

# Year 8 Syllabus

## Year Level Description

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reflects elements of culture

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Technology (ICT) capability

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### REFLECTING

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Participate in intercultural interactions with members of the Tamil-speaking community to discuss cultural practices, demonstrating awareness of the importance of shared understanding and reflecting on adjustments made as a result of reactions and responses

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Consider how their own biography influences their identity and communication, and shapes their

- describing a state of action; for example, ஊர்வலம் செய்து, ஊர்வலம் செய்து
- using modal verbs to express ability, possibility, likelihood and permission; for example, ஊர்வலம் செய்யும்போது, ஊர்வலம் செய்யும்போது, ஊர்வலம் செய்யும்போது
- creating cohesion using conjunctions; for example, ஊர்வலம் செய்து, ஊர்வலம் செய்து, ஊர்வலம் செய்து
- creating compound and complex sentences by using conjunctions; for example, ஊர்வலம் செய்து, ஊர்வலம் செய்து, ஊர்வலம் செய்து
- recognising and using synonyms (ஊர்வலம் செய்து) such as ஊர்வலம், ஊர்வலம், and antonyms (ஊர்வலம் செய்து) such as



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Apply the structures and conventions associated with a range of text types and identify key features and functions of the different genres

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## LANGUAGE VARIATION AND CHANGE

Examine how elements of communication, such as gestures, facial expressions and choice of language, vary according to context and situation

 Literacy

 Information and Communication

Technology (ICT) capability

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

Investigate the nature and extent of Tamil language use in both Australian and global contexts

 Literacy

 Information and Communication Technology (ICT) capability

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

### ROLE OF LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

Reflect on different aspects of the cultural dimension of learning and using Tamil, and consider how this might be interpreted and responded to by members of the community

 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Ethical understanding

 Intercultural understanding

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## Achievement standard

At standard, students use mostly familiar language when participating in

spoken and written interactions to exchange information on special holidays and travel and to collaborate on tasks, activities and transactions. They access, summarise and share key ideas and information from texts and present them in different formats for their intended audiences. Students analyse key ideas, themes, values and techniques in imaginative texts and make some connections with other imaginative texts in their own language and culture. They also create and present simple texts with imagined contexts and characters, selecting mostly appropriate language, rhythms and images to enrich the experience. Students translate and/or interpret texts, with some accuracy and consider why there might be differences in interpretation. They consider how their biography influences their identity and communication, and shapes their intercultural experiences.

Students better understand the Tamil sound and writing systems, using familiar vocabulary related to special holidays and travel, and applying elements of grammar in spoken and written texts, with a satisfactory level of accuracy. They apply most of the structures and conventions of a range of text types and identify most key features and functions of the different genres. Students discuss the nature and extent of Tamil language use in both Australian and global contexts and explain the different cultural aspects of learning and using Tamil, considering how this might be interpreted and responded to by members of the community.

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Students widen their social networks, experiences and communication repertoires in Tamil. They are encouraged to investigate the nature and extent of Tamil language use in both Australian and global contexts, reflect on different aspects of the cultural dimension of learning and using Tamil, and consider how this might be interpreted and responded to by members

of the community.

In Year 8, students are supported to develop increasing autonomy as language learners and users, to self-monitor and peer-monitor, and to adjust language in response to their experiences in different contexts. Students use Tamil language in more extended and elaborated ways for classroom interactions and routines, task participation and structured discussion.