution	
	ii. outlines the success of the solution against the design	
	specification based on relevant product testing	
	iii. lists the ways in which the solution could be improved	
	iv. outlines the impact of the solution on the client/target	
	audience.	
5–6	The student:	
	i. describes relevant testing methods, which generate data, to	
	measure the success of the solution	
	ii. describes the success of the solution against the design	
	specification based on relevant product testing	
	iii. outlines how the solution could be improved	
	iv. describes the impact of the solution on the client/target	
	audience, with guidance.	
7–8	The student:	
	i. describes detailed and relevant testing methods, which	
	generate accurate data, to measure the success of the solution	
	ii. explains the success of the solution against the design	
	specification based on authentic product testing	
	iii. describes how the solution could be improved	
	iv. describes the impact of the solution on the client/target	
	audience.	

Criterion A: Knowing and understanding (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. use a range of terminology in context

ii. demonstrate knowledge and understanding of subject-specific content and concepts, using descriptions, explanations and examples

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student: i. makes limited use of terminology ii. demonstrates basic knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through limited descriptions and/or examples	
3–4	The student: i. uses some terminology accurately ii. demonstrates satisfactory knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through simple descriptions, explanations and examples	
5–6	The student: i. uses considerable and relevant terminology accurately ii. demonstrates substantial knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through descriptions, explanations and examples.	
7–8	The student: i. consistently uses a range of terminology accurately ii. demonstrates detailed knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through developed and accurate descriptions, explanations and examples.	

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Criterion B: Investigating (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. formulate/choose a clear and focused research question

ii. formulate and follow an action plan to explore a research question

iii. use methods to collect and record relevant information

iv. evaluate the process and results of the investigation, with guidance

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any	
0	of the descriptors below.	
1-2	The student:	
	i. identifies a research question that is clear, focused and	
	relevant	
	ii. formulates a limited action plan or does not follow a	
	plan	
	iii. collects and records limited or sometimes irrelevant	
	information	
	iv. with guidance, reflects on the research process and	
	results in a limited way.	
3–4	The student:	
	i. formulates/chooses a research question that is clear	
	and focused and describes its relevance	
	ii. formulates and occasionally follows a partial action	
	plan to investigate a research question	
	iii. uses a method(s) to collect and record some relevant	
	information	
	iv. with guidance, reflects on the research process and	
	results.	
5–6	The student:	
	i. formulates/chooses a clear and focused research	
	question and describes its relevance in detail	
	ii. formulates and mostly follows a sufficiently developed	
	action plan to investigate a research question	
	iii. uses methods to collect and record appropriate	
	relevant information	
	iv. with guidance, evaluates on the research process and	
	results.	
7–8	The student:	
	i. formulates/chooses a clear and focused research	
	question and explains its relevance	
	ii. formulates and effectively follows a consistent action	
	plan to investigate a research question	
	iii. uses methods to collect and record appropriate and	
	varied relevant information	
	iv. with guidance, provides a detailed evaluation of the	
	research process and results.	
	research process and results.	

Individuals and Societies: MYP Years 2-3

Criterion C: Communicating (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. communicate information and ideas in a way that is appropriate for the audience and purpose

ii. structure information and ideas according to the task instructions

iii. create a reference and cite sources of information

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student: i. communicates information and ideas in a style that is not always clear ii. organizes information and ideas in a limited way iii. lists sources of information inconsistently	
3–4	The student: i. communicates information and ideas in a way that is somewhat clear ii. somewhat organizes information and ideas iii. creates an adequate reference list and sometimes cites sources.	
5–6	The student: i. communicates information and ideas in a style that is mostly appropriate to the audience and purpose ii. mostly structures information and ideas according to the task instructions iii. creates an adequate reference list and usually cites sources.	
7–8	The student: i. communicates information and ideas in a style that is completely appropriate to the audience and purpose ii. structures information and ideas completely according to the task instructions iii. creates a complete reference list and always cites sources.	

