

Design briefs

Outdoor Education WACE examination

Stage 2 Sample written exam design brief

The written exam score represents 100% of the total external assessment for Outdoor Education.

Content: 40–60% from Unit 2A and 40–60% from Unit 2B

Assessment/item type	Supporting information
<p>Section One Multiple-choice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 questions • 10% of the total mark • Suggested working time: 30 minutes 	<p>This section will contain questions that enable students to demonstrate knowledge of course content from Units 2A and 2B.</p> <p>Stimulus materials may be used which could include scenario descriptions, pictures, diagrams, maps, weather maps, articles and excerpts.</p>
<p>Section Two Short response</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 questions • 45% of the total mark • Suggested working time: 60 minutes 	<p>A series of both closed and open items will be used. These will increase in complexity. Items will be scaffolded by having parts to the question allowing candidates to respond at increasing levels of difficulty. Items should enable candidates to respond in ways alternative to continuous prose, for example candidates may be asked to label diagrams, complete tables and construct flow charts.</p> <p>Stimulus materials will be used in this section. Suitable stimulus materials could include the use of scenarios or issues, photographs, diagrams, newspaper articles, topographical maps etc.</p>
<p>Section Three Extended response</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 questions • 45% of the total mark • Suggested working time: 90 minutes 	<p>This section will encourage students to demonstrate their understandings through extended writing.</p> <p>Candidates will be required to draw on their experiences in the outdoors to assist them in addressing the items.</p> <p>Stimulus materials will be used in this section. Suitable stimulus materials could include the use of scenarios or issues, photographs, diagrams, newspaper articles etc.</p>

Other considerations

Written examination length: 3 hours (180 minutes) and 10 minutes reading time.

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Stage 3 Sample written exam design brief

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Content: 40–60% from Unit 3A and 40–60% from Unit 3B

Exam paper sections	Supporting information
<p>Section One Multiple-choice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 questions • 10% of the total mark • Suggested working time: 30 minutes 	<p>This section will contain questions that enable students to demonstrate knowledge of course content from units 3A and 3B.</p> <p>Stimulus materials may include scenario description, pictures, diagrams, articles and excerpts.</p>
<p>Section Two Short response (closed and open response)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 questions • 45% of the total mark • Suggested working time: 60 minutes 	<p>A series of both closed and open items should be used that increase in complexity. Some will be scaffolded by having parts to the question to allow candidates to respond at increase levels of difficulty. Items should enable candidates to respond in ways alternative to continuous prose, for example students may be asked to label diagrams, complete tables, construct flow charts and complete triangulations etc.</p> <p>Stimulus materials will be used in this section. Suitable stimulus materials could include the use of scenarios or issues, photographs, diagrams, newspaper articles, topographical maps etc.</p>
<p>Section Three Extended response</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 questions • 45% of the total mark • Suggested working time: 90 minutes 	<p>This section will encourage students to demonstrate their understandings through extended writing.</p> <p>Candidates will be required to draw on their experiences in the outdoors to assist them in addressing the items.</p> <p>Stimulus materials may be used in this section. Suitable stimulus materials could include the use of scenarios or issues, photographs, diagrams, newspaper articles etc.</p>

Other considerations

Written examination length: 3 hours (180 minutes) and 10 minutes reading time.