



National 4
Added Value
Unit Specification



Gàidhlig: Assignment (National 4) Added Value

SCQF: level 4 (6 SCQF credit points)

Unit code: H27F 74

Unit outline

This is the Added Value Unit in the National 4 Gàidhlig Course. The general aim of this Unit is to enable the learner to provide evidence of added value for the National 4 Gàidhlig Course through the successful completion of an assignment which will allow the learner to demonstrate challenge and application.

Learners who complete this Unit will be able to:

- 1 Apply language skills to investigate a chosen topic

This Unit is a mandatory Unit of the National 4 Gàidhlig Course and is also available as a free-standing Unit. The Unit Specification should be read in conjunction with the *Course Support Notes*, which provide advice and guidance on delivery and assessment approaches. Exemplification of the standards in this Unit is given in *Unit Assessment Support*.

Recommended entry

Entry to this Unit is at the discretion of the centre. It is recommended that the learner should be in the process of completing, or have completed, the following Units in the National 4 Gàidhlig Course:

- ◆ Gàidhlig: Analysis and Evaluation (National 4)
- ◆ Gàidhlig: Creation and Production (National 4)
- ◆ Gàidhlig: Literacy (National 4)

Equality and inclusion

This Unit Specification has been designed to ensure that there are no unnecessary barriers to learning or assessment. The individual needs of learners should be taken into account when planning learning experiences, selecting assessment methods or considering alternative evidence. For further information, please refer to the *Course Support Notes*.

Standards

Outcomes and assessment standards

Outcome 1

The candidate will:

1 Apply language skills to investigate a chosen topic by:

- 1.1 Understanding straightforward texts
- 1.2 Selecting relevant information from the texts
- 1.3 Evaluating the texts, using some appropriate critical terminology
- 1.4 Presenting their findings orally in Gaelic
- 1.5 Responding to oral questions

Evidence Requirements for the Unit

This Unit will be assessed through controlled assessment which meets the Evidence Requirements below.

The assessment method for this Unit will be an assignment in which the learner will be required to provide evidence of their reading, talking and listening skills by:

- ◆ selecting relevant information from at least two straightforward texts (at least one of which must be a written text)
- ◆ using straightforward language in a Gaelic oral presentation
- ◆ responding appropriately to oral questions

Evidence can be gathered holistically for the Unit, Units or Course as a whole by combining assessment through integrated activities.

In the assignment, the learner will apply their Gàidhlig language skills to investigate a chosen topic.

The assignment is:

- ◆ set by centres within the SQA guidelines described below
- ◆ conducted under some supervision and control

Evidence will be internally marked by centre staff in line with SQA guidelines.

All assessment is subject to quality assurance by SQA.

Setting the assessment

The assignment will be set by centres within the following guidelines:

- ◆ The learner will agree the chosen topic with the teacher/lecturer.
- ◆ The assignment will be a meaningful and appropriately challenging task, which should clearly demonstrate application of language skills, at an appropriate level.

- ◆ The teacher/lecturer will provide overall guidelines for the assignment and a list of questions/tasks/prompts that will lead the learner through the assignment in clear stages.

Conducting the assessment

The assignment will be conducted under some supervision and control. This will take the form of the following:

- ◆ Learners may use a glossary of key terms.
- ◆ Teachers/lecturers can select and provide articles and information appropriate to the learner. At least one text must be written.
- ◆ The amount of support provided should be reflected in the assessment judgment.

Judging the evidence

Evidence will be internally marked and verified by centre staff in line with SQA guidelines.

All assessment is subject to quality assurance by SQA.

Re-assessment

In relation to Unit assessment, SQA's guidance on re-assessment for Units applies.

Exemplification of assessment is provided in *Unit Assessment Support*. Advice and guidance on possible approaches to assessment is provided in the *Course Support Notes*.

Development of skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work

Please refer to the *Course Specification* for information about skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work.

Further mandatory information on Course coverage for the National 4 Gàidhlig Course

The following gives details of mandatory skills, knowledge and understanding for the National 4 Gàidhlig Course. Assessment of this Added Value Unit will involve selecting appropriate skills, knowledge and understanding from those listed below, in line with the Evidence Requirements above. This list of skills, knowledge and understanding also provides the basis for the assessment of all the Units in the Course:

Knowledge of language

- ◆ The names and uses of the basic syntactic units — sentence, clause, phrase/group.
- ◆ The more commonly used conventions of written Gaelic language.

Command of:

- ◆ Gaelic orthographic conventions
- ◆ knowledge of Gaelic literary heritage and contemporary culture

Administrative information

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History of changes to National Unit Specification

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