

2017 Winners

Health class: Mental wellbeing is important, don't stress.

Every other class: Here's 10 assignments due Friday.

-Kirstin, Westlake Girls High School, Takapuna, Auckland

Primary School: Miss 3 months of school to go on holiday - doesn't fall behind.

High School: Miss one period of calculus - fails entire year.

-Connor, Napier Boys High School, Te Awa, Napier

Achieved: Can sneeze in an exam at a relevant time

Merit: Can sneeze with perceptive timing

Excellence: Can sneeze while pondering the origin of a sneeze

-Rebecca, Tokomairiro High School, Milton

NCEA is

more boring than this haiku

ugh ugh ugh ugh

-Theo, Wellington College, Mount Victoria, Wellington

Oprah: You get an E, you get an E, and you get an E!

NCEA: Too many E's... you all get M's.

-Sophie, Diocesan School for Girls, Epsom, Auckland

NCEA is like a fidget spinner. It's exciting at the start but gets boring really quickly.

-Theo, Wellington College, Mount Victoria, Wellington

Not much beats hearing that your classmates haven't started the assignment yet either.

-Paul, King's High School, South Dunedin, Dunedin

Life is like a box of chocolates, you never know what you're gonna get.

NCEA is like an open box of Favourites, you get the Cherry Ripes.

-Sarah, Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu, Thorndon, Wellington

Never gonna give it up, never gonna let you down, never gonna take a test, without LearnCOACH.

-Michelle, Waikato Diocesan School for Girls, Chartwell, Hamilton

Unlike bad friends, NCEA has the decency to stab you from the front.

-Campbell, Mangere College, Mangere, Auckland

Internals are due, exams are looming, but more importantly, what brand of fake tan are you going to use for the ball?

-Georgie, Nelson College for Girls, Nelson

Every student from Otago through to Canterbury: "Sorry Miss, the floodwaters ate my homework."
-Isabel, Middleton Grange School, Upper Riccarton, Christchurch

Your motivation to study for NCEA is so you don't end up becoming an examiner when you're older.
-Mae, Birkenhead College, Birkdale, Auckland

*Roses are red
Violets are blue
Mock exams are coming up
And so are your tears*
-Angelu, Cashmere High School, Somerfield, Christchurch

If you're ever feeling bad about yourself, don't worry. There are always the people who get their papers used as not achieved exemplars.
-Joseph, Hamilton Boys' High School, Hamilton East, Hamilton

If you've never increased the font size on an assessment to make it look like you did more than you have, are you even an NCEA student?
-Renee, Palmerston North Girls' High School, West End, Palmerston North

"Ok teachers, remember to remind students how close the mock exams are every hour, every day, or else they might forget." - School Principal
-Liam, Geraldine High School, Geraldine

Mocks are coming. It's like winter on Game Of Thrones, except you take Game Of Thrones seriously.
-Emma, Onslow College, Johnsonville, Wellington

*Once upon a time, there lived a person who failed their NCEAs.
The End.
Written by: Ministry of Education*
-Rebecca, Tokomairiro High School, Milton

*If life gives you lemons, make lemonade.
If NCEA gives you Not Achieved, appeal the grade.*
-Liam, Geraldine High School, Geraldine
The difference between the marking habits of teachers and examiners is the teachers remember to tick the spot by your name.
-Rebecca, Tokomairiro High School, Milton

NCEA may seem impossible, but that's only because it is impossible.
-Maisie, Hastings Christian School, Akina, Hastings

It's that time of the year when, ironically, NZQA is added to your favourites bar.
-Jessica, Bayfield High School, Andersons Bay, Dunedin

The reason you wait until January for NCEA results is because Winston Peters is marking them.

-Alex, Roxburgh Area School, Roxburgh, Central Otago

If Labour, Greens and NZ First will not support English in Parliament, why should we support it in schools?

Karepa, Gisborne Boys' High School, Gisborne

You don't know the meaning of the word paranoia until you come across 'All of the Above' in an exam.

-Rebecca, Tokomairiro High School, Milton

NCEA exam papers give students questions they don't understand.

Students give markers answers they don't understand.

-Brodie, Howick College, Howick, Auckland

What does it feel like to pass Level 3 Calculus with excellence endorsed? You wouldn't know.

-Sam, Howick College, Howick, Auckland

The only reassuring thing about NCEA exams is the nationwide reassurance that everyone is in distress.

-Ashley, Waiuku College, Waiuku

You have to be really bad at game design to make your players NOT want to level up, but NZQA are very good at what they do.

-Cian, Hamilton Boys' High School, Hamilton East, Hamilton