Years 3–4 assessment techniques and conditions v 1.0

The Arts — Media Arts

This document outlines assessment techniques and response conditions to achieve range and balance within an assessment program. Schools consider the local context, and the age and capabilities of the students, when selecting appropriate assessment techniques and response conditions.

Techniques	Extended response	Practical and/or performance	Test
Description	An extended response assesses students' abilities to explore, respond to, identify and explain media artworks either before, during or after the making of their own media artworks, or in response to the media artworks of others.	A practical and/or performance assesses students' abilities when making media artworks.	A test assesses students' responses that are produced independently, under supervised conditions and in a set timeframe. A test ensures student authorship.
	 An extended response focuses on the responding strand and requires students to: describe and discuss similarities and differences between artworks discuss how and why they and others use images, sound and text to make and present media artworks. 	 A practical and/or performance focuses on the making strand and requires students to apply design, production and distribution processes to demonstrate: use of story principles, time, space and technologies to make and share media artworks that communicate ideas to an audience. During the making of media artworks, students require access to cameras and editing equipment. 	A test requires students to respond to one or more assessment items. These items are based on questions or tasks that are typically unseen. Questions or tasks may be based on stimulus material.
Formats (examples only)	 Responding formats include: written annotated storyboard, pictures, diagrams, sketches and/or photographs reflective journal entry short response spoken/signed or multimodal visual recording with audio commentary slideshow 	 Making formats include: storyboard and/or script and treatment to develop ideas, images, characters and/or settings sharing the development of artworks throughout the making process photographs/still images, scanned images or images drawn on a tablet (with or without text and/or sound) moving image media (with or without 	 Formats include: short response items paragraph response simple description or explanation response to stimulus.



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	 device application film or video script with annotated storyboard. 	 text and/or sound) animation (with or without text and/or sound) character images, e.g. for video games multi-platform project. 	
Conditions	Suggested length:* Responding to own work • written responses 100–200 words • spoken/signed responses up to 45 seconds • multimodal responses up to 1 minute. Responding to work of others • extended responses and/or investigations: - written responses 200–300 words - spoken/signed responses up to 1 minute - multimodal responses up to 1½ minutes.	Suggested length:* Making • treatments 200–300 words • storyboards 4–8 shots • scripts up to 1 minute • moving image media productions 15–30 seconds.	Suggested time: • up to 60 minutes, plus 10 minutes perusal. Suggested length:* • 50–200 words.

Notes

Responses can be written, spoken/signed or multimodal (integrating visual, print and/or audio features), recorded or live and may be presented digitally.

* Length of student responses should be considered in the context of the assessment. Longer responses do not necessarily provide better quality evidence of achievement.