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Criterion D: Thinking critically (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. analyse concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories

ii. summarize information to make valid, well-supported arguments

iii. analyse a range of sources/data in terms of origin and purpose, recognizing values and limitations

iv. recognize different perspectives and their implications.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	The student: i. begins to analyse concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories in a limited way ii. begins to identify connections between information to make simple arguments iii. recognizes the origin and purpose of few sources/data as well as few values and limitations of sources/data iv. identifies different perspectives	
3–4	The student: i. completes a simple analysis concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories in a limited way ii. summarizes information to make some adequate arguments iii. analyses sources /data in terms of origin and purpose, recognizing some values and limitations iv. recognizes different perspectives and suggests some of their implications	
5–6	The student: i. completes a substantial analysis of concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories ii. summarizes information in order to make usually valid arguments iii. analyses sources /data in terms of origin and purpose, usually recognizing values and limitations iv. clearly recognizes different perspectives and describes most of their implications	
7–8	The student: i. completes a detailed analysis of concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories ii. summarizes information to make consistent , well-supported arguments iii. effectively analyses a range of sources/data in terms of origin and purpose, consistently recognizing values and limitations iv. clearly recognizes different perspectives and consistently explains their implications.	

Criterion A: Comprehending spoken and visual text (Maximum: 8)

- i. show understanding of messages, main ideas and supporting details
- ii. recognize basic conventions
- iii. engage with the spoken and visual text by identifying ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making a personal response to the text.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the	
	descriptors below.	
1–2	The student:	
	i. shows minimal understanding of messages, main ideas and	
	supporting details	
	ii. has limited awareness of basic conventions	
	iii. engages minimally with the spoken and visual text by	
	identifying few ideas, opinions and attitudes; has difficulty	
	making a personal response to the text.	
	The student shows limited understanding of the content, context	
	and concepts of the text as a whole.	
3–4	The student:	
	i. shows some understanding of messages, main ideas and	
	supporting details	
	ii. has some awareness of basic conventions	
	iii. engages adequately with the spoken and visual text by	
	identifying some ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making	
	some personal response to the text.	
	The student shows some understanding of the content, context	
	and concepts of the text as a whole.	
5–6	The student:	
	i. shows considerable understanding of messages, main ideas and	
	supporting details	
	ii. has considerable awareness of basic conventions	
	iii. engages considerably with the spoken and visual text by	
	identifying most ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making a	
	personal response to the text.	
	The student shows considerable understanding of the content,	
	context and concepts of the text as a whole.	
7–8	The student:	
	i. shows excellent understanding of messages, main ideas and	
	supporting details	
	ii. has excellent awareness of basic conventions	
	iii. engages thoroughly with the spoken and visual text by	
	identifying ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making a personal	
	response to the text.	
	The student shows thorough understanding of the content,	
	context and concepts of the text as a whole.	

Criterion B: Comprehending written and visual text (Maximum: 8)

- i. identify basic facts, main ideas and supporting details, and draw conclusions
- ii. recognize basic conventions including aspects of format and style, and author's purpose for writing
- iii. engage with the written and visual text by identifying ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making a personal response to the text.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	The student: i. identifies minimal basic facts and main ideas but few supporting details; is not able to draw conclusions ii. has limited awareness of basic conventions including aspects of format and style, and author's purpose for writing iii. engages minimally with the written and visual text by identifying few ideas, opinions and attitudes; has difficulty making a personal response to the text.	
	The student shows limited understanding of the content, context and concepts of the text as a whole.	
3–4	The student: i. identifies some basic facts, main ideas and supporting details; is not always able to draw conclusions ii. recognizes some basic conventions including aspects of format and style, and author's purpose for writing iii. engages adequately with the written and visual text by identifying some ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making some personal response to the text.	
	The student shows some understanding of the content, context and concepts of the text as a whole.	
5–6	The student: i. identifies most basic facts, main ideas and supporting details, and draws conclusions ii. recognizes most basic conventions including aspects of format and style, and author's purpose for writing iii. engages considerably with the written and visual text by identifying most ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making a personal response to the text. The student shows considerable understanding of the content, context and concepts of the text as a whole.	
7–8	The student: i. clearly identifies basic facts, main ideas and supporting details, and draws conclusions ii. clearly recognizes basic conventions including aspects of format and style, and author's purpose for writing iii. engages thoroughly with the written and visual text by identifying ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making a personal response to the text. The student shows thorough understanding of the content, context	
	The student shows thorough understanding of the content, context and concepts of the text as a whole.	

