# HSC Hub – Society and Culture Examination preparation video supplementary resource

This resource contains supplementary information to support the Society and Culture examination preparation video. The content from each slide is contained below, along with a number of useful links from the NESA website pertaining to the contents within the video.

## Key slide content

### Before the exam day

* Download the HSC timetable and highlight all of your exams
* Plan your revision schedule to match up with your exams
* Get a good night sleep before each exam. Late nights will harm your performance
* Eat your breakfast
* Make sure you have all of your equipment ready

### Materials

NESA allows the following items for **all** HSC examinations:

* **Black** pen (bring spares!)
* Ruler
* Highlighters
* Pencils (2B)
* Sharpener
* Bottle of water in a clear bottle

There are no additional materials allowed for the Society and Culture exam

### Exam layout

In Society and Culture, the exam has **two** sections:

* Section I: Social and Cultural Continuity and change (20 marks)
* Section II: Depth Studies (40 marks)

You will have 5 mins reading time and then 2 hours of writing time

### Section I: Core study – Social and Cultural Continuity Change (20 marks)

* What type of questions will you be asked?
  + 8 multiple choice questions (8 marks)
  + Short answers (12 marks)
* Skills / knowledge tested
  + Integrated concepts
  + Framework: Research methods
  + Framework: Ethical research
  + Social and cultural literacy
  + The nature of social and cultural research methods
  + The nature of social and cultural continuity and change
  + Focus Study: social and cultural continuity and change in a selected country

### Let’s look at an example – Section I

**Short answer: 2019 HSC – Question 10 (8 marks)**

Discuss the role of tradition in the rate and direction of change in ONE country.

(Knowledge tested – Focus study: social and cultural continuity and change in a selected country)

### Another example

**Short answer: 2018 HSC – Question 9 (4 marks**)

A school principal has proposed increasing the number of hours of school sport for each student.

Justify the use of **one** research method to investigate parents’ views about the proposal.

(Knowledge tested – Social and cultural continuity and change: research)

### Section II: Depth studies (40 marks)

* What does it look like?
  + Complete **two** questions
  + Each question contains a Part (a) and Part (b)
* Marks allocated
  + 20 marks per question
  + Part (a) 5 marks
  + Part (b) 15 marks
  + Total of 40 marks
* Knowledge tested
  + **Two** Depth studies (Popular Culture, Belief Systems and Ideologies, Social Inclusion and Exclusion, Social Conformity and Nonconformity)
* What does a good one look like?
  + The expected length of response for each Depth Study will be around six pages (approximately 800 words).

### Let’s look at an example – Section II

**Section 2: 2019 HSC – Question 11 (20 marks)**

* 1. Account for groups rejecting the ideology of **one** popular culture (5 marks)
  2. Explain how stakeholders can affect the future directions for **one** popular culture (15 marks)
* Knowledge tested in Part (a) – Focus study and integrated concept
* Knowledge tested in Part (b) – Focus study and the near future (5 to 10 years)

### Ask your teacher

* For other resources for Society and Culture
* How to access past papers and marking guidelines from the NESA website
* Any further assistance / tutorials you may need – they are the expert that you have access to at school
* 2016 HSC Society and Culture Exam Work book helps practise for the HSC using authentic exam material collected by the NSW Education Standards Authority from the 2016 HSC
* Check out the online HSC hub which will connect you to study guides, video lessons and practice exams, including tips from expert teachers and HSC markers

## Additional links

* [NESA HSC Exam Packs](https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/resources/hsc-exam-papers)
* [Society and Culture Stage 6 Syllabus (2013)](https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/hsie/society-culture)
* [NESA Multiple Choice Quiz tool](https://quiz.nesa.nsw.edu.au/home)
* [[[NESA Society](https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/wcm/connect/38e4c7c5-97be-4ea0-83af-efaf013d395a/sample-questions-new-hsc-modern-history-exam-2019.pdf?MOD=AJPERES&CVID=) and Culture standards materials](https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/hsie/society-culture/pbd)](https://arc2.nesa.nsw.edu.au/view/default/course/15350)