VCE Visual Communication Design 2024–2028

Written examination – End of year

Examination specifications

Overall conditions

The examination will be sat at a time and date set annually by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA), and [VCAA examination rules](https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/assessment/vce-assessment/Pages/ExaminationRules.aspx) will apply.

There will be 15 minutes of reading time and 1 hour and 30 minutes writing time.

A panel appointed by the VCAA will assess the examination.

The examination will contribute 30 per cent to the study score.

Content

The *VCE Visual Communication Design Study Design 2024–2028* is the document for the development of the examination.

All of the key knowledge and key skills that underpin the outcomes in Units 3 and 4 are examinable.

Each examination will conform to these specifications and will test a representative sample of key knowledge and skills from all outcomes in Units 3 and 4.

Format

The examination will be in the form of a Question and Answer Book.

The Question and Answer Book will be accompanied by a separate Resource Book.

The examination may include questions that refer to visual and/or written material that may be presented in colour.

Visual stimulus material in both sections may be presented in the Question and Answer Book and/or in the separate Resource Book.

The examination will consist of two sections.

**Section A** will consist of short-answer and/or extended-answer questions, including questions with multiple parts. The number of questions may vary from year to year.

Questions will be drawn from Units 3 and 4 and may refer to stimulus material.

Section A will be worth a total of 40 marks.

**Section B** will consist of an extended practical task that includes written responses.

Section B will be worth a total of 40 marks.

All answers are to be recorded in the Question and Answer Book.

All questions will be compulsory. The total marks for the examination will be 80.

Approved materials and equipment

* Normal stationery requirements (pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers)
* Lead and coloured pencils
* Fineliners (not exceeding 0.6 mm line width)
* Set squares, protractors, compasses, circle and ellipse templates

Relevant references

The following resources should be referred to in relation to the VCE Visual Communication Design examination:

* VCE Visual Communication Design Study Design 2024–2028
* [Support Materials – Visual Communication and Design](https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/curriculum/vce/vce-study-designs/visualcommunicationdesign/Pages/Index.aspx)
* VCAA Bulletin

Advice

During the 2024–2028 accreditation period for VCE Visual Communication Design, examinations will be prepared according to the examination specifications above. Each examination will conform to these specifications and test a representative sample of key knowledge and skills from all outcomes in Units 3 and 4.

Students should use command/task words, other instructional information within questions and corresponding mark allocations to guide their responses.

A separate document containing a sample examination will be published on the webpage for VCE Visual Communication Design [examination specifications, past examinations and examination reports’](https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/assessment/vce-assessment/past-examinations/Pages/Visual-Communication-Design.aspx).

The sample examination provides an indication of the examination format and the types of questions teachers and students can expect until the current accreditation period is over.

The VCAA does not provide answers to sample examinations/questions.