



Year 9 Parent Information

Future Pathways



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The choice of a secondary school is a very important one and should not be taken lightly.

There is little doubt cultural pressure and expectations impose a significant influence on an education system and on schools.

The once holistic education of the earlier centuries is miles apart from the ostensibly industrial model of the present age.

While the lifestyles, morals, values and expectations of children and young people have changed over time, what has remained constant are the basic needs of children and young people walking the journey of life.

Grace Christian School has always been countercultural; our values, ethos and educational philosophy underscore a holistic education, where academics and career outcomes are of utmost importance as too are moral, character and emotional and spiritual development.

Schooling should not be solely about a career; it should be a transforming journey of discovery in a safe and caring environment that encourages personal growth and excellence, planted firmly on a solid philosophical and values foundation.

This is why Grace Christian School students are different; it is why our graduates do make a difference.



Mr Hugo de Ridder

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for taking the time to consider the future pathways available in the Senior Secondary program at Grace Christian School.

Three (3) very important acronyms you must know.

1 **WACE** – Western Australian Certificate of Education

Students who meet the necessary criteria achieve a certificate, the WACE. This is a desired outcome for all Year 12 students.

2 **ATAR** – Australian Tertiary Admission Ranking

An overall achievement ranking of Year 12 students. The ATAR is used by universities to select students for entry into courses of study. E.g. Medicine, Engineering etc.

ATAR subjects are those studied in Year 11 and Year 12 that can be included in determining an ATAR. E.g. ATAR Physics, ATAR Modern History, etc.

3 **VET** – Vocational Education Training

Vocational qualifications offer training for students aiming to enter the workforce or continue with tertiary studies. E.g. Certificates in Fitness, Health Services, Plumbing, etc.



PORTRAITS OF GRACE STUDENTS

Grace students go on to achieve success in many different fields. The following pages reflect the success of just six of these students:



Mr Christopher Lindberg

Year: 2013

Program: VET

School Achievements: WACE, School Based Apprenticeship with South West Isuzu, 1st & 2nd Year of Certificate III Automotive Servicing Technology (Heavy Diesel)

Outcome: Apprenticeship at South West Isuzu, 3rd & 4th Year of Certificate III Automotive Servicing Technology (Heavy Diesel) Heavy Diesel Mechanic for Rio Tinto



Dr Nick Chatman

Year: 2013

Program: ATAR

School Achievements: WACE, ATAR

Outcome: Doctor of Medicine (MD)

Bachelor of Science (BSc) majoring in Pharmacology and Physiology



Miss Kate Monaghan

Year: 2016

Program: ATAR

School Achievements: WACE, ATAR

Outcome: Curtin University (1 Year exchange Northern Arizona University) Bachelor of Commerce (Management)

City of Bunbury (Event Management)

Australian Government (Department of Education, Skills and Employment) Local Jobs Program



Miss Kaisha Saunders

Year: 2016

Program: ATAR

School Achievements: WACE, ATAR

Outcome: Curtin University Bachelor in Pharmacy (Honours)
Pharmacist at Terry White Chemmart



Mr Jaxon Lantzke

Year: 2019

Program: ATAR

School Achievements: WACE, ATAR & Cert III in Music

Outcome: Full time Serviceman in the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) Program, completing a Bachelor of Arts majoring in History and Business at UNSW, Canberra. One year at Royal Military College, Duntroon, followed by 6 months of vocational training in preparation for service as an Officer.



Mr Lachlan Hedt

Year: 2020

Program: VET

School Achievements: Year 11 Completion, Academic Distinction – Career & Enterprise, Highest Achiever with Distinction – Career & Enterprise

Outcome: Apprenticeship at RCR Mining Technologies
Certificate III in Engineering (Fabrication)

