**SOCIAL SCIENCES (GEOGRAPHY) - GRADE 8 2021**

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| **TOPIC** | **ASSESSMENT STANDARDS** | **PORTFOLIO ASSESSMENT TASKS** |
| **PHASE 1 (15 February 2021 – 23 April 2021)** | | |
| **WBHS Orientation** | Finding your way around WBHS | **Task 1:** Mid-term test: Mapwork  22 – 26 March  **Task 2:** “Where in the world?” Mapwork project.  29 March – 2 April    **Task 3:** Controlled Test  12 – 23 April |
| **Maps and Atlases** | Direction and bearing |
| Latitude and longitude |
| Scales |
| Measuring distances |
| **The Globe** | Hemispheres |
| Earth’s rotation on its axis |
| Time zones |
| Solstices and equinoxes |
| **PHASE 2 (3 May 2021 – 9 July 2021)** | | |
| **Weather vs Climate** | Elements of weather and how weather differs from climate. | **Task 4:** Controlled test: Climate factors  07 – 11 June  **Task 5:** “Where in the world?” Mapwork project.  14 – 18 June  **Task 6:** June Controlled test:  28 June – 9 July |
| **Climate Factors** | 5 Factors that influence temperature and rainfall around the world, example: latitude. |
| **South African Climate** | Physical map of South Africa. |
| How the physical regions of SA affect climate regions. |
| **Global Climate Regions** | Temperature, rainfall, and vegetation characteristics of different climate types. |
| Climate regions around the world |
| Links between climatic regions and factors influencing temperature and rainfall |
| **PHASE 3 (26 July 2021 – 26 November 2021)** | | |
| **Settlement and Land Use** | Rural settlements | **Task 7:** “Where in the world?” Mapwork project.  6 – 10 September  **Task 8:** Controlled Test: Settlement issues.  13 – 17 September  **Task 9:** October Controlled test  15 – 26 November |
| Types of rural settlements |
| Urban settlements |
| Land use zones in urban settlements |
| **Urbanization** | Concept of urbanization |
| Push and pull factors |
| Apartheid segregation and urbanization |
| Rapid urbanization and the issues associated with it |
| **Satellite Photography and Aerial Photos** | Oblique and vertical aerial photos |
| Identifying information and land use on aerial photos |
| Identifying information from satellite images |