Arts assessment criteria: Year 1

Criterion A: Knowing and understanding

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 1, students should be able to:

- i. demonstrate awareness of the art form studied, including the use of appropriate language
- $demonstrate\ awareness\ of\ the\ relationship\ between\ the\ art\ form\ and\ its\ context$ ii.
- iii. demonstrate awareness of the links between the knowledge acquired and artwork created.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. demonstrates limited awareness of the art form studied, including limited use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates limited awareness of the relationship between the art form and its context iii. demonstrates limited awareness of the links between the knowledge acquired and artwork created.
3–4	 i. demonstrates adequate awareness of the art form studied, including adequate use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates adequate awareness of the relationship between the art form and its context iii. demonstrates adequate awareness of the links between the knowledge acquired and artwork created.
5–6	 i. demonstrates substantial awareness of the art form studied, including substantial use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates substantial awareness of the relationship between the art form and its context iii. demonstrates substantial awareness of the links between the knowledge acquired and artwork created.



Achievement level	Level descriptor
7–8	The student:
	 i. demonstrates excellent awareness of the art form studied, including excellent use of appropriate language
	ii. demonstrates excellent awareness of the relationship between the art form and its context
	iii. demonstrates excellent awareness of the links between the knowledge acquired and artwork created.

Criterion B: Developing skills

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 1, students should be able to:

- demonstrate the acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied
- ii. demonstrate the application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. demonstrates limited acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates limited application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
3–4	 i. demonstrates adequate acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates adequate application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
5–6	 i. demonstrates substantial acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates substantial application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
7–8	 i. demonstrates excellent acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates excellent application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.



Criterion C: Thinking creatively

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 1, students should be able to:

- i. identify an artistic intention
- ii. identify alternatives and perspectives
- iii. demonstrate the exploration of ideas.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	The student: i. identifies a limited artistic intention ii. identifies limited alternatives and perspectives iii. demonstrates limited exploration of ideas.
3–4	The student: i. identifies an adequate artistic intention ii. identifies adequate alternatives and perspectives iii. demonstrates adequate exploration of ideas.
5–6	The student: i. identifies a substantial artistic intention ii. identifies substantial alternatives and perspectives iii. demonstrates substantial exploration of ideas.
7–8	 i. identifies an excellent artistic intention ii. identifies excellent alternatives and perspectives iii. demonstrates excellent exploration of ideas.

Criterion D: Responding

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 1, students should be able to:

- identify connections between art forms, art and context, or art and prior learning
- ii. recognize that the world contains inspiration or influence for art
- iii. evaluate certain elements or principles of artwork.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. identifies limited connections between art forms, art and context, or art and prior learning ii. demonstrates limited recognition that the world contains inspiration or influence for art iii. presents a limited evaluation of certain elements of artwork.
3–4	 i. identifies adequate connections between art forms, art and context, or art and prior learning ii. demonstrates adequate recognition that the world contains inspiration or influence for art iii. presents an adequate evaluation of certain elements of artwork.
5–6	 i. identifies substantial connections between art forms, art and context, or art and prior learning ii. demonstrates substantial recognition that the world contains inspiration or influence for art iii. presents a substantial evaluation of certain elements of artwork.
7–8	 i. identifies excellent connections between art forms, art and context, or art and prior learning ii. demonstrates excellent recognition that the world contains inspiration or influence for art iii. presents an excellent evaluation of certain elements or principles of artwork.



Arts assessment criteria: Year 3

Criterion A: Knowing and understanding

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

- i. demonstrate knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and the use of appropriate language
- ii. demonstrate knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts
- iii. use acquired knowledge to inform their artwork.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. demonstrates limited knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and limited use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates limited knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates limited use of acquired knowledge to inform his or her artwork.
3–4	 i. demonstrates adequate knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and adequate use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates adequate knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates adequate use of acquired knowledge to inform his or her artwork.
5–6	 i. demonstrates substantial knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and substantial use of appropriate language ii. demonstrates substantial knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates substantial use of acquired knowledge to inform his or her artwork.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
7–8	The student:
	i. demonstrates excellent knowledge of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and excellent use of appropriate language
	ii. demonstrates excellent knowledge of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts
	iii. demonstrates excellent use of acquired knowledge to inform his or her artwork.



Criterion B: Developing skills

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

- i. demonstrate the acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied
- ii. demonstrate the application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. demonstrates limited acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates limited application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
3-4	 i. demonstrates adequate acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates adequate application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
5–6	 i. demonstrates substantial acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates substantial application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
7–8	 i. demonstrates excellent acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates excellent application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.

Criterion C: Thinking creatively

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

- outline a clear and feasible artistic intention
- ii. outline alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions
- iii. demonstrate the exploration of ideas through the developmental process to a point of realization.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. presents a limited outline of an artistic intention, which may lack clarity or feasibility ii. presents a limited outline of alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions iii. demonstrates limited exploration of ideas through the developmental process, which may lack a point of realization.
3–4	 i. presents an adequate outline of a clear and/or feasible artistic intention ii. presents an adequate outline of alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions iii. demonstrates adequate exploration of ideas through the developmental process to a point of realization.
5–6	 i. presents a substantial outline of a clear and feasible artistic intention ii. presents a substantial outline of alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions iii. demonstrates substantial exploration of ideas through the developmental process to a point of realization.
7–8	 i. presents an excellent outline of a clear and feasible artistic intention ii. presents an excellent outline of alternatives, perspectives, and imaginative solutions iii. demonstrates excellent exploration of ideas through the developmental process to a point of realization.



