Interim Blueprint
English Language Arts

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ABOUT KAP ELA INTERIM ASSESSMENTS

The Kansas Assessment Program (KAP) interim assessments allow educators to evaluate students' knowledge and skills in a subject area and are designed to inform decisions at the classroom level and beyond (e.g., at the school and district level).

English language arts (ELA) interim assessments are given twice during the school year for grades 3–8 and 10. Each interim assessment covers a subset of content standards. This document describes how the 2023 Kansas Standards for English Language Arts are measured by each interim assessment.

SUGGESTED USES

Educators can use this document to:
- better understand each assessment and the standards measured by each assessment.
- ensure that the sequence of instructional plans matches the major emphases of the standards across the year on both interim assessments.
- check the alignment of curriculum and learning activities.
- develop learning goals for students to achieve proficiency.
- build a greater understanding of student, grade-level, school, and district results, and plan for future learning activities accordingly.

ASSESSMENT BLUEPRINTS

The assessment blueprints provide general information related to the development and frequency of items on the interim assessments. The content emphases of the interim assessments reflect the instructional emphases outlined in the Kansas Department Education standards documents.

The 2023 Kansas Standards for ELA serve as the foundation of the assessments. These standards assessed are grouped into two overarching domains: Writing and Reading. The latter domain is further divided into subdomains of reading literary texts and reading informational texts.

- **Writing:** Students can produce effective writing for a range of purposes and audiences. Writing standards are grouped into the following clusters for interim assessments.
    - o Text Types and Purposes
    - o Language in Writing
- **Reading:** Students can read closely and analytically to comprehend a range of increasingly complex literary and informational texts. Reading standards are grouped into the following clusters for interim assessments.
    - o Key Ideas and Details
    - o Craft and Structure
    - o Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
    - o Language in Reading

Items on the assessments align to standards that follow the same groupings. The following assessment blueprints provide detail at the cluster level.

GRADE 3 ELA INTERIM ASSESSMENT BLUEPRINT							
				Cluster Point Range			
				Interim 1		Interim 2	
Domain	Subdomain	Cluster	Cluster Description	Min	Max	Min	Max
Writing	N/A	W-TTP	Text Types and Purposes	5	6	4	6
		W-LW	Language in Writing	—	—	5	6
Reading	Literary	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	5	6
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	2	3	0	2
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	1	2	0	2
		R-LR	Language in Reading	5	6	4	6
	Informational	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	5	6
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	5	6	1	2
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	0	1	5	6
		R-LR	Language in Reading	1	2	1	2
			Total Points	**29**	**38**	**30**	**44**

GRADE 4 ELA INTERIM ASSESSMENT BLUEPRINT								
				Cluster Point Range				
				Interim 1		Interim 2		
Domain	Subdomain	Cluster	Cluster Description	Min	Max	Min	Max	
Writing	N/A	W-TTP	Text Types and Purposes	6	7	2	3	
		W-LW	Language in Writing	3	5	5	6	
Reading	Literary	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	5	6	
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	3	4	2	3	
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	0	1	0	1	
		R-LR	Language in Reading	4	5	4	5	
	Informational	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	5	6	
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	3	4	5	6	
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	0	1	1	2	
		R-LR	Language in Reading	1	2	1	2	
			Total Points	30	41	30	40	

GRADE 5 ELA INTERIM ASSESSMENT BLUEPRINT							
				Cluster Point Range			
Domain	Subdomain	Cluster	Cluster Description	Interim 1		Interim 2	
				Min	Max	Min	Max
Writing	N/A	W-TTP	Text Types and Purposes	5	6	1	2
		W-LW	Language in Writing	3	5	5	6
Reading	Literary	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	5	6
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	3	4	2	3
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	0	1	0	1
		R-LR	Language in Reading	3	4	3	4
	Informational	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	5	6
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	2	3	5	6
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	0	1	2	3
		R-LR	Language in Reading	2	3	2	3
			Total Points	28	39	30	40

GRADE 6 ELA INTERIM ASSESSMENT BLUEPRINT							
				Cluster Point Range			
				Interim 1		**Interim 2**	
Domain	**Subdomain**	**Cluster**	**Cluster Description**	**Min**	**Max**	**Min**	**Max**
Writing	N/A	W-TTP	Text Types and Purposes	3	5	3	4
		W-LW	Language in Writing	3	5	2	3
Reading	Literary	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	6	7	4	5
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	4	5	5	6
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	0	1	0	1
		R-LR	Language in Reading	2	3	2	3
	Informational	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	6	7	4	5
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	2	4	5	6
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	—	—	4	5
		R-LR	Language in Reading	4	5	1	2
			Total Points	**30**	**42**	**30**	**40**

	GRADE 7 ELA INTERIM ASSESSMENT BLUEPRINT						

				Cluster Point Range			
				Interim 1		Interim 2	
Domain	**Subdomain**	**Cluster**	**Cluster Description**	Min	Max	Min	Max
Writing	N/A	W-TTP	Text Types and Purposes	5	6	4	6
		W-LW	Language in Writing	2	3	2	3
Reading	Literary	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	6	7	5	6
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	3	4	4	7
		R-LR	Language in Reading	1	2	2	4
	Informational	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	6	7	5	6
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	5	6	2	4
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	1	2	5	6
		R-LR	Language in Reading	1	2	1	3
			Total Points	**30**	**39**	**30**	**45**

GRADE 8 ELA INTERIM ASSESSMENT BLUEPRINT							
				Cluster Point Range			
Domain	**Subdomain**	**Cluster**	**Cluster Description**	**Interim 1**		**Interim 2**	
				Min	**Max**	**Min**	**Max**
Writing	N/A	W-TTP	Text Types and Purposes	4	7	4	5
		W-LW	Language in Writing	2	3	2	5
Reading	Literary	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	5	6
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	3	5	3	4
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	0	1	0	1
		R-LR	Language in Reading	1	3	2	3
	Informational	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	5	6
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	3	5	2	3
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	2	3	5	6
		R-LR	Language in Reading	4	5	2	3
			Total Points	**29**	**44**	**30**	**42**

GRADE 10 ELA INTERIM ASSESSMENT BLUEPRINT							
				Cluster Point Range			
Domain	Subdomain	Cluster	Cluster Description	Interim 1		Interim 2	
				Min	Max	Min	Max
Writing	N/A	W-TTP	Text Types and Purposes	5	6	4	5
		W-LW	Language in Writing	1	2	2	4
Reading	Literary	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	2	4
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	3	4	5	6
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	—	—	1	3
		R-LR	Language in Reading	2	3	1	2
	Informational	R-KID	Key Ideas and Details	5	6	3	4
		R-CS	Craft and Structure	5	6	5	6
		R-IKI	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	3	4	5	6
		R-LR	Language in Reading	1	2	2	4
			Total Points	30	39	30	44