WORK SAMPLE PORTFOLIO

Annotated work sample portfolios are provided to support implementation of the Foundation – Year 10 Australian Curriculum.

Each portfolio is an example of evidence of student learning in relation to the achievement standard. Three portfolios are available for each achievement standard, illustrating satisfactory, above satisfactory and below satisfactory student achievement. The set of portfolios assists teachers to make on-balance judgements about the quality of their students’ achievement.

Each portfolio comprises a collection of students’ work drawn from a range of assessment tasks. There is no pre-determined number of student work samples in a portfolio, nor are they sequenced in any particular order. Each work sample in the portfolio may vary in terms of how much student time was involved in undertaking the task or the degree of support provided by the teacher. The portfolios comprise authentic samples of student work and may contain errors such as spelling mistakes and other inaccuracies. Opinions expressed in student work are those of the student.

The portfolios have been selected, annotated and reviewed by classroom teachers and other curriculum experts. The portfolios will be reviewed over time.

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THIS PORTFOLIO: YEAR 2 ENGLISH

This portfolio provides the following student work samples:

Sample 1 Text connection: The Deep
Sample 2 Narrative text: Cat and rabbit
Sample 3 Reading aloud: Amy’s Song
Sample 4 Written report: Excursion to Kings Park
Sample 5 Digital presentation: Emus
Sample 6 Descriptive poem: Mixtures

This portfolio of student work includes responses to a variety of texts and the development of a range of written and oral texts. The student uses a variety of text processing strategies to read (WS3), retrieve literal information (WS1, WS5), make inferences and find the main idea in a text (WS1). The student creates written and multimodal texts for specific purposes and audiences (WS2, WS4, WS5, WS6), drawing on knowledge of grammar, vocabulary and punctuation (WS2, WS4, WS5, WS6). The student creates texts exploring sound and word patterns (WS6). The student attempts to spell high-frequency sight words and to use sound-letter knowledge to spell new words (WS1, WS2, WS4, WS5).
Text connection: *The Deep*

**Year 2 English achievement standard**

The parts of the achievement standard targeted in the assessment task are highlighted.

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**Summary of task**

After reading *The Deep* by Tim Winton, students were asked to consider how it connected with another text they had read. They were asked to:

- identify the key ideas in *The Deep*
- identify another text that connects with *The Deep*
- identify the connections between the two texts.

Students had previous lessons on making connections between texts. They had access to library resources and copies of *The Deep* to use as they worked.
Text connection: *The Deep*

What was the text ‘The Deep’ by Tim Winton about?

Alice learns to swim at the end. Alice wasn’t scared of the deep.

Can you think of another text that connects with ‘The Deep’?

Grug learns to read.

Why do these texts connect?

Because Alice didn’t know how to swim and Grug learns to read. And Alice learns to swim in the deep.

Annotations

Names a familiar text that connects with an aspect of the text heard in class.

Answers questions using sentence fragments, for example, ‘because Alice doesn’t’.

Makes connections between two texts describing literal meanings, for example, ‘Grug learns to read and Alice learns to swim’.

Spells some frequently used words accurately, for example, ‘because’, ‘the’ and uses knowledge of letters and sounds to attempt to spell words, for example, ‘sked/scared’, ‘ha/how’.

Writes a single sentence summary outlining the main idea of a story heard in class, for example, ‘Alice wasn’t scared of the deep’.
Narrative text: Cat and rabbit

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Summary of task

Students looked at a variety of narrative texts and identified how the following elements were used in some of these texts:

- starting the story by introducing the characters and setting
- the problem/s evident
- how the problem is solved
- finishing with a lesson to learn/happy ending/conclusion.

Students were asked to use their knowledge of narrative text structure to write their own narratives. They were given an opening paragraph and sentence starters to use in their work.
Narrative text: Cat and rabbit

One morning at the park cat and rabbit were playing ball. Rabbit wanted to play on the slide and cat wanted to play ball. Rabbit screamed at cat. Cat walked away from rabbit. Now rabbit followed him so cat ran away from him.

Annotations

Creates a very brief imaginative text with some recognizable structural elements of a narrative, for example, a beginning and a problem.

