

# Georgia Milestones

Assessment System



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# What is the Georgia Milestones Assessment?

- Comprehensive Summative Assessment Program
- Grades 3 – 8
- Measures how well students have learned the knowledge and skills outlined in the state-adopted content standards (Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies).



# Elementary School Testing Calendar

## April 23 – May 4, 2018

- Apr 23: ELA Part I (Grades 3 & 5)
- Apr 24: ELA Parts II/III (Grades 3 & 5)
- Apr 25: Math (Grades 3 & 5)
- Apr 26: Science (Grade 5)
- Apr 27: SS (Grade 5)
- April 30: ELA Part I (Grade 4)



# Elementary School Testing Calendar

## April 23 – May 4, 2018

- May 1: ELA Parts II/III (Grade 4)
- May 2: Math (Grade 4)
- May 3: Make-up
- May 4: Make-up



# Types of Questions

## Item Types

- **Selected-Response** [multiple-choice]
  - all content areas
  - There is a question, problem, or statement that is followed by four answer choices. There is only ONE right answer
- **Technology-Enhanced Items**- also called multiple-select or two-part questions. There is a question, problem, or statement. You may be asked to answer the first part of the question. Then, you will answer the second part of the question based on how you answered part one.
- Students may have to select more than one right answer.



# Types of Questions

- **Constructed-Response**
  - ELA and Mathematics
  - There is a question, problem, or statement but no answer choices
  - Students have to write their answer or work out a problem
- **Extended-Response**
  - ELA and Mathematics
  - Similar to the constructed-response items
  - Sometimes they have more than one part, or they require a longer (detailed) answer



# Types of Questions

- **Extended Writing Prompt**
  - English Language Arts (ELA) only
  - There is a question, problem, or statement
  - Students will be asked to read two passages and then write an essay.
  - Students will be scored on how well they answer the question and the quality of their writing
  - Students will need to support their answer with evidence from the text



# Achievement Levels

- An achievement level is a range of scores that defines a specific level of student performance.
- They provide an indication of how ready your student is to move on to the next grade level.
- Beginning Learners
- Developing Learners
- Proficient Learners
- Distinguished Learners





# Achievement Levels

- Beginning Learners have not demonstrated proficiency as specified in Georgia's content standards. The students need substantial academic support.
- Developing Learners have demonstrated partial proficiency as specified by in Georgia's content standards. The students need additional academic support.
- Proficient Learners have demonstrated proficiency as specified in Georgia's content standards. The students are prepared.
- Distinguished Learners have demonstrated advanced proficiency as specified in Georgia's content standards. The students are well prepared.



# DOMAIN STRUCTURES AND CONTENT WEIGHTS

## Grades 3-5

### English/Language Arts

### Item Types

| Reporting Category     | Approximate % of Test |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Reading and Vocabulary | 53 %                  |
| Writing and Language   | 47%                   |

- Selected Response
- Constructed Response
- Extended Response: Narrative Genre
- Extended Writing Response: Opinion or Informational/Explanatory Genre
- Total Number of Items = 43



# DOMAIN STRUCTURES AND CONTENT WEIGHTS - Grade 3

## Mathematics

## Item Types

| Reporting Category                | Approximate % of Test |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Operations and Algebraic Thinking | 25%                   |
| Number and Operations             | 35%                   |
| Measurement and Data              | 30%                   |
| Geometry                          | 10%                   |

- Selected Response
- Multiple-Select and/or Multiple-Part Selected Response
- Constructed Response
- Extended Constructed Response
- Total Number of Items = 52



# DOMAIN STRUCTURES AND CONTENT WEIGHTS - Grade 4

## Mathematics

## Item Types

| Reporting Category                | Approximate % of Test |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Operations and Algebraic Thinking | 20%                   |
| Number and Operations – Base 10   | 20%                   |
| Number and Operations—Fractions   | 30%                   |
| Measurement and Data              | 20%                   |
| Geometry                          | 10%                   |

- Selected Response
- Multiple-Select and/or Multiple-Part Selected Response
- Constructed Response
- Extended Constructed Response
- Total Number of Items = 52



# DOMAIN STRUCTURES AND CONTENT WEIGHTS - Grade 5

## Mathematics

## Item Types

| Reporting Category                | Approximate % of Test |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Operations and Algebraic Thinking | 10%                   |
| Number and Operations – Base 10   | 25%                   |
| Number and Operations— Fractions  | 30%                   |
| Measurement and Data              | 20%                   |
| Geometry                          | 15%                   |