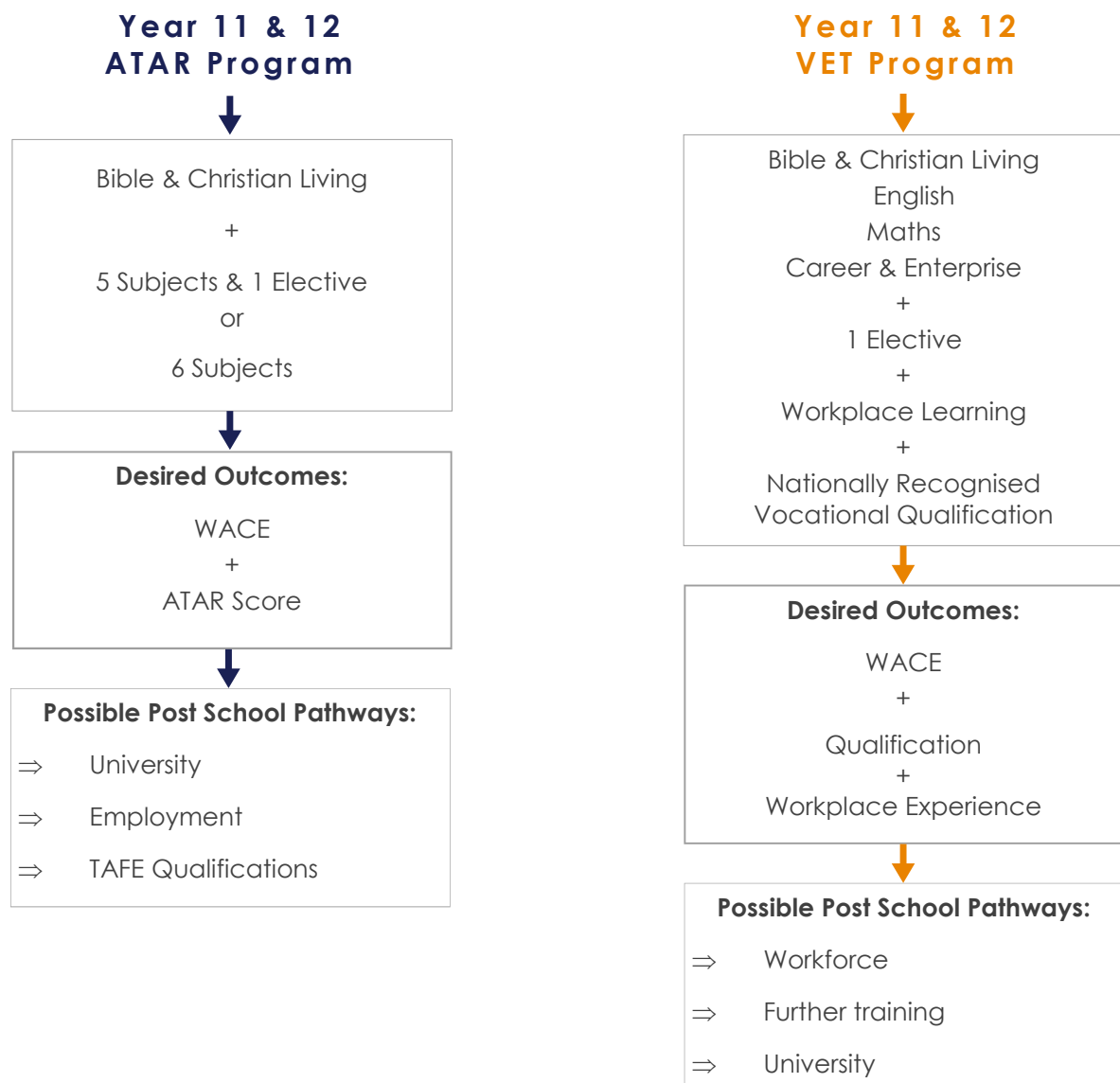
THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (WACE)

West Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) Requirements	
Completion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete 20 units over Year 11 and Year 12, where one subject equals two units. E.g. Year 11 Math Methods Unit 1 and 2. Completion of four Year 12 ATAR courses OR a Certificate II qualification OR a combination of ATAR and General courses.
Achievement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve 14 C grades with 6 coming from Year 12. E.g. Passing one course of study is equivalent to 2 C grades. Completion of qualifications and/or endorsed courses of study are the equivalent of C grades in Year 11 & 12, as outlined in the table below.*
Literacy and Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass NAPLAN / OLN (Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment).
Breadth of Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete 10 Year 12 course units. Complete Year 11 and Year 12 English. Complete at least one subject from both list A (English/History/Geography) and list B (Mathematics/Sciences/Technology).
Exams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students sitting ATAR courses must sit exams. Students studying General courses do not sit exams

