



Victorian Certificate of Education 2005

General Achievement Test

Wednesday 8 June 2005

Reading time: 10.00 am to 10.15 am (15 minutes)

Writing time: 10.15 am to 1.15 pm (3 hours)

QUESTION BOOK

Structure of book

<i>Type of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Suggested times (minutes)</i>	<i>Suggested time allocation</i>
Writing Task 1	1	30	10.15 – 10.45
Writing Task 2	1	30	10.45 – 11.15
Multiple-choice questions	70	120	11.15 – 1.15

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners, rulers, and an English and/or bilingual dictionary.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

Materials supplied

- Question book of 46 pages.
- Answer sheet for multiple-choice questions.
- Script book for **both** Writing Task 1 and Writing Task 2.

Instructions

- Write your **student number** on the script book.
- Check that your **name** and **student number** as printed on your answer sheet for multiple-choice questions are correct, **and** sign your name in the space provided to verify this.
- Follow the times suggested for each task.
- You may complete tasks in any order and you may return to any task at any time.
- Do not waste time on one particular multiple-choice question. If you find a question very difficult, return to it later.
- Answer all questions.
- All written responses must be in English.

At the end of the test

- Place the answer sheet for multiple-choice questions inside the front cover of the script book.
- You may keep this question book.

Students are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones and/or any other electronic communication devices into the examination room.

WRITING TASK 1

*To be answered in the script book in pen, not pencil.
You are advised to allocate 30 minutes to this task.*

Consider the information on these two pages.

Develop a piece of writing presenting the main information in the material. You should **not** present an argument.

Your piece will be judged on:

- how well you organise and present your understanding of the material;
- your ability to communicate the information effectively; and
- how clearly you express yourself.

WRITING TASK 2

*To be answered in the script book in pen, not pencil.
You are advised to allocate 30 minutes to this task.*

Consider the statements below.

Based on **one or more** of the statements, develop a piece of writing presenting your point of view.

Your piece of writing will be judged on:

- the extent to which you develop your point of view in a reasonable and convincing way; and
- how effectively you express yourself.

MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS

*To be answered on the Answer Sheet for
Multiple-Choice Questions*

You are advised to allocate 2 hours to this task.

Choose the response that is **correct** or that **best answers the question**, and shade the square on the answer sheet for multiple-choice questions according to the instructions on that sheet.

A correct answer is worth 1 mark, an incorrect answer is worth 0 marks. No marks will be given if more than one answer is shown for any question. Marks **will not** be deducted for incorrect answers.