

Literacy 10 Assessment- What to expect?

1. What Is It?

The Grade 10 Literacy Assessment is delivered **online** in three parts. (Since you are used to writing online, this part won't feel that strange to you, but there are some quirks to the exam once you login, so see 3 about how to login and practice on your iPad!).

1. Part A

- Students read several different types of texts, e.g. blogs, infographics, newspaper or magazine articles, social media feeds, and stories. Students demonstrate that they can analyze and make meaning from the texts by answering a series of selected-response questions (<— this means multiple choice!). They then provide written responses to communicate their understanding (<— this means longer writing with paragraphs expressing an opinion AND some type of chart/graphic that you fill-in!).

2. Part B

- Students choose **one of two** options (<— this means a choice of types of texts to read: see more in my next section!). After choosing one option, students read a new set of texts. Students demonstrate that they can analyze and make meaning of the texts by answering selected-response questions (<— this means multiple choice). They then provide written responses to communicate personal connections (<— this means longer writing with paragraphs).

3. Self-reflection

- These questions ask students to reflect on their experience with the assessment. This component is **not marked**.

*this part is a little like the work you have done before on your presentations of learning for PLP: it helps you consider what you have learned and how you have expressed it. It is worth pausing and completing even if it is not assessed because it might help you think of something you have missed or haven't expanded upon - use your growth mindset that you've been developing since grade 8 with us!!!

2. What is the choice in Part B?

The choice in part B determines what types and how many texts you will read to respond to.

Path A: Literacy for Information

This path gives you **2 infographics and 2 articles** to read.

You respond with some **multiple-choice questions** and **a piece of writing** which answers a question based on the texts you read (you have the choice of style for the writing: narrative, expository, persuasive, description, or combination).

Path B: Literacy for Expression

This path gives you **one article** and **one story** to read.

You respond with some **multiple-choice questions** and **a piece of writing** which answers a question based on the texts you read (you have the choice of style for the writing: narrative, expository, persuasive, description, or combination).

Essentially the **ONLY** difference between the 2 paths is the **TYPE** of texts you read to respond to.

Path A is about information, so there are more texts to look at, but they are shorter and use graphics more.

Path B is about expression, so there are fewer texts to look at, but they are longer and rely on creative devices more (like description).

There is no wrong choice to make here. Think about the advantages of each path now - before the assessment - and come chat to me tomorrow! I know you well and I know your writing and thinking. Together we can think of which path will suit you best!

3. How Can I Study?

I would suggest a few things:

- Watch the videos [here](#). These videos walk through the parts and discuss how they work together.
- Write a sample assessment. You can login and do the e-assessment sample [here](#). You should! Knowing the e-assessment format is important.
- Read through the [rubrics](#) and [student samples](#) attached below. They show you what is expected in order to achieve.

You will do well on this! And remember - the only thing reported out is a proficiency scale mark on a 4-point scale.