General Criteria

To be considered for judging, an entry must:

- Be historically accurate
- Relate to the theme.
- Be based on research using primary and secondary sources with these sources being acknowledged correctly.
- Reflect an understanding of the period including attitudes and values of people at that time.
- Meet the criteria for the entry format and be clearly and logically set out.
- Include a bibliography, including three (3) sources.
- Include 50 word descriptor which summarises your topic and its relationship to the theme.
- Be original and not use the words or ideas of other people without acknowledgement.

Entry Levels

Schools may enter up to a maximum of 6 entries in each of the following year level categories.

- Primary 1 (up to Year 4)
- Primary 2 (Years 5 and 6)
- Year 7
- Year 8
- Year 9
- Year 10
- Senior (Years 11 – 12)

Each entry may also be nominated for one relevant Special Category award.

Presentation Formats

Students may enter one of the following three formats:

- **Individual Research Essay**
- **Museum Exhibit (3D Model)**
- **Other Format**

Any entries that do not meet their relevant criteria will not be considered for judging.

<u>Individual Research Essay</u>

This format MUST be an individual (one participant) entry

<u>The essay must:</u>

- Be submitted online with the entry form. *
- Include a 50 word descriptor which summarises your topic and its relationship to the theme.

Manual entry forms are available for those unable to enter online.

Up to Year 4

LENGTH up to 400 words (using computer word count), not including the bibliography or 50 word descriptor. A bibliography must be included.

Years 5 to 6

LENGTH 400 to 800 words (using the computer word count), not including the bibliography or 50 word descriptor. A bibliography must be included.

Years 7 to 8

LENGTH 800 to 1,000 words (using the computer word count), not including the bibliography or 50 word descriptor. A bibliography including three (3) annotations and appropriate referencing must be included.

Years 9 to 12

LENGTH 1000 to 2000 words (using the computer word count), not including the bibliography or 50 word descriptor. A bibliography including three (3) annotations and appropriate referencing must be included.

Note: The total word count includes quotes but not footnotes.

Essay Checklist

Year Level	Word Limit	Referencing	Bibliography	Annotated Bibliography*
1-4	400	No	Yes	No
5-6	800	No	Yes	No
7	1,000	Yes	No	Yes
8	1,000	Yes	No	Yes
9	2,000	Yes	No	Yes
10	2,000	Yes	No	Yes
11-12	2,000	Yes	No	Yes

*annotated bibliographies should include three (3) annotated sources, these should be the most significant sources for the entry, other sources need not be annotated.

3D Model

A 3D Model is a representation or model based on the theme.

You may use this format in any Year Level and some Special Categories. Please refer to each Special Category.

Your entry must:

- Be an individual or group entry, (maximum of four in any one group).

- You may have up to 1,000 words of student composed written material and less than 3 minutes of recorded information if AV devices are built into the model. A hard copy of such material must be submitted with the entry. This limit DOES NOT INCLUDE primary sources on the model.

- Be less than 1 metre wide, 1 metre deep and 1 metre high when assembled.

- Be portable, lightweight, demountable and sturdy for transportation interstate if necessary. It MUST be submitted in a package suitable for transport by post or courier.

- A bibliography, annotated in years 7-12.

Submission

Please fill in the online entry form on our website and submit the physical model to the state coordinator. Entrants should liaise with their state coordinator to further clarify submission.

Other Formats

May be an individual or group entry (4 people maximum)

Others formats could include presentations such as:

- Multimedia
- Performance
- Website
- Virtual Museum
- Any other form of creative representation

Your entry must be:

- Submitted with appropriate software to run the presentation
- Portable, light weight, demountable and sturdy for transport
- Submitted in a package suitable for transport by post or courier
- Less than 1 metre wide, 1 metre deep and 1 metre high when assembled
- Succinct, a maximum of 10 minutes will be spent reading, listening to, or viewing the entry and its components

Your entry must include:

- A bibliography, annotated in years 7-12.
- A 50 word (max) written explanation of how the research was carried out to create and develop the presentation. It must conclude with a strong statement about the relationship of the presentation to the theme.