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Sample Task Reading Grade 8

<p><u>Students without read aloud accommodation:</u> Point to the text on the student’s page and say: Read this student report.</p> <p>Pause for student to read.</p>	<p><u>Students with read aloud accommodation:</u> Say: Read this student report with me. The human brain controls everything that the body does. For example, if someone steps on your foot, your brain will send a message of pain to the area very quickly. Scientists say that the message can travel from the brain faster than one hundred fifty miles per hour.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present the primary task to the student. Say: Why did the author most likely write this student report? • Point to each option and say: To persuade readers to buy shoes, To tell readers how to become a scientist, To inform readers about the human brain <p>The student receives a score of 4 for a correct response. If the student does not respond, repeat the primary task <i>only once</i> exactly as it appears. If the student responds correctly after the second presentation of the primary task, the student receives a score of 4. If the student chooses an incorrect answer or does not respond, move to Level 3.</p>	4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turn the page to provide the general prompt. • Re-present the primary task and answer options. <p>The student receives a score of 3 for a correct response. If the student does not respond or responds incorrectly, move to Level 2.</p>	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indicate the correct answer and re-present the primary task and answer options. <p>The student receives a score of 2 for a correct response. If the student does not respond or responds incorrectly, move to Level 1.</p>	2
<p>If the student does not respond or responds incorrectly at Level 2, the student receives a score of 1.</p>	1

Correct answer: To inform readers about the human brain

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• Say: **Here is an example of a letter to the editor. Letter: Free Parking on Main Street. My wife and I work at businesses that are located on Main Street. Since there are not any parking lots, we must pay to park daily. I recommend allowing those of us who work at a business that is located on Main Street to park for free. The author wrote this letter to the editor most likely to express an opinion about parking on Main Street.**

• Turn back to the primary task page and re-present the primary task and answer options.

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Letter: Free Parking on Main Street

My wife and I work at businesses that are located on Main Street. Since there are not any parking lots, we must pay to park daily. I recommend allowing those of us who work at a business that is located on Main Street to park for free.

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