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This series is dedicated to Doug Scholz (1961–2008)

Doug was an exceptional educator who spent every moment teaching and mentoring students and adults alike to become better people through their school and sporting pursuits. There is not a soul who met Doug that was not affected by him in some positive way. Doug was a valued member of the *PDHPE in Focus* writing team and was passionate about his role in the development of this Stage 6 PDHPE series.
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Introduction

PDHPE in Focus is an all new series written specifically for the revised NSW Stage 6 PDHPE syllabus. Devised by a respected author team of senior PDHPE educators, PDHPE in Focus covers all core modules and options with completely new content. Up-to-date statistics, case studies and articles place topics within context and provide relevance for today’s students.

A unique ‘dot-point’ approach

PDHPE in Focus is designed to help teachers and students successfully navigate the new syllabus, with content written directly to the syllabus dot points. ‘Learn about’ dot-points are featured in purple and ‘Learn to’ dot-points in blue, allowing students to easily follow the syllabus as they learn.

Consolidated learning

A range of practical, inquiry and research based activities and review questions are provided at the end of each key learning area or chapter. Activities are linked to specific dot-points and are indicated in the text with an icon for easy reference. All activities and review questions use the NSW Board of Studies key terms.

Activities

Activity 1 (Page 59)
In a class or group debate the statement that ‘individuals need to take more responsibility for their own health’.

Activity 2 (Page 60)
Access the website below and select a research institute from the list. Review and outline the work they do to promote health.

eText

The accompanying eText is a valuable tool that aims to strengthen students’ understanding of the topics, assist in exam preparation and support literacy skill development. A CD icon highlights when related material is available on the eText.

Key features of the eText:
- a searchable PDF copy of the text book
- sample student answers to exam-style questions, with marking criteria
- verb scaffolds—linked to the sample responses and accompanied by blank templates to assist with further exam practice
- module summary points
- web links for up-to-date statistics and online research.

Focus on exam preparation and literacy

Sample student answers to exam-style questions (with marking criteria) are linked to dot-points throughout the content and are provided on the accompanying eText. The sample responses provide examples of actual band 6 answers to assist with exam preparation.

Each sample answer is accompanied by a verb scaffold that breaks down the student response according to the BOS verb requirements and provides commentary on what contributes to a band 6 answer. Editable verb scaffold templates are also provided to strengthen literacy skills by enabling students to practice structuring responses to verb requirements in exam style questions.

Online Learning Centre

The PDHPE in Focus Online Learning Centre features:
- graphs and illustrations from the series (where permission allows) in formats suitable for use with interactive white boards and PowerPoint®
- web links for all modules with regular updates
- news on updated AIHW content
- author information
- sample material
- information on related titles.
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