

Special Instructions for the
Braille Edition of the
PARCC
Grade 6
English Language Arts/Literacy
EBAE Practice Test Booklet

General Comments

1. Braille pages are numbered sequentially in the lower right-hand corner. The corresponding print page numbers are in the upper right-hand corner.
3. Some visual cues within a display, which are not necessary to interpret the meaning of the question, are omitted.
4. A Special Symbols page is included to provide the student with information about the dot formation of special braille characters. A Transcriber's Note page is included within the test to explain special format and layout of information.
5. Paragraphs are numbered in braille as they are shown in print. A transcriber's note is placed on the Transcriber's Note Page explaining the system to the student.
6. According to *Braille Formats: Principles of Print-to-Braille Transcription, 2011*, the copyright information found at the end of each story is placed after the title of each story.
7. The footers "Go on" are deleted in braille.
8. All references to the answer sheet are omitted in braille. The Answer Sheet is not reproduced in braille.

Specific Comments:

Page 3

Directions revised to read as follows:

Directions:

Today, you will take Unit 1 of the Grade 6 English Language Arts/Literacy Practice Test.

Read each passage and question. Then, follow the directions to answer each question. Write your answer. If you need to change an answer, erase it, cross it out or start a new line.

One of the questions will ask you to write a response. Write your response on the braille paper provided. You may plan your response using scratch paper. Work done on scratch paper will not be scored.

If you do not know the answer to a question, you may go on to the next question. If you finish early, you may review your answers and any questions you did not answer in this unit ONLY. Do not go past the word STOP.

- Page 7, #1 Box around sentence is omitted in braille.
- Page 8, #2 Box around sentence is omitted in braille.
- Page 13, #5 Box around sentence is omitted in braille.
- Page 21, #11 Box around sentence is omitted in braille.
- Page 24 Second bullet reworded, "Then, close your test booklet and raise your hand to turn in your test materials."
- Page 25 Directions revised to read as follows:
Directions:
 Today, you will take Unit 2 of the Grade 6 English Language Arts/Literacy Practice Test.
- Read each passage and question. Then, follow the directions to answer each question. Write your answer. If you need to change an answer, erase it, cross it out or start a new line.
- One of the questions will ask you to write a response. Write your response on the braille paper provided. You may plan your response using scratch paper. Work done on scratch paper will not be scored.
- If you do not know the answer to a question, you may go on to the next question. If you finish early, you may review your answers and any questions you did not answer in this unit ONLY. Do not go past the word STOP.
- Page 35, #16 Box around sentence is omitted in braille.
- Page 46 A picture description is inserted as a transcriber's note, "There is a photograph of an alligator. The alligator is mostly underwater. Below the water we see the snout and jaw of the alligator with many large teeth. We also see a large number of dark-colored bumps along the jawline of the alligator. The alligator is on top of rocks and vegetation. Above the water we see the eyes, the nose and bumpy skin of the alligator. In the background, we see grass and trees along the bank of the water. Above the alligator we see a blue sky with white clouds."
- Page 53 Second bullet reworded, "Then, close your test booklet and raise your hand to turn in your test materials."
- Page 55 Directions revised to read as follows:
Directions:

Today, you will take Unit 3 of the Grade 6 English Language Arts/Literacy Practice Test.

Read each passage and question. Then, follow the directions to answer each question. Write your answer. If you need to change an answer, erase it, cross it out or start a new line.

One of the questions will ask you to write a response. Write your response on the braille paper provided. You may plan your response using scratch paper. Work done on scratch paper will not be scored.

If you do not know the answer to a question, you may go on to the next question. If you finish early, you may review your answers and any questions you did not answer in this unit **ONLY**. Do not go past the word **STOP**.

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Second bullet reworded, "Then, close your test booklet and raise your hand to turn in your test materials."