Criterion C: Communicating in response to spoken, written, and visual text (Maximum: 8)

- i. respond appropriately to spoken, written and visual text
- ii. interact in basic structured exchanges
- iii. use phrases to communicate ideas, feelings and information in familiar situations
- iv. communicate with a sense of audience.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the	
	descriptors below.	
1–2	The student:	
	i. makes limited attempt to respond to simple short phrases or	
	basic information in spoken, written and visual text; responses are	
	often inappropriate	
	ii. interacts minimally in basic structured exchanges	
	iii. uses minimal phrases to communicate ideas, feelings and	
	information in a limited range of familiar situations	
	iv. communicates with a limited sense of audience.	
3–4	The student:	
5.		
	i. responds to simple short phrases and some basic information in	
	spoken, written and visual text, though some responses may be	
	inappropriate	
	ii. interacts to some degree in basic structured exchanges	
	iii. uses some phrases to communicate ideas, feelings and	
	information in a limited range of familiar situations; ideas are not	
	always relevant or detailed	
	iv. communicates with some sense of audience.	
5–6	The student:	
	 i. responds appropriately to simple short phrases and basic information in spoken, written and visual text 	
	ii. interacts considerably in basic structured exchanges	
	iii. uses phrases to communicate ideas, feelings and information in	
	some familiar situations; ideas are relevant and detailed	
	iv. communicates with a considerable sense of audience.	
7–8	The student:	
	i. responds in detail and appropriately to simple short phrases	
	and basic information in spoken, written and visual text	
	ii. interacts confidently in basic structured exchanges	
	iii. uses phrases effectively to communicate ideas, feelings and	
	information in a variety of familiar situations; ideas are relevant,	
	detailed and include examples	
	iv. communicates with an excellent sense of audience.	

Criterion D: Using language in spoken and written form (Maximum: 8)

- i. write and speak using a basic range of vocabulary, grammatical structures and conventions; when speaking, use clear pronunciation and intonation
- ii. organize information and ideas and use a range of basic cohesive devices
- iii. use language to suit the context.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the	
	descriptors below.	
1-2	The student:	
	 i. has difficulty to write/speak using a basic range of vocabulary, grammatical structures and conventions; when speaking, uses pronunciation and intonation with many errors, making understanding difficult ii. organizes limited basic information and ideas, and basic cohesive devices are not used iii. makes minimal use of language to suit the context. 	
3–4	The student:	
	 i. writes/speaks using a basic range of vocabulary, grammatical structures and conventions, with some inappropriate choices; when speaking, uses pronunciation and intonation with some errors, some of which make understanding difficult ii. organizes some basic information and ideas, and uses a limited range of basic cohesive devices, not always appropriately iii. uses language to suit the context to some degree. 	
5–6	The student:	
	 i. writes/speaks making good use of a basic range of vocabulary, grammatical structures and conventions, generally accurately; when speaking, uses pronunciation and intonation with some errors, though these do not interfere with comprehensibility ii. organizes basic information and ideas well, and uses a limited range of basic cohesive devices accurately iii. usually uses language to suit the context. 	
7–8	The student:	
	 i. writes/speaks effectively using a basic range of vocabulary, grammatical structures and conventions accurately; occasional errors do not interfere with communication. When speaking, uses clear pronunciation and excellent intonation, making communication easy ii. organizes basic information and ideas clearly, and uses a range of basic cohesive devices accurately; there is a logical structure and cohesive devices add clarity to the message iii. uses language effectively to suit the context. 	

