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A level assessment grid – practical work and annotation

We recommend using the A level Practical Performance Calculator to establish a mark for each Assessment Objective. Marks should then be transferred to the assessment grids below.

The following grid relates to **all A level student practical work and annotation**, and should be used to mark all titles. The grid assesses all four Assessment Objectives equally. All four Assessment Objectives must be met in each component. A mark out of 18 should be awarded for each Assessment Objective. The four Assessment Objective marks should then be added together to give a total mark out of 72 for practical work and annotation in each component.

Assessment Objectives	0	Level 1 LIMITED ABILITY			Level 2 BASIC ABILITY			Level 3 EMERGING COMPETENT ABILITY			Level 4 COMPETENT AND CONSISTENT ABILITY			Level 5 CONFIDENT AND ASSURED ABILITY			Level 6 EXCEPTIONAL ABILITY		
AO1 Develop ideas through sustained and focused investigations informed by contextual and other sources, demonstrating analytical and critical understanding	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	No rewardable material	Development of ideas shows limited ability Sustained and focused investigations show limited ability, partially informed by contextual and other sources Limited ability in analytical and critical understanding			Development of ideas shows basic ability Sustained and focused investigations are basic, partially informed by contextual and other sources Basic analytical and critical understanding			Development of ideas shows emerging competence in ability Sustained and focused investigations show emerging competence, informed by contextual and other sources Emerging competence in analytical and critical understanding			Development of ideas shows competent and consistent ability Sustained and focused investigations are competent and consistent, informed by contextual and other sources Competent and consistent analytical and critical understanding			Development of ideas shows confident and assured ability Sustained and focused investigations are confident and assured, thoroughly informed by contextual and other sources Confident and assured analytical and critical understanding			Development of ideas shows exceptional ability Sustained and focused investigations are exceptional, thoroughly informed by contextual and other sources Exceptional analytical and critical understanding		
AO2 Explore and select appropriate resources, media, materials, techniques and processes, reviewing and refining ideas as work develops	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	No rewardable material	Limited ability to explore and select appropriate to intentions Limited ability to review and refine ideas as work develops			Basic ability to explore and select appropriate to intentions Basic ability to review and refine ideas as work develops			Emerging competence in ability to explore and select appropriate to intentions Emerging competence in ability to review and refine ideas as work develops			Competent and consistent ability to explore and select appropriate to intentions Competent and consistent ability to review and refine ideas as work develops			Confident and assured ability to explore and select appropriate to intentions Confident and assured ability to review and refine ideas as work develops			Exceptional ability to explore and select appropriate to intentions Exceptional ability to review and refine ideas as work develops		
AO3 Record ideas, observations and insights relevant to intentions, reflecting critically on work and progress	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	No rewardable material	Ability to record is limited and partially relevant to intentions Limited ability to reflect critically on work and progress			Ability to record is basic and partially relevant to intentions Basic ability to reflect critically on work and progress			Ability to record shows emerging competence and relevance to intentions Emerging competence in ability to reflect critically on work and progress			Ability to record is competent and consistent, and relevant to intentions Competent and consistent ability to reflect critically on work and progress			Ability to record is confident and assured, and relevant to intentions Confident and assured ability to reflect critically on work and progress			Ability to record is exceptional and relevant to intentions Exceptional ability to reflect critically on work and progress		
AO4 Present a personal and meaningful response that realises intentions and, where appropriate, makes connections between visual and other elements	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	No rewardable material	Limited ability to present a personal and meaningful response Limited ability to realise intentions and make connections where appropriate			Basic ability to present a personal and meaningful response Basic ability to realise intentions and make connections where appropriate			Emerging competence in ability to present a personal and meaningful response Emerging competence in ability to realise intentions and make connections where appropriate			Competent and consistent ability to present a personal and meaningful response Competent and consistent ability to realise intentions and make connections where appropriate			Confident and assured ability to present a personal and meaningful response Confident and assured ability to realise intentions and make connections where appropriate			Exceptional ability to present a personal and meaningful response Exceptional ability to realise intentions and make connections where appropriate		

Recording of marks for all A level practical work and annotation															Marks out of 72 for each component			
Component	AO1 marks: indicate a mark out of 18				AO2 marks: indicate a mark out of 18				AO3 marks: indicate a mark out of 18				AO4 marks: indicate a mark out of 18				Total COMPONENT 1	
Component 1 Personal Investigation	AO1 mark				AO2 mark				AO3 mark				AO4 mark					
Component 2 Externally Set Assignment	AO1 mark				AO2 mark				AO3 mark				AO4 mark				Total COMPONENT 2	

A level assessment grid – Component 1 - personal study

The following grid relates **only to the personal study**, completed as part of Component 1 Personal Investigation. This grid should be used to mark all titles. The grid relates to all four Assessment Objectives equally. All four Assessment Objectives must be met in the personal study. A mark out of 18 should be awarded for the personal study.

Personal study (AO1/AO2/AO3/AO4)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total mark awarded
	No rewardable material	All level descriptions for Level 1 apply in addition to the level description below Limited ability in use of written communication and specialist terminology			All level descriptions for Level 2 apply in addition to the level description below Basic use of written communication and specialist terminology			All level descriptions for Level 3 apply in addition to the level description below Emerging competence in use of written communication and specialist terminology			All level descriptions for Level 4 apply in addition to the level description below Competent and consistent use of written communication and specialist terminology			All level descriptions for Level 5 apply in addition to the level description below Use of written communication and specialist terminology is confident and assured, and expresses ideas fluently			All level descriptions for Level 6 apply in addition to the level description below Use of written communication and specialist terminology is exceptional and expresses complex ideas with authority			

Recording of total marks			Total marks for each component	
Component	Mark for practical work and annotation	Mark for personal study		
Component 1 Personal Investigation	Out of 72	Out of 18	Total COMPONENT 1 (out of 90)	
Component 2 Externally Set Assignment	Out of 72		Total COMPONENT 2 (out of 72)	