

## ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP: TASK DESCRIPTORS

Score	Descriptor
13-15	Excellent
	<ul> <li>Consistent engagement and participation for the duration of the session;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Relevant, perceptive and accurate ideas with supporting reasoning or examples;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Minimal prompting required to gain depth or expand on answers;</li> </ul>
	• All responses demonstrate high levels of ambition, independence, and genuine academic interest;
	The candidate demonstrates very clear potential to contribute to the academic life of the school.
10-12	Very good
	<ul> <li>Mostly consistent engagement and participation for extended sections of the session;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Mostly relevant and accurate ideas are presented, usually supported with reasoning or examples;</li> </ul>
	Some prompting is required to elucidate ideas;
	<ul> <li>Responses demonstrate some level of ambition, independence, and academic interest;</li> </ul>
	The candidate demonstrates potential to contribute to the academic life of the school.
7-9	Good
	<ul> <li>Participation and engagement in the session are more consistent than inconsistent;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Mostly relevant but straightforward or relatively superficial ideas are presented;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Reasoning and examples are offered only when prompted;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Their contributions do not always demonstrate high levels of ambition, independence, or academic interest;</li> </ul>
	• The candidate demonstrates potential to contribute to a narrow area of the academic life of the school.
4-6	Satisfactory
	<ul> <li>May hesitate to participate and engage for extended sections of the session;</li> </ul>
	• Some superficial ideas are presented, and reasoning and examples are not given without prompting;
	• Any contributions do not demonstrate high levels of ambition, independence, or academic interest;
	<ul> <li>It is unclear whether there is genuine academic inquiry beyond what is learnt in lessons;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The candidate is likely to work hard but may not contribute much to the academic life of the school.</li> </ul>
1-3	Weak
	The candidate struggles to engage and participate during the session;
	Require significant guidance from the teacher/assessor, following which any response is limited;
	<ul> <li>Limited evidence of ambition, independence, and academic interest beyond what is learnt in lessons;</li> </ul>
	• The candidate is likely to sometimes work hard, but is unlikely to contribute much to the academic life of the school.