



SKILL AREAS

Students are assessed across the key scientific areas of:

- **Observing and measuring:** Noting and measuring features of items and phenomena
- **Interpreting:** Interpreting data in diagrams, tables and graphs
- **Predicting and concluding:** Inferring information from data
- **Investigating:** Experimental design, use of controls and notion of 'fair test'
- **Reasoning and problem solving.**

CONTENT

The papers cover content on:

- Earth and Beyond (incorporating the Earth Sciences and Astronomy)
- Energy and Change (incorporating Physics)
- Life and Living (incorporating Biology and Ecology)
- Natural and Processed Materials (incorporating Chemistry).

Information that the students need to respond to the question is provided in the stimulus. Some knowledge appropriate to the students' age is assumed.

ASSESSMENT STRUCTURE

YEAR*	PAPER	NUMBER OF QUESTIONS	DURATION
2	Introductory	30	45 minutes
3	A	30	45 minutes
4	B	30	45 minutes
5	C	40	55 minutes
6	D	40	55 minutes
7	E	40	1 hour
8	F	40	1 hour
9	G	40	1 hour
10	H	40	1 hour
11	I	40	1 hour
12	J	40	1 hour

*Australian year levels.

Paper to year level conversion table can be found at unsw.global/assessments-year-level

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