Criterion D: Responding

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 3, students should be able to:

- i. outline connections and transfer learning to new settings
- ii. create an artistic response inspired by the world around them
- iii. evaluate the artwork of self and others.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. presents a limited outline of connections and may transfer learning to new settings ii. creates a limited artistic response that is possibly inspired by the world around him or her iii. presents a limited evaluation of the artwork of self and others.
3–4	 i. presents an adequate outline of connections and occasionally transfers learning to new settings ii. creates an adequate artistic response that is inspired by the world around him or her to some degree iii. presents an adequate evaluation of the artwork of self and others.
5–6	 i. presents a substantial outline of connections and regularly transfers learning to new settings ii. creates a substantial artistic response that is considerably inspired by the world around him or her iii. presents a substantial evaluation of the artwork of self and others.
7–8	 i. presents an excellent outline of connections with depth and insight, and effectively transfers learning to new settings ii. creates an excellent artistic response that is effectively inspired by the world around him or her iii. presents an excellent evaluation of the artwork of self and others.

Arts assessment criteria: Year 5

Criterion A: Knowing and understanding

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 5, students should be able to:

- i. demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and the use of subject-specific terminology
- demonstrate understanding of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts ii.
- iii. use acquired knowledge to purposefully inform artistic decisions in the process of creating artwork.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. demonstrates limited knowledge and understanding of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and limited use of subject-specific terminology ii. demonstrates limited understanding of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates limited use of acquired knowledge to purposefully inform artistic decisions in the process of creating artwork.
3–4	 i. demonstrates adequate knowledge and understanding of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and adequate use of subject-specific terminology ii. demonstrates adequate understanding of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates adequate use of acquired knowledge to purposefully inform artistic decisions in the process of creating artwork.
5–6	 i. demonstrates substantial knowledge and understanding of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and substantial use of subject-specific terminology ii. demonstrates substantial understanding of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts iii. demonstrates substantial use of acquired knowledge to purposefully inform artistic decisions.



Achievement level	Level descriptor
7–8	 i. demonstrates excellent knowledge and understanding of the art form studied, including concepts, processes, and excellent use of subject-specific terminology ii. demonstrates excellent understanding of the role of the art form in original or displaced contexts
	iii. demonstrates excellent use of acquired knowledge to purposefully inform artistic decisions in the process of creating artwork.

Criterion B: Developing skills

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 5, students should be able to:

- demonstrate the acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied
- ii. demonstrate the application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. demonstrates limited acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates limited application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
3-4	 i. demonstrates adequate acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates adequate application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
5–6	 i. demonstrates substantial acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates substantial application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
7–8	 i. demonstrates excellent acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied ii. demonstrates excellent application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.



Criterion C: Thinking creatively

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 5, students should be able to:

- i. develop a feasible, clear, imaginative and coherent artistic intention
- ii. demonstrate a range and depth of creative-thinking behaviours
- iii. demonstrate the exploration of ideas to shape artistic intention through to a point of realization.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. develops a limited artistic intention that is rarely feasible, clear, imaginative or coherent ii. demonstrates a limited range or depth of creative-thinking behaviours iii. demonstrates limited exploration of ideas to shape artistic intention that may reach a point of realization.
3–4	 i. develops an adequate artistic intention that is occasionally feasible, clear, imaginative and/or coherent ii. demonstrates an adequate range and depth of creative-thinking behaviours iii. demonstrates adequate exploration of ideas to shape artistic intention through to a point of realization.
5–6	 i. develops a substantial artistic intention that is often feasible, clear, imaginative and coherent ii. demonstrates a substantial range and depth of creative-thinking behaviours iii. demonstrates substantial exploration of ideas to purposefully shape artistic intention through to a point of realization.
7–8	 i. develops an excellent artistic intention that is consistently feasible, clear, imaginative and coherent ii. demonstrates an excellent range and depth of creative-thinking behaviours iii. demonstrates excellent exploration of ideas to effectively shape artistic intention through to a point of realization.

Criterion D: Responding

Maximum: 8

At the end of year 5, students should be able to:

- construct meaning and transfer learning to new settings
- ii. create an artistic response that intends to reflect or impact on the world around them
- iii. critique the artwork of self and others.

Achievement level	Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below.
1–2	 i. constructs limited meaning and may transfer learning to new settings ii. creates a limited artistic response that may intend to reflect or impact on the world around him or her iii. presents a limited critique of the artwork of self and others.
3–4	 i. constructs adequate meaning and occasionally transfers learning to new settings ii. creates an adequate artistic response that intends to reflect or impact on the world around him or her iii. presents an adequate critique of the artwork of self and others.
5–6	 i. constructs appropriate meaning and regularly transfers learning to new settings ii. creates a substantial artistic response that intends to reflect or impact on the world around him or her iii. presents a substantial critique of the artwork of self and others.
7–8	 i. constructs meaning with depth and insight and effectively transfers learning to new settings ii. creates an excellent artistic response that intends to effectively reflect or impact on the world around him or her iii. presents an excellent critique of the artwork of self and others.

