

# Coonabarabran High School Assessment Notification

Subject: Year 10 Science Assessment task 5: VALI		
Task Date:		
• 10 Science 2: 30.0	8.21 Teacher: Mrs Nash	
• 10 Science 1: 31.0	8.21 <b>Teacher:</b> Miss Christoff	
• <b>10 Science 3:</b> 01.0	9.21 <b>Teacher:</b> Mr Blanch	
Торіс:	All topics from the Years 9 & 10 Science syllabus (see attached study guide)	
Task structure:	Interactive, multimedia test made up of multiple choice and short and extended response questions completed on computer.	
Length of task:	Approximately 70 minutes	

# **Outcomes :**

# Values and Attitudes

A student			
SC5 – 1VA appreciates the importance of science in their lives and the role of scientific enquiry in			
increasing understanding of the world around them			
SC5 – 2VA shows a willingness to engage in finding solutions to science-related personal, social and			
global issues, including shaping sustainable futures			
SC5 – 3VA demonstrates confidence in making reasoned, evidence-based decisions about the current and			
future use and influence of science and technology, including ethical considerations			
Knowledge and Understanding	Skills		
A student	A student:		
SC5-10PW applies models, theories and laws to	SC5-4WS develops questions by hypothesis to be investigated scientifically		
explain situations involving energy, force			
and motion	SC5-5WS produces a plan to investigate identified		
SC5-11PW explains how scientific understanding	questions, hypotheses or problems, individually and collaboratively		
about energy conservation, transfers and transformations is applied in systems	SC5-6WS undertakes first-hand investigations to		
SC5-12ES describes changing ideas about the	collect valid and reliable		
structure of the Earth and the universe to	SC5-7WS processes, analyses and evaluates data		
illustrate how models, theories and laws	from first hand investigations and secondary		
are refined over time by the scientific	sources to develop evidenced- based		
community	arguments and conclusions		
SC5-13ES explains how scientific knowledge	SC5-8WS applies scientific understanding and		
about global patterns of geological	critical thinking skills to suggest possible		
activity and interactions involving global	solutions to identified problems		
systems can be used to inform decisions	SC5-9WS presents science ideas and evidence for a		
related to contemporary issues	purpose and to a specific audience, using		
SC5-14LW analyses interactions between	appropriate scientific language, conventions		

components and processes within	and representations
biological systems	
SC5-15LW explains how biological understanding	
has advanced through scientific	
discoveries, technological developments	
and the needs of society	
SC5-16CW explains how models, theories and	
laws about matter have been refined as	
new scientific evidence becomes	
available	
SC5-17CW discusses the importance of chemical	
reactions in the production of a range of	
substances, and the influence of society	
on the development of new materials	

## **Topics Covered:**

#### Energy and the Atom

**Nuclear Science** 

- Periodic Table (Elements, chemical symbols, atomic number, atomic mass)
- Isotopes and Radioisotopes
  - Ionising radiation (alpha, beta, gamma)
  - Measurement devices (Geiger counter, Scintillation counter)
  - Radiaoctive decay Half-life
- Applications of radioisotopes (medical/industry) relate application to radioisotope half-life and type of radiation)
- Atomic structure (structure of the atom)
- Development of the model of the atom (Dalton, Rutherford, Thompson (plumb pudding))
- Elements and compounds (symbols, formulas)
- Chemical reactions (reactants, products, evidence of a reaction)
- Endothermic (temp decrease) and Exothermic (temp increase) reactions (including combustion and cellular respiration) Changes in energy

#### Ecology

- Biotic (living)/abiotic (non-living) factors of an ecosystem
- The flow of energy in an ecosystem (food chains and webs, trophic levels)
- Cycles in nature (water cycle, carbon cycle, nitrogen cycle)
- Factors affecting the balance of an ecosystem (natural, man-made)

#### Electricity

- Circuits/circuit diagrams (draw, analyse flow of current)
- Parallel and series circuits (identify, compare globes/resistors connected in parallel and series)
- Relationships between Voltage (V), Current (I) and Resistance (R) what happens to current if voltage is changed etc
- Reading electrical meters (voltmeter, ammeter)

#### Cosmology

- The Big bang Theory (what is the theory and what is the evidence supporting it)
- Life Cycle of a star (identify the different stages and the two possible outcomes)
- H-R diagrams interpreting graphs, life cycle of a star
- Distances in space and when each is used (Astronomical Unit (AU), Light Year (Ly), Parsec)
- Objects in the Universe (galaxy, nebula, stars, solar system)

#### Waves

- Features of a wave (frequency, wavelength, amplitude, period)
- Properties of waves (reflection, refraction)
- Types of waves (Electromagnetic (E-M) waves, Mechanical waves) identify, examples, applications.
- Types of wave motion (Transverse, compressional (or longitudinal)

#### Working Scientifically Skills (FHI and SRP)

- Scientific Method (aim, hypothesis, method, risk assessment, discussion, analysis)
- Lab equipment (identify and draw)
- Independent, dependent and controlled variables
- Collecting and communicating data
- Evaluating results, method, sources (Validity/Reliability/Accuracy)
- Graphing (eg: graphs, tables, flowcharts creating and interpreting

## Newton and Motion

- Describing motion
- Speed, time, acceleration, velocity (recognise and make calculations)
- Newton's Laws of Motion and their application to everyday situations

# **Plate Tectonics**

- Earth structure and Earth movements
- Types of plate boundaries: Convergent, Divergent, Tansform
- Causes and effects of Earth movements

#### **Chemical Reactions**

- Acids and Bases (examples of and properties of each)
- Indicators, pH scale (interpreting graphs)
- Chemical equations (reactants /products)
- Reactants and Proof of acids (Acid + Metal, Acid + Carbonate; Acid + Base)
- Types of reactions: acid, base, corrosion, combustion, precipitation, decomposition
- Increasing the rate of reaction

#### Evolution

- Adaptations: structural, behavioural and physiological
- Darwin/Wallace theory of evolution
- Evidence supporting Darwin/Wallace theory of evolution: Fossil record, Comparative anatomy, Comparative embryology, Biochemistry

Good Luck!