

SKILLS LIST and SAMPLE ITEMS

FOR

PRACTICE TEST FOR READING, GRADE 7 - FORM B

(Test items developed for skills measured in CRCT)

Skills

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| 1.0 Vocabulary | 3.0 Reading Comprehension |
| 1.1 Word Recognition/Word Attack | 3.1 Underlying Themes and Concepts |
| 1.2 Applies Word Recognition Strategies | 3.2 Recognizes Literary Forms and Purposes of Text |
| 1.3 Context Clues | 3.3 Sequence of Events |
| 1.4 Analyzes Meaning of Words and Phrases | 3.4 Structure of Information |
| 2.0 Locating and Recalling Information | 3.5 Overall Stated Theme |
| 2.1 Recalls Data | 3.6 Main Idea and Details |
| 2.2 Applies/Evaluates Information | 4.0 Reading for Critical Analysis |
| 2.3 Relevancy of Data | 4.1 Reading Elements/Styles/Techniques |
| 2.4 Recognizes Important and Supporting Details | 4.2 Author's Intent |
| | 4.3 Predicts Plot/Characters' Actions |
| | 4.4 Underlying Theme and Concepts |
| | 4.5 Cultural Experiences and Differences |
| | 4.6 Fact/Opinion |
| | 4.7 Similarities and Differences in Characters or Text |
| | 4.8 Draws Conclusions |
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HEARING EAR DOGS

Hearing ear dogs are trained to let their owners know about sounds they cannot hear. The dogs wake their owners when the alarm clock rings in the morning. They let them know when the doorbell rings. Hearing ear dogs alert their owners if a smoke alarm goes off. The dogs can even be trained to let parents know that their baby is crying.

How does a dog learn to be the ears for a human being? There are special schools that train dogs and deaf people to work together. When a dog is brought to such a school, it must first be thoroughly examined. The dog can be any breed, but it must be in perfect health and a good learner. If the dog seems willing, the training begins.

The dog is taught to respond to everyday sounds. When the alarm clock rings, the dog should jump up on the bed. When the doorbell rings, the dog should run back and forth from its owner to the door. The dog is praised and petted when it responds correctly.

Once the dog has learned its part, it is paired up with a potential owner. The dog and the owner must learn to communicate with each other.

Having a hearing ear dog can be an enormous help to a deaf person, and being a hearing ear dog can be a wonderful experience for the dog, too. Many dogs are taken out of shelters and pounds to be trained to be hearing ear dogs and placed in loving homes.

1. Being a hearing ear dog can be helpful to the dog because
 - A. the job pays well
 - B. a human cannot do the same job
 - C. the dog gets a home
 - D. it gives the dog something to do

2. Which is the most important requirement in training a hearing ear dog?
 - A. The dog can be any breed, but it must be in perfect health and a great learner.
 - B. Hearing ear dogs are trained to let their owners know about sounds they cannot hear.
 - C. When the alarm clock rings, the dog should jump up on the bed.
 - D. The dog is taught to respond to everyday sounds.

3. What helps a hearing dog learn his helpful skills?
 - A. Another dog shows him what to do.
 - B. He is given praise and petted when he responds correctly.
 - C. He is paired with a potential owner.
 - D. He is healthy and has an excellent sense of hearing.

4. What is the main idea of the passage?
 - A. Hearing ear dogs are limited to specific breeds.
 - B. Hearing ear dog training is exactly the same as seeing eye dog training.
 - C. An owner is selected for the dog before it is trained.
 - D. Hearing ear dogs are taught to respond to sounds so they will be able to help their deaf owners.

Use the chart below to answer questions 5 and 6.

DOGS REGISTERED WITH AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB		
Type of Dog	Number Registered	
	1975	1980
Cocker Spaniel	39,064	76,113
Doberman Pinscher	57,336	79,908
German Shepherd	76,235	58,865
Irish Setter	58,622	14,938
Poodle	139,750	92,250

5. How many Irish Setters were registered in 1975?
 - A. 39,064
 - B. 58,622
 - C. 58,865
 - D. 79,908