



**Cambridge High School  
Level Three NCEA Assessment Plan  
2009**

Course Title: Biology			Teacher in Charge: Sn					Level : 3				
No	Unit or Achievement Standard (AS / US)	Date	Assessment Title	External or Internal (E / I)	Standard number	Version Number	Level	Domain	Method(s) of assessment	Method(s) of moderation	Credit Value	Prize giving value
1	AS 3.1	T1 Wk 7	Carry out a practical investigation into an organisms' ecological niche with guidance	I	90713	2	3	Biology	Practical Investigation	<p><b>Marker Consistency and Reliability</b> All assessment items are marked against a clear assessment schedule.</p> <p>It is encouraged where there are two or more teachers teaching the same subject at the same level, that one should write the assessment item while another marks it, each taking turns at each equally.</p> <p>Where possible, one teacher marks an entire assessment section and all teachers go over the marking schedule with their respective classes.</p> <p><b>Check Marking</b> An outside moderator or an other skilled person check marks at least two students scripts for each assessment event.</p> <p><b>Checking Assessment Items and Schedules</b> As part of the on going self-review process, the efficiency and effectiveness of all assessment items in terms of meeting the objects of the relevant assessment statements are reviewed before being used. This review is done by at least two staff members.</p> <p>The review involves ensuring that recommendations from the moderator / teacher are incorporated into the current year's assessment item.</p>	4	
2	AS 3.2	T2 Wk 8	Research a contemporary biological issue	I	90714	2	3	Biology	Research assignment		3	
3	AS 3.6	T2 Wk 8	Describe applications of biotechnological techniques	I	90718	2	3	Biology	Research assignment		3	
4	AS 3.3	T2 Wk10	Describe the role of DNA in relation to gene expression	E	90715	2	3	Biology	External assessment		4	
5	AS 3.4	T1 Wk 10	Describe animal and plant responses in relation to environmental factors	E	90716	2	3	Biology	External assessment		4	
6	AS 3.5	T3 Wk 6	Describe processes and patterns of evolution	E	90717	2	3	Biology	External assessment		3	
7	AS 3.7	T4 Wk 2	Describe trends in human evolution	E	90719	2	3	Biology	External assessment		3	
										TOTAL CREDITS	<b>24</b>	