Criterion A: Analyzing (Maximum: 8)

- i. identify & explain the content, context, language, structure, technique and style of text(s) & the relationships among texts
- ii. identify and explain the effects of the creator's choices on an audience
- iii. justify opinions and ideas, using examples, explanations and terminology
- iv. interpret similarities and differences in features within and between genres and texts.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the	
	descriptors below.	
1–2	The student:	
	i. provides minimal identification or explanation of the content,	
	context, language, structure, technique and style, and does not	
	explain the relationships among texts	
	ii. provides minimal identification and explanation of the effects of	
	the creator's choices on an audience	
	iii. rarely justifies opinions and ideas with examples or explanations;	
	uses little or no terminology	
	iv. interprets few similarities and differences in features within and	
	between genres and texts.	
3–4	The student:	
	i. provides adequate identification and explanation of the content,	
	context, language, structure, technique and style, and some	
	explanation of the relationships among texts	
	ii. provides adequate identification and explanation of the effects of	
	the creator's choices on an audience	
	iii. justifies opinions and ideas with some examples and explanations,	
	though this may not be consistent; uses some terminology	
	iv. interprets some similarities and differences in features within and	
	between genres and texts.	
5–6	The student:	
	i. provides substantial identification and explanation of the content,	
	context, language, structure, technique and style, and explains the	
	relationships among texts	
	ii. provides substantial identification and explanation of the effects	
	of the creator's choices on an audience	
	iii. sufficiently justifies opinions and ideas with examples and	
	explanations; uses accurate terminology	
	iv. competently interprets similarities and differences in features	
	within and between genres and texts.	
7–8	The student:	
	i. provides perceptive identification and explanation of the content,	
	context, language, structure, technique and style, and explains the	
	relationships among texts thoroughly	
	ii. provides perceptive identification and explanation of the effects of	
	the creator's choices on an audience	
	iii. gives detailed justification of opinions and ideas with a range of	
	examples, and thorough explanations; uses accurate terminology	
	iv. perceptively compares and contrasts features within and	
	between genres and texts.	

Criterion B: Organizing (Maximum: 8)

- i. employ organizational structures that serve the context and intention
- ii. organize opinions and ideas in a coherent and logical manner
- iii. use referencing and formatting tools to create a presentation style suitable to the context and intention.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	The student: i. makes minimal use of organizational structures though these may not always serve the context and intention ii. organizes opinions and ideas with a minimal degree of coherence and logic iii. makes minimal use of referencing and formatting tools to create a presentation style that may not always be suitable to the context and intention.	
3–4	The student: i. makes adequate use of organizational structures that serve the context and intention ii. organizes opinions and ideas with some degree of coherence and logic iii. makes adequate use of referencing and formatting tools to create a presentation style suitable to the context and intention.	
5–6	The student: i. makes competent use of organizational structures that serve the context and intention ii. organizes opinions and ideas in a coherent and logical manner with ideas building on each other iii. makes competent use of referencing and formatting tools to create a presentation style suitable to the context and intention.	
7–8	The student: i. makes sophisticated use of organizational structures that serve the context and intention effectively ii. effectively organizes opinions and ideas in a coherent and logical manner with ideas building on each other in a sophisticated way iii. makes excellent use of referencing and formatting tools to create an effective presentation style.	

