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The Education and Innovation Committee
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Dear Committee Members,

The many methods used by the Queensland Studies Authority are invalid and unreliable and should be abandoned.

It is not fair to test students using assignments on which one can cheat, even if done in class. Calculator use should be reduced. Maths is now assessed on ability to write correct English, not on ability to do mathematical calculations. Repetition and rote learning of times tables and other basic processes should be introduced from Prep to Year 10. This would increase student ability in these subjects in Years 11 and 12. External exams must be introduced in senior maths and science subjects, to be sat in the final semester of Year 12, commencing in 2015.

Yours sincerely,

