



SAMPLE ASSESSMENT OUTLINE

ANCIENT HISTORY ATAR YEAR 12

UNIT 3 – ELECTIVE 2: ATHENS 481–440 BC

UNIT 4 – ELECTIVE 2: ATHENS, SPARTA AND THE
PELOPONNESIAN WAR 440–404 BC

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Ancient History – ATAR Year 12

Unit 3 and Unit 4

This assessment outline is based on Unit 3 – Elective 2: Athens 481–440 BC and Unit 4 – Elective 2: Athens, Sparta and the Peloponnesian War 440–404 BC

Assessment type	Assessment type weighting	Assessment task weighting	Start and submission date	Assessment task
Historical inquiry	15%	7.5%	Semester 1 Week 11–14	Task 5 Part A: Historical inquiry process. Topic: investigation of the life of one significant individual Task 5 Part B: An in-class validation essay of 45 minutes
		7.5%	Semester 2 Week 3–6	Task 8 Part A: Historical inquiry process. Topic: Archidamian War Task 8 Part B: An in-class validation essay of 45 minutes
Short answer	10%	5%	Semester 1 Week 6	Task 2: A series of closed or partially open questions administered as an in-class test of 45 minutes Topics: The Persian Wars and the Delian League; the reforms of Ephialtes and Pericles
		5%	Semester 1 Week 11	Task 4: A series of closed or partially open questions administered as an in-class test of 45 minutes Topic: Athens’ hegemony of the Delian League
Source analysis	10%	5%	Semester 2 Week 8	Task 9: A teacher-generated source analysis based on two sources Topic: Peace of Nicias
		5%	Semester 2 Week 11	Task 10: A teacher-generated source analysis based on two sources Topic: The two Sicilian Expeditions as a turning point in the war
Essay	25%	5%	Semester 1 Week 3	Task 1: An in-class essay of 45 minutes Topic: The Persian Wars
		7.5%	Semester 1 Week 9	Task 3: An in-class essay of 45 minutes Topic: Athens’ changing foreign policy
		5%	Semester 2 Week 3	Task 7: An in-class essay of 45 minutes Topic: Causes of the Peloponnesian War
		7.5%	Semester 2 Week 14	Task 11: An in-class essay of 45 minutes Topic: Decelean/Ionian War
Examination	40%	15%	Semester 1 Week 15	Task 6: Semester 1 Examination – three hours, using a modified examination design brief from the syllabus. Section One: Short answer: two sets of (three questions from a choice of four and one question from a choice of two) 50%; Section Two: Essay (two questions from a choice of four) 50%
		25%	Semester 2 Week 15	Task 12: Semester 2 Examination – three hours, using the examination design brief from the syllabus. Section One: Short answer (three questions from a choice of four and one question from a choice of two) 25%; Section Two: Source analysis (one question) 25%; Section Three: Essay (two questions from a choice of six) 50%
Total	100%	100%		