

2009 HSC Aboriginal Studies Marking Guidelines

Section I, Part A

Question 1 — Social Justice and Human Rights Issues – A Global Perspective

Question 1 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H1.2

Criteria	Marks
Names two socioeconomic indicators from Source A	2
Names one socioeconomic indicator from Source A	1

Question 1 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H3.2, H3.3

Criteria	Marks
• Clearly makes the link between ONE initiative in Source A and improvement	3
• Provides information about how the initiative could improve Aboriginal socioeconomic status	
Provides some information about how the initiative could improve Aboriginal socioeconomic status	2
Makes a general statement about an initiative or socioeconomic status of Aboriginal lives	1



Question 1 (c)

Outcomes assessed: H3.2, H3.3

MARKING GUIDELINES

Criteria	Marks
Identifies a relevant issue from Source B	
• Demonstrates a sound understanding of how addressing this issue could help to achieve equality for Indigenous Australians	5
• Refers to a relevant issue from Source B (may be implied)	
• Shows an understanding of how addressing this issue could help to achieve equality for Indigenous Australians	3–4
• Makes a general statement about Indigenous Australians and/or Source B	1–2

Question 1 (d)

Outcomes assessed: H1.2, H3.3, H4.1, H4.5

Criteria	Marks
 Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response 	
 Displays comprehensive understanding of the two sources 	9–10
Clearly identifies similarities and/or differences in the two apologies	
Provides a structured and logical response	
 Displays sound knowledge about the key issues, language and other aspects identified in the apologies 	7–8
 Identifies similarities and/or differences in the two apologies 	
• Demonstrates some knowledge about an issue identified in the apologies	
 Makes some reference to similarities and/or differences in the two apologies 	5–6
• Demonstrates limited knowledge about an issue identified in the apologies	2 4
May make limited reference to the sources	3–4
Recounts basic information about Aboriginal history/issues	
AND/OR	1–2
 Makes limited, non-specific reference to the sources 	

Section I, Part B

Question 2 — Health

Question 2 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H3.3

MARKING GUIDELINES

Criteria	Marks
Names and provides feature(s) of one relevant Aboriginal initiative	2
Names one relevant Aboriginal initiative	1

Question 2 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H2.1

Criteria	Marks
Demonstrates a sound knowledge about Aboriginal health	
• Clearly identifies the relationship between regaining land and improving Aboriginal health	5–6
Displays some knowledge about Aboriginal health	
• Makes a connection between regaining land and an improvement in Aboriginal health	3–4
Makes general statements about land and/or Aboriginal health	1–2



Question 2 (c)

Outcomes assessed: H1.2, H3.2

Criteria	Marks
• Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response	
 Displays extensive knowledge about health standards 	
• Makes an informed judgement about the impact of Indigenous health standards on the everyday lives of Indigenous peoples	10-12
• Makes detailed references to an Australian and an international Indigenous community	
Provides a structured and logical response	
Displays sound knowledge about Indigenous health standards	
• Makes a judgement about the impact of Indigenous health standards on the everyday lives of Indigenous peoples	7–9
 Makes references to an Australian and an international Indigenous community 	
• Demonstrates some knowledge about Indigenous health standards, and/or their impact on the everyday lives of Indigenous peoples	4–6
 Makes reference to an Australian and/or an international Indigenous community 	4–0
• Demonstrates limited knowledge about Indigenous health standards, and/or their impact on the everyday lives of Indigenous peoples	2–3
 May make limited reference to an Australian and/or an international Indigenous community 	2-3
Recounts basic information about Indigenous health	
AND/OR	1
Makes limited, non-specific reference to Indigenous communities	

Question 3 — Education

Question 3 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H3.3

MARKING GUIDELINES	
Criteria	Marks
Names and provides feature(s) of one Aboriginal initiative	2
Names one Aboriginal initiative	1

Question 3 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H3.2

Criteria	Marks
 Demonstrates sound knowledge of the chosen government policy and/or program Makes a clear judgement of the impact of the chosen policy and/or program on Aboriginal educational outcomes 	5–6
• Demonstrates some knowledge of the chosen policy and/or program on Aboriginal educational outcomes	3-4
• Makes a connection between the chosen program and/or policy and Aboriginal educational outcomes	5-4
Makes general statements about Aboriginal education or a government education policy or program	1–2



Question 3 (c)

