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Macmillan's textbooks for the Caribbean Secondary Education Certificate (CSEC) Science subjects have been written by teachers with many years' experience of preparing students for success in their examinations. These revised third editions have been written to align with the new CXC syllabuses (to be first examined in 2015). Additional practical activities have been included to reflect the new emphasis on practical work, and new features (such as group work and discussion activities) will help teachers to cater to a variety of different learning styles within the classroom.

These books are specially designed to stimulate learning, whatever the reader's needs. Students starting a topic from scratch may need to be led through the explanation one step at a time, while those with prior knowledge of a topic may need to clarify a detail, or reinforce their understanding. Others may simply need to check that they understand the material.

Each CSEC science syllabus specifies the areas to be used for the School-Based Assessment (SBA). Each book in the series has a section designed to help students with their SBA, by offering advice on how to approach the task, presenting examples of good SBA work or suggesting suitable material to use within it. Teachers are free to photocopy these pages.

The CSEC Science series covers everything a student needs pass their CSEC examination, as well as providing a firm foundation for more advanced study at CAPE level.

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