



## What Papers are Available?

Over the years, feedback has indicated that some teachers may not be aware of the full range of exam papers that are available as part of the CSSA Trial HSC program. Accordingly, the listing of subjects for which we prepare papers is:

English Standard, Advanced, Extension 1, ESL

Mathematics, all courses

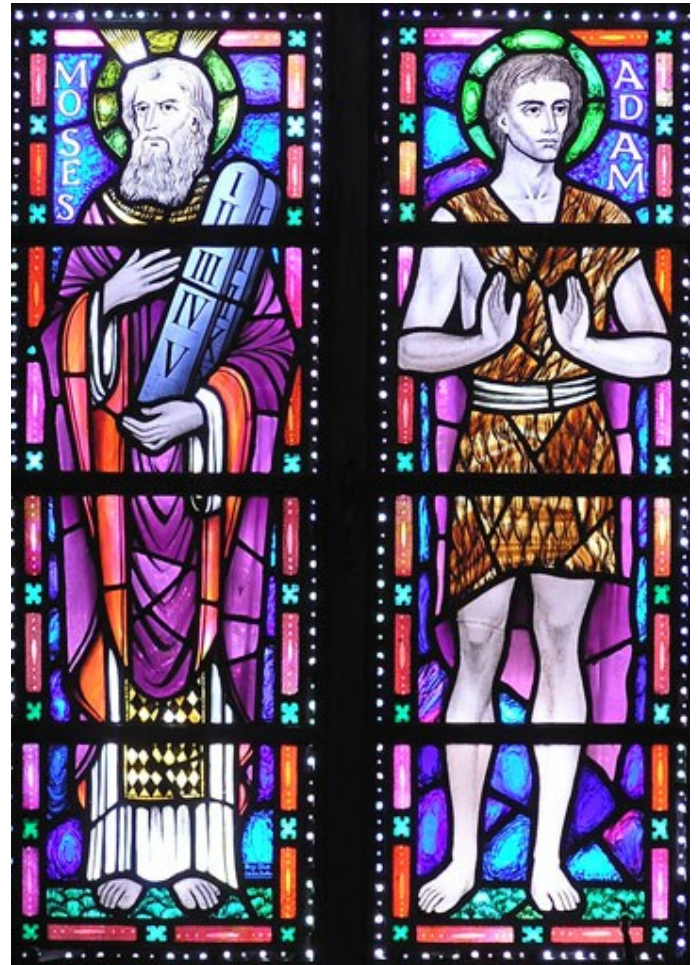
Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Senior Science  
Earth and Environmental Science

Ancient History, Modern History and  
History Extension  
Geography, Business Studies, Economics  
Legal Studies, Society and Culture  
Studies of Religion 1 and 2

Design and Technology, Engineering Studies  
Food Technology  
Textiles and Design  
Information Process and Technology  
Software Design and Development  
Industrial Technology Timber Products  
Industrial Technology Multi Media

PD Health PE,  
Community and Family Studies

Visual Arts, Drama, Music 1 and 2



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# The 2012 “Catholic Trials”

**Trial HSC Examination Division  
Catholic Secondary  
Schools Association**

## Our Aims

### To Continue to Provide a High Level of Service

The CSSA has been providing Trial HSC Examination papers since the inception of the HSC system in 1967.

Originally developed for use in Catholic schools, the CSSA Trial HSC papers are now available to all schools/colleges using the NSW Board of Studies Stage 6 Curriculum.

Our aim this year is to continue having a strong focus on meeting the needs of schools who use our service. We are dedicated to developing a comprehensive examination program for Year 12 students in all schools and colleges following the New South Wales curriculum. The purpose of this program is twofold:

- ♦ it seeks to provide students with quality exam papers that will serve as a sound basis for their preparation for the HSC Examination later in the year; and
- ♦ it will provide schools with external instruments that may be used to judge the effectiveness of their teaching in preparing their students for these end-of-course examinations.



### Preparing Trial HSC Papers

There is an appointed convenor who heads a group of experienced teachers to construct the Trial paper or papers in each subject.

The production process begins when the paper is finalised and CSSA staff organise the compilation, printing and distribution of exam papers and marking guidelines to schools.

## Supporting Catholic Education

We look to the coming year and the 2012 HSC as an opportunity to support students and teachers in Catholic Education with the provision of Trial Examination papers. Our goal is to further enhance the service we are offering to all schools.



### Past Papers

Past papers in electronic format are available to those schools who order CSSA Trial HSC papers for their Year 12 candidature. For copyright reasons, these papers can only be used for examination and assessment purpose within the classroom and must not be placed on the internet or on the school intranet.

Schools that order only the minimum number of papers in all subjects (5 papers per subject) are still able to access these electronic copies of the past papers for a nominal charge. Schools requiring these past papers should contact the CSSA office by e-mail.

