Topic 1: Digging up the Past

## Unit Description INVESTIGATING THE ANCIENT WORLD **Unit Objectives** In Unit 1, students investigate how the ancient past has been represented. Students Students will: 1. comprehend terms, concepts and issues in relation to archaeology and ancient explore the remaining sources and how they have been interpreted. Students focus on issues relevant to the investigation of the Ancient World in order to develop the societies skills of historiography. Students study issues related to evidence, including 2. devise historical questions and conduct research in relation to archaeology and authentication, preservation, ownership and/or display of material from the Ancient the features of an ancient society 3. analyse evidence from historical sources to show understanding about the World. Students also investigate how people lived in the Ancient World through an examination of the evidence of the social, political and economic institutions, and Ancient World other significant features of society. The key conceptual understandings of this unit 4. synthesise evidence from historical sources to form a historical argument in include: reliability and usefulness of sources; custodianship of the past; relation to archaeology and ancient societies interpretations, representations and perspectives; the nature of evidence; continuity 5. evaluate evidence from historical sources to make judgments about the Ancient and change; cause and effect; significance; empathy; and contestability. World 6. create responses that communicate meaning to suit purpose in relation to the *Kev inquiry auestions for this topic:* Ancient World. • What can archaeological evidence tell us about the lives of ancient peoples?

Assessment Plan:				
Task	%	Objectives to be assessed	Conditions	Date
IA1 Investigation – Independent source investigation (formative)	25%	<ol> <li>Devise historical questions and conduct research in relation to archaeology and the features of an Ancient Society</li> <li>Analyse evidence from historical sources to show understanding of the ancient world</li> <li>Evaluate evidence from historical sources to make judgements about the ancient world.</li> <li>Create responses that communicate meaning to suit purpose in relation to the ancient world.</li> </ol>	1000-1500 words (suggested breakdown: rationale 150 – 200 words, source analysis 700–1000 words (4-6 sources), critical summary of evidence (300–500 words).	Week 9 Term 1