

*SKILLS LIST and SAMPLE TEST ITEMS*

*FOR*

**PRACTICE TEST FOR READING/ENGLISH, GRADE 10**

*(Test items developed for skills measured in LA03)*

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*Skills*

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| 1.0 Using Context Clues                                       | 4.0 Locate, Select, and Synthesize Information                  |
| 1.1 Word Meanings   | 4.1 Using Organizational Features of Text and Other Media       |
| 1.2 Analyze Literary Devices and Story Elements               | 4.2 Locating Information Sources                                |
| 1.3 Written/Spoken/Visual Text                                | 4.3 Locating/Gathering/Selecting Information                    |
| 1.4 Interpreting to Real-Life Situations and Other Texts      | 4.4 Listing Sources   |
| 2.0 Analyze Written Text                                      | 4.5 Interpreting Charts/Graphs, Tables/Schedules, Diagrams/Maps |
| 2.1 Identify/Compare, Respond to Literature of Diverse Groups | 5.0 Proofreading  |
| 2.2 Recognize Forms of Literature                             | 5.1 Punctuation/Capitalization                                  |
| 2.3 Classify Forms of Literature                              | 5.2 Structure and Usage   |
| 3.0 Reasoning and Problem Solving Skills                      | 5.3 Spelling  |
| 3.1 Comprehension   |   |
| 3.2 Problem Solving   |   |
| 3.3 Author's Purpose and Point of View                        |   |
| 3.4 Forms of Writing  |   |

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Number of pages: 20

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LA03 PRACTICE TEST IN READING/ENGLISH - GRADE 10  
FORM A

Read the poem and answer questions 1 and 2.

1	Floating effortlessly, freely Magnet-drawn to a target in the blackness We venture
5	Moving easily in the confines of our small world Sustaining life.
	Stars in slow ballet pirouette, Passive thermal control
10	We barbecue to the moon. We believe we can illuminate our history By visiting this ancient lovely sphere. What value is this flight In a hostile ocean to an alien shore?
15	What can the living learn from the dead?
	Slowly the lunar disk slides by the window Familiar, but much larger, And then earth drifts into sight
20	Of all the stars, moons, and planets, Of all I can see or imagine, This is the most beautiful; All the colors of the universe Focused on one small globe;
25	And it is our home, our refuge.
	Now I know why I'm here: Not for a closer look at the moon, But to look back At our home
30	The earth.

1. The author intends for the reader to
- A. understand space travel
  - B. appreciate beauty of other planets
  - C. understand poetry
  - D. appreciate the beauty of earth

2. Read this phrase from lines 11 and 12.

*We believe we can illuminate our history  
By visiting this ancient lovely sphere*

What does the word *illuminate* mean?

- A. darken
- B. clarify
- C. obscure
- D. brighten