

Official Notices

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IMPORTANT

The information below is the Board's official advice to schools of the decisions it has taken, and should be acted upon as such. Please ensure the *Official Notices* are circulated to all teaching staff.

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***New Higher School Certificate
Transition Arrangements and
Discontinued Stage 6 Courses***

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Transition Arrangements

When the new Higher School Certificate arrangements are introduced in Year 11, 2000 there will be some students who have already commenced a program of study which they intend to complete in or after 2001. These students could include:

- exchange students (completing Year 11 in 1999 and deferring Year 12 until 2001);
- students who accelerate in one or more courses; and
- students using the Pathways provisions who intend to accumulate the Higher School Certificate over up to five years.

As far as possible students will have the same opportunities to complete an acceleration or accumulation program when the new Higher School Certificate is introduced as they have under current provisions. Students intending to undertake or who have already commenced such a program should be advised of the implications as set out in the ACE Manual to be issued early in Term 3, 1999.

In addition, the Board provides for students who wish to repeat individual HSC courses to improve their marks and for students to gain credit through the recognition of prior learning. These opportunities will continue with the introduction of the new Higher School Certificate arrangements.

The award of the new Higher School Certificate will require a minimum of 12 Preliminary units and a minimum of 10 HSC units. However, students who have completed 11 Preliminary units by the end of 1999 will be deemed to have completed Preliminary requirements for the new Higher School Certificate. They will need to complete at least 10 HSC units from 2001 in order to satisfy requirements for the award of the new Higher School Certificate.

Discontinued Courses

New courses will commence from Year 11, 2000 and the present courses will not be offered after that. However, there will be provisions for students who wish to repeat to undertake similar courses within the same subject area. Preliminary courses completed up to 1999 may count towards the completion of HSC courses for the purposes of fulfilling the new study requirements in and after 2001.

Next year (2000) is the last opportunity for students to do HSC courses that have not been included in the curriculum for the new Higher School Certificate.

In 2000, the one unit courses General Studies and Applied Studies will only be available as HSC courses for Year 12 students. In addition, Classical Ballet, Rural Technology and Sheep Husbandry and Wool

Technology will only be available as HSC courses. It will not be possible for students to repeat these HSC courses after 2000.

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***1999 Higher School Certificate
Indonesian 2/3 Unit (Common)
Written Examination***

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29/99**

The Board advises that the answers to Section I: Reading Skills in the Higher School Certificate 2/3 Unit Indonesian paper must be written in the spaces provided in the Examination Paper and not in a separate writing booklet.

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***1999 Higher School Certificate
Spanish 2 Unit Z Listening
Examination***

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30/99**

The Board advises that from the 1999 Higher School Certificate a column headed Candidate's Notes will appear on the Spanish 2 Unit Z Listening Examination paper. This will facilitate the candidates' note-taking during the examination.

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**2000 Higher School Certificate
Visual Arts Recommended Areas
of Study** BOS
31/99

The Recommended Areas of Study are developed from the Years 11 and 12 Visual Arts Syllabus (first printed 1987, updated and reprinted 1997) and should be read and interpreted with the statements in the syllabus about the Focus Areas on pages 34-43; information about Studying Images and Objects and the Recommended Areas of Study on pages 51-53; and HSC Examination Specifications in the Visual Arts section of the Creative Arts Key Learning Area Handbook Preliminary Courses 1998, HSC Courses 1999 pages 138-139.

Two Recommended Areas of Study are identified for each of the Focus Areas. Study of the recommended areas may begin as soon as the HSC course commences.

The Recommended Areas of Study relate to Section I of the 2/3 Unit (Common) Visual Arts Examination written paper.

Recommended Areas of Study — 2000 Higher School Certificate

Art in Australia

Visual representations of leisure and lifestyle.

Communication of ideas and perceptions of the city and the bush by artists, architects, designers and craftspeople.

Art and Culture

Characteristics of contemporary art practices from regions outside Australia.

Art as representations of power.

Art and Media

The body in historical and contemporary art.

Innovation in twentieth century art forms.

Art and Design

Classical design traditions.

Architecture and the built environment as design.

Teachers should note that suggestions about interpreting the Recommended Areas of Study will be prepared by Term 4, 1999 for the 2000 examination. Schools will be notified when this information is available on the Board of Studies website later in the year.