- Selected Response
- Multiple-Select and/or Multiple-Part Selected Response
- Constructed Response
- Extended Constructed Response
- Total Number of Items = 52



# DOMAIN STRUCTURES AND CONTENT WEIGHTS - Grade 5

## Science

## Item Types

| Reporting Category | Approximate % of Test |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Earth Science      | 23%                   |
| Physical Science   | 35%                   |
| Life Science       | 42%                   |

- Selected Response
- Multiple-Select and/or Multiple-Part Selected Response
- Total Number of Items = 56



# DOMAIN STRUCTURES AND CONTENT WEIGHTS - Grade 5

## Social Studies

## Item Types

| Reporting Category    | Approximate % of Test |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| History               | 58%                   |
| Geography             | 12%                   |
| Civics and Government | 15%                   |
| Economics             | 15%                   |

- Selected Response
- Multiple-Select and/or Multiple-Part Selected Response
- Total Number of Items = 56



# What Can Parents Do During Testing?



- Be encouraging!
- Remind students to read directions carefully and to check their work
- Point out that some items will be more difficult than others
- Help them in getting a good night's rest
- Plan a balanced breakfast
- Stick to the schedule
- Don't focus your conversations too heavily on the test





# Student Resources

- Experience Online Testing Georgia – <http://www.gaexperienceonline.com/>
  - The primary purpose of this website is to provide exposure to the online platform that students will utilize when taking the Georgia Milestones tests.
  - Please be aware that **Google Chrome** is the only supported browser.
- 3rd Grade Assessment Guide – <http://bit.ly/GMAS3rdAssessmentGuide>
- 4th Grade Assessment Guide – <http://bit.ly/GMAS4thAssessmentGuide>
- 5th Grade Assessment Guide – <http://bit.ly/GMAStHAssessmentGuide>



# Parent Resources

- General Q & A Brochure – <https://tinyurl.com/y7y4msoh>
- Parent Q & A Brochure – <https://tinyurl.com/ybzrpt3m>
- Understanding the GA Milestones Achievement Levels – <https://tinyurl.com/y992u29a>
- Parent's Guide to EOG Student Report – <https://tinyurl.com/jjf7a8d>



# Instructional Resources – By Content Area

- **For the ELA Page**

- <https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/english/>

- <https://www.engageny.org/resource/released-2017-3-8-ela-and-mathematics-state-test-questions>

- **For the Math Page**

- [www.usatestprep.com](http://www.usatestprep.com)

- [www.learnzillion.com](http://www.learnzillion.com)

- [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)



# Instructional Resources – By Content Area

- [www.aaamath.com](http://www.aaamath.com)
- [www.gavirtualllearning.org](http://www.gavirtualllearning.org)
- [www.mathispower4u.com](http://www.mathispower4u.com)
- [www.mathgames.com](http://www.mathgames.com)
- [www.ixl.com](http://www.ixl.com)



# Instructional Resources – By Content Area

- **For the Social Studies Page**
- <https://tinyurl.com/ybarh9gd>
- <http://interactivesites.weebly.com/social-studies.html>
- <http://www.apples4theteacher.com/socialstud.html>
- <http://pbskids.org/games/social-studies/>
- <https://www.usatestprep.com/ga/grade-5-social-studies-gse-test>



# Instructional Resources – By Content Area

- <https://quizlet.com/21874808/social-studies-review-5th-grade-flash-cards/>
- <https://tinyurl.com/y8aydrk8>
- <https://tinyurl.com/ya7hyuly>



# Instructional Resources – By Content Area

- For the Science Page
- [www.georgiastandards.org](http://www.georgiastandards.org)
- [www.gavirtualearning.org](http://www.gavirtualearning.org)
- <https://education.jlab.org/#>
- <http://studyjams.scholastic.com/studyjams/>
- <http://interactivesites.weebly.com/science.html>



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- <https://tinyurl.com/ya6bzxqx>
- <http://interactivesites.weebly.com/science.html>
- [www.mobymax.com](http://www.mobymax.com)
- [www.brainpop.com](http://www.brainpop.com)
- <http://www.apples4theteacher.com/science.html>

