

LANGUAGES

INTRODUCTION

The study of a language in Years 11 and 12 allows students to develop their language skills, enabling them to become proficient and confident in expressing their ideas and opinions on a wide range of topics.

BEGINNERS courses are for students with less than 100 hours study in the language.

CONTINUERS courses are for students who have completed the Stage 5 or equivalent in the language and who are not HERITAGE or BACKGROUND SPEAKERS. (HERITAGE or BACKGROUND SPEAKERS – this applies to Asian languages only)

EXTENSION courses (one additional unit) are offered in all Continuers languages in Year 12 only. These courses, while challenging, offer great rewards for talented language students.

A. MODERN LANGUAGES:

1. BEGINNERS (2 UNIT) – ITALIAN

- Designed for students with no more than 100 hours of formal study
- Has a separate syllabus and assessment from Continuers courses
- Has the same value as all other 2 Unit courses
- Can be used for ATAR
- Based on active communication
- Is challenging and rewarding
- Offers a high level of language competence in just two years
- Can lead into international degrees at university level

SAMPLE BEGINNERS HSC ASSESSMENT (MODERN LANGUAGES)

SPEAKING	20%
LISTENING	30%
READING/RESPONDING	30%
WRITING	20%