

Grade 10 & Grade 12 Literacy Assessments

Yukon high school students write the same assessments as BC students. Students write a Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment and Grade 10 and Grade 12 Literacy Assessments before they finish high school. These new assessments are a part of changes to the curriculum.

What is the literacy assessment?

- A Grade 10 Literacy Assessment was introduced during the 2019-20 school year.
- A Grade 12 Literacy Assessment will be introduced during the 2021-2022 school year.
- Both literacy assessments will be a graduation requirement for all students.
- The literacy assessments will assess a student's ability to use critical thinking and analysis to make meaning from different texts and to communicate their ideas.
- The literacy assessments are not based on a particular course, but on learning across multiple subjects.
- Literacy is the ability to critically analyze and make meaning from diverse texts and to communicate and express oneself in a variety of modes and for a variety of purposes in relevant contexts.
- Literacy is a key skill students need to be successful in post-secondary education and in future careers.

When do students take the literacy assessments?

Grade 10 Literacy Assessment

- Students write the Grade 10 Literacy Assessment in their Grade 10 year starting in the 2019-20 school year.
- The Grade 10 Literacy Assessment is available to write in November, January and April.



- Students can re-take the literacy assessments to improve their proficiency level. Their highest proficiency level will be shown on their transcript.

Grade 12 Literacy Assessment

- Students write the Grade 12 Literacy Assessment in their Grade 12 year, starting in the 2021-2022 school year.
- During the 2020-2021 school year, students in Grade 12 will not write the Literacy Assessments.

What do the literacy assessments look like?

Grade 10 Literacy Assessment

- The Grade 10 Literacy Assessment has three parts:
 - **Part A:** Students read several different texts (for example, blogs, infographics, newspaper or magazine articles, social media feeds and stories) and demonstrate their ability to analyze and make meaning from the texts by answering questions. They then provide written responses to communicate their understanding.
 - **Part B:** Students choose between two sets of texts and again demonstrate their ability to analyze and make meaning from the texts by answering questions. They then provide written responses to communicate personal connections.
 - **Self-reflection component:** Students complete a self-reflection on their experience with the assessment. This is part of their learning but is not marked.

Grade 12 Literacy Assessment

- The Grade 12 Literacy Assessment will be available for the 2021-2022 school year.

How do students prepare?


- To help students prepare, BC has provided sample assessments and a video series explaining how to answer the different questions.



- Resources to help students prepare for the Grade 10 literacy assessment are available at: curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/literacy-assessment/gla-10.
- Students can also ask for guidance from their teacher on how to prepare.

Results

- Results for the Grade 10 and Grade 12 assessments are reported using a proficiency level as shown below.
- Final transcripts will include a proficiency level for the Grade 12 assessment as the final literacy assessment for students. The Grade 10 assessment will show up as “requirement met” on the transcript.
- Students can view their results on the Student Transcripts Service: www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/transcripts-and-certificates.

PROFICIENCY LEVEL 			
Emerging	Developing	Proficient	Extending
<i>The student demonstrates an initial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.</i>	<i>The student demonstrates a partial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.</i>	<i>The student demonstrates a complete understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.</i>	<i>The student demonstrates a sophisticated understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.</i>

More information:

- Find out what you need to graduate high school: yukon.ca/en/graduate-high-school
- Learn about the literacy and numeracy assessments: yukon.ca/en/graduation-assessments
- Learn more on BC’s website:
 - Numeracy: curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/numeracy-assessment
 - Literacy: curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/literacy-assessment/gla-10

