

Woolooware High School

YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT POLICY & GUIDE 2024

WHAT IS ASSESSMENT?

Assessment is the broad name for the collection and evaluation of evidence of student learning. Assessment:

- provides opportunities for teachers to gather evidence about student achievement in relation to syllabus outcomes
- enables students to demonstrate what they know and what they can do
- clarifies student understanding of concepts and promotes deeper understanding
- provides evidence that current understanding and skills are a suitable base for future learning

Each assessment task should:

- be based on syllabus outcomes
- be a valid instrument for what they are designed to assess
- include criteria to clarify for students what aspects of learning are being assessed
- enable students to demonstrate their learning in a range of task types
- be reliable and free from bias
- measure what the task intends to assess, and provide accurate information on each student's achievement
- enable students and teachers to use feedback effectively and reflect on the learning process
- be inclusive of and accessible for all students
- be part of an ongoing process where progress is monitored over time

SCHEDULE OF TASKS

Students will be given at least two weeks' notice of a formal task. Staff will endeavour to ensure that students are not overburdened at any one time.

Students will be informed about:

- the scope of the task, including the outcomes to be assessed
- the form the assessment will take
- proposed timing and duration of the tasks

FEEDBACK TO STUDENTS ON FORMAL TASKS

Students will be given clear and honest feedback on their performance in each task. This will show the level of achievement of syllabus outcomes. Academic reports from each semester will also indicate the student's overall level of attainment, regarding these particular syllabus outcomes.

STUDENTS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Students should read carefully the assessment task for each course they are studying. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of the guidelines e.g. type of task and date due. Not knowing about a task, the nature of a task or when the task will take place will not be accepted as an excuse for failing to do a task or for not doing well in a task.

Where tasks are to be submitted at school, the onus is on the student to hand the task to the teacher conducting the task during the lesson on the due date. If the teacher is absent then the student should hand the task to the Head Teacher. Students should not just leave the task on the teacher's desk in the staff room or the classroom.

It is the student's responsibility after an absence to find out what assessment tasks have been set.

The school (where possible) should be notified of a student's absence for an assessment task before the task is administered. The student's parent or guardian must submit an Illness/Misadventure form explaining the absence, and give it to the Head Teacher. In case of sickness, an illness/misadventure form must be submitted. Head Teachers have discretion to determine that a student has a legitimate reason for not doing a task or not submitting a task on time. They will then decide which of the following is appropriate:

- an extension of time for submission;
- completion of the same task at a different time;
- completion of an alternative task;
- an estimate (only to be used once all other avenues are exhausted)

The student must complete the task or an alternative task on the first appropriate occasion after returning to school. Otherwise a "non-attempt" will be recorded.

PENALTIES IN RELATION TO AN ASSESSMENT TASK

Students who have an unauthorised absence (no valid explanations, no note, fractional truant) or fail to hand in a task on time will receive a penalty. The penalty will consist of a loss of:

- > 20% of achievable marks one day late;
- 40% of achievable marks two days late;
- > 60% of achievable marks three days late and
- > Zero for more than three days late.

Any student found to be staying at home during school time so as to complete an assessment task or study for an assessment task, will be considered to be seeking an unfair advantage and may have the task cancelled.

Students will not be allowed to prepare for an assessment task in another class.

MALPRACTICE?

Allegations of dishonest attempts of assessment tasks, (cheating, using other students' work) or disruption during an assessment task will result in a zero mark being recorded. Families will be contacted in these situations.

Students will be asked to re-submit their own work.

TECHNOLOGY AND ASSESSMENT

If students are presenting work produced using technology it is their responsibility to make sure they have adequate backups of information. Technology failure is not an acceptable excuse for late submission of tasks.

ENGLISH Semester 1

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1 Weeks 9 - 10	EN4-1A, EN3-3B, EN4-4B, EN5-5C, EN7-7D	Against the Odds (Non-fiction Novel): Speaking Task	50%
Term 2 Week 6	EN4-1A, EN4-3B, EN4-6C, EN4-8D	Australian Perspectives (Poetry / Short Stories): Reading and Writing task	50%
	l	SEMESTER TOTAL	100%

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ENGLISH Semester 2

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 3 Week 9	EN4-1A, EN4-3B, EN4-4B, EN4-5B	Shakespeare Study (Drama): Viewing and Representing	50%
Term 4 Week 5	EN4-1A, EN4-3B, EN4-4B, EN4-5B	Science Fiction (Film): Imaginative Writing Task	50%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

