

SACE Assessment Planner

How SACE assessment builds across the year, a term-by-term map of what typically happens when, and a blank grid to fill in with your own subjects and dates.

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How SACE assessment builds

Stage 2 SACE subjects combine school assessment, which carries the larger share of most subjects' results, with an external assessment component covering the remainder. Results are reported as a grade from A+ to E-, and school assessment tasks accumulate steadily across the year rather than resting on one final exam.

Alongside individual subjects, Stage 2 has compulsory literacy and numeracy requirements and a major project-style subject that most students complete early in the year. Planning these compulsory components early leaves more of the year free for your chosen Stage 2 subjects.

SACE year at a glance

TERM	WHAT'S TYPICALLY HAPPENING	WHAT TO PLAN FOR
Term 1	Stage 2 subjects begin; school assessment tasks start accumulating; compulsory components are often scheduled.	Map out every subject's school assessment tasks for the term ahead.
Term 2	School assessment continues; many students complete a literacy, numeracy or project-style compulsory component around now.	Check off compulsory requirements early so Terms 3 and 4 stay focused on Stage 2 subjects.
Term 3	Further school assessment tasks land; preparation for external assessment intensifies.	Start timed practice for any subject with a written external assessment.
Term 4	External assessment – examinations or external tasks, depending on the subject – is completed.	Focus remaining preparation entirely on the subjects with external assessment still to come.

Dates shift between schools and years — this maps the typical rhythm, not a fixed calendar. Confirm exact dates with your school and the official authority for your state.

Assessment types explained

TYPE	WHAT IT INVOLVES	HOW IT COUNTS
School assessment	Tasks set and marked by your own teachers across Stage 2.	Carries the larger share of most subjects' final result — confirm the exact split for your subject.

TYPE	WHAT IT INVOLVES	HOW IT COUNTS
External assessment	An examination or external task set by the SACE Board.	Covers the remaining share of most subjects' final result.
Compulsory components	Literacy, numeracy and a major project-style requirement.	Must be completed to be awarded the SACE, separate from your chosen subjects' grades.

My planner

Fill this in with your own subjects, tasks and dates as your school confirms them.

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Notes and tutor hand-off

Bring this page to your next session so the tutor can start from what actually blocked you.

Which subject's task calendar is least clear to you right now?

One thing to confirm with your teacher this week:

The task you are most behind on:

What you want a tutor to focus on first:

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