*	"C grade" equivalence in Year 11	"C grade" equivalence in Year 12
Endorsed Courses (E.g. Workplace Learning)	Maximum of 2	Maximum of 2
VET Qualifications	Maximum of 4	Maximum of 4
VET Qualifications and Endorsed Courses Combined	Maximum of 4	Maximum of 4
Certificate II	2	2
Certificate III	2	4

GRACE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL YEAR 11 & 12 PATHWAYS

There have been many success stories at Grace Christian School from both ATAR and VET graduates. Which training pathway is right for you?



WHICH PATHWAY IS FOR ME?

Some people will find greater success in the ATAR or VET pathways. Consider the following questions before you make your decision.

ATAR	<i>and</i>	VET
<p>Can you...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ work closely with teachers who love God and have a desire to see you achieve your best? ■ handle a challenge? ■ read and prepare for classes ahead of time? ■ complete a large amount of work outside of class time? ■ start major assessments straight away, ensuring they do not accumulate? ■ manage time and commitments like part-time employment and sport? 		
ATAR	VET	
<p>Can you...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ deal with a number of major assignments and tests per term, per subject? ■ retain large amounts of information for tests covering a whole term's work? ■ perform in exams assessing work across the year including externally written exams in Year 12? 	<p>Can you...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ manage yourself in an adult learning environment away from the school setting? ■ manage reading, bookwork and assignments related to your qualification without school supervision? ■ Carry out work placement in your own time, often working outside of school hours? 	
<p>Do you...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ want to go to school 5 days a week? ■ want to go straight from school to university? 	<p>Do you...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ want to split your week between school, another training provider and work experience? ■ want to go to TAFE, University or the workforce? ■ want to improve your chances of entering competitive trades like electrical or mechanical through an apprenticeship? ■ want to network with employers and learn to navigate the world of work? 	
Then ATAR might be for You!	Then VET might be for You!	

ATAR Courses

The following courses are delivered in the classroom through face to face study at Grace Christian School:

- ATAR English
- ATAR Applied Information Technology
- ATAR Chemistry
- ATAR Geography
- ATAR Human Biology
- ATAR Math Applications
- ATAR Math Methods
- ATAR Math Specialist
- ATAR Modern History
- ATAR Physics
- ATAR Politics and Law
- Certificate III in Christian Ministry and Theology*

*This qualification can be studied as one of an ATAR student's five courses or as a sixth course

ATAR SIDE Courses

The following courses are delivered online through the School of Isolated & Distance Education (SIDE) and are available to study at Grace Christian School: *(conditions apply)*

- Accounting and Finance
- Biology
- Computer Science
- Economics
- Health Studies
- Media Production and Analysis
- Psychology

Students may choose one course of study through SIDE.

Whilst many students have experienced great success through this method of study, students and parents should discuss this option with the VET Coordinator and Head of Senior Secondary. School to determine if it is the right option for the individual.

ATAR: What's Next?

Month	In Year 10
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend Combined Universities Visit Attend South West Careers Expo Parent/Student meeting with Mr Knauf & Mr Woods
July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carry out Work Experience Week 10, Term 2 (Monday 27 June - Friday 1 July 2022)
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grace Christian School Senior Secondary Program offers made by end of Term 3 Acceptance of offers by beginning of Week 2, Term 4



TRUST
 in
 the **LORD**
 with
All Your Heart
 and lean not unto your own
UNDERSTANDING
 in **ALL** thy ways
ACKNOWLEDGE HIM
 and he shall
Direct
THY PATHS
 PROVERBS 3:5-6

VET Qualifications

The qualifications below are up to date and based upon offerings made to students for 2022.