FRENCH Semester 1

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1 Week 5	ML4-CRT-01	Introductions - Vocabulary Test (Skill: Vocabulary)	5%
Term 1 Week 9-10	ML4-INT-01 ML4- UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	Multiple Choice Exam (Skills: Grammar, Reading & Listening)	40%
Term 2 Week 4	ML4-CRT-01	Clothes & Descriptions - Vocabulary Test (Skill: Vocabulary)	5%
Term 2 Week 5-7	ML4-INT-01 ML4- UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	Semester 1 Exam (Skills: Grammar, Reading, Writing & Listening)	50%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

Faculty: LANGUAGES

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FRENCH Semester 2

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic Task Description	Weighting
Term 3 Week 4	ML4-CRT-01	Family: Vocabulary Test (Skill: Vocabulary)	5%
Term 3 Week 9	ML4-INT-01 ML4-CRT-01	Introducing self and family: Email assignment (Skill: Writing)	30%
Term 4 Week 4	ML4-CRT-01	Likes and Dislikes: Vocabulary test (Skill: Vocabulary)	5%
Term 4 Week 5-7	ML4-INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	Semester 2 Exam (Skills: Grammar, Reading, Writing & Listening)	60%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

GEOGRAPHY Semester 1 & 2

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1/3 Week 7	GE4-3, GE4-4, GE4-7	Water in the World task	50%
Term 2/4 Week 5	GE4-3, GE4-4, GE4-8	Interconnections task	50%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

Faculty: SOCIAL SCIENCE

Faculty: HISTORY

HISTORY Semester 1 & 2

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic Task Description	Weighting
Term 1/3 Week 7	HT4-3, HT4-8, HT4-9 HT4-10	Medieval Europe task	50%
Term 2/4 Week 5/6	HT4-4, HT4-6, HT4-7	Spanish Conquest: Semester Exam	50%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

INDONESIAN Semester 1

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic: Task Description	Weighting
Term 1 Week 8	ML4-UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	Introductions, foods, likes/dislikes, numbers: Unit test	30%
Term 2 Week 5	ML4INT-01, ML4- UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	Semester 1 Exam	60%
Ongoing		Bookwork	10%
	100%		

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INDONESIAN Semester 2

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic: Task Description	Weighting
Term 3 Week 4	ML4-UND-01	Hobbies: Reading Task	20%
Term 3 Week 8	ML4-CRT-01	About Me: Writing Task	25%
Term 4 Week 6	ML4UND-01 ML4-INT-01 ML4-CRT-01	Semester 2 Exam	55%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

MATHEMATICS Semester 1

Faculty: MATHEMATICS

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1 Week 8-10	MA4-1WM, MA4- 2WM, MA4-4NA, MA4-5NA, MA4- 16MG, MA4-5NA, MA4-6NA	Cross test	35%
Term 2 Week 5-6	MA4-8NA, MA4- 21SP, MA4-19SP, + outcomes from term 1	Semester 1 Exam	50%
Terms 1 & 2 ongoing		Classwork – Bookmark - Homework	15%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

MATHEMATICS Semester 2

Faculty: MATHEMATICS

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 3 Week 8-9	MA4-12MG, 13MG, 14MG, 15MG, 10NA, 7NA, 20SP, 11NA	Cross test	35%
Term 4 Week 5-6	MA4-13MG, 14MG, 17MG, 18MG + outcomes from term3	Semester 2 Exam	50%
Terms 3 & 4 ongoing		Classwork – Bookmark - Homework	15%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

MUSIC Semester 1

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1 Week 8	4.4, 4.5, 4.7, 4.9	Bookwork and Composition	10% Book
			20% Comp
Term 2 Week 2	4.1 - 4.6	Semester 1 Performance and Composition	20% Perf
			10% Comp
Term 2 Week 4	4.7, 4.8, 4.9	Semester 1 Aural Exam	40%
		SEMESTER TOTAL	100%

MUSIC Semester 2

Faculty: CREATIVE ARTS

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Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 3 Week 5	4.4, 4.5, 4.7, 4.9	Bookwork and Composition	10% Book 20% Comp
Term 3 Week 10	4.1 - 4.6	Semester 2 Performance and Composition	20% Perf 10% Comp
Term 4 Week 4	4.7, 4.8, 4.9	Semester 2 Aural Exam	40%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

PD/H/PE Semester 1

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1 Week 8	4-4, 4-5	Bounce Back Mini Tramp: Practical assessment	50%
Term 2 Week 8	4-6, 4-7, 4-8	Get up and move: Practical assessment	50%

PD/H/PE Semester 2

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 3 Week 10	4-5, 4-10, 4-11	Bush Dancing: Practical assessment	50%
Term 3 Week 7	4-1, 4-2, 4-9	Positive Choices: Written assessment	50%
SEMESTER TOTAL 100%			100%