Criterion C: Producing Text (Maximum: 8)

- i. produce texts that demonstrate thought, imagination and sensitivity, while exploring and considering new perspectives and ideas arising from personal engagement with the creative process
- ii. make stylistic choices in terms of linguistic, literary and visual devices, demonstrating awareness of impact on an audience
- iii. select relevant details and examples to develop ideas.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	The student: i. produces texts that demonstrate limited personal engagement with the creative process; demonstrates a limited degree of thought, imagination or sensitivity and minimal exploration and consideration of new perspectives and ideas ii. makes minimal stylistic choices in terms of linguistic, literary and visual devices, demonstrating limited awareness of impact on an audience iii. selects few relevant details and examples to develop ideas.	
3–4	The student: i. produces texts that demonstrate adequate personal engagement with the creative process; demonstrates some degree of thought, imagination and sensitivity and some exploration and consideration of new perspectives and ideas ii. makes some stylistic choices in terms of linguistic, literary and visual devices, demonstrating adequate awareness of impact on an audience iii. selects some relevant details and examples to develop ideas.	
5–6	The student: i. produces texts that demonstrate considerable personal engagement with the creative process; demonstrates considerable thought, imagination and sensitivity and substantial exploration and consideration of new perspectives and ideas ii. makes thoughtful stylistic choices in terms of linguistic, literary and visual devices, demonstrating good awareness of impact on an audience iii. selects sufficient relevant details and examples to develop ideas.	
7–8	The student: i. produces texts that demonstrate a high degree of personal engagement with the creative process; demonstrates a high degree of thought, imagination and sensitivity and perceptive exploration and consideration of new perspectives and ideas ii. makes perceptive stylistic choices in terms of linguistic, literary and visual devices, demonstrating clear awareness of impact on an audience iii. selects extensive relevant details and examples to develop ideas with precision.	

Criterion D: Using language (Maximum: 8)

- i. use appropriate and varied vocabulary, sentence structures and forms of expression
- ii. write and speak in an appropriate register and style
- iii. use correct grammar, syntax and punctuation
- iv. spell (alphabetic languages), write (character languages) and pronounce with accuracy
- v. use appropriate non-verbal communication techniques.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student:	
	 i. uses a limited range of appropriate vocabulary and forms of expression ii. writes and speaks in an inappropriate register and style that do not serve the context and intention iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with limited accuracy; errors often hinder communication iv. spells/writes and pronounces with limited accuracy; errors often hinder communication v. makes limited and/or inappropriate use of non-verbal communication techniques. 	
3–4	The student:	
	 i. uses an adequate range of appropriate vocabulary, sentence structures and forms of expression ii. sometimes writes and speaks in a register and style that serve the context and intention iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with some degree of accuracy; errors sometimes hinder communication iv. spells/writes and pronounces with some degree of accuracy; errors sometimes hinder communication v. makes some use of appropriate non-verbal communication techniques. 	
5–6	 The student: i. uses a varied range of appropriate vocabulary, sentence structures and forms of expression competently ii. writes and speaks competently in a register and style that serve the context and intention iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with a considerable degree of accuracy; errors do not hinder effective communication iv. spells/writes and pronounces with a considerable degree of accuracy; errors do not hinder effective communication v. makes sufficient use of appropriate non-verbal communication techniques. 	
7–8	The student: i. effectively uses a varied range of appropriate vocabulary, sentence structures and forms of expression ii. writes and speaks in a consistently appropriate register and style that serve the context and intention iii. uses grammar, syntax and punctuation with a high degree of accuracy; errors are minor and communication is effective iv. spells/writes and pronounces with a high degree of accuracy; errors are minor and communication is effective v. makes effective use of appropriate non-verbal communication techniques.	

Criterion A: Knowing and understanding (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. select appropriate mathematics when solving problems in both familiar and unfamiliar situations
ii. apply the selected mathematics successfully when solving problems
iii. solve problems correctly in a variety of contexts.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any	
	of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student is able to:	
	i. select appropriate mathematics when solving simple	
	problems in familiar situations	
	ii. apply the selected mathematics successfully when	
	solving these problems	
	iii. generally solve these problems correctly.	
3–4	The student is able to:	
	i. select appropriate mathematics when solving more	
	complex problems in familiar situations	
	ii. apply the selected mathematics successfully when	
	solving these problems	
	iii. generally solve these problems correctly.	
5–6	The student is able to:	
	i. select appropriate mathematics when solving	
	challenging problems in familiar situations	
	ii. apply the selected mathematics successfully when	
	solving these problems	
	iii. generally solve these problems correctly.	
7–8	The student is able to:	
	i. select appropriate mathematics when solving	
	challenging problems in both familiar and unfamiliar	
	situations	
	ii. apply the selected mathematics successfully when	
	solving these problems	
	iii. generally solve these problems correctly.	

