Criterion D: Reflecting on the impacts of science

Maximum: 8

At the end of YEAR 10, students should be able to:

- i. explain the ways in which science is applied and used to address a specific problem or issue
 ii. discuss and evaluate the various implications of using scientific applications to solve a specific problem or issue
- iii. apply scientific language effectively
- iv. document the work of others and sources of information used.

Achievement level		Level descriptor
0	The student does not reach the standard described in any of the levels below.	
1-2	The student is able to: i. outline the ways in which science is applied and used to address a specific problem or issue ii. outline the implications of using science and its application to solve a specific problem or issue, interacting with a factor iii. apply scientific language to communicate understanding but does so with limited success iv. document sources, with limited success.	The student's work: introduces a specific problem or issue. attempts to describe the application of science to address the problem. addresses the implications (such as moral, ethical, economical, environmental, political, social or cultural) of the use of science to solve the problem superficially. contains little use of scientific language does not contain resources that help understanding, such as graphs, pictures, diagrams, etc. The key and related concepts are not stated. references are not included or are very incomplete. Also, there are no references in the text.
3-4	The student is able to: i. summarise the ways in which science is applied and used to address a specific problem or issue ii. describe the implications of using science and its application to solve a specific problem or issue, interacting with a factor iii. sometimes apply scientific language to communicate understanding clearly and precisely iv. sometimes document sources correctly.	The student's work: introduces a specific problem or issue. describes the application of science to address the problem clearly and accurately. discusses and evaluates just 1 implication (such as moral, ethical, economical, environmental, political, social or cultural) of the use of science to address the problem. contains some correct use of scientific language contains some resources that not always help to understand it, such as graphs, pictures, diagrams, etc. The key and related concepts are stated. references are included in APA format and in text referencing but with some omissions or mistakes.
5-6	The student is able to: i. describe the ways in which science is applied and used to address a specific problem or issue ii. discuss the implications of using science and its application to solve a specific problem or issue, interacting with a factor iii. usually apply scientific language to communicate understanding clearly and precisely iv. usually document sources correctly.	The student's work: introduces a specific problem or issue. attempts to explain the application of science to address the problem either clearly or accurately. discusses and evaluates at least 2 implications (such as moral, ethical, economical, environmental, political, social or cultural) of the use of science to address the problem. contains mostly correct use of scientific language contains resources that help to understand it, such as graphs, pictures, diagrams, etc. The key and related concepts are present throughout the essay but their relationship with the topic is not always clear. All references are included in APA format with mostly correct in text referencing.
7-8	The student is able to: i. explain the ways in which science is applied and used to address a specific problem or issue ii. discuss and evaluate the implications of using science and its application to solve a specific problem or issue, interacting with a factor iii. consistently apply scientific language to communicate understanding clearly and precisely iv. document sources completely.	The student's work: introduces a specific problem or issue. explains the application of science to address the problem clearly and accurately. discusses and evaluates at least 3 implications (such as moral, ethical, economical, environmental, political, social or cultural) of the use of science to address the problem. contains correct use of scientific language contains several resources that help to understand it, such as graphs, pictures, diagrams, etc. Focuses the essay clearly from a key and related concept for science. All references are included in APA format with correct in text referencing.