



ELA Section Times & Blueprints

GRADE 3 FORM A

Section 1	Literary Analysis Task	75 min
Section 2	Research Simulation Task	75 min
		2.5 HRS Total

GRADES 4 – 8 FORM A

Section 1	Literary Analysis Task Short Text	90 min
Section 2	Research Simulation Task	90 min
		3 HRS Total

GRADE 3 FORM B

Section 1	Narrative Writing Task Short Text	75 min
Section 2	Research Simulation Task	75 min
		2.5 HRS Total

GRADES 4 – 8 FORM B

Section 1	Narrative Writing Task Long or Paired Text	90 min
Section 2	Research Simulation Task	90 min
		3 HRS Total

Students are assigned either Form A or Form B
at random

GRADE 3 ELA Blueprint

FORM A

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Literary Analysis Task	2	Reading: Literary Text	8	3
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	9
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2	Reading: Informational Text	8	3
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	9
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	4		24 Reading	6 Reading 24 Writing

**The combination of the two PCRs accounts for approximately half of the student's score.*

GRADE 3 ELA Blueprint

FORM B

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Narrative Writing Task	1	Reading: Literary Text	8	0
		Reading: Vocabulary	0	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	9
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Short Text Set	1	Reading: Literary Text	4	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2	Reading: Informational Text	8	3
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	9
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	4		28 Reading	3 Reading 24 Writing

**The combination of the two PCRs accounts for approximately half of the student's score.*

GRADE 4 ELA Blueprint

FORM A

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Literary Analysis Task	2	Reading: Literary Text	8	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Short Text Set	1	Reading: Literary Text	6	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	2	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	5-6		36 Reading	8 Reading 30 Writing

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GRADE 4 ELA Blueprint

FORM B

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Narrative Writing Task	1	Reading: Literary Text	8	0
		Reading: Vocabulary	0	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	9
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Long or Paired Text Set	1 or 2	Reading: Literary Text	8	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	4–6		36 Reading	4 Reading 27 Writing

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GRADE 5 ELA Blueprint

FORM A

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Literary Analysis Task	2	Reading: Literary Text	8	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Short Text Set	1	Reading: Literary Text	6	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	2	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	5-6		36 Reading	8 Reading 30 Writing

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GRADE 5 ELA Blueprint

FORM B

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Narrative Writing Task	1	Reading: Literary Text	8	0
		Reading: Vocabulary	0	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	9
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Long or Paired Text Set	1 or 2	Reading: Literary Text	8	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	4-6		36 Reading	4 Reading 27 Writing

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GRADE 6 ELA Blueprint

FORM A

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Literary Analysis Task	2	Reading: Literary Text	8	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Short Text Set	1	Reading: Literary Text	6	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	2	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	5-6		36 Reading	8 Reading 30 Writing

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GRADE 6 ELA Blueprint

FORM B

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Narrative Writing Task	1	Reading: Literary Text	8	0
		Reading: Vocabulary	0	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Long or Paired Text Set	1 or 2	Reading: Literary Text	8	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	4-6		36 Reading	4 Reading 30 Writing

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GRADE 7 ELA Blueprint

FORM A

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Literary Analysis Task	2	Reading: Literary Text	8	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Short Text Set	1	Reading: Literary Text	6	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	2	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	5-6		36 Reading	8 Reading 30 Writing

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GRADE 7 ELA Blueprint

FORM B

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Narrative Writing Task	1	Reading: Literary Text	8	0
		Reading: Vocabulary	0	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Long or Paired Text Set	1 or 2	Reading: Literary Text	8	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	4-6		36 Reading	4 Reading 30 Writing

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GRADE 8 ELA Blueprint

FORM A

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Literary Analysis Task	2	Reading: Literary Text	8	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Short Text Set	1	Reading: Literary Text	6	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	2	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	5-6		36 Reading	8 Reading 30 Writing

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GRADE 8 ELA Blueprint

FORM B

Task/Item Set	Number of Texts	Claims/Sub-Claims	Max Points from EBSR/TECR Items	Max Points from PCRs
Section 1				
Narrative Writing Task	1	Reading: Literary Text	8	0
		Reading: Vocabulary	0	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Long or Paired Text Set	1 or 2	Reading: Literary Text	8	N/A
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	N/A
Section 2				
Research Simulation Task	2 or 3	Reading: Informational Text	12	4
		Reading: Vocabulary	4	0
		Writing: Written Expression	0	12
		Writing: Knowledge of Language and Conventions	0	3
Totals	4-6		36 Reading	4 Reading 30 Writing

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