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| Years 1–2 standard elaborations ─Australian Curriculum v9.0: Dance |

## Purpose

The standards elaborations (SEs) support teachers to connect curriculum to evidence in assessment so that students are assessed on what they have had the opportunity to learn. The SEs can be used to:

* make consistent and comparable judgments, on a five-point scale, about the evidence of learning in a folio of student work across a year/band
* develop task-specific standards (or marking guides) for individual assessment tasks
* quality assure planning documents to ensure coverage of the achievement standard across a year/band.

## Structure

The SEs have been developed using the Australian Curriculum achievement standard. The achievement standard for Dance describes what students are expected to know and be able to do at the end of each year/band. Teachers use the SEs during and at the end of a teaching period to make on-balance judgments about the qualities in student work that demonstrate the depth and breadth of their learning.

In Queensland, the achievement standard represents the working with (WW) standard — a sound level of knowledge and understanding of the content, and application of skills. The SEs are presented in a matrix where the discernible differences and/or degrees of quality between each performance level are highlighted. Teachers match these discernible differences and/or degrees of quality to characteristics of student work to make judgments across a five-point scale.

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| Years 1–2 Australian Curriculum: Dance achievement standard |
| By the end of Year 2, students identify where they experience dance. They describe where, why and/or how people across cultures, communities and/or other contexts experience dance.Students use the elements of dance to structure dance sequences. They demonstrate fundamental movement skills and safe dance practice. They perform their dance in informal settings. |
| Source: Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), *Australian Curriculum Version 9.0 Dance for Foundation–10* <https://v9.australiancurriculum.edu.au/f-10-curriculum/learning-areas/dance/year-1_year-2?view=quick&detailed-content-descriptions=0&hide-ccp=0&hide-gc=0&side-by-side=1&strands-start-index=0&subjects-start-index=0> |

## Years 1–2 Dance standard elaborations

|  | Applying (AP) | Making connections (MC) | Working with (WW) | Exploring (EX) | Becoming aware (BA) |
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|  | The folio of student work contains evidence of the following: |
| Exploring and responding | applying knowledge when identifying where they experience dance | making connections when identifying where they experience dance | identifying where they experience dance | exploring where they experience dance | becoming aware of experiencing dance |
| applying knowledge when describing where, why and/or how people across cultures, communities and/or other contexts experience dance | making connections when describing where, why and/or how people across cultures, communities and/or other contexts experience dance | describing where, why and/or how people across cultures, communities and/or other contexts experience dance | exploring where and/or how people experience dance | becoming aware of people experiencing dance |
| Creating and making | applying knowledge when using of the elements of dance to structure dance sequences | making connections when using the elements of dance to structure dance sequences | using the elements of dance to structure dance sequences | using the elements of dance to structure aspects of dance | becoming aware of the elements of dance |
| Presenting and performing | applying knowledge when [using of performance skills to] perform their dance in informal settings, demonstrating fundamental movement skills and safe dance practice. | making connections when [using performance skills to] perform their dance in informal settings, demonstrating fundamental movement skills and safe dance practice. | [using performance skills to] perform their dance in informal settings, demonstrating fundamental movement skills and safe dance practice. | variable [use of performance skills to] perform aspects of their dance in informal settings, demonstrating fundamental movement skills and safe dance practice. | becoming aware of performing dance, demonstrating fundamental movement skills and safe dance practice. |

**Note:** Words in the square brackets are not part of the achievement standard. However, they have been included to clarify that performance skills are used to assess this aspect of the achievement standard.

| Key | Shading identifies the qualities or discernible differences in the AP–BA descriptors: |
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| **AP** | Applies the curriculum content; demonstrates a thorough understanding of the required knowledge; demonstrates a high level of skill that can be transferred to new situations |
| **MC** | Makes connections using the curriculum content; demonstrates a clear understanding of the required knowledge; applies a high level of skill in situations familiar to them, and begins to transfer skills to new situations |
| **WW** | Works with the curriculum content; demonstrates understanding of the required knowledge; applies skills in situations familiar to them |
| **EX** | Explores the curriculum content; demonstrates understanding of aspects of the required knowledge; uses a varying level of skills in situations familiar to them |
| **BA** | Becomes aware of the curriculum content; demonstrates a basic understanding of aspects of required knowledge; begins to use skills in situations familiar to them |

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