Uses capital letters to signal sentence beginnings, for example, ‘One morning...’

Uses a familiar setting for a narrative, for example, ‘the park’.

Spells some irregular words, for example, ‘walked’, uses digraphs and sound-letter knowledge to spell regular words, for example, ‘cat’, ‘park’, ‘morning’ and to attempt unknown words, for example, ‘where/were’, ‘wonted/wanted’.

Develops cohesion through word associations, for example, ‘park’, ‘slide’, ‘ball’, ‘play’.

Uses familiar common nouns, for example, ‘cat’, ‘rabbit’.

Uses simple, everyday vocabulary, for example, ‘cat’, ‘play’, ‘rabbit’.

Uses a basic image of part of the setting to support the text.
Reading aloud: *Amy’s Song*

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**Summary of task**

Students were asked to read a levelled text aloud. The student had read this text on a number of occasions.
Reading aloud: Amy’s Song

Annotations

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Written report: Excursion to Kings Park

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**Summary of task**

Students had many opportunities to learn how to write a recount, including explicit teaching and learning opportunities about text structure and language features.

Students were asked to write a recount after an excursion to Kings Park. Before writing they engaged in whole class and group discussion about their experiences.
On Wednesday 27th of June, Mr class. We went to Kings Park, Indigenous Festival, to learn about Indigenous Aboriginal life. A bus.

1. Trevor told us all about Aboriginal stuff.
2. We went painting.
3. Then we went to dancing.
4. We went to Nature Camp.

Annotations

Creates a basic informative text, drawing on own experiences, to recount a sequence of events.

Uses capital letters to signal some proper nouns, for example, ‘Kings Park’ and to begin sentences.

Uses basic familiar vocabulary appropriately and some new topic words, for example, ‘glass bridge’ and learned technical vocabulary, for example, ‘Indigenous Aboriginal’.

Uses numerals to sequence events.

Uses a limited range of verbs, for example, ‘went’.
Written report: Excursion to Kings Park

If I went to the dams then we went to dens we made our of wood then we went to dams that was my favourite the ropes we them nadjick Bosch them then we went a batakick would we went over the glass window and

Annotations

Spells some irregular words, for example, ‘would’, uses digraphs and sound-letter knowledge to spell simple regular words, for example, ‘dams’, ‘tool’ and to attempt unknown words, for example, ‘favrate/favourite’.

Uses a range of nouns including proper nouns (Kings Park), common nouns (dams) and concrete nouns (bus).
Digital presentation: Emus

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Students were asked to construct a digital presentation to communicate the information they had learned, and researched, about an Australian animal or bird. Students were shown how to construct the digital presentation and add images.
Digital presentation: Emus
Descriptive poem: Mixtures

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Summary of task

The students had completed a unit of work integrating English and science content. In English the students had explored how noun groups add to the descriptive qualities of texts and how these can be used to create patterns in poetry. In science the students had investigated how some materials can be mixed together for a particular purpose, such as ingredients.

For this task, students first worked in groups to prepare a healthy snack using fruit and vegetables. After making the snack, the groups formed a ‘talking circle’ to experiment with sounds and words to develop descriptive, rhythmic statements that captured the characteristics of the food. The students then drew on these statements to create their own descriptive poems. The video clip displays the poem as created by the use of the word cards. The poems were videoed as they were presented orally.
Descriptive poem: Mixtures

Following is a transcript of a poem created and presented by the student. The original poem was handwritten on individual pieces of cardboard to support experimentation of word selection. The annotations apply to the student’s oral presentation and written poem.

Student:
Vegetable Soup
yellow buttered corn
purple spicy onion
bean
pumpkin
juicy orange carrot
cabbage
stock
equals vegetable soup

Annotations
With support, creates and reads a brief, poetic text, drawing on own experiences and group work with peers.
States title of poem.
Reads poem word by word.
Uses knowledge of sounds to read irregular words, for example, ‘p ... purple’.
Describes some nouns in poem, for example, ‘juicy orange carrot’.
Lists other nouns, for example, ‘bean’, ‘cabbage’.
Reads all lines, with delay between some lines.
Uses some familiar structures of a poetic text, for example, short lines.
Reads last line with some expression.