Sample Assessment Outline

Modern History

ATAR Year 12

Unit 3 – Elective 1: Australia 1918−1949

Unit 4 – Elective 2: Australia’s engagement with Asia since 1945

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Sample assessment outline – Modern History – ATAR Year 12

Unit 3 – Elective 1: Australia 1918–49 (the end of World War I to the 1949 election)

Unit 4 – Elective 2: Australia’s engagement with Asia 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 10  Submission: Week 13  Validation: Week 13 | **Task 3 Part A:** The historical inquiry process.  Topic: The role and impact of a significant leader on Australia during the period.  **Task 3 Part B:** In-class validation essay completed in 55 minutes.  Research notes may NOT be used. |
| 10% | Semester 2  Issue: Week 8  Submission: Week 12  Validation: Week 12 | **Task 7 Part A:** The historical inquiry process.  Topic: The significance of Australia’s policy of multiculturalism.  **Task 7 Part B:** In-class validation essay completed in 55 minutes.  Research notes may NOT be used. |
| Explanation | 20% | 10% | Semester 1, Week 7 | **Task 1:** An in-class explanation completed in 55 minutes under test conditions.  Topic: The political responses to the Great Depression. |
| 10% | Semester 2, Week 9 | **Task 6:** An in-class explanation completed in 60 minutes under test conditions.  Topic: Australia as a peacekeeping nation |
| Source analysis | 20% | 10% | Semester 1, Week 10 | **Task 2:** An in-class source analysis. Sources are based on content regarding Australia’s changing foreign policy and the Second World War. |
| 10% | Semester 2, Week 7 | **Task 5:** An in-class source analysis. Sources are based on content regarding Australia’s political engagement with Asia. |
| 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 15 | **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%** |  |  |