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SCIENCE Semester 1

Faculty: SCIENCE

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1 Week 7	SC4-7WS, SC4-8WS, SC4-9WS, SC4-14LW, SC4-15LW	Research/ Illustrated Book Task	30%
Term 2 Week 6	SC4-7WS, SC4-8WS, SC4-9WS, SC4-14LW	Semester 1 Examination	50%
Terms 1 & 2 ongoing		Working Scientifically/ Classwork	20%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

SCIENCE Semester 2

Faculty: SCIENCE

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 3 Week 8	SC4-4WS, SC4-7WS, SC4-8WS, SC4-9WS, SC4-10PW, SC4-11PW	Practical Skills/Problem Solving Task and presentation	30%
Term 4 Week	SC4-7WS, SC4-8WS, SC4-9WS, SC4-10PW, SC4-11PW, SC4-12PW, SC4-16CW, SC4-17CW,	Semester 2 Examination	50%
Terms 3 & 4 ongoing		Working Scientifically/ Classwork	20%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

TECHNOLOGY MANDATORY Semester 1 & 2

Faculty: TAS HEC

NB: The areas of study are Material Technologies (Textiles) and Agriculture and Food. Students start with one of these units in term 1/3 and then swap in to the other unit in term 2/4.

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1/2 or Term 3/4 Week 7	TE4-5AG	Agriculture and Food: Work booklet	10%
Term 1/2 or Term 3/4 Week 8	TE4-1DP	Agriculture and food OR Materials Textiles: Folio (only one folio is required each semester)	30%
Term 1/2 or Term 3/4 Ongoing in week 2-9	TE4-3DP	Agriculture and Food: Practical Food Preparation	20%
Term 1/2 or Term 3/4 Week 7	TE4-10TS	Materials Textiles: Work Booklet	10%
Term 1/2 or Term 3/4 Week 10	TE4-2DP	Textiles: Practical Project Materials (reusable bag)	30%
SEMESTER TOTAL			100%

TECHNOLOGY MANDATORY Semester 1 & 2

Faculty: TAS IA

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1/2 or Term 3/4	TE4-8EN TE4-9MA	Engineered Systems Project: Practical project and related workbook	40%
	TE4-7DP	Crack the Code: Folio, Journal of Tasks and Practical activities	20%
Term 1/2 or Term 3/4	TE4-2DP TE4-3DP	Materials Project 3: Practical project and Folio	40%
SEMESTER TOTAL		100%	

VISUAL ARTS Semester 1

Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 1 Week 9	4.7, 4.8	Australian Painters: Writing task	30%
Term 2 Week 5	4.1-4.6	2D Forms Folio or Work "Life's like an Onion"	60%
Term 2 Week 5	4.1-4.10	VAPD work: Documentation of practice, studies, sketches etc	10%
SEMESTER TOTAL		100%	

VISUAL ARTS Semester 2

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Due Date	Outcomes	Topic : Task Description	Weighting
Term 4 Week 2	4.7 - 4.10	Semester 2 Critical/Historical	30%
Term 4 Week 6	4.1,4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.5	3D Folio of work	50%
Term 4 Week 6	4.1 – 4.10	VAPD	20%
		SEMESTER TOTAL	100%



misadventure.

WOOLOOWARE HIGH SCHOOL ILLNESS / MISADVENTURE FORM

This form is to be completed by a student who is unable to attend/submit an assessment task, on the due date or who feels that an assessment task has been affected by unforeseen illness or

In order for any consideration to be extended to this task:

- 1. Complete and present this form to the appropriate Head Teacher, with attached documentation to support this application on the first day your return to school. (This could be done prior to the due date, if possible or where applicable)
- 2. If approval is granted, this form together with any other relevant documents will be filed and kept on record

NOTE: Failure to submit this form promptly may adversely affect the result of your request.

A request for consideration of illness/ misadventure for an assessment task undertaken throughout the year, which is submitted at or near the end of the course, will generally not be considered.

It should not be assumed that an application using this form will be successful, as the reasons for misadventure will be considered on their merits.

Student's Name:	Year:	
Course/Class:	Teacher:	
Assessment Task Missed: Due Date:		
Reason for Consideration:		
Student Signature:	Date:	
Supporting Evidence: Yes / No Type of evider		
Parent/Guardian Name:	Parent/Guardian Signature:	
Date of Misadventure Request:	Home Phone:	
OFFICE USE ONLY Head Teacher: Options: New submission date: Electronic submission of task Photographic evidence of progress being mad Alternative task Other: Head Teacher: Head Teacher approval granted: Yes	e on work/s o Student File (original) o Head Teacher o Student Copy o Noted on Sentral –	
Head Teacher Signature: Teacher Signature:	Date:	