Australian Curriculum: Digital Technologies — Years 7 to 8

Digital Technologies

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Students design user experiences and algorithms incorporating branching and iterations, and test, modify and implement digital solutions. They evaluate information systems and their solutions in terms of meeting needs, innovation and sustainability. They analyse and evaluate data from a range of sources to model and create solutions. They use appropriate protocols when communicating and collaborating online.

| CURRICULUM | YEAR 7 | YEAR 8 |
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| | TERM | TERM |
| | Unit 1 | Unit 2 |
| Unit name | HTML, Networking and Data | Coding Basics |
| Unit description | Students learn how to develop a website using HTML & CSS. They also investigate the different types of network and how data such as symbols, colours and images are represented in computers | Students learn how to code using Python coding language. Students learn how to use excel spreadsheets and formulas. They learn basic coding principles via Minecraft Education Edition code builder. |

| ASSESSMENT | | YEAR 7 | YEAR 8 | |
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| | | TERM | TERM | |
| | | Summative assessment task 1 | Summative assessment task 2 | |
| Range and balance of summative assessment conventions | Technique | Project | Project | |
| | Type of text | Informative and Personal Website | Informative/ Imaginative | |
| | Mode | Writing & Creating | Coding | |
| | Conditions | 4 weeks to design and develop Website total 12 lessons/hours in class | Part A: 4 lessons + Part B: 2 lessons | |
| Aspects of the achievement standard | | | | |
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Shaded cells indicate opportunities that summative assessments provide for students to demonstrate evidence against all aspects of the achievement standard



