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Foreword

The information contained in this Educator Guide is designed to raise educator awareness of the [Generation Mathematics Learning Standards](https://www.nysed.gov/state-assessment/grades-3-8-test-schedules) ([jwru<ll y y0p{ugf0iqxlewtkewnwo/kpuvtwevkqplpgy/{qtm/state-next-generation-mathematics-learning-standards}](https://www.nysed.gov/state-assessment/grades-3-8-test-schedules)).

The guide provides educators with pertinent information about the test development process, the learning standards that the tests are designed to measure, the format of the testing sessions which includes what understanding of the structure of the mathematics tests. Educators are encouraged to review the guide prior to the test administration to gain familiarity with the test format. The information presented can also be used as a platform for educator discussion on how student assessment results can guide future instruction.

The Elementary and Intermediate testing schedule for the spring administration can be found on the Department's [website](https://www.nysed.gov/state-assessment/grades-3-8-test-schedules) (<https://www.nysed.gov/state-assessment/grades-3-8-test-schedules>). Questions can be directed to emscassessinfo@nysed.gov or emscurric@nysed.gov.



Domains, Clusters, Standards, and Sequencing in Instruction and Assessment

The Grades 3–8 Mathematics Tests will measure the NYS Next Generation Mathematics Learning Standards.

Grade 3

Grade 4

Grade 3 Post-Test Standards Assessed in Grade 4

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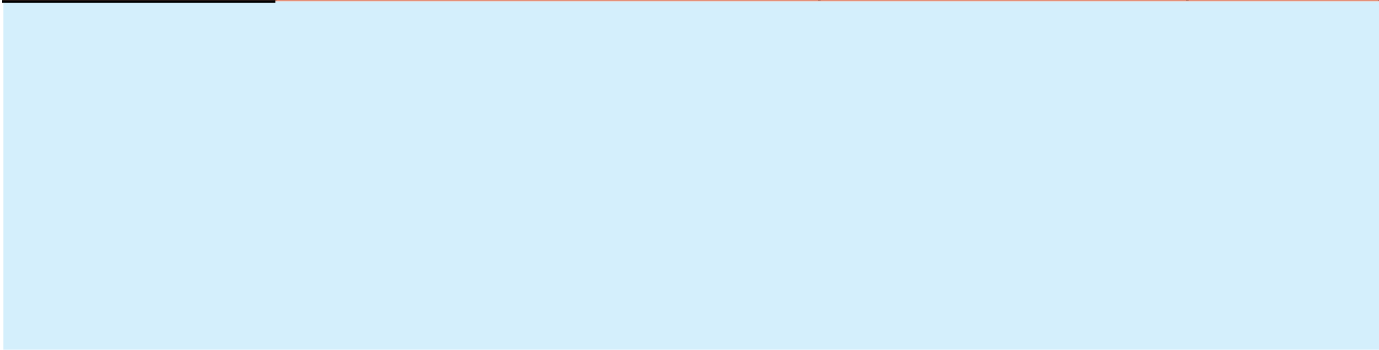
Domain	Cluster	Standard(s)
Measurement and Data	<i>Represent and interpret data.</i>	NY-3.MD.3
		P [/50 F06
	<i>Geometric measurement: recognize perimeter as an DWWUEWRISDQHQGW between linear and area measures.</i>	NY-3.MD.8a, 8b
Geometry	<i>Reason with shapes and their attributes.</i>	P [/50 I03

Grade 4 Post-Test Standards Assessed in Grade 5

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Domain	Cluster	Standard(s)
Number and Operations— Fractions	<i>Understand decimal notation for fractions, and compare decimal fractions.</i>	P [/60PH7
		P [/60PH8
		P [/60PH9
Measurement and Data	<i>Solve problems involving measurement and conversion of measurements from a larger unit to a smaller unit.</i>	P [/60OF03
		P [/60OF04c."4d

Grade 6



Grade 5 Post-Test Standards Assessed in Grade 6

Grade 5 Post-Test Standards Assessed in Grade 6: Operations and Algebraic Thinking (7), Operations and Algebraic Thinking (8), and Geometry (5).
 Standards I tcfgu"56: "Rquv/vguv"Uvcpfctfu"fguk i pcvkqpu."rngcug"tghgt"vq"vjg"y gdukgv"<https://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/next-generation-mathematics-learning-standards-grades-3-8-post-test-recommendations>).

