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## New Zealand Scholarship Samoan

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### Sāmoan assessment specification

Scholarship Performance Standard (93010)	Sāmoan
Mode of Assessment	Written examination
For Year	2016

#### Format of the assessment

The exam consists of TWO parts, held in a three-hour time slot:

- first, a two-hour Writing section with TWO questions
- second, a one-hour Speaking section with one question in SĀMOAN.

Candidates will undertake the two-hour Writing section in a Writing Room and will undertake the Speaking section individually in a Recording Room.

#### Resources or information supplied:

- A question-and-answer booklet for each candidate
- A CD that the Listening passage(s) are recorded on
- A laminated 'Speaking Task' card
- A new CD with a CD case for each candidate (supplied by the school).

#### Section One: Writing (two hours)

##### QUESTION ONE

This question will require a response written in SĀMOAN, to passage(s) spoken in SĀMOAN, and provided on a CD.

The Listening passages(s) will:

- require approximately 30 minutes' listening time
- be repeated THREE times: the first time as a whole, the second and third times in sections, with a pause after each section
- consist of no more than THREE passages
- contain complex SĀMOAN and concepts
- be linked around a common theme.

In their written responses, candidates will be expected to:

- demonstrate logical, clear, concise, and relevant use of Sāmoan, that is error-free (or almost error-free)
- use a wide variety of complex structures and vocabulary that are well integrated into their response(s)
- assemble Sāmoan in a seamless/coherent manner, and make minimal use of expressions from the stimulus material
- go considerably beyond the given material.

## QUESTION TWO

This question will require a response written in ENGLISH, to text(s) written in SĀMOAN, provided in the question-and-answer booklet.

The written stimulus material will:

- consist of no more than three texts
- contain complex SĀMOAN and concepts
- be linked around a common theme.

In their written responses, candidates will be expected to:

- respond to unpredictable elements to express personal opinions, beliefs or viewpoints
- demonstrate independent reflection and extrapolation, perception and insight
- provide evidence that is widespread and goes considerably beyond the given material, and is assembled in a seamless coherent manner.

At the end of the Writing section of the examination, all candidate question-and-answer booklets will be collected, and candidates will be sequestered in the Writing Room. From there, they will go, one at a time, in predetermined order, to the Recording Room to undertake Section Two.

## Section Two: Speaking (one hour)

### QUESTION THREE

Candidates will be required to give a spoken response of 3–4 minutes to a question related to the listening passage(s) and/or the written text(s). Both the question and the response will be in SĀMOAN.

In the Recording Room, candidates will be given:

- a straightforward question linked to Question One and/or Question Two, written on a laminated card
- paper and pen on which to draft a response/write notes
- 5 minutes to draft an oral response to the question.

At the end of the 5-minute period, candidates will hand back the laminated card, and give a 3–4 minute oral response to the question. They may use their notes as they speak.

Candidates will be expected to:

- interpret the stimulus material accurately, and link it with their own ideas
- use appropriate idiomatic expressions, fillers, and pauses
- communicate with confidence and style and in a manner that is natural, fluent, and flexible

- express and communicate their ideas in a convincing way that captivates and holds the interest of the intended audience.

Once they have given their oral response, candidates will hand back the laminated card, leave the Recording Room, and exit the Exam Centre; they will not return to the Writing Room.

[Information for Candidates \(PDF, 76KB\)](#)

## Samoan Resources

The links listed below are for resources to help teachers and students understand what is required for success in New Zealand Scholarship.

- [Performance Standard](#)
- [Examination Requirements \(DOC, 48KB\)](#)
- Exam materials (question books, resource books, reports, schedules, etc)
  - [Top Scholar 2014 \(PDF, 1.6MB\)](#)
  - [Outstanding Scholarship Exemplar \(PDF, 9.4MB\)](#)
  - [Scholarship Exemplar \(PDF, 5.1MB\)](#)
  - [2014 Exam materials \(ZIP, 8.5MB\)](#)
  - [2013 Exam materials \(ZIP, 7MB\)](#)
  - [2012 Exam materials \(ZIP, 8.9MB\)](#)
  - [Previous years' material \(ZIP, 30MB\)](#)

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