Outcomes assessed: H1.2, H3.2

Criteria	Marks
Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured responseDisplays extensive knowledge about social and political changes	
 necessary to improve Indigenous education Makes clearly evident the relationship between social and political changes and improvements in Indigenous education 	10–12
• Makes detailed references to an Australian and an international Indigenous community	
Provides a structured and logical response	
• Displays sound knowledge about social and political changes necessary to improve Indigenous education	
• Identifies the relationship between social and political changes and improvements to Indigenous education	7–9
• Makes references to an Australian and an international Indigenous community	
• Demonstrates some knowledge about social and political changes that may improve Indigenous education	
• Makes some reference to the connection between social and/or political changes and Indigenous education	4–6
• Makes reference to an Australian and/or an international Indigenous community	
Demonstrates limited knowledge about changes needed in education	
• May make limited reference to an Australian or an international Indigenous community	2–3
Recounts basic information about Indigenous education AND/OR	1
Makes limited, non-specific reference to Indigenous communities	

Question 4 — Housing

Question 4 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H1.2

MARKING GUIDELINES	
Criteria	Marks
Names and indicates a main feature of one program	2
Names one program	1

Question 4 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H2.1

MARKING GUIDELINES	
Criteria	Marks
 Demonstrates a sound knowledge about Aboriginal housing standards Clearly identifies the relationship between regaining land and access to housing 	5–6
 Displays some knowledge about Aboriginal housing standards Makes a connection between regaining land and access to housing 	3-4
Lists some information about Aboriginal housing	1–2



Question 4 (c)

Outcomes assessed: H2.3, H3.3

Criteria	Marks
 Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response Displays autonoise knowledge shout Indigenous housing programs and 	
 Displays extensive knowledge about Indigenous housing programs and issues 	
• Makes an informed judgement about how effectively Indigenous housing issues have been addressed	10–12
• Makes detailed references to an Australian and an international Indigenous community	
Provides a structured and logical response	
• Displays sound knowledge about Indigenous housing programs and issues	
• Makes some judgement about how effectively Indigenous housing issues have been addressed	7–9
 Makes references to an Australian and an international Indigenous community 	
• Demonstrates some knowledge about Indigenous housing programs and/or issues	
• May make a statement about the effectiveness of the programs/issues	4–6
Makes reference to an Australian and/or an international Indigenous community	
• Demonstrates limited knowledge about Indigenous housing programs and/or housing issues	2-3
 May make limited reference to an Australian or an international Indigenous community 	2-3
Recounts basic information about Indigenous housing	
AND/OR	1
Makes limited, non-specific reference to Indigenous communities	

Question 5 — Employment

Question 5 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H1.2

	MARKING GUIDELINES	
	Criteria	Marks
•	Names two issues	2
•	Names one issue	1

Question 5 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H3.3

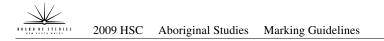
Criteria	Marks
• Demonstrates a sound understanding of social and political changes needed to improve Aboriginal employment	5–6
• Clearly shows the relationship between social and political changes and improvement in Aboriginal employment	
• Displays some understanding of social and political changes needed to improve Aboriginal employment	3-4
• Makes a connection between social and political changes and improvement in Aboriginal employment	5-4
Makes general statements about social and political changes and/or Aboriginal employment	1–2



Question 5 (c)

Outcomes assessed: H2.1, H3

Criteria	Marks
 Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response Displays extensive knowledge about Indigenous employment Makes an informed judgement about the importance of regaining land to improving Indigenous employment Makes detailed references to an Australian and an international Indigenous community 	10–12
 Provides a structured and logical response Displays sound knowledge about Indigenous employment Identifies the link between regaining land and improving Indigenous employment Makes references to an Australian and an international Indigenous community 	7–9
 Demonstrates some knowledge about the importance of regaining land and Indigenous employment Makes reference to an Australian and/or an international Indigenous community 	4–6
 Demonstrates limited knowledge about Indigenous employment May make limited reference to an Australian or an international Indigenous community 	2–3
 Recounts basic information about Indigenous employment AND/OR Makes limited, non-specific reference to Indigenous communities 	1



Question 6 — Criminal Justice System

Question 6 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H2.1

MARKING GUIDELINES	
Criteria	Marks
Identifies two relevant culturally appropriate strategies	2
Identifies one relevant culturally appropriate strategy	1

Question 6 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H3.2

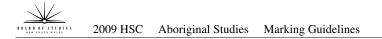
Criteria	Marks
Demonstrates a sound knowledge about policing powers	
• Clearly identifies the impact of policing powers on Aboriginal people and their communities	5–6
Displays some knowledge about police powers	3_4
• Identifies a relationship between policing powers and Aboriginal people	3-4
Makes general statements about the police and Aboriginal people	1–2