Criterion B: Investigating patterns (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. select and apply mathematical problem-solving techniques to discover complex patterns
ii. describe patterns as relationships and/or general rules consistent with findings
iii. verify and justify relationships and/or general rules

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student is able to: i. apply , with teacher support, mathematical problem-solving techniques to recognize simple patterns ii. state predictions consistent with simple patterns.	
3–4	The student is able to: i. apply mathematical problem-solving techniques to discover simple patterns ii. suggest relationships and/or general rules consistent with findings.	
5–6	The student is able to: i. select and apply mathematical problem-solving techniques to discover complex patterns ii. describe patterns as relationships and/or general rules consistent with findings iii. verify these relationships and/or general rules.	
7–8	The student is able to: i. select and apply mathematical problem-solving techniques to discover complex patterns ii. describe patterns as relationships and/or general rules consistent with correct findings iii. verify and justify these relationships and/or general rules.	

Criterion C: Communicating (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. use appropriate mathematical language (notation, symbols and terminology) in both oral and written statements

ii. use different forms of mathematical representation to present information

iii. communicate coherent mathematical lines of reasoning

iv. **organize** information using a logical structure.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any	
-	of the descriptors below.	
1.2		
1–2	The student is able to:	
	i. use limited mathematical language	
	ii. use limited forms of mathematical representation to	
	present information	
	iii. communicate through lines of reasoning that are	
	difficult to understand.	
3–4	The student is able to:	
	i. use some appropriate mathematical language	
	ii. use different forms of mathematical representation to	
	present information adequately	
	iii. communicate through lines of reasoning that are able	
	to be understood, although these are not always coherent	
	iv. adequately organize information using a logical	
	structure.	
5–6	The student is able to:	
	i. usually use appropriate mathematical language	
	ii. usually use different forms of mathematical	
	representation to present information correctly	
	iii. move between different forms of mathematical	
	representation with some success	
	iv. communicate through lines of reasoning that are clear	
	although not always coherent or complete	
	v. present work that is usually organized using a logical	
	structure	
7–8	The student is able to:	
	i. consistently use appropriate mathematical language	
	ii. use different forms of mathematical representation to	
	consistently present information correctly	
	iii. move effectively between different forms of	
	mathematical representation	
	iv. communicate through lines of reasoning that are	
	complete and coherent	
	v. present work that is consistently organized using a	
	logical structure.	

Criterion D: Applying mathematics in real-life contexts (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. identify relevant elements of authentic real-life situations

ii. select appropriate mathematical strategies when solving authentic real-life situations

iii. apply the selected mathematical strategies successfully to reach a solution

iv. explain the degree of accuracy of a solution

v. **describe** whether a solution makes sense in the context of the authentic real-life situation.

Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
The student is able to: i. identify some of the elements of the authentic real-life situation ii. apply mathematical strategies to find a solution to the authentic real-life situation, with limited success.	
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Criterion A: Knowing and understanding (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

 i. describe physical health education factual, procedural and conceptual knowledge
 ii. apply physical and health education knowledge to explain issues and solve problems set in familiar and unfamiliar situations

iii. apply physical and health terminology effectively to communicate understanding.

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		effectively to communicate understanding.	

