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Introduction

Level 2 Classical Studies covers a variety of disciplines, including art, literature, drama, society and history.

The book contains five Achievement Standards. Students may attempt some or all of the Standards.

External Achievement Standards

Achievement Standards 91200, 91201 and 91203 (Classical Studies 2.1, 2.2 and 2.4) will be assessed by means of external examinations.

Achievement criteria for externally assessed Achievement Standards

Achievement Standard 91200 (Classical Studies 2.1) 'Examine ideas and values of the classical world'

For this Achievement Standard, the examination will have questions which may or may not be allocated **specifically** to any of the contexts in the standard, but will have been written with those contexts in mind. Your teacher will tell you at the beginning of the year the precise format for the standard in this particular year. You must prepare for the examination by examining the ideas and values of the ancient Greeks or Romans as illustrated in the texts you have read. Primary source evidence is required at all levels of achievement. This examination should allow you to give in-depth and perceptive explanations of the ideas and values.

Achievement Standard 91201 (Classical Studies 2.2) 'Examine the significance of features of work(s) of art in the classical world'

For this Achievement Standard, the examination will have questions which may or may not be allocated **specifically** to any of the contexts in the standard, but will have been written with those contexts in mind. Your teacher will tell you at the beginning of the year the precise format for the standard in this particular year. You must prepare for the examination by examining the features of works of art in the chosen area of the classical world, and by evaluating the significance of these features. Primary source evidence is required at all levels of achievement. This examination should allow you to give in-depth and perceptive explanations of the features and their significance.

Achievement Standard 91203 (Classical Studies 2.4) 'Examine socio-political life in the classical world'

For this Achievement Standard, the examination will have questions which will have been written with the points in the Explanatory Notes in mind. Your teacher will tell you at the beginning of the year the precise format for the standard in this particular year. You must prepare for the examination by examining the socio-political life of either the ancient Greeks or Romans, which will involve looking at some social aspects of political life and some political aspects of social life. Primary source evidence is required at all levels of achievement. This examination should allow you to give in-depth and perceptive explanations of the socio-political life.

Alternative spellings

Note that there are variant spellings for some Greek names (e.g. 'Pericles' and Perikles'). This is the result of the transliteration of the Greek alphabet into English.