

TEXTILES AND CLOTHING DESIGN

SUBJECT 9193

PAPER 02

GENERAL COMMENTS

The overall performance of the candidates was good, showing signs of careful guidance and supervision. The articles were neatly packed chronologically. There were, however, some centres that enclosed the Independent Study (9193/3) in the Coursework (9193/2) package. It should be noted that these are two different papers with different destinations and different examiners. Such mixing up may lead to loss of items or scripts.

THE LEVER ARCH FILE (BOX FILE)

Tests

Ten tests done during the A-Level course should be recorded and weighted to 20%. Most centres did this religiously with accurate recordings of marks and dates.

Assignments

Eight assignments done during the course should be recorded accurately and weighted to 20%. Rounding off of marks during the course is discouraged as this tends to distort the overall mark. Challenging assignments are expected to be done as this is Advanced Level. The assignments should also be spread evenly right through the A-Level course.

Experiments and Practical Work

There was evidence in all candidates' work that experiments and practical work are being done during the course. Marks should be awarded for deserving activities. For example, naming fabrics as an exercise is below standard at this level.

The Project (Article)

A variety of articles were presented. The quality of fabric colouring varied from good to excellent. The candidates are commended for the good work. It should, however, be noted that there are many ways of introducing colour to fabrics besides tie-dye. The workmanship, (sewing workmanship) in some centres leaves a lot to be desired. The candidates are expected to present an Advanced level of workmanship at this stage.

The Project Write Up

Most centres followed the Project Marksheet subheadings for the contents of the write up. That was and is a very wise strategy, to ensure that candidates do not miss out on any mark awarding process. Candidates should be encouraged to draw meaningful diagrams. The project write up was generally well done.