

School administrators and Heads of Learning Area – Languages and teachers of Tamil: Background Language ATAR Year 11 are requested to note for 2027 the following minor syllabus changes. The syllabus is labelled ‘For teaching from 2027’.

Tamil: Background Language | ATAR Year 11 | Summary of minor syllabus changes for 2027

- The rationale has been updated as part of the WACE Refreshment.
- Minor edits (addition or deletion of a word, phrase or sentence) have been made throughout the syllabus to enhance clarity and ensure alignment across the background language courses. These include specifying the number of assessments (be limited to eight tasks or less instead of limited in number) in the Assessment section.

Content added and/or replaced

- Topic titles in Tamil have been included for each unit.
- Descriptions of each text type in Appendix 2 have been updated with refined or additional information to improve clarity.
- List of text types
 - ‘dialogue (script)’ has been replaced with ‘conversation (script)’
 - ‘interview’ is now listed along with conversation as ‘conversation/interview’ instead of as a separate text type in the list.

Content deleted

- List of text types
 - ‘note’ has been removed.
- Grammatical items removed from the unit content and tables in Appendix 3:
 - Unit 1
 - ‘possessive’ adjectives
 - ‘interrogative’ adjectives
 - Unit 2
 - ‘demonstrative’ adjectives
 - ‘interrogative’ adjectives
 - Assumed Learning
 - ‘demonstrative’ adjectives
 - ‘possessive’ adjectives
 - ‘interrogative’ adjectives
 - ‘suffix’ conjunctions.