

SKILLS LIST and SAMPLE ITEMS

FOR

PRACTICE TEST FOR READING, GRADE 5 - FORM B

(Test items developed for skills measured in CRCT)

Skills

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| 1.0 Vocabulary | 4.0 Reading for Critical Analysis |
| 1.1 Word Recognition | 4.1 Reading Elements/Styles/
Techniques |
| 1.2 Vocabulary Skills | 4.2 Author's Intent, Mood, Tone,
etc. |
| 1.3 Analyzes Meaning of Words and
Phrases | 4.3 Predicts Plot/Characters'
Actions |
| 2.0 Locating and Recalling
Information | 4.4 Underlying Themes and Concepts |
| 2.1 Recalls Data | 4.5 Character Analysis |
| 2.2 Follows Directions | 4.6 Cultural Experiences and
Differences |
| 2.3 Recognizes Important and
Supporting Details | 4.7 Fact/Opinion |
| 3.0 Reading Comprehension | 4.8 Similarities and Differences
in Characters or Text |
| 3.1 Underlying Themes and Concepts | 4.9 Draw Conclusions and Make
Inferences |
| 3.2 Recognizes Literary Forms and
Purposes of Text | |
| 3.3 Character Analysis | |
| 3.4 Important Parts of a Story | |
| 3.5 Sequence of Events | |
| 3.6 Structure of Information | |
| 3.7 Overall Stated Theme | |
| 3.8 Main Idea and Details | |
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WEATHER

Whether the weather be fine
Or whether the weather be not,
Whether the weather be cold
Or whether the weather be hot,
We'll weather the weather
Whatever the weather,
Whether we like it or not.

--Anonymous

1. The author implies which of the following about the weather?
 - A. A person can easily change the weather if needed.
 - B. The weather should affect the way a person feels.
 - C. The weather is something we cannot change.
 - D. Most people enjoy all types of weather.
2. What type of literature is this passage?
 - A. poetry
 - B. fiction
 - C. non-fiction
 - D. biography

HOW THE HUMMINGBIRD GOT HER COLORS

Many many years ago, every hummingbird in the world was gray in color. They were not the beautiful, shiny colors that we see today. Parrots who lived deep in the jungle were the only birds with bright colors. In that same jungle lived a huge panther who believed he was king of the jungle.

One day as the big panther was walking down a path in the deep jungle he stepped on a mouse's nest and killed all the little mice. Even though he did not do it on purpose, the mother mouse was very angry. She promised the panther that she would get even with him some day. The next week, the mouse saw her chance to get even as she spotted the panther asleep under a tree.

The mouse took sap from the tree and put it on the panther's eyes as he was sleeping. When the panther woke up, he couldn't open his eyes. He began to roar very loudly so that the roar echoed throughout the jungle. The hummingbird flew around and found where the loud roar was

coming from. The hummingbird asked the panther what was wrong and offered to help him.

The panther told the hummingbird that he would give her anything if she could help him to see again. The hummingbird pecked at the sap on the panther's eyes until it was gone. The panther kept his word and offered the hummingbird anything she desired. The little, gray bird told the panther she would like to have a beautiful dress like the parrot. The panther told her where to find beautiful, colored clay and jewels to rub on her feathers. That is why the hummingbirds are adorned in such beautiful colors today.

3. How did the mouse get even with the panther?
 - A. The mouse put sap in the panther's eyes.
 - B. The mouse killed the panther's babies.
 - C. The mouse helped the hummingbird get her beautiful dress.
 - D. The mouse bit the panther.
4. What is the main purpose of this story?
 - A. to explain why the panther was the king of the jungle
 - B. to tell how the clay in the jungle became beautifully colored
 - C. to give information about the panther
 - D. to explain why the hummingbird is no longer a dull gray
5. Why did the mouse want to get even with the panther?
 - A. The panther roared loudly disturbing the jungle.
 - B. The panther accidentally stepped on the baby mice and killed them.
 - C. The panther put sap on the mouse's eyes.
 - D. She didn't like the panther calling himself the king of the jungle.