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 4***  ***Outcome 2***  ***Analyse dimensions of sustainability concepts across the food and fibre supply chain, evaluate strategies to improve the sustainability of agricultural and/or horticultural businesses, and discuss the role of dimensions of sustainability in business practices.*** | **DESCRIPTOR: typical performance in each range** | | | | |
| **Very low** | **Low** | **Medium** | **High** | **Very high** |
| Limited discussion of the supply chain in Australian food and fibre production and industries. | Some discussion of components of the supply chain in Australian food and fibre production and industries. | Satisfactory explanation of components of the supply chain in Australian food and fibre production and industries. | Detailed explanation of the supply chain in Australian food and fibre production and industries. | Comprehensive explanation of the supply chain in Australian food and fibre production and industries. |
| Limited discussion of sustainability concepts and dimensions across the food and fibre supply chain. | Some discussion of sustainability concepts and dimensions across the food and fibre supply chain. | Satisfactory analysis of sustainability concepts and dimensions across the food and fibre supply chain. | Detailed analysis of sustainability concepts and dimensions across the food and fibre supply chain. | Sophisticated analysis of sustainability concepts and dimensions across the food and fibre supply chain. |
| Limited discussion of strategies to improve the sustainability of agricultural/horticultural businesses. | Some discussion of strategies to improve the sustainability of agricultural/horticultural businesses. | Adequate evaluation of strategies to improve the sustainability of agricultural/horticultural businesses. | Careful evaluation of strategies to improve the sustainability of agricultural/horticultural businesses. | Comprehensive evaluation of strategies to improve the sustainability of agricultural/horticultural businesses. |
| Limited application of sustainability concepts to business practices. Very limited discussion of specific strategies for improving business sustainability. | Some application of sustainability concepts to business practices. Limited evaluation of specific strategies for improving business sustainability. | Clear application of sustainability concepts to business practices. Satisfactory evaluation of specific strategies for improving business sustainability. | Thorough application of sustainability concepts to business practices. Well-founded evaluation of specific strategies for improving business sustainability. | Insightful application of sustainability concepts to business practices. Considered evaluation of specific strategies for improving business sustainability. |

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 |