

Sample and Performance Tasks FAQ

Outcome – To provide an advanced look at the types of questions your students will encounter when they take the pilot test this spring.

What is the purpose of the tasks? - Help implement CCSS in grades 3-5, 6-8, 7, 8-11 in the areas of ELA/Literacy and Math

About 50 samples are available and represent only a fraction of the more than 10,000 items and tasks that will be used this Spring.

What will they consist of? ELA – primarily use published passages that reflect exposure to high-quality, increasing challenging literary and information text.

What will be required of the students? Performance tasks challenge students to apply their knowledge and skills to respond to complex real world problems. They are described as collections of questions and activities that are connected to a theme or scenario.

What do they measure? They measure capacity such as depth of understanding, writing and research skills and complex analysis.

How are they taken? Performance tasks – taken on computer and usually 1-2 class periods to complete

Sample Student Score Reports

ELA Test Sections	Area	Weighting
1	Reading	% (TBD)
2	Writing	% (TBD)
3	Speaking/Listening	% (TBD)
4	Research	% (TBD)
Total		100 %

Math Test Sections	Area	Weighting
1	Concepts and Procedures	% (TBD)
2 & 4	Problem Solving & Modules/Data Analysis	% (TBD)
3	Communicating Reasoning	% (TBD)
Total		100 %