

IB MYP YEAR 5

Year 10 Mathematics

IA PREPARATION

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Duration:	9 lessons		

The Task:

For this task, you are required to

- **Decide** on a research topic. It should be something that strikes your interests but the topic has to be related to
 - A real life situation on "**How things grow or decay**" (with approval from your teacher).
- **Research** and gather relevant data for your topic.
- Organize the data into tables and suitable graphs.
- Analyze the data that you have obtained/generated and make critical comments
- Generate a mathematical model from the data.
- Justify the model you generated
- **Present** your findings with a critical, meaningful conclusion.

The Final Product:

For this task, you need to produce **a Written Report**, and **a Poster**.

Written Report

- The written report is a detailed account of your findings in relation to your topic. It should be typed and include the following sections:
 - Introduction & Rationale Describe your topic and what you will find out. Explain why your topic was chosen, and what areas of mathematics will you be using to achieve your task
 - **Present** your findings. Include the data you have obtained (in graphs and charts), accompanied with detailed, meaningful analysis.
 - Your **mathematical model**, and a discussion on how your mathematical model was generated
 - A **conclusion** Summarize and conclude your findings.
 - A reflection Review, analyze and evaluate your task (in methodology, accuracy, etc). Explain, and justify the model generated (and why you think this is a suitable model for your data).
 - The report should be no more than 12 pages in writing (typed, based on Times New Roman, 12 type font, with double spaced lines), graphs and diagrams are not included in the page count.

Poster

- The poster is a compilation of the **important elements** from your written report and it should include the following:
 - o A title
 - A section on **what** you will investigate in this task (your topic) and **why** you have chosen this topic
 - A section that summarizes your findings, explaining how your topic "changed" (whether it was a growth or decay)
 - Your **"model"** (the equation that will describe how your topic "grows" or "decays")
 - Relevant charts and graphs
 - A section that discusses on how (and possibly why) the model you have created is suitable for the data you have obtained in relation to your topic.
 - The poster should be on an **A2 sized (or larger) paper/cardboard**, and all information should be on one side only

Time allocation:

You will have 9 lessons (about 2 weeks) to work on the task, and the suggested breakdown is as follows:

Lesson 1	Introduction of the task
Lesson 2 & 3	Research and decide the topic.
Lesson 4	Analysis the data with Excel, Geogebra or any other mathematical software.
Lesson 5-9	Working on the poster and report

Note:

- You will have to bring all the materials you need for the poster or the report (including the cardboard paper for the poster).
- It is suggested to download the most updated version of Geogebra from http://www.geogebra.org/download before lesson 4.