



Information for Parents of Grade 9 Students

Dear Parents and Guardians:

In April, Grade 9 students in Prince Edward Island will take part in a common assessment of Language Arts.

The Intermediate Literacy Assessment will measure the knowledge and skills learned in reading comprehension and writing up to the end of Grade 9. The assessment is developed by teachers based on the curriculum that students learn every day in class.

The assessment will be held April 14 and 15, 2015 and 21 and 22, 2015. Students will complete parts of the assessment each day (1-2 hours per day). It will include reading passages with questions as well as a writing component.

The Intermediate Literacy Assessment will be worth 10 per cent of the overall mark for the year. You will receive your child's individual provincial results in October, 2015.

No special study is needed to prepare for the assessment. Parents can help by ensuring that students arrive at school well-rested and ready to participate. Parents should encourage students to do their best.

Our province has common assessments in math and literacy in grades 3, 6 and 9. The student report will inform parents of their child's performance on this assessment which is administered at a key stage of learning. The assessment will also provide teachers with information to guide teaching and learning.

For more information on the Intermediate Literacy Assessment, contact the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development at 438-4887 or visit www.gov.pe.ca/studentassessment.