

Hyndland Secondary School Changes to Assessment in National 5 Courses from Session 2017-2018



	Changes to Coursework	Changes to Question Papers	Previous Course Assessment (until 2017-2018)	Revised Course Assessment (from 2017-2018)
Administration and IT	Assignment no longer includes spreadsheet and database tasks (now assessed in question paper). Number of available marks reduced from 100 to 70, and time reduced from 4 hours to 3 hours.	Question Paper will combine spreadsheet, database and theory tasks; all tasks completed using ICT equipment. Question paper worth 50 marks and externally marked.	Marks: Assignment = 100 Weightings: Assignment = 100%	Marks: Assignment = 70; Question Paper = 50 Weightings: Assignment = 58%; Question Paper = 42%
Art and Design	Portfolio separated into two parts (Expressive and Design); both are worth 100 marks each. Portfolios now also require submission of investigation, research and development work.	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 40 to 50 marks.	Marks: Question Paper = 40; Portfolio = 160 Weightings: Question Paper 20%; Portfolio = 80%	Marks: Question paper 50; Design Portfolio = 100; Expressive Portfolio = 100 Weightings: Question Paper = 20%; Design Portfolio = 40%; Expressive Portfolio = 40%
Biology	Practical/experimental/field work will become mandatory feature of the assignment.	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 80 to 100 marks; it will, therefore, increase in duration from 2 to 2 hours and 30 minutes.	Marks: Assignment = 20; Question Paper = 80 Weightings: Assignment = 20%; Question Paper = 80%	Marks: Assignment = 20; Question Paper = 100 Weightings: Assignment = 20%; Question Paper = 80%
Business Management	N/A	Question paper extended by 20 marks to ensure greater subject content is sampled. The duration of the exam will, therefore, increase.	Marks: Assignment = 30; Question Paper = 70 Weightings: Assignment = 30%; Question Paper = 70%	Marks: Assignment = 30; Question Paper = 90 Weightings: Assignment = 25%; Question Paper = 75%
Chemistry	Practical/experimental work will become mandatory feature of the assignment.	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 80 to 100 marks; the exam will, therefore, increase in duration.	Marks: Assignment = 20; Question Paper = 80 Weightings: Assignment = 20%; Question Paper = 80%	Marks: Assignment = 20; Question Paper = 100 Weightings: Assignment = 20%; Question Paper = 80%
Computing Science	Assignment to be externally assessed by SQA. Assignment task to be issued annually; bank of assignment tasks to be removed. The marks awarded will reduce from 60 to 50 marks.	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 90 to 110 marks; the exam will, therefore, increase in duration.	Marks: Assignment = 60; Question Paper = 90 Weightings: Assignment = 40%; Question Paper = 60%	Marks: Assignment = 50; Question Paper = 110 Weightings: Assignment = 31%; Question Paper = 69%
Design and Manufacture	Assignment will be extended and split into 2 separate assignments: Assignment 1 (Design) is externally assessed by SQA; Assignment 2 (Manufacture) is marked internally and verified by SQA.	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 60 to 80 marks; the exam will, therefore, increase in duration.	Marks: Assignment = 90 ; Question Paper = 60 Weightings: Assignment = 60%; Question Paper = 40%	Marks: Assignment 1 = 55; Assignment 2 = 45; Question Paper = 80 Weightings: Assignment 1 = 30%; Assignment 2 = 25%; Question Paper = 45%
Drama	N/A	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 40 to 60 marks.	Marks: Performance = 60; Question Paper = 40 Weightings: Performance = 60%; Question Paper = 40%	Marks: Performance = 60; Question Paper = 60 Weightings: Performance = 60%; Question Paper = 40%
Engineering Science	Assignment externally assessed by SQA; the marks awarded will reduce from 60 to 50 marks.	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 90 to 110 marks; the exam will, therefore, increase in duration.	Marks: Assignment = 60; Question Paper = 90 Weightings: Assignment = 40%; Question Paper = 60%	Marks: Assignment = 50; Question Paper = 110 Weightings: Assignment = 31%; Question Paper = 69%
English	New mandatory Spoken Language (speaking and listening) component, internally assessed as "achieved" or "not achieved".	N/A	Marks: Portfolio = 30; Question Paper 1 = 30; Question Paper = 40 Weightings: Portfolio = 30%; Question Paper 1 = 30%; Question Paper = 40%	Marks: Portfolio = 30; Question Paper 1 = 30; Question Paper = 40 Weightings: Portfolio = 30%; Question Paper 1 = 30%; Question Paper = 40%
Fashion and Textile	Coursework will be extended and the number of available marks will increase from 80 to 100 marks; assessment task split into 2 components (Assignment and Practical	A new Question Paper component will be introduced, worth 30 marks and externally assessed by SQA.	Marks: Practical Activity = 80 Weightings: Practical Activity = 100%	Marks: Practical Activity = 50; Assignment 50; Question Paper = 30 Weightings: Practical Activity = 35%; Assignment 35%; Question Paper = 30%

