**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)

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

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4. Record your sources of information (1 marks)

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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 – 20Excellent |
| • 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 – 16Substantial |
| • 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 – 12Satisfactory |
| • 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 – 9Developing |
| • 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 – 5Not developed |

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