



Quinns Baptist College
Department of Mathematics, Accounting and Business
Management:

ASSESSMENT EXPECTATIONS

Assessments differ in nature. In this department, assessments are of the following types:

- Observation checks
- Quizzes and Tests
- Investigations
- Assignments
- Exams

Preparing for observation checks: Observation checks usually do not contribute towards your final grade, but require of you to:

- Have all materials, including diary and homework ready for each class
- Have your homework complete and checked for correctness
- Ensure that your uniform is appropriate
- Have your assignment checklist completed if required

Preparing for tests: Tests usually contribute towards your final grade, and require of you to:

- Have a well-structured reference sheet for Mathematics
 - One handwritten page for tests
 - Two handwritten pages for exams
- Have your own stationary and calculators
- Have a recollectable knowledge of multiplication tables, basic theorems, formulas and terminology - *yes, you can study maths!!*
- Have sufficient planning to allow for tutoring, if required
- Practice fluency as well as understanding
- Manage time (on average, 1 minute = 1 mark)

Preparing for Investigations (Mathematics): Investigations usually contribute towards your final grade, and require of you to:

- Practice the take-home part well
- To recollect the content practiced without the assistance of a reference sheet

- To apply the questions in the take-home part to different contexts
- To seek advice on the content from a variety of different sources

Preparing for Assignments: Assignments usually contribute towards your final grade, and require of you to:

- Have a well-structured outline of what you are trying to achieve
- Manage your time - adhere to deadlines
- Seek advice from a variety of resources, not just Google!!
- Complete a checklist to make sure that you have satisfied all the required tasks
- Give credit to all sources and citations in a Bibliography

Preparing for Exams: Exams usually contribute the most towards your final grade, and require of you prepare in the same way as you would for tests, with addition of:

- Having a clear understanding of the required content (Sem 1 or Sem 2 only or Sem 1 / 2)
- Having completed and practiced a well-structured reference sheet for Section 2
- Having completed numerous previous exam papers
- Having practiced acceptable lay-out of solutions to different types of questions
- Understanding your calculator and its capabilities

NOTE on Reference sheets: Reference sheets should be considered a luxury and will disappear when Curriculum Council decides to do so. Reference sheets will only be effective if:

- They are the starting point of your studies - not the result of studying
- They have been practiced well - know what content is there and where you can find it
- They have limited content - too often they are the reason for students running out of time
- They contain worked examples of challenging problems