

Government of Western Australia School Curriculum and Standards Authority

SAMPLE ASSESSMENT OUTLINE

MODERN HISTORY

ATAR YEAR 12

Unit 3 – Elective 2: Russia and the Soviet Union 1914–45 (World War I to the end of World War II)

Unit 4 – Elective 1: The changing European world since 1945

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Assessment type (from syllabus)	Assessment type weighting (from syllabus)	Assessment task weighting	When/start and submission date	Assessment task
Historical inquiry	20%	10%	Semester 1 Issue: Week 2 Submission: Week 4 In-class validation: Week 4	 Task 1 Part A: The historical inquiry process. Topic: Internal divisions and crises in Russian society, with a particular focus on the causes and events of the February and October Revolutions in 1917. Task 1 Part B: An in-class validation source analysis completed in 35 minutes. Source material from Part A may be used.
		10%	Semester 2 Issue: Week 8 Submission: Week 11 In-class validation: Week 11	 Task 6 Part A: The historical inquiry process. Topic: The role of significant political leaders throughout the period. Task 6 Part B: An in-class validation explanation completed in 50 minutes. Research notes may NOT be used.
Explanation	20%	10%	Semester 1, Week 9	Task 2: An in-class explanation completed in 60 minutes under test conditions. Topic: The economic changes that transformed Russia/USSR to 1945.
		10%	Semester 2, Week 5	Task 5: An in-class explanation completed in 55 minutes under test conditions. Topic: The shaping of Europe post-World War Two.
Source analysis	20%	10%	Semester 1, Week 12	Task 3: An in-class source analysis. Sources are based on content related to a significant idea (Stalinism) and the methods employed by the Stalinist regime to control society.
		10%	Semester 2, Week 10	Task 7: An in-class source analysis. Sources are based on content related to the collapse of the Communist Bloc, breakup of the Soviet Union and the reunification of Germany.
Examination	40%	15%	Semester 1, Week 16	Task 4: Semester 1 examination (3 hours) using the examination design brief from the ATAR Year 12 syllabus. Only content from Unit 3 will be assessed.
		25%	Semester 2, Week 16	Task 8: Semester 2 examination (3 hours) using the examination design brief from the ATAR Year 12 syllabus. Content from Unit 3 and Unit 4 will be assessed.
Total	100%	100%		

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