Furnishing Skills 2019 v1.0

Sample assessment instrument

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Practical demonstration — Furniture-making and finishing

Information for teachers

This sample has been compiled by the QCAA to help and support teachers in planning and developing assessment instruments for individual school settings.

Schools develop internal assessments for each Applied subject, based on the learning and assessment described in the approved study plan.

Purpose of the practical demonstration

This technique assesses the practical application of a specific set of teacher-identified production skills and procedures. Responses are completed individually in a set timeframe.

Further information about the specifications for this assessment technique can be found in the Assessment techniques section of the Furnishing Skills syllabus.

Assessment dimensions

This assessment instrument is used to determine student achievement in the following dimensions:

- Knowing and understanding
- Analysing and applying
- Producing and evaluating.

Not every objective from each dimension needs to be assessed.





Subject	Furnishing Skills
Technique	Practical demonstration — Furniture-making and finishing
Unit number and module number and name	Unit: 4 Module: 4. Furnishing and cabinet-making workplaces

Conditions	Units 3–4				
Practical demonstration	Manufacture and apply finishes to a timber clock to given specifications				
Further information					
Duration (including class time)	4 weeks				
Individual/group	Individual				
Resources available	Access to manufacturing space, tools and machines Detailed drawings and technical information provided by the teacher				

Context

As a class, you have been exploring the furnishing skills needed in furniture-making industries.

Furniture-making refers to making or repairing individual pieces of furniture. Associated processes include wood and composites machining, which uses a range of machinery to cut, shape and mould wood into functional forms to be used in furniture-making production processes.

Furniture finishing refers to preparing surfaces and applying stains, coatings and finishes to furniture in manufacture or repair. Grinders, sanders, chisels, steel wool, pumice and sandpaper are used for finishing, and the materials used may include varnish, shellac, lacquer, stain and paint.

Task

Individually, manufacture a timber clock from detailed drawings and technical information provided. Safely and efficiently demonstrate fundamental production skills and procedures during the process.

To complete this task:

Select, apply and demonstrate fundamental production skills to manufacture the timber clock, including

- interpreting detailed drawings and technical information
- measuring timber materials for production
- planning the production processes, considering any adaptations needed
- marking out timber materials for production
- using jigs and templates for the production
- cutting and shaping timber using saws, planes, power tools and machinery
- cutting joints using machines
- gluing joints and fitting components together to form sections of furniture
- selecting finishes to suit the material and the product's intended use
- interpreting technical information, such as safety data sheets, to determine appropriate equipment and procedures for using a particular consumable
- cleaning and maintaining work areas to ensure a safe working environment.

Checkpoints				
Term [X] Week [X]/[Date]: Receive feedback on marking out of and preparation of timber before cutting materials				
Term [X] Week [X]/[Date]: Receive feedback on the timber product before gluing components together				
Due date]: Submit completed timber clock				
Authentication strategies				
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Your teacher will use ways to check that the work you are assessed on is your own work.				
• Discuss with your teacher or provide documentation of your progress, including photographs, at each checkpoint.				
Your teacher will observe you completing work in class.				
• Take part in interviews or consultations with your teacher as you develop your practical demonstration.				
Submit the declaration of authenticity.				
Your results may be cross-marked by a teacher from another class.				

Stimulus

Detailed drawings and technical information will be provided by the teacher, e.g.

- orthographic views of the timber clock
- isometric pictorials of the timber clock
- assembly drawings or exploded views of the timber clock
- technical information from industry-standard drawings and documents.

Instrument-specific standards matrix

	Standard A	Standard B	Standard C	Standard D	Standard E
Knowing and understanding	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:
	 consistent and proficient demonstration of fundamental production skills 	 effective demonstration of fundamental production skills 	 demonstration of fundamental production skills 	 partial demonstration of aspects of fundamental production skills 	 minimal demonstration of aspects of fundamental production skills
	 informed and accurate interpretation of drawings and technical information. 	 effective interpretation of drawings and technical information. 	 interpretation of drawings and technical information. 	 statements about drawings and technical information. 	 inconsistent statements about drawings and technical information.
Analysing and applying	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:
	 discerning selection and proficient application of production skills and procedures in manufacturing tasks. 	 relevant selection and purposeful application of production skills and procedures in manufacturing tasks. 	 selection and application of production skills and procedures in manufacturing tasks. 	 partial application of aspects of production skills and procedures in manufacturing tasks. 	 minimal application of aspects of some production skills and procedures in manufacturing tasks.
Producing and evaluating	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:	The student work has the following characteristics:
	 thorough planning and discerning adaptation of production processes 	 effective planning and adaptation of production processes 	 planning and adaptation of production processes 	 partial planning of production processes 	 minimal planning of some production processes
	 proficient creation of products that meet specifications. 	 methodical creation of products that meet specifications with minor variations. 	 creation of products from specifications. 	 creation of incomplete products with obvious variation from specifications. 	 creation of aspects of products.