

Assessment Specifications

Level 3 Lea Faka-Tonga 2026

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General information

Domain: Lea Faka-Tonga

Standards: 91679, 91682

Assessment method: Examination, end of year

Assessment medium: Online digital examination

Lea Faka-Tonga subject page

National secondary examinations timetable

Information relating to all achievement standards

The assessments will each consist of THREE questions written in English and Lea Faka-Tonga based on the texts provided.

Text choices for both standards will reflect appropriate cultural contexts, for example Lea Faka-Tonga-speaking communities, te ao Māori, the Pacific, and Aotearoa New Zealand. Texts may develop a line of argument relating to concrete and abstract matters of social interest.

In Level 3 Lea Faka-Tonga examinations, candidates can respond in Lea Faka-Tonga, English, or te reo Māori

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

Digital external assessment

Vocabulary List

The Lea Faka-Tonga vocabulary list, found on the Lea Faka-Tonga subject page, indicates language which will guide the setting of Level 3 Lea Faka-Tonga external assessments.

Words beyond the expected level of knowledge will be glossed if they do not have common language usage or 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: 91679

Title: Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended

spoken Lea Faka-Tonga

Version: 1
Number of credits: 5

Listening passages will be available online as audio files. Candidates will be able to listen and respond to recordings of three spoken texts, which they can hear as a whole and twice in sections. They 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.

Paper-based examination

Candidates will listen and respond to recordings of three spoken texts, which they will hear as a whole and twice in sections. Candidates may make notes in the listening notes spaces provided in the booklet. The listening component will be completed first.

The total duration of the recordings will be up to 45 minutes.

Standard: 91682

Title: Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended written

and / or visual Lea Faka-Tonga texts

Version: 1

Number of credits:

Candidates will be required to read and respond to THREE written texts representative of different text types.

Resources or information supplied

Reading resources for this standard will be printed on paper and distributed to all candidates in the examination.