Domain	Cluster	Standard(s)
Operations and Algebraic Thinking	<i>Write and interpret numerical expressions.</i>	P [7]QC03
		P [7]QC04
	<i>Analyze patterns and relationships.</i>	P [7]QC05
Geometry	<i>Graph points on the coordinate plane to solve real-world and mathematical problems.</i>	P [7]I03
		P [7]I04

Grade 8

Domain	Cluster	Standard(s)	Post Standard
The Number System			

Grade 7 Post-Test Standards Assessed in Grade 8

Vjg"vcdng"dgnqy"ujqyu"vjg" I tcfg"9" rquv/vguv"uvcpfctfu"vjcv"ctg"cuuguugf"qp"vjg" I tcfg" : "Pgy" [qtm"Uvcvg Ocvjg o cvkeu"Cuuguu o gpv0" Hqt" o qtg" kphqt o cvkqp"cdqww"vjg" P [U" Pgzv" I gpgtcvkqp" Ocvjg o cvkeu"Ngctpkpi" Standards I tcfgu"56: "Rquv/vguv"Uvcpfctfu" Fguki pcvkqpu."rngcug"tghgt"vq"vjg"ygdukg"*<https://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/next-generation-mathematics-learning-standards-grades-3-8-post-test-recommendations>).

Domain	Cluster	Standard(s)
Geometry	<i>Draw, construct, and describe geometrical figures them.</i>	P [90 I 04
		NY-7.G.3
	<i>Solve real-life and mathematical problems involving angle measure, area, surface area, and volume.</i>	P [90 I 06
		P [90 I 07
		NY-7.G.6

The Grades 3–8 Mathematics Tests

Testing Sessions

The Grades 3–8 Mathematics Tests consist of two sessions that are administered over two days. Students are given 55–65 minutes for Session 1 and 60–70 minutes for Session 2. The total testing time is approximately 2 hours and 15 minutes. The testing time is intended to be used in the student’s best interest to end the test session.

Students are encouraged to complete each session of the exam and is intended for test preparation and planning. It is strongly encouraged for educators to share the information with students and parents prior to the test administration.

	Average Session 1	Average Session 2
Grade 3	55–65 Minutes	60–70 Minutes
Grade 4	65–75 Minutes	65–75 Minutes
Grade 5	80–90 Minutes	70–80 Minutes
Grade 6	80–90 Minutes	75–85 Minutes
Grade 7	80–90 Minutes	75–85 Minutes
Grade 8	80–90 Minutes	75–85 Minutes

The tests must be administered under standard conditions and the directions must be followed carefully. The same test administration procedures must be used with all students so that valid inferences can be drawn from the test results.

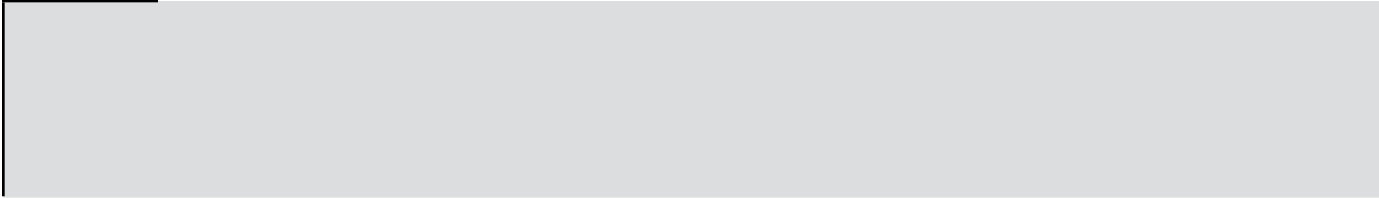
School administrators and teachers involved in the administration of State assessments are responsible for understanding and adhering to the instructions set forth in the *School Administrator’s Manual* (<https://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/grades-3-8-ela-and-math-test-manuals>) and the *Teacher’s Directions* (<https://www.nysed.gov/state-assessment/grades-3-8-ela-and-math-test-manuals>).

When Students Have Completed Their Tests

When students have completed their tests, the assessment materials are collected, or the student has submitted the test if testing on computer, that student’s test materials are returned to the student.

