



Year 12-13 Building Work Cover Sheet

SUBJECT:
Philosophy & Ethics (RS)

DATE: Summer 2026

The purpose of departmental building work is to provide students with a series of engaging tasks that aim to ease transition from Years 12-13 and ensure progress post- Year 12 examinations.

The aims of this Building work are: to improve evaluative skills by re-drafting an essay and to widen knowledge by listening to an episode of the Panpsycast and completing a summary sheet.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Using the mock feedback sheet you have received pick ONE of your mock essays to re-draft after completing all the other tasks.
2. Pick any **3 episodes** of "The Panpsycast" podcast to listen to in full and complete the record sheet below.
Go to: [Episodes \(https://thepanpsycast.com/panpsycast\)](https://thepanpsycast.com/panpsycast)
3. Go to [Think Essay Prize - Royal Institute of Philosophy](#) and pick any of the topic titles given to write a short essay (1000-word limit) on. The competition is closed now but this will allow outstanding philosophy students to stretch their thinking beyond the specification.

FOLLOW UP:

Your building work will be assessed in the following way/s:

Teacher will mark the re-drafted essay and give an effort grade for the podcast summaries

Task 2

<https://thepanpsycast.com/panpsycast>

Title of episode listened to:



Episode Number:

Summary of podcast episode:

1. Take notes as you listen to the podcast
2. Go over your notes and identify the key points
3. Write the summary

In your opinion, what are the three most interesting facts/pieces of knowledge that you could use in further study, such as an assessment or piece of classwork?

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Specification Links

How does this podcast episode link to what you study? *(Be clear and specific – use link to spec above)*

What key words have been used in this podcast episode? Select 5 key words and complete their definitions below.

Keyword:		Definition:
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Date Completed:

Teacher Checked	Purple	Blue	Green	Yellow	Orange
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Purple:

- Your podcast summary is fully completed with an exceptional level of detail. It is clear you have listening to the episode in full and taken your time to complete the review.
- The summary is clear and specific summarising the main points of the podcast episode.
- The 3 facts and figures are clearly explained.
- There is a clear and very detailed link back to the specification and what you will be studying.
- All 5 definitions are of complex key terms and concepts from the podcast.

Blue:

- Your podcast summary is fully completed with a high level of detail.
- The summary is clear, summarising the main points of the episode.
- The facts and figures are stated.
- There is a clear link back to the specification and what you are studying.
- 1 or 2 of the definitions are of complex key terms and concepts from the podcast.

Green:

- Your podcast summary is fully completed and all areas filled in.
- But there is potential for more detail to be added such as the specification links.
- Key words are completed but could be more complex words/concepts from the podcast.

Yellow:

- Your podcast summary is completed but sections lack detail, such as definitions, or the written areas (Summary and links to study).
- Key words are likely to be more basic words/concepts from the article.
- **OR** Your podcast summary is partially completed, e.g. 2 out 3 facts or 3 out of 5 definitions.

Orange:

- Your podcast review is incomplete.
- Whole sections are not completed, e.g. definitions
- It seems you either did not fully listen to **OR** fully understand the episode. We can discuss this.