

Australian History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship School Certificate Test

Performance Band Descriptions for the Australian Geography, Civics and Citizenship Component

A typical performance in this band is demonstrated when a student:

Band 6	Analyses geographic information from a range of sources demonstrating a thorough understanding of geographic patterns, processes and issues. Demonstrates a thorough understanding of complex spatial and ecological dimensions. Uses a range of sources to demonstrate a thorough understanding of environmental and community issues from a variety of perspectives. Critically interprets and applies the concepts of civics and citizenship. Communicates a sustained and logical response in written and graphic forms using appropriate geographic information and terminology.
Band 5	Interprets geographic information from a range of sources demonstrating a sound understanding of geographic patterns, processes and issues. Demonstrates a sound understanding of spatial and ecological dimensions. Uses a range of sources to demonstrate a sound understanding of environmental and community issues from a variety of perspectives. Interprets and applies the concepts of civics and citizenship. Effectively communicates a well-structured response in written and graphic forms using appropriate geographic terminology.
Band 4	Uses geographic information from a range of sources demonstrating an understanding of geographic patterns, processes and issues. Demonstrates an understanding of spatial and ecological dimensions. Uses sources to demonstrate an understanding of environmental and community issues from a variety of perspectives. Describes the concepts of civics and citizenship as they relate to an issue and/or situation. Communicates geographic information in written and graphic forms using some geographic terminology.
Band 3	Describes geographic information from some sources demonstrating some understanding of geographic patterns, processes and issues. Recognises spatial and ecological dimensions. Uses sources to demonstrate a basic understanding of some environmental and community issues from some perspectives. Recognises examples of civics and citizenship as they relate to an issue and/or situation. Communicates some geographic information in written and graphic forms.
Band 2	Identifies geographic information from some sources. Identifies some spatial and ecological dimensions. Recalls basic geographic information and identifies some environmental and community issues. Identifies examples of civics and citizenship. Communicates elementary geographic information.
Band 1	