Test Design

In Grades 3–8, students are required to apply mathematical understandings and mathematical practices



Test Blueprint

Cnn" swgukqpu" qp" vjg" I tcfgu" 56: " Ocvjg o cvkeu" Vguvu" o gcuwtg" vjg" Pgzv" I gpgtcvkqp" Ocvjg o cvkeu" Ngctpkpi "



Domain-Level Test Blueprint—Percent Ranges for Grade 7 Test

Domain-Level Test Blueprint—Percent Ranges for Grade 7 Test				
Ratios and				

Question Formats

Vjg I tcf gu"56: "Ocvjg o cvkeu"Vguvu"eqpvckp"3/etgfkv" o wnvkrng/ejqkeg"swgukqpu."3/etgfkv"eqpuvtwevgf/tgurqpug" swgukqpu."4/etgfkv"eqpuvtwevgf/tgurqpug"swgukqpu."cpf"5/etgfkv"eqpuvtwevgf/tgurqpug"swgukqpu0"Hqt"o wnvkrng/choice questions, students select the correct response from four answer choices. For the constructed-response swgukqpu."uwf gpvu" y tkvg"cp"cpu y gt"vq"cp"qrgp/gpfgf"swgukqp"cpf" o c{"dg"tgswktg"vq"ujqy"vjgk" y qtm0"Kp" some cases, they may be required to provide a written explanation for how they arrived at their answers. Uq o g"vguv"swgukqpu"vcti gy" o qtg"vjcp"qpg"uvcpfctf"qt"cuuguu"cp"gpvktg"enwuvgt0"Cu"uwej." o cp{"kpfkxfwcn"vguv" swgukqpu"cuuguu"Ugrvg o dgt/vq/Crtknl Oc{"uvcpfctfu"kp"eqplwpevkqp" y kvj" Oc{/vq/Lwpg"uvcpfctfu"htqo" rcuv" grades (i.e., post-test standards).

Multiple-Choice Questions

O wnvkrng/ejqkeg" swgukqpu" yknn" o ckpn{"dg" wugf"vq"cuuguu"rtqegfwtcn"umknu"cpf"eqpegrvwcn"wpfgtuvcpfkpi0" Ocp{" o wnvkrng/ejqkeg" swgukqpu" tgswktg"uwf gpvu"vq"eq o rnvvg" o wnvkrng"uvgru0"Nkngykug."uq o g"qh"vjgug" swgukqpu"ctg"nkpmgf"vq" o qtg"vjcp"qpg"uvcpfctf."ftcykpi"qp"vjg"uko wnvcpqwu"cr rnkcevkqp"qh" o wnvkrng"umknu" and concepts. Within answer choices, distractors³ will all be based on plausible missteps.

1-Credit Constructed-Response Questions

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2-Credit Constructed-Response Questions

4/etgfkv"eqpuvtwevgf/tgurqpug" swgukqpu" tgswktg"uwf gpvu"vq"eq o rnvvg" c"vcum"cpf"ujqy"vjgk" y qtm"or explain their answer0"Vjg"4/etgfkv"eqpuvtwevgf/tgurqpug" swgukqpu" yknn"qhvgp"tgswktg" o wnvkrng"uvgru."vjg"cr rnkcevkqp"qh" o wnvkrng" o cvjg o cvkeu" umknu." cpf" tgcn/yqtnf" cr rnkcevkqp0" Ocp{"qh"vjg"4/etgfkv"eqpuvtwevgf/tgurqpug"

Mathematics Rubrics and Scoring Policies

The Grades 3–8 Mathematics Tests will use the rubrics and scoring policies as shown in this guide.

1-Credit Constructed-Response Rubric

1 Credit	C" 3/etgfkv" tgu rqpug" ku" c" correct answer to the question which indicates a thorough understanding of mathematical concepts and/or procedures.
0 Credits*	C"2/etgfkv" tgu rqpug" ku" kpeqttgev." kttgngxcpv." qt" kpeqjgtgpv0"

, " Eqpfkvpqp" Eqfg" C" ku" cr rnkf" y jgpgxt" c" uvwfgpv" y jq" ku" rtgugpv" hqt" c" vguv" uguukqp" ngcxgu" cp" gpvktg" eqpvtwevgf/tgurqpug" swgukqp" kp" vjcv" uguukqp" eq o rnvgn{ "dncpm"*pq" tgu rqpug" cvvg o rvgf+0"

