

DANCE (VCE VET)

MATTHEW BRADWELL RECEIVED A PERFECT DANCE (VCE VET) SCORE IN 2014.

My name is...

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I went to...

Victorian College of the Arts
Secondary School

In Dance (VCE VET), I received a score of...

50

The thing I liked best about doing this subject was...

Performance experience in front of a
new group of people

This year (2015) I am doing...

Full time classical ballet at the
Australian Ballet School

The best advice I can give VCE students about this exam is...

- 1) Simplify your dance solos so they
are within your capabilities
- 2) Don't try impress the panel with
'tricks' if they aren't done perfectly
- 3) Work to your strength, show off
what you do best

The best advice I got from my teacher about this exam was...

if you can't do it with perfect
technique, then take it out of the solo.

In the month before this VCE exam, I...

began performing my solo as often
as I could, usually once a day. I really
focussed on the technical aspects of
it, making sure that I was able to do
everything involved. I began starting
to organise music and costumes, to
make sure that I was well prepared.

In the week before this VCE exam I...

began really focusing on the
performance and artistry aspect of
my solos. I also began performing
in front of larger crowds, to practice
dealing with performance anxiety.

On exam day, I prepared myself by...

I ensured that I was physically
prepared, therefore I had a good
warm up that was specific to the
solos I was about to perform. I also
gave myself time to calm and relax
myself to ensure I was not inhibited by
nerves.

After the exam, I...

gave myself a break from studying
and dancing, and caught up with
friends to take my mind off exams.

The best exam advice I received from my parents, siblings or friends was...

believe in yourself.

I didn't work a part-time job during year 12 because...

my courses involved dance on the
weekend. With this and my school
being located in the city, I had very
limited time. Therefore I choose not
to work to allow maximum time to
devote to all my Year 12 subjects.



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vce exams, please visit

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