

# Disease

## Research Assignment



### **Part A**

Your task is to *choose one infectious disease* from the list below. Then you are to *research* the disease in the encyclopaediae or via the internet. Then you are to *complete the table on the following page*.

*List of infectious diseases:* cholera, malaria, measles, tetanus, tuberculosis, influenza, tinea (“Athlete’s Foot”), tapeworm infection, botulism

### **Part B**

An Australian friend or family member is planning to travel overseas. He/she has asked you about diseases that he/she might catch while travelling.

Your task is to *present the disease information that you research in Part A* in either:

- a *letter* to your friend or family member

or

- a *travel brochure*.

<p>What is the name of the infectious disease?</p>	
<p>What organism causes the disease?  <i>(virus, bacterium, protozoan, fungus or worm)</i></p>	
<p>What are the signs and symptoms?  <i>(fever, pain, headache, vomiting, diarrhoea, chills, coughing, loss of weight etc)</i></p>	
<p>How is the disease spread?  <i>(body contact, coughing or sneezing, contaminated food or water, soil in deep cuts, animal such as mosquito etc)</i></p>	
<p>How is a person suffering with the disease treated?  <i>(antibiotics or other medicine, rest in bed, drink lots of water etc)</i></p>	
<p>How can this disease be prevented?  <i>(immunisation, wash hands, boil drinking water, insect spray etc)</i></p>	