

National 5 Modern Languages assessment resources

Session 2023–24

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National 5 Modern Languages Course Specification (mandatory information) October 2019, version 2.1	Summary of course assessment and detail of question papers. Assignment–writing and performance–talking assessment conditions and marking instructions.	National 5 Modern Languages web page.
National 5 Modern Languages Course Support Notes (appendix of the course specification, non-mandatory information) October 2019, version 2.1	Guidance on approaches to delivering the course, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ skills development ◆ suggested learning and teaching activities ◆ suggested ways to prepare for course assessment ◆ productive grammar grid ◆ list of suggested contexts, topics and topic development 	National 5 Modern Languages web page.
National 5 Modern Languages Assignment–writing coursework assessment task October 2019, version 1.1	Outline of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ assignment–writing feedback process ◆ example of a writing improvement code ◆ examples of how to apply a writing improvement code to candidates’ draft writing ◆ examples of stimuli for the assignment–writing ◆ template for the production of centre-devised writing stimuli ◆ instructions for candidates 	National 5 Modern Languages web page.

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National 5 Modern Languages Performance–talking coursework assessment task October 2019, version 1.1	Recording documentation (candidate assessment record) and instructions for candidates.	National 5 Modern Languages web page.
National 5 Modern Languages Course Reports	Comments on assessments and candidate performance, guidance on preparing candidates for future assessment, statistical information.	National 5 Modern Languages web page. Under the ‘Course reports’ tab.
National 5 Modern Languages Qualification Verification Summary Reports (QVSR)	Information on approaches to assessment and assessment judgements verified in rounds of SQA external verification.	National 5 Modern Languages web page. Under the ‘Course reports’ tab.
National 5 Modern Languages webinar (recording) June 2017	Outline of the changes to course assessment and their implications, looking at the detail of the performance–talking and considering an example of assignment–writing.	CPD webinars and materials web page.
National 5 Modern Languages specimen question papers	Revised specimen papers.	National 5 Modern Languages web page. Under the ‘Past Papers and Marking Instructions’ tab.
Past papers and 2020–21 question papers	Question papers, audio files and marking instructions for all Modern Languages.	National 5 Modern Languages web page. Under the ‘Past Papers and Marking Instructions’ tab.
National 5 Modern Languages Writing question paper (job application)	Exemplars of candidate evidence and associated commentary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ seven for French ◆ five for Gaelic (Learners) ◆ six for German, Italian and Spanish ◆ four for Mandarin ◆ three for Urdu 	Understanding Standards web page. Search by language, select ‘National 5’, then ‘Writing’ heading.

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National 5 Modern Languages Performance–talking Exemplars from 2017	Exemplars of candidate evidence and associated commentary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ four for Chinese Languages, Gaelic (Learners), Spanish and Urdu ◆ three for French ◆ two for German ◆ one for Italian 	These are available on SQA’s secure site through your SQA co-ordinator. Under the ‘Understanding Standards Materials’, ‘NQ Course Assessment’ tabs.
National 5 Modern Languages Performance–talking Exemplars from 2018	Exemplars of candidate evidence and associated commentary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ four for French and Spanish ◆ three for Chinese Languages, Italian and Urdu ◆ two for German 	These are available on SQA’s secure site through your SQA co-ordinator. Under the ‘Understanding Standards Materials’, ‘NQ Course Assessment’ tabs.
National 5 Modern Languages Performance–talking Exemplars from 2022	Exemplars of candidate evidence and associated commentary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ three for Chinese Languages, French, Spanish and Urdu ◆ two for German 	These are available on SQA’s secure site through your SQA co-ordinator. Under the ‘Understanding Standards Materials’, ‘NQ Course Assessment’ tab.
National 5 Modern Languages Assignment–writing Exemplars from 2017	Exemplars of candidate evidence and associated commentary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ two for French and Spanish ◆ four for German 	Understanding Standards web page. Search by language, select ‘National 5’, then ‘Assignment–writing’ heading.
National 5 Modern Languages assignment–writing Exemplars from 2018	Exemplars of candidate evidence and associated commentary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ four for Gaelic (Learners), German, Italian and Urdu ◆ six for French and Mandarin ◆ five for Spanish 	Understanding Standards web page. Search by language, select ‘National 5’, then ‘Assignment–writing’ heading.

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<p>National 5 Modern Languages Assignment–writing</p> <p>‘Refresher’ webinar for the return of the assignment–writing to the National 5 Modern Languages course</p> <p>2023</p>	<p>Webinar recording covering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ purpose of assignment–writing ◆ assessment conditions ◆ candidate resources ◆ generic examples of assignment–writing ◆ outline of existing documentation ◆ sources of information already available 	<p>CPD webinars and materials web page.</p>
<p>Modern Languages Gathering evidence audio presentation</p>	<p>PowerPoint presentation covering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ devising and sourcing assessments ◆ conducting assessments ◆ judging the evidence ◆ internal quality assurance 	<p>National 5 Modern Languages web page.</p> <p>Under ‘Course support’ tab.</p>
<p>Common questions</p>	<p>This primarily covers aspects of assignment–writing and performance–talking. It covers themes relating to more recent enquiries.</p>	<p>Modern Languages web page.</p> <p>Under ‘Common questions’ tab.</p>
<p>Guidance on conditions of assessment for coursework</p> <p>August 2023, version 1.2</p>	<p>This document provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ clarification and exemplification on acceptable conduct during coursework assessments ◆ examples of reasonable assistance ◆ description of levels of supervision and control ◆ definitions of plagiarism and collusion ◆ definition of malpractice 	<p>National 5 Modern Languages web page.</p> <p>Under ‘Coursework’ tab.</p>