

SKILLS LIST and SAMPLE TEST ITEMS

FOR

PRACTICE TEST FOR READING, GRADE 7

(Test items developed for skills measured in WESTEST)

Skills

1.0 Reading Skills

- 1.1 Text Forms
- 1.2 Generalize
- 1.3 Evaluate
- 1.4 Infer
- 1.5 Paraphrasing
- 1.6 Elements of Literature
- 1.7 Figurative Language
- 1.8 Text Connections
- 1.9 Literary Techniques
- 1.10 Word Meaning

2.0 Writing Processes

- 2.1 Details/Transition
- 2.2 Sentence Revision
- 2.3 Usage
- 2.4 Sentence Structure
- 2.5 Subject/Verb Agreement
- 2.6 Problem Sentences
- 2.7 Locate and Use Reference Materials
- 3.0 Thinking Skills - Comprehension
 - 3.1 Reading Skills
 - 3.2 Writing Processes
- 4.0 Thinking Skills - Analysis
 - 4.1 Reading Skills

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WESTEST PRACTICE TEST IN READING (ENGLISH)
GRADE 7 - FORM A

Read the selection. Choose the best answer and mark it on your test.

The Rose

Awed and amazed
By the tiny bud
Slowly unfolding
Layer by layer
With each passing day
Growing richer in color
Larger as each layer
Reveals itself

Much like life
Unfolding
Layer by layer
From a small bud of life
As the years pass by
Growing richer in color
From experience
Larger, stronger with age
Revealing a beautiful product
Full of beauty and life

Before slowly fading away
Leaving only memories
Of a thing of beauty
And immeasurable pleasure

1. Read this part of the poem.

Much like life
Unfolding
Layer by layer

This refers to

- (A) the process of aging
- (B) using various resources
- (C) seeking pleasure and happiness
- (D) petal by petal

2. What does this poem make you believe about the rose?

- (A) It grows more beautiful then slowly fades away.
- (B) It shrinks and withers to reveal its age.
- (C) It can't be measured except by its memory.
- (D) It is the world's most beautiful flower.

3. What element of life is described by the last stanza of this poem?

- (A) birth
- (B) raising children
- (C) death
- (D) marriage

4. This piece may be described as

- (A) an ad for roses
- (B) a beautiful comparison
- (C) a plea to conserve nature
- (D) a critical speech

5. Which of these words means the same as immeasurable?

- (A) limited
- (B) vast
- (C) minimal
- (D) terrible