Question 6 (c)

Outcomes assessed: H1.2, H3.3

Criteria	Marks
 Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response Demonstrates extensive knowledge of appropriate social and political changes needed to improve the treatment of Indigenous people in the criminal justice system 	
 Clearly shows the relationship between the changes and improvement in the treatment of Indigenous people Makes detailed references to an Australian and an international Indigenous 	10–12
community	
 Provides a structured and logical response Displays sound knowledge of social and political changes needed to improve the treatment of Indigenous people in the criminal justice system Shows a relationship between the changes and the improvement in the treatment of Indigenous people Makes references to an Australian and an international Indigenous 	7–9
community	
 Demonstrates some knowledge about treatment of Indigenous people in the criminal justice system Makes reference to an Australian and/or an international Indigenous community 	4–6
 Demonstrates limited knowledge about Indigenous people in the criminal justice system May make limited reference to an Australian or an international Indigenous community 	2–3
 Recounts basic information about Aboriginal people or issues AND/OR Makes limited, non-specific reference to Indigenous communities 	1



Question 7 — Economic Independence

Question 7 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H3.1

Criteria	Marks
• Names and indicates a main feature of one relevant government program or strategy	2
Names one government program or strategy	1

Question 7 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H2.1

Criteria	Marks
• Demonstrates a sound knowledge of the economic importance of land	
• Clearly outlines the relationship between regaining land and Aboriginal economic independence	5–6
Displays some knowledge of the economic importance of land	
• Makes a connection between regaining land and Aboriginal economic independence	3–4
Makes general statements about land and/or Aboriginal economic independence	1–2



Question 7 (c)

Outcomes assessed: H2.3, H3.3

Criteria	Marks
 Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response Displays extensive knowledge about Indigenous initiatives to improve economic independence Makes an informed judgement about the effectiveness of Indigenous initiatives on economic independence Makes detailed references to an Australian and an international Indigenous 	10–12
communityProvides a structured and logical response	
Displays sound knowledge about Indigenous initiatives to improve economic independence	
• Identifies the link between Indigenous initiatives and economic independence	7–9
Makes references to an Australian and an international Indigenous community	
Demonstrates some knowledge about Indigenous initiatives and/or economic independence	4–6
Makes reference to an Australian and/or an international Indigenous community	
Demonstrates limited knowledge about Indigenous initiatives and/or economic independence	
• May refer to a link between Indigenous initiatives and economic independence	2–3
May make limited reference to an Australian or an international Indigenous community	
 Recounts basic information about Indigenous people or issues AND/OR Makes limited, non-specific reference to Indigenous communities 	1



Section II

Question 8 — Aboriginality and the Land

Question 8 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H2.1, H4.1

Criteria	Marks
Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response	
 Clearly indicates key achievements of the Aboriginal land rights movement in NSW 	9–10
Integrates reference to the source material	
Provides a structured and logical response	
 Briefly states some key achievements of the Aboriginal land rights movement in NSW 	7–8
Makes reference to the source material	
• Identifies some achievements of the Aboriginal land rights movement in NSW	5–6
Makes limited reference to the source material	
Makes some mention of the Aboriginal land rights movement	2.4
May refer to Source D and/or E	3–4
Provides basic information about Aboriginal land rights	
AND/OR	1–2
May refer to Source D and/or E	



Question 8 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H3.1, H3.2, H3.3

Criteria	Marks
Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response	
• Demonstrates extensive knowledge of government policies and legislation as they relate to land and/or water issues	17–20
• Makes an informed judgement about the impact of government policies and legislation on land and/or water rights	17-20
Makes specific and detailed references to local community case study	
Provides a structured and logical response	
• Demonstrates detailed knowledge of government policies and legislation as they relate to land and/or water issues	13–16
• Makes a judgement of the impact of government policies and legislation on land and/or water rights	15-10
Makes specific references to the local community case study	
• Demonstrates some knowledge of government policies and legislation	
• Comments on the impact of government policies and legislation on land and/or water rights	9–12
Makes reference to the local community case study	
• Demonstrates limited knowledge of government policies and/or legislation	
• Demonstrates limited knowledge of land and/or water rights	5-8
Makes limited reference to the local community case study	
• Provides basic information relating to the government and/or land and/or water rights	1 4
AND/OR	1–4
May make limited reference to the local community case study	