**1999 Higher School Certificate
English 2 Unit General — Poetry** BOS
32/99

English – Robert Gray *New and Selected Poems – amendment to the poem *Late Ferry**

In Official Notice BOS 19/99 it was indicated that a line from the prescribed text of this poem in the Heinemann 1995 edition was

‘and it seems like honeycomb’.

The correct line is

‘and it seems honeycomb’.

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**1999 Higher School Certificate
Chemistry 2 Unit, Science 3/4 Unit** BOS
33/99

The Board advises that the information given in Official Notice BOS 22/99 in Board Bulletin May 1999 – Vol 8 No 4 contained printing errors. The correct information is given below. The Office of the Board of Studies apologises for any inconvenience.

The Board advises that from the 1999 Chemistry 2 Unit and Science 3/4 Unit HSC Examinations, all symbols for thermochemical data will be updated to agree with their presentation in the 3rd and 4th editions of *SI Chemical Data* by G. Aylward and T. Findlay.

Thus, for example:

Standard enthalpy of formation for one mole of substance, formerly ΔH_f° , is now $\Delta_f H^\ominus$ (in kJ mol^{-1});

Standard molar enthalpy of combustion, formerly ΔH_c° , is now $\Delta_c H^\ominus$ (in kJ mol^{-1});

Standard molar enthalpy of vaporisation, formerly ΔH_v , is now $\Delta_{\text{vap}} H$.

Note that combustion processes are exothermic and the enthalpies associated with them have negative values. Therefore the standard molar enthalpies of combustion are typically tabulated as $-\Delta_c H^\ominus$ so that they will appear as positive numbers.

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1998 School Certificate English-literacy Test Objective Response Answers

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34/99

For the information of schools the answers to the objective response questions in the Reading / Viewing Section of the 1998 School Certificate English-literacy Test are printed below:

Part A Feature Article “Big Things”

1	C	7	C
2	A	8	B
3	B	9	False
4	A	10	True
5	A	11	False
6	D	12	False

Part C Short Story “Home Game” Cloze Passage

16	B	19	D
17	D	20	C
18	B		

Part D Short Article “The Coat Of Arms”

24	C	27	B
25	C	28	D
26	A	29	B

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1998 School Certificate Australian History, Geography, Civics & Citizenship Trial Test Objective Response Answers

BOS
35/99

For the information of schools the answers to the objective response questions in the Section 1 and Section 2 of the 1998 School Certificate Australian History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship Trial Test are printed below:

**Section 1
(Australian History)**

1	D
2	C
3	B
4	D
5	A
6	B
7	A
8	A
9	D
10	C
11	B
12	B
13	A
14	C
15	A
16	B
17	D
18	D
19	A
20	C
21	A
22	C
23	B
24	D
25	C
26 i	False
26 ii	False
26 iii	True
27 i	False
27 ii	True

**Section 2
(Australian Geography)**

30	A
31	C
32	C
33	B
34	A
35	B
36	B
37	A
38	A
39	C
40	D
41	B
42	D
43	C
44	D
45	C
46	B
47	D
48	D
49	P e
	Q c
	R a
	S f
	T d
50	(a) 5
	(b) 1
	(c) 3
	(d) 4
	(e) 2

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**1998 School Certificate
Mathematics Test Answers to
multiple choice questions**

BOS
36/99

For the information of schools, the suggested answers to the multiple choice questions from Section 1 and Section 2 Part A of the 1998 Mathematics School Certificate Test are printed below:

Question	Answer
7	B
15	C
17	B
18	B
19	A
23	A and D
24	A and C
25	C
31	B
32	C
34	C
35	D
40	B
41	C
42	A
44	D
52	D
54	A
57	A
59	B
62	B
64	C
65	D
67	D
69	C
70	B
71	A and D
72	C and D
73	A and B

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**1998 School Certificate Science
Trial Test Section 1 Answers**

BOS
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For the information of schools, the suggested answers to Section 1 of the 1998 School Certificate Science Trial Test are printed below :

Question	Answer
1	A
2	D
3	C
4	C
5	A
6	C
7	B
8	A
9	D
10	C
11	D
12	B
13	D
14	Water
15	Sun
16	1.1 – 1.3
17	RSQ
18	Q
19	1.60
20	220.0
21	USA
22	0.9
23	5 4
24	1.1
25	45 - 46

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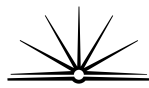
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Board of Studies Official Notice 11/99 rescinded (see BOS 24/99 Vol 8 No 4)

