

## Elementary Grades

## **How to Prepare for Taking Tests?**

- Relax and do your best on all tests.
- You will show what you know and what you have learned in the classroom.
- You will use your thinking skills to answer different kinds of questions.
- You should try some questions and their tools using the <u>practice tests</u>. Your parents and/or teacher can also show you and work with you on some of the material.

## What is the test format for ELA and Mathematics?

- 1. The ELA and Math tests are a Computer Adaptive Test (CAT) because they adjust the questions based on your answers. Do your best on answering the questions.
- 2. The state tests have two parts: The first part (CAT) has about 22 questions and the second part is the Performance Task (PT).
- 3. Questions on the test have different formats.
  - Multiple choice answers.
  - Multi-select answers.
  - True/False answers.
  - Drag and Drop responses.
  - Select an area or box.
  - Enter numbers in a box.
  - Write a few sentences or a short paragraph.

Student Test Overview- Tools and Good Practices-Elementary

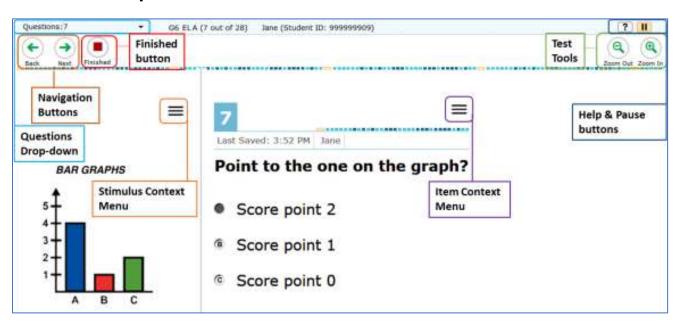
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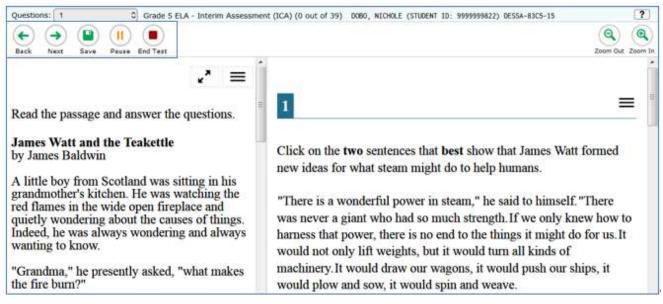
Test Rules				
What you CAN do on the Test		What you CANNOT do on the Test		
1.	Do your best on each question.	1.	You cannot skip a question.	
2.	Answer each question before moving to the next one – Remember this is an adaptive test and it adjust the next	2.	Make noise during testing (talking, singing or other noises.	
	question based on how you answered the previous one.	3.	Disturb other students taking the test.	
3.	You must enter a response for each required task question.	4.	Leave the room without the teacher's authorization.	
4.	You may review past questions and change the entered response.	5.	Make noise after testing if you stay in the same room as your	
5.	Use scratch paper to solve a math problem or prepare a response for the ELA test.	6.	friends who are still testing.  Cannot use a computer when	
6.	You can ask to pause your test if you	0.	done with testing. Rest quietly.	
<b>.</b>	need to. When you resume the test, the first page with unanswered questions appears.	7.	As a 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , or 5 <sup>th</sup> grader, I cannot use a calculator for the math test.	
7.	If the test is stopped for more than 20 minutes, you will not be able to review your questions.			
8.	If you do not work on the questions for more than 20 minutes, the computer logs you out and you cannot answer more questions. You will have to wait for your teacher to open a new test session for you to finish.			
9.	All your selected score options and answers are saved automatically.			
10	You can use an online dictionary for the Performance Task when it is allowed.			

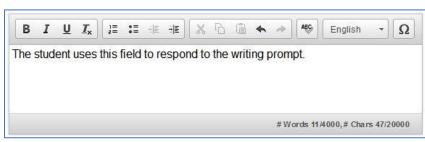
Important: Your teacher should show the Test Security Video before testing.

Test Security for Students Elementary <a href="https://youtu.be/UmMgazwnd7U">https://youtu.be/UmMgazwnd7U</a>
Test Security for Students Elementary SPANISH <a href="https://youtu.be/P-B-KCtiXvw">https://youtu.be/P-B-KCtiXvw</a>

## Here are examples of what the ELA and Mathematics online test look like.







Global Tools   Output  Discrete Save Pause End Test	Description
Help button ②	To view the on-screen <b>Test Instructions and Help</b> window, select the <b>?</b> button in the upper-right corner.
Navigation buttons	To move between test pages, use the <b>Back</b> and <b>Next</b> buttons in the upper-left corner.
Pause button	To pause a test, select <b>Pause</b> in the global menu. Pausing the test will temporarily log you out.
Questions drop-down list	To quickly navigate to a specific test page, select a task number from the drop-down list in the upper-left corner. Pages with questions that were marked for review display "(marked)" in this list.
Finished button	This button appears after you enter data for all questions. Click this button to begin the test submission process.
Zoom buttons (Q)	To enlarge the text and images on a test page, select <b>Zoom</b> In in the global menu. You can zoom in up to four levels. To undo zooming, select <b>Zoom Out</b> in the global menu.
Line Reader	Allows you to highlight an individual line of text or question. Select <b>Line Reader</b> in the global menu.
Mark for Review	To mark a question for review, select Mark for Review from the context menu.
Notepad 🗾	To take Notes, select the <b>Notepad</b> option next to the question.
Dictionary 📦	To look up definitions and synonyms in the Merriam-Webster dictionary or thesaurus, select <b>Dictionary</b> in the global menu.
Highlighting	You can highlight text for either test (ELA and Math) to help you focus on some text. It doesn't work for selecting the options/answers.  - To activate the Highlighting Mode, select the tool and then highlight the text.
Strikethrough 466	You can strikethrough text for either test (ELA and Math) to help you eliminate/focus on some options that might not be correct.  - To activate the Strikethrough Mode, select the tool and then highlight the options you want to eliminate.  OR  - Right Click on an answer/potion and select Strikethrough.