Myth 3 Managing authenticity

FACT 1



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Facts

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 - o contexts, topics or performance opportunities.
- Students don't need to complete the same assessment task or be assessed at the same time. Some students may need a separate task or context to make sure authentic work is submitted.
- Tasks can be broken into group and individual components to identify individual evidence.
- A Not Achieved result must be reported for proven authenticity breaches that compromise a student's result.
- School policy will determine if a proven authenticity breach for internally assessment standards is an acceptable reason for a further assessment opportunity.
- Assessors can monitor the authenticity of student work as it's developed and during marking through:
 - o regular check points
 - $\circ \;\;$ asking students to submit plans and drafts
 - o oral questioning to confirm understanding
 - o asking for a repeat performance, if in doubt
 - o being familiar with or controlling the resources available
 - o referencing and bibliographies
 - o monitoring revision changes
 - o using plagiarism software or internet searches of suspicious phrases.

Myths

- · Publicly available tasks can be used unmodified.
- All students need to complete their assessment at the same time to ensure authenticity.
- · Group work can't be assessed.
- Authenticity checks aren't needed if an authenticity declaration is signed.
- Digital assessment allows more opportunity for authenticity breaches.
- Schools can withdraw a student's entry for a proven authenticity breach.

More points about authenticity

Authenticity checks provide assurance that evidence produced is a student's own work.

Inauthentic work may be a result of:

- students not understanding the assessment task or what constitutes inauthentic work and plagiarism
- copying from another person or public source, or plagiarism
- · too much guidance from a teacher, assessor, parent or tutor
- · students sharing work with other students.