Criterion A: Investigating

Achievement level	Level descriptor
7-8	The student is able to: i. define a clear and highly challenging goal and context for the project, based on personal interests ii. identify prior learning and subject-specific knowledge that is consistently highly relevant to the project iii. demonstrate excellent research skills
5-6	The student is able to: i. define a clear challenging goal and context for the project, based on personal interests ii. identify prior learning and subject-specific knowledge generally relevant to the project iii. demonstrate substantial research skills
3-4	The student is able to: i. outline a basic and appropriate goal and context for the project, based on personal interests ii. identify basic prior learning and subject-specific knowledge relevant to some areas of the project iii. demonstrate adequate research skills
1-2	The student is able to: i. state a goal and context for the project, based on personal interests, but this may be limited in depth or accessibility ii. identify prior learning and subject-specific knowledge, but this may be limited in occurrence or relevance iii. demonstrate limited research skills
0	The student does not achieve a standard described by any of the descriptors above.

Criterion B: Planning

Achievement level	Level descriptor
7-8	The student is able to: i. develop rigorous criteria for the product/outcome ii. present a detailed and accurate plan and record of the development process of the project iii. demonstrate excellent self-management skills
5-6	The student is able to: i. develop substantial and appropriate criteria for the product/outcome ii. present a sustantial plan and record of the development process of the project iii. demonstrate substantial self-management skills
3-4	The student is able to: i. develop adequate criteria for the product/outcome ii. present an adequate plan and record of the development process of the project iii. demonstrate adequate self-management skills
1-2	The student is able to: i. develop limited criteria for the product/outcome ii. present a limited or partial plan and record of the development process of the project iii. demonstrate limited self-management skills
0	The student does not achieve a standard described by any of the descriptors above.

Criterion C: Taking action

Achievement level	Level descriptor
7-8	The student is able to: i. create an excellent product/outcome in response to the goal, global context, and criteria ii. demonstrate excellent thinking skills iii. demonstrate excellent communication and social skills
5-6	The student is able to: i. create a substantial product/outcome in response to the goal, global context, and criteria ii. demonstrate substantial thinking skills iii. demonstrate substantial communication and social skills
3-4	The student is able to: i. create a basic product/outcome in response to the goal, global context, and criteria ii. demonstrate adequate thinking skills iii. demonstrate adequate communication and social skills
1-2	The student is able to: i. create a limited product/outcome in response to the goal, global context, and criteria ii. demonstrate limited thinking skills iii. demonstrate limited communication and social skills
0	The student does not achieve a standard described by any of the descriptors above.

Criterion D: Reflecting

Achievement level	Level descriptor
7-8	The student is able to: i. present an excellent evaluation of the quality of the product/outcome against his or her criteria ii. present excellent reflection on how completing the project has extended his or her knowledge and understanding of the topic and the global context iii. present excellent reflection on his or her development as an IB learner through the project
5-6	 The student is able to: i. present a substantial evaluation of the quality of the product/outcome against his or her criteria ii. present substantial reflection on how completing the project has extended his or her knowledge and understanding of the topic and the global context iii. present substantial reflection on his or her development as an IB learner through the project
3-4	The student is able to: i. present a basic evaluation of the quality of the product/outcome against his or her criteria ii. present adequate reflection on how completing the project has extended his or her knowledge and understanding of the topic and the global context iii. present adequate reflection on his or her development as an IB learner through the project
1-2	The student is able to: i. present a limited evaluation of the quality of the product/outcome against his or her criteria ii. present limited reflection on how completing the project has extended his or her knowledge and understanding of the topic and the global context iii. present limited reflection on his or her development as an IB learner through the project
0	The student does not achieve a standard described by any of the descriptors above.