VCE Agricultural and Horticultural Studies performance descriptors

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| **VCE AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL STUDIES**  **SCHOOL-ASSESSED COURSEWORK** | | | | | |
| **Performance descriptors** | | | | | |
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| ***Unit 3***  ***Outcome 1***  ***Describe the role of innovation and technology in agricultural and horticultural practices, analyse past and current initiatives, including unforeseen consequences, and apply innovative processes to agricultural and/or horticultural practices.*** | **DESCRIPTOR: typical performance in each range** | | | | |
| **Very low** | **Low** | **Medium** | **High** | **Very high** |
| Limited description of the role of innovation and technology in agricultural and horticultural practices. | Some description of the role of innovation and technology in agricultural and horticultural practices. | Adequate description of the role of innovation and technology in agricultural and horticultural practices. | Detailed description of the role of innovation and technology in agricultural and horticultural practices. | Comprehensive description of the role of innovation and technology in agricultural and horticultural practices. |
| Limited explanation of past and current problem-solving initiatives in agriculture and horticulture. | Some explanation and limited analysis of past and current problem-solving initiatives in agriculture and horticulture. | Adequate explanation and analysis of past and current problem-solving initiatives in agriculture and horticulture. | Detailed explanation and analysis of past and current problem-solving initiatives. in agriculture and horticulture | Comprehensive explanation and analysis of past and current problem-solving initiatives in agriculture and horticulture. |
| Limited description of unforeseen consequences of past agricultural/horticultural initiatives. | Some explanation of unforeseen consequences of past agricultural/horticultural initiatives. | Adequate explanation and  some analysis of unforeseen consequences of past agricultural/horticultural initiatives. | Detailed explanation and analysis of unforeseen consequences of past agricultural/horticultural initiatives. | Comprehensive explanation and analysis of unforeseen consequences of past agricultural/horticultural initiatives. |
| Limited application of innovative processes to agricultural/horticultural practices. | Some application of innovative processes to agricultural/ horticultural practices. | Adequate application of innovative processes to agricultural/horticultural practices. | Effective application of innovative processes to agricultural/horticultural practices. | Insightful and creative application of innovative processes to agricultural/horticultural practices. |

KEY to marking scale based on the Outcome contributing 50 marks

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| Very Low 0–10 | Low 11–20 | Medium 21–30 | High 31–40 | Very High 41–50 |