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## Business whiz kids in economics win

## PAIR EXCEL IN TOUGH EVENT

TWO business and economics savvy Mazenod College students have topped a recent competition.

Faced with 40 questions in 50 minutes in the ASB Australian Economics and Business Studies competition, the boys did not buckle under pressure and came away with a prize each.

Trent Doyle, Year 12, became the State winner in the senior division and received a \$200 cash prize.

Last year he won a high distinction in the same competition.

"Learning about economics and business gives great insight when looking at current events such as the European debt crisis," he said.

"Some questions were fairly straight forward, but others were really challenging.

"This is really daunting, but when you figure it out gives a great sense of accomplishment."

Year 10 Business student Sean Taylor achieved a high distinction in the junior division and won \$50.

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"I also enjoy being able to go out on excursions to see how local events such as the Targa West rally promote themselves and also create demand for local businesses such as cafes to provide food for the competitors and also the spectators."

Accounting teacher David
Hiatt said the exam contained
many difficult questions such
as the effects of China's GDP
forecasts and the Eurozone
debt crisis on Australian
businesses.