Technology	Activity) each worth 50 marks. One task will provide evidence for both components.			
Geography	N/A	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 60 to 80 marks; the exam will, therefore, increase in duration.	Marks: Question Paper = 60; Assignment = 20 Weightings: Question Paper = 75% Assignment = 25%	Marks: Question Paper = 80; Assignment = 20 Weightings: Question Paper = 80%; Assignment = 20%
Health and Food Technology	Assignment extended from 50 marks to 60 marks.	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 50 to 60 marks; the exam will, therefore, increase in duration.	Marks: Assignment = 50; Question Paper = 50 Weightings: Assignment = 50%; Question Paper = 50%	Marks: Assignment = 60; Question Paper = 60 Weightings: Assignment = 50%; Question Paper = 50%
History	N/A	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 60 to 80 marks; the exam will, therefore, increase in duration.	Marks: Question Paper = 60; Assignment = 20 Weightings: Question Paper = 75%; Assignment = 25%	Marks: Question Paper = 80; Assignment = 20 Weightings: Question Paper = 80%; Assignment = 20%
Mathematics	N/A	Both question papers will be extended to include more questions: Question Paper 1 will increase from 40 marks to 50 marks, and Question Paper 2 will increase from 50 marks to 60 marks. The duration of each exam will, therefore, increase.	Marks: Question Paper 1 = 35; Question Paper 2 = 55 Weightings: Question Paper 1 = 39%; Question Paper 2 = 61%	Marks: Question Paper 1 = 50; Question Paper 2 = 60 Weightings: Question Paper 1 = 45%; Question Paper 55%
Media	The assignment will be extended from 50 marks to 60 marks, to include an evaluative element in the Development section.	Question paper extended from 50 to 60 marks, by adding a new "Analysis of a Media Text" section. The duration of each exam will, therefore, increase.	Marks: Assignment = 50; Question Paper = 50 Weightings: Assignment = 50%; Question Paper = 50%	Marks: Assignment = 60; Question Paper = 60 Weightings: Assignment = 50%; Question Paper = 50%
Modern Languages (French and Spanish)	A new written assignment will be introduced worth 20 marks. One piece of writing will be submitted to SQA and externally assessed. The assessment conditions for the Performance: Talking component will be updated, requiring candidates to discuss a second context in the conversation section.	N/A	Marks: Performance: Talking = 30; Question Paper 1 = 30 (Reading) + 20 (Writing); Question Paper 2 = 20 (Listening) Weightings: Performance: Talking = 30%; Question Paper 1 = 30% (Reading) + 20% (Writing); Question Paper 2 = 20% (Listening)	Marks: Assignment: Writing = 20; Performance: Talking = 30; Question Paper 1 = 30 (Reading) + 20 (Writing); Question Paper 2 = 20 (Listening) Weightings: Assignment: Writing = 12.5%; Performance: Talking = 25%; Question Paper 1 = 25% (Reading) + 12.5% (Writing); Question Paper 2 = 25% (Listening)
Modern Studies	N/A	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 60 to 80 marks; the exam will, therefore, increase in duration.	Marks: Question Paper = 60; Assignment = 20 Weightings: Question Paper = 75%; Assignment = 25%	Marks: Question Paper = 80; Assignment = 20 Weightings: Question Paper = 80%; Assignment = 20%
Music	A new assignment will be introduced, and will assess composing skills. It will be worth 30 marks and externally assessed by SQA. There are no changes to the Performance component.	N/A	Marks: Performance = 60; Question Paper = 40 Weightings: Performance = 60%; Question Paper = 40%	Marks: Performance = 60; Question Paper = 40; Assignment = 30 Weightings: Performance = 50 %; Question Paper = 35%; Assignment = 15%
Physical Education	The performance will now comprise two single performances, each worth 30 marks and showcasing different activities. Each is internally assessed and externally verified by SQA. The portfolio will be extended to include the skills of planning and evaluation. It will increase from 40 to 60 marks, and will be externally assessed by SQA.	N/A	Marks: Performance = 60; Portfolio = 40 Weightings: Performance = 60%; Portfolio = 40%	Marks: Performance = 60; Portfolio = 60 Weightings: Performance 50%; Portfolio = 50%
Physics	Practical/experimental work will become mandatory feature of the assignment.	Question Paper will be extended; it will contain more questions and will increase from 110 to 135 marks; the exam will, therefore, increase in duration.	Marks: Assignment = 20; Question Paper = 110 Weightings: Assignment = 20%; Question Paper = 80%	Marks: Assignment = 20; Question Paper = 135 Weightings: Assignment = 20%; Question Paper = 80%

