



ANCIENT HISTORY

GENERAL COURSE

Externally set task Sample 2016 Note: This Externally set task sample is based on the following content from Unit 3 of the General Year 12 syllabus.

- Historical skills including:
 - Chronology, terms and concepts
 - Analysis and use of sources
 - Explanation and communication
- Historical knowledge and understanding from one of the following electives:
 - Old Kingdom Egypt, Dynasty 3–6 c. 2686–c. 2181 B.C.
 - Egypt, Dynastic change, Dynasty 17–18 c. 1560–c. 1504 BC (the wars against the Hyksos to Amenhotep I) and Dynasty 18–19 (Ay to Rameses II) c. 1327–c. 1213 BC
 - Emergence of the Greek City states in the archaic period to the fall of the Pisistratid Tyranny in Athens
 c. 800 BC-512/11 BC
 - The establishment of Rome from the beginning of the Republic to the end of the Punic Wars c. 509–146 BC
 - Rome, the Late Republic to the Lex Manilia c. 133–66 BC
 - China from the time of the Warring States to the rise and fall of the Qin dynasty c. 475–c. 206 BC

In future years, this information will be provided late in Term 3 of the year prior to the conduct of the Externally set task. This will enable teachers to tailor their teaching and learning program to ensure that the content is delivered prior to the students undertaking the task in Term 2 of Year 12.

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Externally set task

Working time for the task: 60 minutes						
Total marks: Weighting:		25 marks 15% of the school mark				
A Sou	rce Booklet (which co	ntains two sources for the elective which you have studied)				
Use th	ne two sources provid	ed in the Source Booklet to answer the following questions.				
1.	Tick one (1) of the following in (a) and (b) to best describe Source 1.					
(a)	ancient source					
	modern source					
(b)	written source					
	archaeological sourc					
	map/diagram					
	reconstruction					

2.

Identify and briefly discuss the historical context of Source 1. You	should consider the following
where appropriate:	
• the relevant event/s	
• the significant person/people	
• the key idea/s depicted in the source.	(4 marks)
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Identify and explain the message/s of Source 2. Provide evidence in your response.				

Source 1 and Source 2. Provide evidence in your response.	(6 mar

developing your response you should: use the changes shown in both sources as your starting point identify and explain other major changes that occurred in the society					
				illustrate the importance	

5.
