Tuesday, April 10th, 2018
8:45 AM

OSSLT
Grade 10 Literacy Test
The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test

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When is the Test?

Tuesday April 10th at 8:45 AM
Where will I write the test?

• In classrooms on the 2nd and 3rd floors and in the Library

• On Monday, April 9th: Check the lists posted outside of the Cafeteria and the Library for your name and test location

• If you have a question or a problem, see Ms. Catalano, or Ms. Sobec ASAP
8:45 | Arrive at Your Classroom
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9:00 – 9:15 | Instructions about writing the test will be given by Teacher in your classroom
9:15 – 10:30 | Complete Booklet 1
10:30 – 10:45 | Supervised Break
10:45 – 12:00 | Complete Booklet 2
12:00 – 12:10 | Complete Student Questionnaire
12:10 – 12:25 | EXIT the Building
BREAK

• Supervised, on the same floor as you are writing the OSSLT.
• Granola bars and juice will be provided.
• You will begin writing Booklet 2 promptly after 15 minutes.
• If you receive accommodations because you have an ESL or Special Education identification, you may bring your own lunch, if you wish. Your break will take place as soon as you finish Booklet One.
If you arrive late...

• You will be allowed to write
• Instructions will not be repeated
• No extra time will be given
If you arrive after 10:30...

- You will be allowed to write only the second test booklet of the day
- This will greatly reduce your chances of passing
What to Bring

• Blue, black pens or HB pencils

• An eraser

• A highlighter

• A water bottle
What NOT to Bring…

- Electronics devices – cell phones, iPods, etc.
  *** you will not be allowed in the test room with your phone.

- Knapsacks, bags or purses

- Jackets, coats or sweaters

- Loose leaf paper

- Food
During the Test DO the following…

- Bring your own materials
- Attempt ALL questions and tasks.
- DO NOT leave a task blank – **THIS IS AN AUTOMATIC ZERO.**
- Write clearly and legibly.
- Read each questions slowly and carefully.
- When answering multiple-choice questions, choose the best or most correct answer for each question. Fill in the circle completely!

  Like this: ⭕ Not like this: ✗ ✔️ 🧠 ●

- Write **ONLY** in the space provided
  - use the number of lines provided as a **guide** for how much you should write.

- Use the **ROUGH NOTES** to plan your written responses

- You **will not** be dismissed early if you finish your test early.
Your teacher is not allowed to provide any assistance to you

- Cannot re-word questions
- Cannot review your work or make suggestions
- Cannot inform you whether you are on the right track or not
Proper PREPARATION PREVENTS Poor Performance!
# OSSLT Tasks

## Reading

**Reading selections:**
- information paragraph (225 to 250 words)
- news report (225 to 250 words)
- dialogue (225 to 250 words)
- real-life narrative (550 to 600 words)
- graphic text (fewer than 150 words)

**Types of questions:**
- multiple-choice
- open-response (six lines each)

## Writing

**Types of writing tasks and questions:**
- long-writing tasks
  - news report (one page)
  - series of paragraphs expressing an opinion (two pages)
- two short-writing tasks (six lines each)
- multiple-choice questions
  - developing a main idea with supporting details
  - organization of ideas
  - language conventions
You’ve Already Been Coached

- Practice Lessons over the last month in your classes on:
  - News Report
  - Informational Text
  - Graphic Text
  - Opinion Writing
  - Narrative Texts

- Counting On You
Drop-In Support Sessions!

- Bring your questions!
- Feedback for written responses

- Lunch time in Room 226:
  - Friday, March 23rd
  - Monday, March 26th
  - Tuesday, March 27th
  - Wednesday, March 28th
Budget Your Time

** News Report: 30 minutes

** Supported Opinion Paragraph: 40 minutes

** Reading Tasks: 15 – 20 minutes
Get some **sleep**; eat a **healthy breakfast**, and get to school **early** on Thursday, March 30\textsuperscript{th}
The number 1 reason for students NOT passing the OSSLT
They don’t read the instructions properly!
What else can you do to ensure **Success**?
This PowerPoint is posted on our school website

www.fmss.ca....
Student Life....
OSSLT
Parent resources help you support your child’s learning

In October 2014, the Peel District School Board sought input from families to help guide the development of resources that help parents and caregivers support their children’s learning. The result is a new Help Your Child online resource centre on the Peel board’s website with the topics families said were important to them.

Full Story
### Helpful Resources and Links
- EQAO Web Site
- WECDSB’s Interactive Site
- Getting Ready Guide
- LDCSB’s Interactive Site
- Planning and Preparation Guide
- YouTube Clips on how to do different types of questions
- OSSLT Key Words

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April 10th
Reminders…

- Arrive on time—at **8:45** report to your test room

- Room location—check the OSSLT posted **alpha lists**

- If you are absent, you WILL receive a **ZERO**

- If you are late **NO** extra time will be given.

- Bring a blue or black pen, pencil, and eraser
Do your very best...
and good luck!

See you on April 10th