Assessment outline—SL

First examinations 2011

Assessment component	Weighting
External assessment (3 hours)	75%
Paper 1 (2 hours) Section A: Three compulsory questions on part 1 of the syllabus. Section B: Three questions on part 1 of the syllabus. Students choose one question to answer in essay form.	50%
(46 marks)	
Paper 2 (1 hour) Fifteen questions on part 2 of the syllabus. Students choose one question to answer in essay form. (22 marks)	25%
Internal assessment A report of a simple experimental study conducted by the student. (20 marks)	25%

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Assessment outline—HL

First examinations 2011

Assessment component	Weighting
External assessment (4 hours)	80%
Paper 1 (2 hours) Section A: Three compulsory questions on part 1 of the syllabus. Section B: Three questions on part 1 of the syllabus. Students choose one question to answer in essay form.	35%
(46 marks)	
Paper 2 (2 hours) Fifteen questions on part 2 of the syllabus. Students choose two questions to answer in essay form. (44 marks)	25%
Paper 3 (1 hour) Three compulsory questions based on an unseen text, covering part 3 of the syllabus. (30 marks)	20%
Internal assessment A report of a simple experimental study conducted by the student. (28 marks)	20%

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