



Independent Learning (IL) Descriptions

Independent learning is defined as all work that is completed outside of the classroom. This may be different in different year groups. Homework is a key aspect of independent learning, but as students move up through the school we would also expect the level of independence in their additional reading and research to increase.

1: Excellent

These students complete all set independent learning tasks punctually and to a high standard. They take pride in their work and it demonstrates a high level of effort. They take responsibility to extend their learning independently and always take ownership for completing any missed work. When appropriate, they seek support and help prior to deadlines. Their independent learning impacts positively on their progress.

2: Good

These students complete all set independent learning tasks punctually and to a good standard. They take pride in their work and it demonstrates a good level of effort. They sometimes need guidance and encouragement to take responsibility to extend their learning independently. They often take ownership for completing any missed work. When appropriate, they often seek support and help prior to deadlines. Their independent learning impacts positively on their progress.

3: Inconsistent

These students sometimes complete set independent learning tasks punctually and the work produced is of a variable standard. Sometimes the work is incomplete or lacks effort. Work can appear rushed and lacks care. They rarely take responsibility to extend their learning independently and often fail to take ownership for completing any missed work. Help is not often sought prior to deadlines. Their independent learning does not always impact positively on their progress.

4: Poor

These students do not often complete set independent learning tasks, either satisfactorily or punctually. The work appears rushed, lacks effort and care. They are not engaged in extending their learning independently and fail to take ownership for completing any missed work. Help is not sought prior to deadlines. The lack of independent learning impacts negatively on their progress.