

SKILLS LIST and SAMPLE TEST ITEMS

FOR

PRACTICE TEST FOR LANGUAGE ARTS, GRADE 8
(Test items developed for skills measured in ITBS FORM B)*

Skills

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| 1.0 Spelling | 5.0 Expression |
| 1.1 Common Substitutions | 5.1 Conciseness/Clarity |
| 1.2 Reversals | 5.2 Appropriateness of Expression |
| 1.3 Omissions | 5.3 Organization of Sentence and Paragraph Elements |
| 1.4 Unnecessary Additions | |
| 2.0 Capitalization | 6.0 Using Reference Materials |
| 2.1 Names and Titles | 6.1 Dictionary |
| 2.2 Dates and Holidays | 6.2 Encyclopedia/Atlas/Almanac/Thesaurus |
| 2.3 Places | 6.3 Key Words |
| 2.4 Organizations | 6.4 Index |
| 2.5 Other | 6.5 Readers Guide |
| 3.0 Punctuation | 6.6 Dewey Decimal System |
| 3.1 Terminal Punctuation | |
| 3.2 Commas | |
| 3.3 Apostrophes | |
| 3.4 Quotations Marks | |
| 3.5 Abbreviations | |
| 4.0 Usage | |
| 4.1 Verbs | |
| 4.2 Personal Pronouns | |
| 4.3 Modifiers | |
| 4.4 Word Choice | |

Number of questions: 182
Number of pages: 32
Approximate testing time: 85 minutes

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Directions: In each of the following, one word is misspelled. Choose the incorrectly spelled word. If all the words are correct, choose "no mistakes."

1. A. antiseptic B. identified C. inadequate D. no mistakes

2. A. scetch B. thermometer C. apologized D. no mistakes

3. A. limerick B. bronze C. pheasant D. no mistakes

4. A. irrelevant C. casette
B. magnificence D. no mistakes

5. A. apendix B. refer C. instructed D. no mistakes

6. A. pharmacist B. despensed C. medication D. no mistakes

7. A. behavior B. incredibly C. awcward D. no mistakes

8. A. sichuated B. carnival C. gradually D. no mistakes

9. A. through B. hazird C. sculpture D. no mistakes

10. A. creditedd B. confidence C. challenge D. no mistakes

11. A. legal B. recieve C. pleasant D. no mistakes
