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Montana Alternate Student Testing Pilot ELA Assessment Training: MasteryGuide

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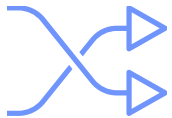
Summary of MasteryGuide for Montana



7 testlets throughout the year



Each testlet administered in a single class period



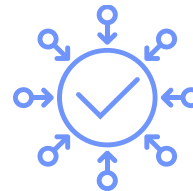
Flexibly aligns to local instruction



Most Items are machine scored for real-time classroom feedback



Measures fine-grained, instructionally relevant standards to inform instruction



Aggregates to a summative, year-end score



ELA Test Design Overview

- The MasteryGuide Assessment includes 7 testlets per grade. Six testlet consists of 18 machine-scored reading item. One testlet is performance based and includes 5 machine-scored reading item and 1 human-scored writing prompt.
- All testlets include passage-based items.
- ELA testlets are assigned to administration windows based on passage text complexity and learning progressions which represent those attributes that show developing depth of understanding.
- Each testlet is expected to be completed in less than 30 minutes, and most students should be able to complete two testlets in a 45-minute class period.



Content Coverage

4 Administrations throughout the year

- **Two Beginning-of-Year testlets:** Each includes a readily accessible text and 18 items that focus on narrative or literary reading skills.
- **Two Middle-of-Year testlets:** Each includes two moderately complex texts and 18 items that focus on narrative or literary reading skills.
- **One Writing Task testlet:** It includes two moderately complex texts that the students have seen in the middle-of-year testlets, 5 items that focus on narrative or literary reading skills, and 1 item that assesses writing skills.
- **Two End-of-Year testlets:** Each includes two moderately to highly complex texts and 18 items that focus on narrative or literary reading skills.



Item Details

Item Types

- Multiple Choice – Single Select
- Multiple Choice – Multiple Select
- Evidence Based Selected Response (EBSR)
- Technology Enhanced Constructed Response (e.g. drag and drop)

Sample Item

18. Part A

Why is play important for animals?

- A. It helps them sleep.
- B. It helps them stay alive.
- C. It helps them have babies.
- D. It helps them make friends.

Part B

Which sentence from the passage supports the answer to Part A?

- A. "Playing lets young animals try out different ways of doing things again and again in a safe environment, where a mistake won't be fatal." (paragraph 3)
- B. "This is why different kinds of animals play in different ways." (paragraph 3)
- C. "During play, animals constantly monitor their behavior to keep play going." (paragraph 5)
- D. "In the confusion of fleeing a sudden attack by a predator, an ibex may stumble or crash into another member of the herd." (paragraph 8)



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Engagement Opportunities



Engagement and Feedback Opportunities

Scheduled throughout the year

- 1:1 interviews
 - Educators
 - Students
 - Parents
 - Administrators
- Monthly listening sessions/office hours
- Focus groups
 - Educators
 - Administrators
- Post-administration Surveys
 - Educators
 - Students
- Item Review Cadres
 - October
 - March
 - June





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