

# Pre-release material for the November 2021 Interdisciplinary learning on-screen examination

For the new MYP assessment model, the interdisciplinary learning on-screen examination will be based around the global context chosen for each session. To facilitate a deep analysis of the global context, and to provide a focus for the interdisciplinary learning on-screen examination, pre-release material will be published on the Programme Resource Centre on April 1<sup>st</sup> for May sessions and on October 1<sup>st</sup> for November sessions.

The pre-release material comprises multimedia stimuli and/or case studies related closely to the session's global context. Through the pre-release material students can engage with the global context and begin making connections with what they have studied in MYP subject groups and their own individual learning.

The interdisciplinary examination focuses on two subject groups from:

- language and literature
- individuals and societies
- sciences
- mathematics.

The two subject groups which will be the focus of the session's interdisciplinary examination are announced below. These subjects are explored in detail in the examination, although questions may feature which require another subject to be considered and include the opportunity to incorporate arts, design, physical and health education or language acquisition.

Please find a link to the pre-release material here.

The subject group focus for the interdisciplinary exam in November 2021 is **language and literature** and **individuals and societies**. As announced earlier, the global context for the November 2021 session is **orientation in space and time**.

# Frequently asked questions

# How will the pre-release material be used in the interdisciplinary examination?

In the interdisciplinary examination, each task reflects the session's global context. Prerelease material provides background information, explores one or more contemporary realworld challenges, and offers disciplinary and interdisciplinary sources that students need to understand in order to successfully complete the examination. The pre-release material will be available in the on-screen environment during the examination. The examination will also contain new, unfamiliar information that students must synthesize with the pre-release material in order to complete the required tasks.

# How should students and teachers use the pre-release material to prepare for the interdisciplinary examination?

Students can work independently (alone or in student-organized groups), or in a range of school-based settings (for example, in small group and whole-class discussions) to develop their understanding of the pre-release material. Teachers can work with students to make inquiries into the pre-release material and its connections with the session's global context.

# Statement of inquiry

Our lived and learned experiences can change our perspectives on how we prevent and respond to natural and human disasters.

# What are some questions that can lead to productive discussions about the prerelease material?

- What words and ideas in the sources are new, challenging to understand, or have unique meanings in this context?
- How does the pre-release material express disciplinary and interdisciplinary ways of knowing?
- What is the meaning of "where" and "when"?
- What procedures are in place to prepare for and react to natural and humanmade disasters?
- How can we consider multiple cultures and perspectives in our decision making with regard to disasters?
- How can we consider multiple cultures and perspectives in our decision making with regard to energy choices?
- To what extent should a response to a disaster be dependent on one's place in space and time?

Students and teachers should develop their own factual, conceptual and debatable questions about the pre-release material. It also important to consider how teaching and learning in MYP subject groups might inform and be integrated with the global challenges introduced by these sources.

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