

SKILLS LIST and SAMPLE TEST ITEMS

FOR

PRACTICE TEST FOR READING/ENGLISH, GRADE 5

(Test items developed for instructional objectives)

Skills

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| 1.0 | Word Analysis | 4.0 | Language |
| 1.1 | Word Meanings | 4.1 | Sentence Structure |
| 1.2 | Synonyms/Antonyms/Homographs | 4.2 | Grammar |
| 1.3 | Roots/Affixes | 4.3 | Punctuation |
| 1.4 | Words in Context | 4.4 | Capitalization |
| 2.0 | Reading Comprehension | 4.5 | Spelling Errors |
| 2.1 | Text Features | 5.0 | Content and Organization |
| 2.2 | Chronology | 5.1 | Plot/Setting/Ending |
| 2.3 | Main Idea/Supporting Details | 5.2 | Organization and Focus |
| 2.4 | Inferences/Conclusions/
Generalizations | 5.3 | Locate Relevant Information |
| 2.5 | Facts/Inferences/Opinions | 5.4 | Using a Thesaurus |
| 3.0 | Text Analysis | 5.5 | Editing |
| 3.1 | Literary Forms | | |
| 3.2 | Plot Resolution | | |
| 3.3 | Character Traits | | |
| 3.4 | Theme | | |
| 3.5 | Common Literary Devices | | |
| 3.6 | Patterns and Symbols | | |
| 3.7 | Author's Purpose | | |

Number of questions: 80

Number of pages: 17

Approximate testing time: 85 minutes

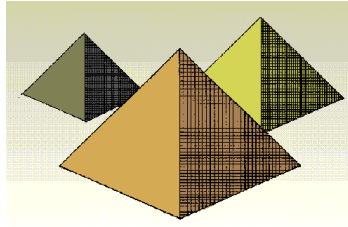
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PRACTICE TEST IN READING (ENGLISH) - GRADE 5

Read the article. Then answer the questions.

ANCIENT AND MODERN EGYPT



1 Do you know the name of the longest river in the world? It is the Nile in Egypt. The Nile is 3,470 miles long and begins at Lake Victoria in central Africa and ends in Egypt as it flows into the Mediterranean Sea. The Nile has been famous for centuries. It is mentioned in the Bible and also is important in Egyptian history.

2 For hundreds of years, the Nile helped Egyptian farmers in a strange way. Once a year, there would be a huge flood. This flood helped farmers get water to crops and also left new mud in the fields. This mud made very good soil. Without the flood, many people would have gone hungry.

3 But modern technology has changed the way the people of Egypt farm. In 1968, the Aswan High Dam was finished, and now the Nile does not flood anymore. The Egyptian government decided in the 1950's to build the dam for several reasons. The dam uses water power to create electricity for use by the Egyptian people. It also created a huge lake, called Lake Nassar, that is one of the largest reservoirs in the world. This lake is used for fun and play by Egyptians and tourists. It also helps farmers by giving them water when they need it.

1. Which of these could you have learned from this article?
- A. The Nile is the longest river in the world.
 - B. All Egyptians were farmers.
 - C. There are dams all over the world.
 - D. Scientists only work in Egypt to learn more about the Nile.

2. What did the floods of the Nile do for Egyptian farmers?
- A. It flooded their fields.
 - B. It gave them water for their crops.
 - C. It provided water for their livestock.
 - D. It took away their pasture land.

3. How did the Aswan High Dam help the tourism of Egypt?

- A. Farmers can now use water for their crops.
- B. People go to Lake Nassar for fun and play.
- C. Egyptians use electricity created by the dam.
- D. The Great Sphinx is a large statue of bedrock.

4. What is the root word for interesting?

- A. rest
- B. ing
- C. interest
- D. resting