Individuals & Societies

Criterion A: Knowing and understanding

Achievement	Descriptors Descriptors		
levels	MYP 1	MYP 2-3	MYP 4-5
7-8	The student: consistently uses relevant vocabulary accurately demonstrates excellent knowledge and	The student: consistently uses a range of terminology accurately demonstrates detailed knowledge and	The student: consistently uses a wide range of terminology effectively demonstrates detailed knowledge and
	understanding of content and concepts through detailed descriptions, explanations and examples	understanding of content and concepts through developed and accurate descriptions, explanations and examples	understanding of content and concepts through thorough, accurate descriptions, explanations and examples
	The student: uses considerable relevant vocabulary often accurately	The student: ☐ uses considerable and relevant terminology accurately	The student: ☐ uses a range of terminology accurately and appropriately
5-6	 demonstrates substantial knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through descriptions, explanations and examples 	 demonstrates substantial knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through descriptions, explanations and examples 	 demonstrates substantial knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through accurate descriptions, explanations and examples
	The student: uses some vocabulary	The student: □ uses some terminology accurately	The student: ☐ uses some terminology accurately and appropriately
3-4	 demonstrates satisfactory knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through simple descriptions, explanations and examples 	 demonstrates a satisfactory knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through simple descriptions, explanations and examples 	 demonstrates adequate knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through satisfactory descriptions, explanations and examples
1-2	The student: recognizes some vocabulary demonstrates basic knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through limited descriptions and/or and examples	The student: makes limited use of terminology demonstrates basic knowledge and understanding of content and concepts through limited descriptions and/or examples	The student: uses limited relevant terminology demonstrates basic knowledge and understanding of content and concepts with minimal descriptions and/or examples
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Criterion B: Investigating

Achievement		Descriptors	criptors	
levels	MYP 1	MYP 2-3	MYP 4-5	
7-8	The student: explains the choice of a research question	The student: formulates/chooses a clear and focused research question and explains its relevance	The student: formulates a clear and focused research question and justifies its relevance	
	 effectively follows an action plan to explore a research question 	formulates and effectively follows a consistent action plan to investigate a research question	formulates and effectively follows a comprehensive action plan to investigate a research question	
	 uses methods to collect and record consistently relevant information 	 uses methods to collect and record appropriate and varied relevant information 	uses research methods to collect and record appropriate, varied and relevant information	
	 thoroughly reflects on the research process and results 	 with guidance, provides a detailed evaluation of the research process and results 	 thoroughly evaluates the process and results of the investigation 	
	The student: describes the choice of a research question in detail	The student: ☐ formulates/chooses a clear and focused research question and describes its relevance in detail	The student: ☐ formulates a clear and focused research question and explains its relevance	
5-6	mostly follows an action plan to explore a research question	☐ formulates and mostly follows a sufficiently developed action plan to investigate a research question	 formulates and follows a substantial action plan to investigate a research question 	
	 uses method(s) to collect and record often relevant information 	 uses methods to collect and record appropriate relevant information 	 uses research method(s) to collect and record appropriate, relevant information 	
	reflects on the research process and results	□ with guidance, evaluates the research process and results	 evaluates of the process and results of the investigation 	
3-4	The student: describes the choice of a research question	The student: formulates/chooses a clear and focused research question and describes its relevance	The student: ☐ formulates a clear and focused research question and describes its relevance in detail	
	 partially follows an action plan to explore a research question 	formulates and occasionally follows a partial action plan to investigate a research question	 formulates and somewhat follows a partial action plan to investigate a research question 	
	 uses a method or methods to collect and record some relevant information with guidance, reflects on 	 uses a method(s) to collect and record some relevant information 	 uses a research method(s) to collect and record mostly relevant information 	
	the research process and results with some depth	 with guidance, reflects on the research process and results 	 evaluates some aspects of the process and results of the investigation 	
1-2	The student: identifies a research question	The student: identifies a research question that is clear, focused and relevant.	The student: ☐ formulates a research question that is clear or focused and describes its relevance	

	 follows an action plan in a limited way to explore a research question 	☐ formulates a limited action plan or does not follow a plan	 formulates a limited action plan to investigate a research question or does not follow a plan
	 collects and records information, to a limited extent 	 collects and records limited or sometimes irrelevant information 	 collects and records limited information, not always consistent with the research question
	 with guidance, reflects on the research process and results to a limited extent 	 with guidance, reflects on the research process and results in a limited way 	 makes a limited evaluation of the process and results of the investigation
0	The student's work does not read	ch a standard described by any of t	the descriptors above.