Bunbury Regional Trade Training Centre (BRTTC)						
Delivery	Qualification	Fees*	Availability	Duration	Placement	Days
In Class	Cert II in Engineering Pathways	\$2300	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs or Fri
In Class	Cert II in Electrotechnology	\$3900	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 4	162 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Automotive Electrical Technology	\$3250	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	100 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Plumbing	Nil	Year 11	2 Years	220 hours	Thurs
In Class	Cert II in Building & Construction (Trades Pathway)	Nil	Year 11	2 Years	220 hours	Fri
In Class	Cert II in Medical Service First Response	\$1545	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs
In Class	Cert III in Health Services Assistance	\$2405	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Fri
In Class	Cert IV in Dental Assisting	\$4655	Year 11	2 Years	250 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert IV in Preparation for Health and Nursing Studies	\$2400	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Tues
In Class	Cert III Retail Services	\$1250	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 2	Nil	Tues
In Class	Cert III in Community Services	\$1335	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs
In Class	Cert III in Early Childhood Education and Care**	\$1470	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	120 hours	Tues
In Class	Cert III in Education Support	\$1070	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	100 hours	Tues
In Class	Cert IV in Education Support	\$1470	Year 12	Term 1 – 3	100 hours	Mon
In Class	Cert IV in Business	\$1850	Year 12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs
In Class	Cert IV in Community Services	\$1470	Year 12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Fri

* Resource costs are over and above course fees. These vary from Nil - \$500

** Incurs a cost of \$150 for Adult First Aid Course if not already held.

*** BRTTC Courses incur a site maintenance fee over and above course fees of \$352 per year

South Regional TAFE

Delivery	Qualification	Fees*	Availability	Duration	Placement	Days
In Class	Cert II in Automotive Servicing Tech - light	Nil	Year 11	Term 1 – 4	183 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Automotive Servicing Tech - Heavy	Nil	Year 11	Term 1 – 4	183 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Building and Construction - Carpentry & Joinery	Nil	Year 11	Term 1 – 3	125 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Building & Construction - Bricklaying/Blocklaying	Nil	Year 11	Term 1 – 3	125 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Building & Construction - Painting & Decorating	Nil	Year 11	Term 1 – 3	125 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Electrotechnology	Nil	Year 11	Term 1 – 4	157 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Commercial Cookery – Kitchen Operations Pre-Apprenticeship	Nil	Year 11	Term 1 – 3	163 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Engineering Pathways	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Conservation and Land Management	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Horticulture	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Community Services (General Focus)	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Community Services (Childcare Focus)	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Community Services (Education Support Focus)	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Introduction to Aged Care	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Introduction to Disability Care	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Sport & Rec	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Retail Cosmetics	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Salon Assistant	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 2	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Info, Digital Media & Technology	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Hospitality	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 2	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Retail Services	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 2	63 hours	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Tourism	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 2	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert II in Business	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 2	Nil	Thurs & Fri
In Class	Cert III in Accounts Administration	Nil	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 2	Nil	Thurs & Fri

Health Science Hub (HSH)

Delivery	Qualification	Fees*	Availability	Duration	Placement	Days
In Class	Cert III in Community Services	\$2000	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA
In Class	Cert III in Animal Studies	\$2000	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA
In Class	Cert III in Fitness	\$2000	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA
In Class	Cert III in Health Services Assistant	\$2000	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA
In Class	Cert III in Laboratory Skills	\$2000	Year 11/12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA
In Class	Cert IV in Science (Biology) Psychology & Mental Health	\$2400	Year 12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA
In Class	Cert IV in Preparation for Health & Nursing Studies	\$2400	Year 12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA
In Class	Cert IV in Science (Biology) Exercise Science	\$2400	Year 12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA
In Class	Cert IV in Science (Biology) Animal & Marine Science	\$2400	Year 12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA
In Class	Cert IV in Science (Biology) Forensics	\$2400	Year 12	Term 1 – 3	Nil	TBA

*Students will need to purchase a Health Science Hub polo shirt at \$35. Choosing to apply via a dual qualification pathway for Year 11 and 12 can provide a \$300 discount for fees over the two years.

