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## To The Inquiry:

I do not support the current system of assessment.

I have been teaching Mathematics for 35 years in NSW, VIC, and then Qld. In Qld, it has been a constant source of frustration to me in trying to understand the system, and then explain it to the students. The workload which results from writing such high stakes exams and assignments is horrendous. Marking without numbers is frustrating and confusing. It is all a huge time drain without it benefiting the students. I find it pretty much impossible to concentrate on making my lessons engaging and fun. The system in NSW and VIC was so much better. There is a lot of cheating in assignments, they must surely be abandoned.

I urge the committee to recommend that we adopt a system like we have in NSW and VIC.

Sincerely,

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