

HSIE

Year 11 Business Studies

Task 1: Half Yearly Exam

Task Name: Half Yearly Exam	Unit: The Nature of Business
Task Distributed: 26 th March 2026	Task Due: Wednesday 29 th of April
Task Type: Written Exam	Syllabus Outcomes: P1, P2, P3, P5, P8, P9, P10
Task Weighting: 30%	Task number for Course: 1

Task Description

Time allowed: 90 minutes plus 5 minutes reading time

The examination will consist of THREE sections. All sections are COMPULSORY.

SECTION I – 20 Multiple Choice Questions (20 marks). Students should read the questions carefully and apply knowledge of the syllabus. Answer the questions on the multiple-choice answer sheet provided.

SECTION II – Short Answers (30 marks). Students should read the questions carefully and attempt ALL questions. Use the directive term and the amount of answer space in Section II as a guide to how much to write.

SECTION III – Business Report (20 marks) Students should be familiar with the rubric used in this section.

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 in exam conditions during the Yearly Exam Period. Students should consult their examination timetable to confirm the date and time of the exam.
- Ensure you use a black pen. All writing paper will be provided. Students are NOT permitted to bring notes into the exam.
- Students are permitted to bring the required equipment for a Business Studies examination. This includes a black pen, ruler, highlighters and a board endorsed calculator.
- 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 2026 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?

Specific marking criteria will be used and distributed when marking is complete. Each question will have a different mark allocation attached to it so this needs to be considered when responding.

Students need to consider the mark value, the directive verb for each question and the number of lines allocated to ensure they respond appropriately as practised in class.

The business report will be assessed using the rubric in section III of the HSC and is shown below.

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

- 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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