



ATAR course examination, 2026

TAMIL: BACKGROUND LANGUAGE

Practical (oral) examination

Time allowed for this examination

Discussion of personal investigation: approximately 12–15 minutes

Materials required/recommended for this examination

To be provided by the candidate

Standard items: pens (blue/black preferred), pencils (including coloured), sharpener, correction fluid/tape, eraser, ruler, highlighters

Important note to candidates

No other items may be taken into the examination room. It is **your** responsibility to ensure that you do not have any unauthorised material. If you have any unauthorised material with you, hand it to the supervisor **before** reading any further.

Structure of the examination

The Tamil: Background Language ATAR course examination consists of a written component and a practical (oral) component.

Criteria for marking the practical (oral) examination

Criteria	Time allocation (minutes)	Marks available	Percentage of practical examination
Discussion of personal investigation	approximately 12–15 minutes	22	100
Total			100

Instructions to candidates

1. Briefly introduce the focus of the personal investigation.
2. Discuss with the marker the focus of the personal investigation, referring to the source texts used. You may refer to personal experiences related to the topic.
3. You must follow the requirements for this examination published in the *Tamil: Background Language ATAR course Practical (oral) examination requirements 2026* document.