**JAPANESE CULTURE INVESTIGATION**

**ASSESSMENT TASK**

**Part A**

Task 1: Write a feature article for a Travel Magazine. Investigate an aspect of Japanese culture that you are interested in using the internet and printed material. Use the boxes on page 2 to write your notes. (14 marks)

Length: 1 page including a relevant picture

Visit this website for a list of ideas & information: <http://web-japan.org/kidsweb/>

Suggested topics

* samurai
* kimono
* geta (footwear)
* Typical farmhouse
* Paper screen
* Castle
* Fan
* Battledore
* Warrior helmet
* Torii arch
* Samurai sword
* Shinto shrine
* Zen garden
* Pagoda (zen)
* Carp streamer
* Rice field
* Obento (lunchbox)
* Shamisen
* Noh mask
* Kendo mask
* Ikebana
* Bonsai
* Painted screen
* Japanese festivals
* J Pop idols and celebrities
* Japanese Youth Culture “Otaku”, manga, cosplay
* Film study: Japanese Anime eg Tottoro, Princess Mononoke, spirited away
* Japanese martial arts – kendou, juudou, karate, aikidou, , kyuudou

These are only suggestions, you may choose to explore any aspect of Japanese culture that you are interested in! Have fun!

**Part B**

Task 2: Make a model of the cultural aspect you have chosen in Part A. (6 marks)

Task 3: Present your model to the class and talk about the topic for 1 minute.

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I am interested in learning more about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1. Describe your chosen cultural aspect - characteristics and features (7 marks)



2. Explain why you think it is interesting (4 marks)



4. Record your sources of information (1 marks)



3. Select and include a relevant picture (2 marks)

**Japanese Culture Task: Marking Guidelines Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| • Interprets information by writing a detailed article about  an aspect of Japanese culture  • Shows an understanding of the importance of this aspect in Japanese  culture by reflecting  • Includes a picture of this aspect of Japanese culture  • Includes an appropriately referenced bibliography  \* Includes a very well presented model of the aspect of Japanese culture | 17 – 20  Excellent |
| • Interprets information by writing an article about an aspect of  Japanese culture  • Shows an understanding of the importance of this aspect in Japanese  culture by reflecting  • Includes a picture of this aspect of Japanese culture  • May not include an adequately referenced bibliography  \* Includes a well presented model of the aspect of Japanese culture | 13 – 16  Substantial |
| • Interprets information by writing an article about an aspect of  Japanese culture with some detail  • Shows an understanding of the importance of this aspect in Japanese  culture with some reflection  • Includes a picture of this aspect of Japanese culture  • May not include an adequately referenced bibliography  \* Includes a model of the aspect of Japanese culture | 10 – 12  Satisfactory |
| • Interprets information by writing an article about an aspect of  Japanese culture with minimal detail  • Shows basic understanding of the importance of this aspect in Japanese  culture with little reflection  • Provides a poor picture of this aspect of Japanese culture  • May not include an adequately referenced bibliography  \* May not include a model of the aspect of Japanese culture | 6 – 9  Developing |
| • Interprets information by providing some information about  an aspect of Japanese culture with minimal detail  • Shows minimal understanding of the importance of this aspect in  Japanese culture with no reflection  • Provides no pictures  • May not include a referenced bibliography  \* May not include a model of the aspect of Japanese culture | 1 – 5  Not developed |

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