## Ensuring Program Integrity

### 2012 Program

A number of initiatives have been introduced to the CSSA exam program over the past six years and will be implemented again this year. These continuing initiatives are:

- ◆ Principals are required to certify in writing acceptance of the *CSSA Terms and Conditions*.
- ◆ Schools ordering a minimum number of papers who do not use the CSSA papers for their actual Trial HSC exams will receive their papers at the end of the CSSA exam security period.
- ◆ **In the interests of maintaining the security of the CSSA papers and the integrity of our program, schools and colleges are asked to collect and retain CSSA exam papers with the students' scripts until Monday 20 August 2012.**
- ◆ It is the firm expectation of the CSSA that schools will **NOT** modify any of the CSSA papers. One exception to this requirement is where a topic has yet to be covered in class.
- ◆ **It should be noted that the practice of some schools of "re-badging" and re-printing the CSSA papers is in breach of copyright legislation.**
- ◆ Late Fees - orders received after May 4 will attract a 10% late fee. Any order received after June 1 will attract a 20% late fee. Any order received after July 1 will attract a 20% late fee and will additionally incur a postage and handling cost at the time of ordering.

Also, Principals are asked to ensure that any of their teachers who act as Private Tutors are **NOT** given access to the exam papers prior to the examination period. This condition applies, also, to teachers whose relatives are sitting the HSC.

These initiatives seek to safeguard the security of the exam papers and integrity of the total CSSA Trial HSC program.

It is essential that undertakings made are honoured by individual schools so that the CSSA Trial HSC program continues to be a valid component in assessing Year 12 students' achievement as they prepare for the HSC.

## Ordering Process & Dates

### Important Dates/Procedures

With our aim to provide a stronger focus for schools using our materials for their Trial HSC the following will apply in 2012:

- ◆ Final date for orders is May 4. Orders will be processed only after full payment is received.
- ◆ The tax invoice is to be printed by you at the end of the ordering process on the Internet and should be forwarded to your school bursar or equivalent or agency for immediate payment.
- ◆ Additionally, as you print your tax invoice, you will automatically print your Principal Certification document to be signed by your Principal and returned to CSSA with payment.
- ◆ Papers for schools who have ordered on the basis of one paper for each student undertaking exams in respective subjects will be delivered by courier **from Monday July 16**
- ◆ Papers for schools who have ordered minimum numbers for teaching resources will be delivered by courier from August 21.

### 2012 Timetable and Exam Period

Dates and the timetable for the 2012 Trials will be available on our website [www.cssa.catholic.edu.au](http://www.cssa.catholic.edu.au) at the end of Term 1 2012. It is a requirement of schools using the CSSA papers for their Trial HSC Exams to follow this timetable as closely as possible with **no exam paper** in a school scheduled **before** the time/date specified in the CSSA timetable and on the front cover of the exam paper.

The CSSA Trial HSC exam period for 2012 is:

**Monday, July 30**  
**to**  
**Monday, August 13**  
**(inclusive)**

## 2012 CSSA Trial HSC Paper Pricing

Paper No.	Subject	Unit Price
5200	English Paper 1 Standard & Advanced	\$2.60
5300	English Paper 2 Standard	\$2.60
5400	English Paper 2 Advanced	\$2.60
5500	English Extension	\$2.60
5600	ESL - Paper 1 Language Study	\$2.60
5700	ESL - Paper 2 Modules	\$2.60
5800	ESL Pack Listening Paper (5 papers + CD)	\$37.00
5900	ESL Additional Listening Paper	\$2.60
6000	ESL Additional Listening CD	\$26.00
6100	General Mathematics	\$5.50
6200	Mathematics	\$5.50
6300	Mathematics Extension 1	\$5.50
6400	Mathematics Extension 2	\$5.00
3700	Physics	\$3.80
3800	Chemistry	\$3.80
3900	Biology	\$3.80
4000	Senior Science	\$3.80
4100	Earth & Environmental Science	\$3.80
1700	Geography (Incl. Stimulus)	\$5.80
1800	Geography Stimulus ONLY	\$4.00
1900	Economics	\$3.70
2100	PD/H/PE	\$3.70
2200	Studies of Religion I	\$3.70
2300	Studies of Religion II	\$3.70
2400	Society & Culture	\$2.60
2500	Business Studies	\$2.60
3100	Legal Studies	\$3.70
3400	Modern History	\$2.60
3500	History Extension	\$2.60
3600	Ancient History	\$3.70
5100	Community and Family Studies	\$3.70
1100	Music 1 Pack (5 papers + CD)	\$37.00
1200	Music 1 Additional Paper	\$2.60
1300	Music 1 Additional CD	\$26.00
1400	Music 2 Pack (5 papers + CD)	\$42.00
1500	Music 2 Additional Paper	\$3.70
1600	Music 2 Additional CD	\$26.00
2000	Visual Arts	\$5.80
2600	Drama	\$2.60
2700	Design & Technology	\$3.70
2800	Engineering Studies	\$3.70
2900	Food Technology	\$3.70
3000	Textiles & Design	\$3.70
3200	Information Processes & Technology	\$4.20
3300	Software Design & Development	\$3.70
6500	Industrial Technology Timber Products	\$3.70
6600	Industrial Technology Multimedia Technologies	\$3.70
4200	VET - Business Services	\$3.70
4300	VET - Hospitality	\$3.70
4400	VET - Information Technology	\$3.70
4500	VET - Retail	\$3.70
4600	VET - Construction	\$3.70