

ANCIENT HISTORY Level 3

Common Assessment Task

Work Requirements:

This task may form part of the work requirement for Section A of the course.

Assessment Type:

Essay

Criteria being assessed:

- Criterion 5 - elements 2, 3, 4 and 5

Suggested conditions:

- This task should take learners 75 minutes, 15 minutes for planning the response and 60 minutes for the creation of the response.
- The response should be between 800 and 1000 words
- The task may be word-processed or hand-written.
- This task requires an individual response by each learner.

Task Description:

You will write an essay on one of the topics in the table.

Civilisation	Topic
Egypt	The Battle of Kadesh
Greece	Delphi OR the Destruction of Troy
Rome	Masada OR the Roman Games
China	Xia OR Shang OR Zhou Dynasties
Assyria	Ziggurats of Mesopotamia

- You have 15 minutes to organise your thoughts and plan your essay.
- Use the remaining 60 minutes to write your essay.
- Include 5 minutes to check your essay for obvious errors and to make sure you have included the information you wanted to.

Task Description:

Choose one topic from the table to write an essay on the statement:

“The evidence that exists has a direct impact on how reliable, contested and/or valid our understanding of the ancient past is.”

Discuss this quotation, making reference to:

- one topic from the table

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- the primary and secondary sources associated with the chosen topic
- the origin, purpose, and context of those sources.

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Teacher use only - What needs to be submitted for assessment?

Learners should submit the essay either electronically or in person.