




OSSLT

2021-2022



When will I be Writing the Literacy Test

- Grade 10 Students will be writing the week of November 15, 2021
- Grade 11 Students will be writing on November 22nd and November 23rd, 2021

OSSLT TEST SCHEDULE FOR 2021-2022

Grade 10 Students - Week A Period One

Monday, November 15	Tuesday, November 16	Wednesday, November 17	Thursday, November 18
Kirkey - Room 308 Total # 16 students Aqua Cart	Kirkey - Room 308 Total # 16 students Aqua Cart	Huneault- Room 328 Total # 10 students Aqua Cart	Huneault- Room 328 Total # 10 students Aqua Cart
Duong- Room 343 Total # 10 students Green Cart (Shared)	Duong- Room 343 Total # 10 students Green Cart (shared)	Petras/Young L- Room 337 Total # 30 students Green Cart	Young L- Room 337 Total # 30 students Green Cart
Lapointe - Room 306 Total # 26 Students Green Cart (Shared)	Lapointe - Room 306 Total # 26 Students Green Cart (Shared)	Waite - Room 125 Total #26 students Purple Cart	Waite - Room 125 Total #26 students Purple Cart
Siecker- Room 303 Total # 23 Students Tan Cart	Siecker- Room 303 Total # 23 Students Tan Cart	Pierce - Room 208 Total #21 Copper Cart	Pierce - Room 208 Total #21 Copper Cart
Macmillan - Room 118 Total# 11 Students Yellow Cart	Macmillan - Room 118 Total# 11 Students Yellow Cart	Box - Room 339 Total # 24 Yellow Cart	Box - Room 339 Total # 24 Yellow Cart
Bopp Room - Room 332 Total # 30 Students Copper Cart	Bopp Room - Room 332 Total # 30 Students Copper Cart	Holder - Room 305 Total # 30 Tan Cart	Holder - Room 305 Total # 30 Tan Cart
Mavrou - Room 134 Total 21 Purple Cart	Mavrou - Room 134 Total 21 Purple Cart		

What do the test questions look like?

The OSSLT consists of a total of 33 questions.

- 31 multiple choice questions(e.g. Drag and drop, drop down menu, checklist)
- 2 open-response questions (100 words and the opinion writing is 500 words)
- Each session is designed to be completed in 60 minutes and students complete each session in one sitting
- After the two test sessions, students will answer a student questionnaire

What can students have access to during the literacy test?

During the test, students can have access to the following:

- A Chromebook will be provided with specialized software
- Wired headphones for listening to questions and readings
- pen or pencil and paper for rough work
- Extra time
- If you have an I.E.P., speak with your SERT for accommodations

ORGANIZATION OF INFORMATIONAL TEXTS

CHRONOLOGICAL

~ the order in which events occur in time

*Timeline
(2010-2021)*

COMPARISON & CONTRAST

~ when you examine the similarities & differences between two things

*Apple vs Oranges
Similarities -round
Differences -colour*

CAUSE & EFFECT

~ looking at what caused an event to happen and then the consequences of that event

*Slippery roads
cause a car to crash
and the effect is
people are hurt and
EMS are called*

ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

~ information organized with most important facts first

*-there was a car crash
-people were hurt
-EMS was called*

Context Clues for Vocabulary

- Read the sentence/words before and after the word you are trying to define.
- Clues can be found by thinking about the main idea and details.
- Think about how the word is being used in the sentence.
- Read the sentence using each of the four choices.

Which word is closest in meaning to "adamant" as used in the sentence below?

Click your answer choice from the drop-down menu.

"While Montreal can be tough on illegal graffiti and tagging, the city has developed a relationship with graffiti artists, who are that their genre is legitimate."

adamant

critical


insistent

annoyed

surprised

[Open/Close Reading Selection](#)

Strategies for Answering Multiple Choice

- ❖ Read through all 4 choices
- ❖ Look back at the reading text.
Use [Open/Close Reading Selection](#)
- ❖ Cross out incorrect answers 
- ❖ Be sure to make a choice and flag an answer if you are unsure

What is the best meaning of the word “restored” as used in line 18?

- a) resold
- b) repaired
- c) replaced
- d) reorganized

PUNCTUATION MARKS TO KNOW

PARENTHESES ()

~ contain information that clarifies or adds to a comment

SEMI-COLON ;

~ used to connect two related ideas in one sentence

COLON :

~ usually introduces a list of items

DASHES ---

~ used to indicate emphasize, interruption or change of thought

ELLIPSES ...

~ used to indicate a pause in thinking or to show the omission of information

COMMA ,

~ represents a pause
~ usually used to separate list of items

Grammar: Multiple Choice

Click the answer choice that best completes the sentence below.

When the hero Kagagi grabbed the torch light, _____ handle broke off in _____ hand.

its / his

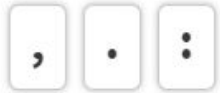
its / he's

it's / he

it's / he's

Grammar: Multiple Choice

Drag and drop each punctuation mark into the correct blank space.



A diverse climate rugged mountains and waterfalls make Quebec a perfect place for the following activities hiking, cycling and kayaking

The Formula for Short Answer Questions:

State Main Idea + 2 specific details

State a main idea of this selection and provide **specific details** from the selection that supports it.

Short Answer Responses: Code 0, 10, 20, 30

Code 10: Plastics are polluting our oceans.

Code 20: Plastics are polluting our oceans. Many of the marine animals are either eating or getting tangled in the plastic, which causes injury or death.

Code 30: Plastics are polluting our oceans. Many of the marine animals are either eating or getting tangled in the plastic, which causes injury or death. Plastic pollution threatens our food safety and quality.

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OSSLT Cheat Sheet #1

- Unknown word? Use context clues to figure out the meaning of an unknown word. Read the sentence before and after. Read the sentence using each of the four choices that are given. Does the main idea and details help interrupt
- Review grammar usage and practice with a kahoot on the OSSLT webpage.
- When answering a short answer question (100 words), answer the question using a complete sentence and TWO specific details.