Criterion C: Thinking critically

Achievement	ninking critically Descriptors		
levels	MYP 1	MYP 2-3	MYP 4-5
	The student: communicates information and ideas in a way that is completely clear	The student: communicates information and ideas in a style that is completely appropriate to the audience and purpose	The student: communicates information and ideas effectively and accurately by using a style that is completely appropriate to the audience and purpose
7-8	 completely organizes information and ideas effectively 	 structures information and ideas completely according to the task instructions 	 structures information and ideas in a way that is completely appropriate to the specified format
	☐ lists sources in a way that always follows the task instructions	 creates a complete reference list and always cites sources 	 consistently documents sources of information using a recognized convention
	The student: □ communicates information and ideas in a way that is mostly clear	The student: communicates information and ideas in a style that is mostly appropriate to the audience and purpose	The student: communicates information and ideas accurately by using a style that is mostly appropriate to the audience and purpose
5-6	 mostly organizes information and ideas 	 mostly structures information and ideas according to the task instructions 	 structures information and ideas in a way that is mostly appropriate to the specified format
	☐ lists sources in a way that often follows the task instructions	creates an adequate reference list and usually cites sources	 often documents sources of information using a recognized convention
	The student: communicates information and ideas in a way that is somewhat clear	The student: communicates information and ideas in a style that is somewhat clear	The student: communicates information and ideas satisfactorily by using a style that is somewhat appropriate to the audience and purpose
3-4	 somewhat organizes information and ideas 	 somewhat organizes information and ideas 	 structures information and ideas in a way that is somewhat appropriate to the specified format
	☐ lists sources in a way that sometimes follows the task instructions	□ creates an adequate reference list and sometimes cites sources	 sometimes documents sources of information using a recognized convention
	The student: communicates information and ideas in a style that is not always clear	The student: communicates information and ideas in a style that is not always clear	The student: communicates information and ideas in a limited way, using a style that is limited in its appropriateness to the audience and purpose
1-2	□ organizes information and ideas in a limited way	□ organizes information and ideas in a limited way	 structures information and ideas according to the specified format in a limited way
-	☐ Inconsistently lists sources, not following the task instructions	☐ lists sources of information inconsistently	□ documents sources of information in a limited way
0	The student's work does not read	ch a standard described by any of	me descriptors above.

Criterion D: Co	ommunicating		
Achievement	Descriptors		
levels	MYP 1	MYP 2-3	MYP 4-5
7-8	The student: □ identifies in detail the main points of ideas, events, visual representation or arguments	The student: completes a detailed analysis of concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories	The student: completes a detailed discussion of concepts, issues, models, visual representation and theories
	 uses information to give detailed opinions 	 summarizes information to make consistent, well- supported arguments 	 synthesizes information to make valid, well- supported arguments
	 consistently identifies and analyzes a range of sources/data in terms of origin and purpose 	 effectively analyzes a range of sources/data in terms of origin and purpose, consistently recognizing values and limitations 	 effectively analyzes and evaluates a wide range of sources/data in terms of origin and purpose, recognizing values and limitations
	 consistently identifies different views and their implications 	 clearly recognizes different perspectives and consistently explains their implications 	 thoroughly interprets a range of different perspectives and their implications
5-6	The student: identifies the main points of ideas, events, visual representation or arguments	The student: completes a substantial analysis of concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories	The student: discusses concepts, issues, models, visual representation and theories
	 uses information to give substantial opinions 	 summarizes information to make usually valid arguments 	 synthesizes information to make valid arguments
	□ identifies the origin and purpose of a range of sources/data	 analyzes sources/data in terms of origin and purpose, usually recognizing values and limitations 	 effectively analyzes and evaluates a range of sources/data in terms of origin and purpose, recognizing values and limitations
	 identifies different views and most of their implications 	 clearly recognizes different perspectives and describes most of their implications 	 interprets different perspectives and their implications
3-4	The student: ☐ identifies some main points of ideas, events, visual representation or arguments	The student: completes a simple analysis of concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories	The student: analyzes concepts, issues, models, visual representation and theories
	□ uses information to give adequate opinions	 summarizes information to make some adequate arguments 	 summarizes information to make arguments
	□ identifies the origin and purpose of sources/data	□ analyzes sources/data in terms of origin and purpose, recognizing some values and limitations	□ analyzes and/or evaluates sources/data in terms of origin and purpose, recognizing some values and limitations
	 identifies some different views and suggests some of their implications 	□ recognizes different perspectives and suggests some of their implications	□ interprets different perspectives and some of their implications

1-2	The student: □ Identifies the main points of	The student: begins to analyze	The student: analyzes concepts, issues,
	ideas, events, visual representation or arguments to a limited extent	concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories in a limited way	models, visual representation and theories to a limited extent
	uses information to give limited opinions	 begins to identify connections between information to make simple arguments 	 summarizes information to a limited extent to make arguments
	□ identifies the origin and purpose of limited sources/data	□ recognizes the origin and purpose of few sources/data as well as few values and limitations of sources/data	 describes a limited number of sources/data in terms of origin and purpose and recognizes few values and limitations
	☐ identifies some different views	☐ identifies different perspectives	 identifies different perspectives and minimal implications
0	The student's work does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors above.		