

Task Name: Trial HSC Exam	Units: Constructing History, Case Studies (Witch Hunts and Witch Trials)
Task Distributed: Tuesday 5 th August 2025	Date: Tuesday 19 th August 2025
Task Type: Written Exam	Syllabus Outcomes: HE12-1, HE12-2, HE124
Task Weighting: 30%	Task number for Course: 4

Task Description:

The Half Yearly HSC Exam consists of TWO sections. Students will have 10 minutes reading time and 2 hours to answer all questions.

Section 1: Constructing History

- One essay question, using given sources
- Total marks: 25
- Allow 1 hour for this section.

Section II: Case Studies - Witch Hunts and Witch Trials

- One essay question, possibly using given sources
- Total marks: 25
- Allow 1 hour for this section.

Total exam mark: 50

NESA Glossary of Key Words

- To what extent/assess/evaluate: make a judgement of value, quality, outcomes, results
- *Understand the verb associated with the task. The verb will provide an understanding of the detail needed to successfully answer the question.*

Details of Submission:

- The task will be completed in exam conditions during the scheduled period on the 19th August 2025
- Students will have 2 hours to complete the task.
- Student must write using black or blue pen.
- Writing paper will be provided. Extra writing booklets are available.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring notes into the exam.

Absences on the day will be dealt with in accordance with school policies.

Assessment Procedures

All students should be fully aware of the school assessment procedures. Students should access their 2025 Assessment Guide for more information.

Feedback provided

- The task will be typically returned to students within two school weeks of the submission date.
- At this time feedback including information on how to improve will be delivered through mechanisms such as marking criteria, and/or written comments.
- Students can clarify or seek further feedback by arranging to meet with their teacher.

Self-Reflection Component

Students will be required to complete a self-reflection worksheet at the time students receive their assessment mark and teacher feedback. Self-reflection is an important part of the learning process as it provides an opportunity to reflect on the strength of your performance, as well as areas that have been identified to strengthen in future tasks.

What Areas of Learning will this Assessment Task Report On?

In this task you will be assessed on your ability to:

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of Constructing History and Case Studies: Witch Hunts and Witch Trials
- Apply knowledge of the course content and historical terminology
- Demonstrate ability to integrate and analyse sources

Marking Criteria:

Marking criteria will be provided after the exam and will be modelled on the marking criteria for section I and II of the HSC.