In School Qualifications

Delivery	Qualification	Fees	Availability	Duration (Years)	Placement	Days
Online	Cert II in Work Skills*	\$699**	Year 10-12	1-2	Nil	Tue (flexible)
Online	Cert III in Business Admin*	\$699**	Year 10-12	1-2	Nil	Tue (flexible)
Online	Cert II in Sport and Rec*	\$699**	Year 10-12	1-2	Nil	Tue (flexible)
Online	Cert III in Sport and Rec*	\$699**	Year 10-12	1-2	Nil	Tue (flexible)
Online	Cert III in Fitness*	\$699**	Year 10-12	1-2	30 hours	Tue (flexible)
Online	Cert III in Early Childhood Education and Care (VET only)	\$699**	Year 10-12	1-2	120 hours	Tue (flexible)
Online	Cert III in Education Support (VET only)	\$999**	Year 10-12	2	100 hours	Tue (flexible)
In Class	Cert II in Outdoor Recreation*	TBC	Year 11	2	Nil	Tue
In Class	Cert III in Music*	TBC	Year 11	2	Nil	Tue
In Class	Cert III in Visual Art*	TBC	Year 11	2	Nil	Tue

*Available to both ATAR & VET students

**Courses offered online through Foundation Education to students in Year 10 - 12

VET: What's Next?

Month	Activity
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ White Card Training (Trade based students) ■ Begin one day a week work experience (Highly recommended)
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Attend combined universities visit ■ Parent/Student meeting with Mr Knauf & Mr Woods ■ Attend South West Careers Expo
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Receive prospectus from TAFE, BRTTC and Health Science Hub
July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Interview training with Jobs and Skills WA ■ Carry out Work Experience, Week 10 Term 2 (Monday 27 June - Friday 1 July)
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Application to BRTTC and TAFE and HSH submitted
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aptitude testing and interviews for competitive courses at BRTTC and TAFE ■ Successful VET applicants notified ■ GCS Senior Secondary Program offers made by end of Term 3
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Acceptance of offers by beginning of Week 2, Term 4

Fees a Concern?

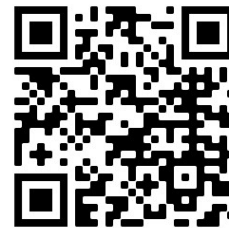
VET students only pay 70% of full-time school fees and Grace Christian School will provide a subsidy of up to \$1,500 towards any course fees associated with your chosen qualification. *(conditions apply)*

GRACE CAREERS WEBSITE

www.gracecareers.com.au

Students at Grace Christian School use this website to:

- complete an Individual Pathway Plan (IPP);
- design a resume;
- create a digital portfolio;
- carry out career investigations; and
- access hundreds of useful career resources;



Scan Me

This website can be used by parents and students to obtain detailed information about offerings available to students in Year 11 - 12, by clicking on the drop down menu "Senior School" and choosing :

- Vocational Education and Training
- Year 11 and 12 Course Descriptions
- Elective Descriptions

The screenshot displays the Grace Christian School Careers website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the school logo and a menu including 'IMPORTANT INFO', 'SENIOR SCHOOL', 'POST SCHOOL OPTIONS', 'WORKPLACE LEARNING', 'FOR PARENTS', and 'FOR STUDENTS'. The 'SENIOR SCHOOL' menu is expanded, showing a list of options: 'WACE INFORMATION', 'PAST ATAR EXAM PAPERS', 'VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING (VET)', 'SBAS/SBTS', 'THE UNIQUE STUDENT IDENTIFIER (USI)', 'SCSA INFORMATION', 'UNI. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS (FROM TISC)', 'UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS CENTRES', 'YEAR 11 AND 12 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS', and 'ELECTIVE DESCRIPTIONS'. Below the navigation, there is a large banner with the text 'DID YOU KNOW' and a play button icon. To the right of the banner, there is a section titled 'Grace Christian School Careers' with a lighthouse graphic and text explaining the site's purpose. At the bottom, there are three content tiles: 'Find a Career, Course or Scholarship' (powered by Good Education Labour), 'Message Board', and 'Career Targets (2021 Edition)'. A 'STUDENT LOGIN' button is visible on the right side of the page.

OUR MOTTO

"Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked,

Or stand in the way of sinners,

Or sit in the seat of mockers.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord,

And on His law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water,

Which yields its fruit in season,

And whose leaf does not wither.

Whatever he does prospers."

Psalm 1 : 1-3



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