Criterion B: Planning for performance (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. design and explain a plan for improving physical performance and health ii. explain the effectiveness of a plan based on the outcome.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student:	
	i. outlines a plan for improving physical performance and health	
	ii. states the effectiveness of a plan based on the outcome.	
3–4	The student:	
	 i. constructs and outlines a plan for improving physical performance and health 	
	ii. outlines the effectiveness of a plan based on the outcome.	
5–6	The student:	
	 i. constructs and explains a plan for improving physical performance and health 	
	ii. describes the effectiveness of a plan based on the outcome.	
7–8	The student:	
	 i. designs and explains a plan for improving physical performance and health 	
	ii. explains the effectiveness of a plan based on the outcome	

Criterion C: Applying and performing (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. demonstrate and apply a range of skills and techniques

ii. demonstrate and apply a range of strategies and movement concepts

iii. outline and apply information to perform effectively.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student:	
	i. recalls and applies skills and techniques with limited success	
	ii. recalls and applies strategies and movement concepts with limited success	
	iii. recalls and applies information to perform.	
3–4	The student:	
	 demonstrates and applies skills and techniques with limited success 	
	ii. demonstrates and applies strategies and movement concepts with limited success	
	iii. identifies and applies information to perform.	
5–6	The student:	
	i. demonstrates and applies skills and techniques	
	ii. demonstrates and applies strategies and movement concepts	
	iii. identifies and applies information to perform effectively.	
7–8	The student: i. demonstrates and applies a range of skills and techniques ii. demonstrates and applies a range of strategies and movement concepts	
	iii. outlines and applies information to perform effectively.	

Criterion D: Reflecting and improving performance (Maximum: 8)

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

i. describe and demonstrate strategies to enhance interpersonal skillsii. outline goals and apply strategies to enhance performance

iii. explain and evaluate performance.

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0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the	
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1–2	The student:	
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	i. identifies strategies that enhance interpersonal skills	
	ii. lists goals to enhance performance	
	iii. summarizes performance.	
3–4	The student:	
	i. identifies and demonstrates strategies that enhance	
	interpersonal skills	
	ii. identifies goals to enhance performance	
	iii. outlines and summarizes performance.	
5–6	The student:	
	i. outlines and demonstrates strategies that enhance	
	interpersonal skills	
	ii. identifies goals and applies strategies to enhance	
	performance	
	iii. outlines and evaluates performance.	
7–8	The student:	
	i. describes and demonstrates strategies that enhance	
	interpersonal skills	
	ii. outlines goals and applies strategies to enhance	
	performance	
	iii. explains and evaluates performance.	
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Criterion A: Knowing and Understanding (Maximum: 8)

- i. describe scientific knowledge
- ii. apply scientific knowledge and understanding to solve problems set in familiar and unfamiliar situations
- iii. analyse information to make scientifically supported judgments.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	The student is able to: i. recall scientific knowledge ii. apply scientific knowledge and understanding to suggest solutions to problems set in familiar situations iii. apply information to make judgments.	
3-4	The student is able to: i. state scientific knowledge ii. apply scientific knowledge and understanding to solve problems set in familiar situations iii. apply information to make scientifically supported judgments.	
5–6	The student is able to: i. outline scientific knowledge ii. apply scientific knowledge and understanding to solve problems set in familiar situations and suggest solutions to problems set in unfamiliar situations iii. interpret information to make scientifically supported judgments .	
7–8	The student is able to: i. describe scientific knowledge ii. apply scientific knowledge and understanding to solve problems set in familiar and unfamiliar situations iii. analyse information to make scientifically supported judgments .	

Criterion B: Inquiring and Designing (Maximum: 8)

- i. describe a problem or question to be tested by a scientific investigation
- ii. outline a testable hypothesis and explain it using scientific reasoning
- iii. describe how to manipulate the variables, and describe how data will be collected
- iv. design scientific investigations.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the	
	descriptors below.	
1–2	The student is able to:	
	i. state a problem or question to be tested by a scientific	
	investigation, with limited success	
	ii. state a testable hypothesis	
	iii. state the variables	
	iv. design a method, with limited success.	
3–4	The student is able to:	
	i. state a problem or question to be tested by a scientific	
	investigation	
	ii. outline a testable hypothesis using scientific reasoning	
	iii. outline how to manipulate the variables, and state how	
	relevant data will be collected iv. design a safe method in which he or she selects materials	
	and equipment.	
5–6	The student is able to:	
	i. outline a problem or question to be tested by a scientific	
	investigation	
	ii. outline and explain a testable hypothesis using scientific	
	reasoning	
	iii. outline how to manipulate the variables, and outline how sufficient, relevant data will be collected	
	iv. design a complete and safe method in which he or she	
	selects appropriate materials and equipment.	
7–8	The student is able to:	
	i. describe a problem or question to be tested by a scientific	
	investigation	
	ii. outline and explain a testable hypothesis using correct	
	scientific reasoning iii. describe how to manipulate the variables, and describe	
	how sufficient, relevant data will be collected	
	iv. design a logical, complete and safe method in which he or	
	she selects appropriate materials and equipment.	

