

Sample WACE examinations

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Examining panels for each WACE course have developed information packages teachers. The following documents will be sent to schools early in March:

- syllabus
- examination design brief
- 2008 sample examination paper
- marking guidelines
- grid demonstrating the relation between unit content of syllabus and the sample examination.

The above material will be provided for:

- Aviation
- Applied Information Technology
- Earth and Environmental Science
- English
- English as an Additional Language/Dialect
- Engineering Studies
- Media Production and Analysis
- Physical Education Studies

The format of the sample examination is consistent with the examination design brief. The actual WACE examination for 2008 will be closely modelled on the sample examination paper.

The sample examination paper, marking guidelines and mapping-to-the-grid will be available on the Curriculum Council website from 1 July 2008. This is so that teachers will be able to use this material, should they wish, for their school exams or assessments.

The 2008 examination is designed for candidates who have studied unit pairs 2A/2B, 2B/3A or 3A/3B. The principal purpose of the 2008 examination is to select students for university entrance. It will be pitched accordingly.

Note that in 2009, examinations will be compulsory for all students (unless exempt). The Tertiary Institutions Service Centre (TISC) will provide a 15-mark increment to results of examinations for 3A/3B units. This is explained on the TISC website at www.tisc.edu.au. The 15-mark increment does not apply this year.