

## **ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENT - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **Why is an alternative being offered?**

The alternative is being offered due to the current public health restrictions in relation to Covid 19.

### **Will this alternative assessment be offered every year?**

No the alternative assessment is for the current academic year 2020/21.

### **Will I have still have to provide files as I would have for the school visit?**

Yes, the files for the SCG Teanga and Cultúr Project will remain the same.

The files for each Múineadh na Gaeilge lesson remain the same but with the addition of an additional reflective task which must be included in the SCG lesson file and in each OCG lesson file.

### **For the reflective task for each OCG lesson do I have to undertake a reflective task for both lessons.**

Yes.

### **Do I need to display posters in the classroom?**

It is not necessary to display posters in the classroom.

The Teanga and Cultúr Project file (SCG) will include photographs of the posters relevant to that file.

### **I am not in a school currently?**

Where a candidate is not in a school currently then they may undertake the teaching of the lesson(s) when the opportunity to do so becomes available.

### **I am not in the country, can I avail of the alternative assessment?**

Where a candidate is not in the country currently then they may undertake the teaching of the lesson(s) when the opportunity to do so becomes available.

**If I move to a different school can I undertake the alternative assessment?**

Yes, if you have the permission of the school to do so.

**When do I teach the lesson(s)?**

The lessons can be taught between the dates 13 January – 26 February 2021.

**What are the main requirements?**

**(a) The work must be your own work.**

(b) The Múineadh na Gaeilge lesson(s) must be taught (13 January – 26 February).

(c) The additional reflective task must be included with each lesson file

(d) Both files for SCG or OCG must be uploaded ( 1<sup>st</sup> February – 28<sup>th</sup> February)

**How will I submit my lesson files and reflective task?**

A link to upload the files will be available on the Cáilíocht sa Ghaeilge website from (1 February – 28 February)

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**When will the results become available?**

Results for the Practical Elements will issue with the Spring examination/assessment results.

**Is it necessary to teach the lesson(s)?**

Yes, this is a requirement.

**Does the 120 day adaptation period requirement still apply for the OCG?**

Yes, this is requirement.

**Can I just submit the files without teaching the lesson(s)?**

No, it is a requirement that the lesson(s) are taught by the candidate.

**Can I submit the lesson files without submitting the reflective task?**

No, the reflective task is a requirement and must be based on the teaching of the lesson.

As each lesson file will be a unique piece of work, each reflective task will similarly be unique.

Where a file is received with elements missing then that file will be deemed fail-incomplete.

**Is it necessary for the school principal to observe the teaching of the lesson?**

It is not a requirement that the school principal observe the lesson(s).

**What format should I submit the reflective task in?**

The files should be submitted in pdf format. Each file should be compressed using file compression software (e.g. small pdf)

**If I have any further questions about the alternative assessment what should I do?**

If there are any additional queries they can be emailed to [scginfo@mie.ie](mailto:scginfo@mie.ie) or [ocginfo@mie.ie](mailto:ocginfo@mie.ie)