



NEW ZEALAND QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY
MANA TOHU MĀTAURANGA O AOTEAROA

**New Zealand Scholarship
Assessment Specifications**

General Information

Scholarship Performance Standard	History
Mode of Assessment	Written examination
For Year	2007

Specific Information

Format of the assessment

A variety of primary and secondary sources will be provided that deal with a particular part of each history context. The key ideas will be explained further in a supporting paragraph. Using most of the sources as well as their own knowledge, candidates will be required to evaluate evidence and produce a single piece of writing that demonstrates their ability to:

- Skill 1 Effectively communicate a sophisticated, substantiated argument.
- Skill 2 Develop informed and perceptive judgements about the nature of historical evidence and/or historical research.
- Skill 3 Critically evaluate historical narratives.
- Skill 4 Demonstrate a thorough and perceptive understanding of historical relationships in selected contexts and settings.
- Skill 5 Synthesise, with perception and insight, ideas relevant to the historical context(s) and setting(s).
- Skill 6 Demonstrate an understanding of the critical underpinnings and scope of an historical question/context.

All skills are equally weighted.

Candidates will receive a Question booklet containing resources and a separate Answer booklet of lined pages.

Sources or information supplied

Two sets of approximately ten sources that relate to the two Level 3 historical contexts.

Content/Context details

Candidates will choose one context, **either** Tudor-Stuart England 1558-1667 **or** New Zealand in the Nineteenth Century, and answer the question concerning that context, using the sources provided.