Handcraft

Level 1

Complete three projects, each one from a different category.



1. Fibre

- a. Weave a hanging or any other item such as a 'dream catcher' using any fibre of your choice and natural objects.
- b. Print, stamp or stencil a design on fabric such as a T-shirt, bag or wall hanging.
- c. Use any fibre, twine or raffia and appropriate knots to make an example of French knitting, macramé or netting.
- d. Sew an item such as a stuffed toy or embroider using a sewing machine or by hand.

2. Wood/Metal

- a. Construct a gift such as a toy, key rack or towel rail using 'off-cuts' and basic tools in a safe way.
- b. Construct a model or figurine from a basic wooden or metal kit. Paint and decorate the model.
- c. Emboss a design of your choice into a piece of metal shim such as copper or aluminium.

3. Plastic/Leather

- a. Make a plaited key ring using plastic, raffia or leather thonging.
- b. Make a leather gift with a simple stamped design embossed on the strip.
- c. Make a brooch or friendship token using plastic or other material pieces and jewellery findings.

4. International Pursuit

- a. Decorate an egg for a gift and talk to your examiner about a culture or country that decorates eggs at a festive time.
- b. Collect two pictures or two pieces of handcraft from another country and explain to your examiner the functions or use of the handcrafts and from which country they came from.
- c. Make an example of a piece of handcraft from another country and explain to the examiner how you made it.

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Level 2

Complete three projects, each one from a different category.



1. Fibre

- a. Weave material for a placemat, a table runner or small bag from your choice of fibre and using a basic frame or weaving loom.
- b. Make a paper cut-out stencil design to screen print or brush on with fabric paint onto fabric such as a T-shirt, jeans or pillowcase.
- c. Knit or crochet an article using two basic knitting or crochet stitches or 'French' knitting. Show your examiner how you did the knitting or crochet.
- d. Use knots and twine of your choice to make a net for use in the garden or fishing.
- e. Make an item using a sewing machine or with hand sewing.

2. Wood/Metal

- a. Make a functional item such as a patterned chopping board, book ends, weather vane, or a lidded box, with two different types of wood, using the appropriate tools and glues.
- b. Design and construct a box or toy using a dowel joint, hammer, saw, drill and a planer if required, in a safe manner.
- c. Punch or cut out a design of your choice in three tin cans or metal cylinders that can be used as candle lanterns.

3. Plastic/Leather

- a. Make a pouch or purse with a drawstring or flap from plastic acetate or vinyl.
- b. Make a leather belt using leather stamps and leather paint to create a design along the belt.
- c. Construct an intricate plastic model using a kit.

4. International Pursuit

- a. Make two examples of festive handcraft and talk to your examiner about the cultures that use them and why.
- b. Collect pictures and/or craft works from three different countries. Make one example of a craft and explain to the examiner the function or use.
- c. Find out where traditional indigenous crafts are made in your area or in the Pacific region. If possible, visit a location to see the handcrafts being made. Make an example of one of the handcraft items you have seen, from you visit or from a book, and explain to the examiner the function or use of this.