Criterion C: Processing and Evaluating (Maximum: 8)

- i. present collected and transformed data
- ii. interpret data and describe results using scientific reasoning
- iii. discuss the validity of a hypothesis based on the outcome of the scientific investigation
- iv. discuss the validity of the method
- v. describe improvements or extensions to the method.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1–2	The student is able to:	
	 i. collect and present data in numerical and/or visual forms ii. accurately interpret data 	
	iii. state the validity of a hypothesis with limited reference to a scientific	
	investigation iv. state the validity of the method with limited reference to a scientific	
	investigation	
	v. state limited improvements or extensions to the method.	
3–4	The student is able to:	
	i. correctly collect and present data in numerical and/or visual forms	
	ii. accurately interpret data and describe results iii. state the validity of a hypothesis based on the outcome of a scientific	
	investigation	
	iv. state the validity of the method based on the outcome of a scientific	
	investigation	
	v. state improvements or extensions to the method that would benefit the scientific investigation.	
5–6	The student is able to:	
	i. correctly collect, organize and present data in numerical and/or visual	
	forms	
	ii. accurately interpret data and describe results using scientific	
	reasoning	
	iii. outline the validity of a hypothesis based on the outcome of a scientific investigation	
	iv. outline the validity of the method based on the outcome of a scientific	
	investigation	
	v. outline improvements or extensions to the method that would benefit the scientific investigation.	
7–8	The student is able to:	
	i. correctly collect, organize, transform and present data in numerical	
	and/ or visual forms	
	ii. accurately interpret data and describe results using correct scientific	
	reasoning iii. discuss the validity of a hypothesis based on the outcome of a	
	scientific investigation	
	iv. discuss the validity of the method based on the outcome of a scientific	
	investigation	
	v. describe improvements or extensions to the method that would benefit the scientific investigation.	

Criterion D: Reflecting on the Impacts of Science (Maximum: 8)

- i. describe the ways in which science is applied and used to address a specific problem or issue
- ii. discuss & analyse the various implications of using science & its application in solving a specific problem or issue
- iii. apply scientific language effectively
- iv. document the work of others and sources of information used.

Achievement level	Achievement level descriptor	Task specific clarifications
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.	
1-2	The student is able to: i. state the ways in which science is used to address a specific problem or issue ii. state the implications of the use of science to solve a specific problem or issue, interacting with a factor iii. apply scientific language to communicate understanding but does so with limited success iv. document sources, with limited success.	
3–4	The student is able to: i. outline the ways in which science is used to address a specific problem or issue ii. outline the implications of using science to solve a specific problem or issue, interacting with a factor iii. sometimes apply scientific language to communicate understanding iv. sometimes document sources correctly .	
5–6	The student is able to: i. summarize the ways in which science is applied and used to address a specific problem or issue ii. describe the implications of using science and its application to solve a specific problem or issue, interacting with a factor iii. usually apply scientific language to communicate understanding clearly and precisely iv. usually document sources correctly .	
7–8	The student is able to: i. describe the ways in which science is applied and used to address a specific problem or issue ii. discuss and analyse the implications of using science and its application to solve a specific problem or issue, interacting with a factor iii. consistently apply scientific language to communicate understanding clearly and precisely iv. document sources completely .	