Use of clarifier in examinations

1. The invigilator(s), clarifier and the students should be given a copy of these instructions before the examination.

2. The use of a clarifier in an external examination may be *approved by the school* for eligible students before the examination.

3. The purpose of clarification is to ensure that the examination questions are accessible to students with language disorder or hearing impairment.

4. Students should practice using a clarifier under examination conditions before the examination.

5. The following instructions apply to students using a clarifier under examination conditions:

5.1 Clarification must only relate to examination questions.

5.2 Clarification is restricted to defining one or more words in a question. However, the clarifier **must not** define any words or terms that are ‘study specific’, that is, words that are subject-related.

5.3 Clarification is restricted to providing alternative words to those words in the question that are likely to be unfamiliar to students. Again, the clarifier **must not** offer alternatives to ‘study specific’ words or terms.

6. Only the support outlined above can be provided to the student. A discussion about answers, or prompting, **must not occur**.

7. Schools should initiate discussion with the SACE Board of South Australia before the examination if they believe there is a need to vary these instructions.