English Test Specifications for Grade 7
2022_2023
2nd session-Retake

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Strand		No. Items	Standards	Item Types	Types of texts/ writing prompts	DOK Level	Score Points	Total
Reading	Language functions	4	S:1.1, 1.2, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 5.1	4 SR x 2 = 8	**2 items from each semester**	2	8	
	Reading Comprehension	8	R:1.1, 2.1, 2.2, 4.1,	5 SR x 2 = 10 3 CR x 2 = 6	**1 passage (any reading genre from semester 2)**	5= DOK 1 3 = DOK 2	16	
	Vocabulary	4	All key words covered in the FIRST and SECOND semester modules.	**2 SR x 2 = 4 (semester 1) 3 FIG x 2 = 6 (semester 2)**		1	10	50
Writing	Grammar	5	All grammar points covered in the FIRST and SECOND semester modules.	**2 SR x 2= 4 (semester 1) 2 CR x 2 = 4 (semester 2)**		2	8	
	Writing Prompt	1	W1.1, 1.2,W1.4, W.1.5, W1.6, W2.1, W2.2, W2.3	1 WP	**Prompts related to TOPICS covered in semester 1 & 2**	3	8	

40%(20m.) from semester 1 (Language functions =**4 marks** / vocab. 2 SR items = **4 marks** / Gr. 2 SR items = **4 marks** / 1 WP = **8 marks**).
60%(30m.) from semester 2 (Language functions =**4 marks** / Reading = **16 marks** / vocab. 3 FIG items = **6 marks** / Gr. 2 SR items = **4 marks**)

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Strand		No. Items	Standards	Item Types	Types of texts/ writing prompts	DOK Level	Score Points	Total
Reading	**Language functions**	4	S:1.1, 1.2, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 5.1	4 SR x 2 = 8	**2 items from each semester**	2	8	**50**
	Reading Comprehension	8	R:1.1, 2.1, 2.2, 4.1,	5 SR x 2 = 10 3 CR x 2 = 6	**1 passage (any reading genre from semester 2)**	5= DOK 1 3 = DOK 2	16	
	Vocabulary	4	All key words covered in the FIRST and SECOND semester modules.		**2 SR x 2 = 4 (semester 1) 3 FIG x 2 = 6 (semester 2)**	1	10	
Writing	**Grammar**	5	All grammar points covered in the FIRST and SECOND semester modules.		**2 SR x 2= 4 (semester 1) 2 CR x 2= 4 (semester 2)**	2	8	
	Writing Prompt	1	W1.1, W1.2,W1.3, W.1.4, W1.5,W1.6, W2.1, W2.2, W2.3	1 WP	**Prompts related to TOPICS covered in semester 1&2**	3	8	

40%(20m.) from semester 1 (Language functions =**4 marks** / vocab. 2 SR items = **4 marks** / Gr. 2 SR items = **4 marks** / 1 WP = **8 marks**).
60%(30m.) from semester 2 (Language functions =**4 marks** / Reading = **16 marks** / vocab. 3 FIG items = **6 marks** / Gr. 2 SR items = **4 marks**)

English Test Specifications for Grade 9
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Strand		No. Items	Standards	Item Types	Types of texts/ writing prompts	DOK Level	Score Points	Total
Reading	Language functions	4	S:1.1, 1.2, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 5.1	4 SR x 2 = 8	Language Functions **2 items from each semester**	2	8	50
	Reading Comprehension	8	R:1.1, 2.1, 2.2, 4.1,	5 SR x 2 = 10 3 CR x 2 = 6	**1 passage (any reading genre from semester 2)**	5= DOK 1 3 = DOK 2	16	
	Vocabulary	4	All key words covered in the FIRST and SECOND semester modules.		**2 SR x 2 = 4 (semester 1) 3 FIG x 2 = 6 (semester 2)**	1	10	
Writing	Grammar	5	All grammar points covered in the FIRST and SECOND semester modules.		**2 SR x 2= 4 (semester 1) 2 CR x 2= 4 (semester 2)**	2	8	
	Writing Prompt	1	W1.1, W1.2 W1.3,W1.5, W2.1, W2.2, W2.3	1 WP	**Prompts related to TOPICS covered in semester 1 & 2**	3	8	

40%(20m.) from semester 1 (Language functions =4 marks / vocab. 2 SR items = 4 marks / Gr. 2 SR items = 4 marks / 1 WP = 8 marks).

60%(30m.) from semester 2 (Language functions =4 marks / Reading = 16 marks / vocab. 3 FIG items = 6 marks / Gr. 2 SR items = 4 marks)

Test must be built on the Test Specifications

✓ The test should address the standards mentioned in the modules covered in the first and second semester overviews.
✓ The two question types allowed are SRs (selected response) and CRs (constructed response: "composition")
✓ A balance of DOK levels must be maintained throughout the test.
✓ Vocab & Grammar items need to simulate the items of the textbooks.

✓ **Reading Section:**
- ▪ <u>Don't</u> penalize the student's response in the reading **CR** items section for any of the writing mechanics (structure, spelling or punctuation).
- ▪ **CR** items in reading section should use **only** the following Wh-question words **(when-where-what-who-which-how-why)** and should ask for information **stated (DOK 1)** or **indicated (DOK 2)** in the text.
- ▪ The word count for the text must be strictly as follows: G.7 (150-200) G.8 (200-250) G.9 (250-300).

✓ **Test Style:**
- ▪ The font-size must be <u>Calibri 14</u>.
- ▪ Closely follow the test template issued by the assessment office.
- ▪ Leave enough space between the items. (<u>4 to 5 items on each page</u>)
- ▪ The SR items should have 4 choices and these choices should be placed vertically.
- ▪ The score for each section should be placed in the student's test.
- ▪ Copying and pasting from the course book into the test is <u>Not</u> Acceptable.