

Year 12 Business Studies
Task 4: Trial HSC Examination

Due Date: Friday 15th of August 2025

Task Name: Trial HSC Exam	Units: Operations, Finance, Marketing & Human Resource (up to and including HR Processes)
Task Distributed: 29/7/25	Task Due: Friday 15th of August 2025 (Check Exam Timetable to confirm)
Task Type: Trial HSC Exam	Syllabus Outcomes: H1, H2, H3, H4, H5, H6, H8, H9 & H10
Task Weighting: 30%	Task number for Course: 4

Task Description

This exam consists of **FOUR** sections. Students will have **5 minutes** reading time and **3 hours** to complete the exam. All sections are **compulsory**.

SECTION I - 20 Multiple Choice Questions (**20 marks**). Questions will come from all FOUR topics.

SECTION II - Short Answers (**40 marks**). Each short answer will be worth 10 marks each.

SECTION III - Answer one extended-response question in the form of a **business report (20 marks)**. You are expected to interpret the information/stimulus provided. The **directive** term used in the question tells you the approach to take and depth to write under each heading. The question will require students to respond to TWO topics.

SECTION IV - Answer ONE question from a choice of TWO. (**20 marks**). This question will require students to use **case study material** (Apple, McDonalds etc) and **contemporary business examples**.

NESA Glossary of Key Words

- Understand the verb associated with the task. The verb will provide an understanding of the detail needed to successfully answer the question.
- Check the NESA Glossary of Key Words
<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/hsc-student-guide/glossary-keywords>

Details of Submission

This task will be completed under exam conditions in the hall or library on **Friday 15th of August 2025**. Students should consult their examination timetable to confirm the date and time of the exam.

Students must bring the required equipment for the examination, which includes a **black** pen and a board approved **calculator**. All writing paper will be provided. Students are NOT permitted to bring notes into the exam.

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/sitting.
- 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/assessment marker.

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 our performance, as well as areas that have been identified to strengthen in future tasks.

What Areas of Learning will this Assessment Task Report On?

This task will draw together the above outcomes to provide students the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge of concepts within the study of Business Studies, specifically in the topics of **Operations, Finance, Marketing and Human Resources (up to and including HR Processes)**. It will also allow them the opportunity to analyse and respond to stimulus material giving recommendations to solve the problems faced by the business. This task will allow them to gain feedback on areas of strength and areas in which to improve for their HSC. The structure and questioning style of this exam is modelled off the HSC Business Studies Examination.

Marking Criteria

Marking guidelines stating the specific criteria for each question will be given to students with feedback when the task is returned.

The rubrics that appear in the Business Studies exam in the HSC will also be used.

Section III- In your answer you will be assessed on how well you:

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- demonstrate knowledge and understanding relevant to the question
 - apply the hypothetical business situation
 - communicate using relevant business terminology and concepts
 - present a sustained, logical and cohesive response in the form of a business report
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Section IV- In your answer you will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding relevant to the question
 - apply relevant business case study/studies and contemporary business issues
 - communicate using relevant business terminology and concepts
 - present a sustained, logical and cohesive response
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