2-Credit Constructed-Response Holistic Rubric

2 Credits	<p>C" 4/etgfkv" tgu rqpug" kpenwfgu" vjg" eqttgev" uqmwvkqp" vq" vjg" swgukqp" cpf" fg o qpvtcvgu" c" vjqtqwi j" wpfgtuvcfki "qh" vjg" o cvjg o cvkecn" eqpegrvu" cpflqt" rtqegfwtgu" kp" vjg" vcum0</p> <p>This response</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • kpfkecvgu" vjcv" vjg" uvwfgpv" jcu" eq o rnvgnf" vjg" xÆ s

3-Credit Constructed-Response Holistic Rubric

3 Credits	

The following scoring policies must be applied while scoring the mathematics tests for all Grades 3–8. The rubrics for the constructed-response questions are designed to provide a systematic, consistent method for awarding credit. Each response must be rated carefully using the teacher’s professional judgment

1-Credit Constructed-Response Mathematics Scoring Policies

- 30" The student is **not** eligible for credit. The student's response is illegible or does not address the question.
- 40" If the student provides a response that is not a complete answer to the question, the student should still receive full credit.
- 3. If the student provides one legible response (and one response only), the rater should score the response, even if it has been crossed out.
- 60" If the student has written more than one response but has crossed some out, the rater should score only the response that has **not** been crossed out.
- 70" If the student provides more than one response but does not indicate which response is to be considered the correct response and none have been crossed out, the student shall not receive credit.
- 6. If the student does not provide the answer in the form as directed in the question, the student will not receive credit.
- 7. If the student provides an answer that is not a complete answer to the question, the student will not receive credit.
- 8. If the student provides an answer that is not a complete answer to the question, the student will not receive credit.
- 9. If the student provides an answer that is not a complete answer to the question, the student will not receive credit.

2- and 3-Credit Constructed-Response Mathematics Scoring Policies

30" Kh" c" uvwfgpv" ujqyu" vjg" yqtm" kp" qvjgt" vjcp" c" fgukipcvgf" ðUjqy" {qwt" yqtmö" qt" ðGzrnckpö" ctgc." vjcv"
yqtm" ujqwnf" uvkm" dg" ueqtgf0"

40"

Mathematics Tools

Why Mathematics Tools?

Reference Sheets

Gcej"uvwfgpv"vguvkpi"kp" I tcfgu"7ó:" yknn"dg"rtqxkfgf" ykvj" c" o cvjg o cvkeu" tghgtgpeg"ujggv"hqt"vjgkt" gzenwukxg" wug" fwtkpi" dqvj" Uguukqp" 3" cpf" Uguukqp" 40" Kv"ku" tgeqo o gpfgf" vjcv" vjtqwi jqwv" vjg" {gct." vgcejgtu" rtqxkfg" students opportunities during classroom instruction to gain familiarity with the grade-level reference sheet.

Note:

Grade 6 Mathematics Reference Sheet

CONVERSIONS

1 yard = 3 feet
1 mile = 5,280 feet

1 cup = 8 fluid ounces
1 pint = 2 cups
1 quart = 2 pints
1 gallon = 4 quarts
1 liter = 1,000 milliliters

1 pound = 16 ounces
1 ton = 2,000 pounds
1 kilogram = 1,000 grams

FORMULAS AND FIGURES

Triangle

Grade 7 Mathematics Reference Sheet

CONVERSIONS

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CONVERSIONS ACROSS MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS

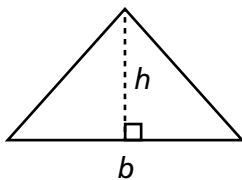
1 inch = 2.54 centimeters
1 meter = 39.37 inches
1 mile = 1.609 kilometers
1 kilometer = 0.6214 miles

1 gallon = 3.785 liters
1 liter = 0.2642 gallons

1 pound = 0.454 kilograms
1 kilogram = 2.2 pounds

FORMULAS AND FIGURES

Triangle



$$A = \frac{1}{2}bh$$

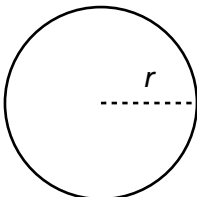
Parallelogram

$$A = bh$$

Trapezoid

$$A = \frac{1}{2}h(b_1 + b_2)$$

Circle



$$C = 2\pi r$$

$$C = \pi d$$

$$A = \pi r^2$$

Simple Interest

$$I = prt$$

where I is interest,
 p is principal,
 r is rate, and
 t is time

General Prism

$$V = Bh$$

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