

New Zealand Scholarship Assessment Specifications 2013

Performance Standard
Mode of Assessment

Latin
Written Examination

Format of the assessment

Candidates will be required to answer all questions.

There will be two previously unseen Latin passages, each having one question requiring translation into English and one question requiring analysis. The question requiring analysis may have more than one part.

An introduction to each of the two passages will be given in English.

Resources or information supplied

A separate glossary of words for each passage will be provided. No further reference material may be used during the assessment.

Content Details

Passage One will be Latin prose of approximately 120–150 words of literary Latin.

Passage Two will be Latin poetry of approximately 15–20 lines of Virgil.

Both passages may be abridged. The Latin prose passage may be adapted to be aligned with the accidence and syntax requirements as outlined in the Latin Teaching and Learning Guide up to and including Level 8 of the curriculum.

Assistance will be given to candidates for structures outside those used in the Latin Teaching and Learning Guide.

Candidates will be expected to recognize additional structures that commonly appear in Virgil's poetry.

Both passages will require analysis of the way(s) that language and style, and/or content convey the ideas of the author.