

Assessment Specifications

Level 1 Gagana Sāmoa 2025

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General information

Domain:	Gagana Sāmoa
Standards:	92034, 92035
Assessment method:	Examination, end of year
Assessment medium:	Online digital examination

[Gagana Sāmoa subject page](#)

[National secondary examinations timetable](#)

Information relating to all achievement standards

The assessments will each consist of THREE questions written in gagana Sāmoa and English based on the texts provided.

Text choices for both standards will reflect appropriate cultural contexts, for example gagana Sāmoa-speaking communities, te ao Māori, the Pacific, and Aotearoa New Zealand. Texts will refer to events or experiences that are familiar and relevant to the candidate.

In Level 1 Gagana Sāmoa examinations, candidates can respond in gagana Sāmoa, English, or te reo Māori.

Further information about digital external assessment can be found on the NZQA website.

[Digital external assessment](#)

Special notes

Level 1 Gagana Sāmoa will use macrons and glottal stops as appropriate.

Level 1 approved Vocabulary List

The Gagana Sāmoa vocabulary list indicates language which will guide the setting of Level 1 Gagana Sāmoa external assessments. It is linked from the Teaching Tab on the Gagana Sāmoa page on the NCEA Education website.

[NCEA Education](#)

Words outside of the approved vocabulary list will be glossed if their meaning is not evident from the text.

Special assessment conditions

Refer to the NZQA website for further information.

[Aromatawai special assessment conditions](#)

Specific information for individual achievement standards

Standard:	92034
Title:	Demonstrate understanding of written Gagana Sāmoa related to everyday contexts
Version:	3
Number of credits:	5

The reading resources for this standard will be printed on paper and distributed to candidates in the examination session.

Standard:	92035
Title:	Demonstrate understanding of spoken Gagana Sāmoa related to everyday contexts
Version:	3
Number of credits:	5

Listening passages will be available online as audio files. Candidates will be able to listen to each whole passage once and then three times in sections. Candidates can choose when to start each play but cannot pause inside each play.

Listening Notes spaces are available inside the digital examination.

Equipment required

Candidates will require headphones to listen.