Performance standards for Politics, Power, and People  
Stage 2

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| - | Critical and Creative Thinking | Communication and Collaboration | Understanding and Ethical Reasoning | Research and Analysis |
| A | Proposes insightful solutions, makes reflective judgments, and composes arguments that relate to political issues.  Comprehensively and thoughtfully analyses and evaluates political concepts. | Highly organised and fluent communication of political ideas, opinions, and arguments.  Insightful and constructive collaboration in order to build on the ideas of others, solve political problems, or improve solutions. | Perceptive and well-informed understanding of political concepts and the interconnectedness of Australian politics and the world.  Insightful and coherent explanation of the political and ethical nature of the issues. | Uses comprehensive and discerning inquiry skills to research political issues and perspectives, using a variety of relevant and current literature.  Critical analysis and evaluation of political issues using primary and secondary sources. |
| B | Proposes balanced solutions, makes thoughtful judgments, and composes arguments that relate to political issues.  Competently analyses and evaluates political concepts. | Logical and clear communication of political ideas, opinions, and arguments.  Thoughtful collaboration in order to build on the ideas of others, solve political problems, or improve solutions. | Thoughtful understanding of political concepts and the interconnectedness of Australian politics and the world.  Clear explanation of the political and ethical nature of the issues. | Uses in-depth inquiry skills to research political issues and perspectives, using relevant and current literature.  Purposeful analysis and evaluation of political issues using primary and secondary sources. |
| C | Proposes solutions, makes judgments, and composes arguments that relate to political issues.  Analyses and evaluates political concepts. | Competent communication of political ideas, opinions, and arguments.  Collaboration in order to build on the ideas of others, attempt to solve problems, or improve political solutions. | Informed understanding of political concepts and the interconnectedness of Australian politics and the world.  Sound explanation of the political and ethical nature of the issues. | Uses sound inquiry skills to research political issues and perspectives, using relevant literature.  A sound analysis and evaluation of the political issues using primary and secondary sources. |
| D | Refers to solutions and recounts information related to political issues.  Explains a political concept. | Communication of ideas and opinions.  Some collaboration in order to attempt to solve problems. | Some understanding of political concepts.  Some recognition of the political nature of issues. | Limited inquiry using some relevant literature.  Limited analysis of the political issues using some sources. |
| E | Identification of a simplistic solution.  Identification of a political concept. | Basic communication of ideas.  Limited evidence of contributions. | Minimal understanding political concepts.  Limited recognition of the basic political ideas. | Minimal inquiry using a source.  Superficial recognition of political issues. |