Question 9 — Heritage and Identity

Question 9 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H2.2, H4.1

MARKING GUIDELINES				
Criteria				
Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response				
• Demonstrates a comprehensive understanding of the concepts of language and identity	9–10			
• Makes a clear connection between language and contemporary Aboriginal identity	9–10			
Integrates reference to the source material				
Provides a structured and logical response				
• Demonstrates sound understanding of the concepts of language and identity	7–8			
• Makes some connection between language and contemporary Aboriginal identity	/-0			
Makes reference to the source material.				
Provides some understanding of language and identity				
• Attempts to link the concepts of language and identity	5–6			
Makes limited reference to the source material				
Provides limited detail about language and identity	2.4			
• May refer to Source F and/or G	3–4			
• Provides basic information about language and/or identity AND/OR	1–2			
May refer to Source F and/or G				



Question 9 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H3.2, H3.3, H4.1

Criteria	Marks
Provides a sustained, logical and well-structured response	
Demonstrates extensive knowledge of relevant government policies	
• Makes an informed judgement about the contribution of government policies and maintaining Aboriginal cultural identity	17–20
Makes specific and detailed references to local community case study	
Provides a structured and logical response	
Demonstrates detailed knowledge of relevant government policies	
• Makes a judgement about the contribution of government policies and maintaining Aboriginal cultural identity	13–16
Makes specific references to the local community case study	
Demonstrates some knowledge of government policies	
• Comments on government policies and maintaining Aboriginal cultural identity	9–12
Makes reference to the local community case study	
Demonstrates limited knowledge of government policies	
• Demonstrates limited knowledge of Aboriginal culture and/or identity	5-8
Makes limited reference to the local community case study	
Provides basic information about Aboriginal people	
AND/OR	1–4
May make limited reference to the local community case study	



Section III

Question 10 — Research and Inquiry Methods – Major Project

Question 10 (a)

Outcomes assessed: H4.1

MARKING GUIDELINES			
Criteria	Marks		
Identifies TWO relevant methodologies			
Provides features of each methodology	4		
Identifies two methodologies and describes one methodology			
OR			
Identifies two methodologies	2–3		
OR			
Identifies and describes one methodology			
Provides a general statement about research	1		

Question 10 (b)

Outcomes assessed: H4.3, H4.4

Criteria	Marks
Clearly identifies approaches used.	
• Clearly provides how and/or why the identified approaches are culturally appropriate	5–6
Refers specifically to the Major Project	
Mentions approaches used	
Mentions features of culturally appropriate research	3–4
Refers generally to the Major Project	
Provides some information about the research and/or the Major Project	1–2

Aboriginal Studies 2009 HSC Examination Mapping Grid

Question	Marks	Content	Syllabus outcomes
Section I Part A	1		
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1 (b)	3	Social Justice & Human Rights Issues	Н3.2, Н3.3
1 (c)	5	Social Justice & Human Rights Issues	НЗ.2, НЗ.3
1 (d)	10	Social Justice & Human Rights Issues	H1.2, H3.3, H4.1, H4.5
Section I Part B			
2 (a)	2	Health	Н3.3
2 (b)	6	Health	H2.1
2 (c)	12	Health	H1.2, H3.2
3 (a)	2	Education	Н3.3
3 (b)	6	Education	Н3.2
3 (c)	12	Education	H1.2, H3.2
4 (a)	2	Housing	H1.2
4 (b)	6	Housing	H2.1
4 (c)	12	Housing	H2.3, H3.3
5 (a)	2	Employment	H1.2
5 (b)	6	Employment	Н3.3
5 (c)	12	Employment	H2.1, H3.3
6 (a)	2	Criminal Justice	H2.1
6 (b)	6	Criminal Justice	Н3.2
6 (c)	12	Criminal Justice	H1.2, H3.3
7 (a)	2	Economic Independence	H3.1
7 (b)	6	Economic Independence	H2.1
7 (c)	12	Economic Independence	H2.3, H3.3
Section II			
8 (a)	10	Aboriginality and the Land	H2.1, H4.1
8 (b)	20	Aboriginality and the Land	H3.2, H3.1, H3.3
9 (a)	10	Heritage and Identity	H2.2, H4.1
9 (b)	20	Heritage and Identity	H3.2, H3.3, H4.1
Section III			
10 (a)	4	Research and Inquiry Methods	H4.1
10 (b)	6	Research and Inquiry Methods	H4.3, H4.4
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