

Theme Skills Test

The following skills test pages should be run off for each student. The student score sheet will be used to record scores and be included in the Reading Folder at the end of the school year.

Theme #1 - It's Cool. It's School	pp. 4-9
Theme #2 - Earth Patrol: Preserve and Protect	pp. 24-31
Theme #3 - Super Sleuths	pp. 42-47
Theme #4 - American Snapshots	pp. 60-67, 69
Theme #5 - Meet the Challenge	pp. 80-87
Theme #6 - Could it Really Happen?	pp. 102-109

It is strongly suggested that these tests be utilized for all students. Adjustments for ability can be indicated by the level of support. In EXTREME cases (emergent readers, reteach/retest) there are alternative test formats for each theme located at the very back of the Teacher's Annotated Edition of the Integrated Theme Tests.

Notes:

1. Assessment of vocabulary is left to the discretion of the classroom teacher. The LAB book includes two vocabulary pages for each story. One of these could be used for assessment.
2. It is acknowledged that assessment of writing and language skills of students is important. The method and timing of this assessment will be left to the discretion of the classroom teacher based upon his/her instructional plan for the language arts. Options include: Part IV Invitations to Literacy Integrated Theme Tests, related Theme Skills Tests, or old Houghton Mifflin English series practice and testing materials.
3. Spelling will continue to be assessed through your school's spelling program.

Additional Optional Assessment Suggestions and Aids

1. HM Invitations to Literacy teacher's manual, Assessment Checklists and Performance Assessments are in the back of each theme.
2. HM Teacher's Assessment Handbook "Blackline Masters" pp. 94-152.

IT'S COOL. IT'S SCHOOL.
Theme Test 1
Houghton Mifflin - Invitations to Literacy
Student Evaluation Portfolio
Grade 4

Student _____ Teacher _____

Date _____

	Possible Score	Criterion Score	Student Score
Predicting Outcomes	5	4	
Sequence of Events	5	4	
Making Inferences	5	4	
Total	15	12	
Integrated Theme Test (Reading Strategies and Comprehension)	38	25 (65%)	

Additional Comments _____

Test taken independently

Test taken with partial support

Test taken with full support

If your child scores less than 80% in specific area(s), he/she will receive remedial help in those skills.

EARTH PATROL
Theme Test 2
Houghton Mifflin - Invitations to Literacy
Student Evaluation Portfolio
Grade 4

Student _____ Teacher _____

Date _____

	Possible Score	Criterion Score	Student Score
Fact and Opinion	5	4	
Making Generalizations	5	4	
Summarizing: Story Structure	5	4	
Using Context	5	4	
Suffixes	5	4	
Total	25	20	
Integrated Theme Test (Reading Strategies and Comprehension)	38	25 (65%)	

Additional Comments _____

Test taken independently

Test taken with partial support

Test taken with full support

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SUPER SLEUTHS
Theme Test 3
Houghton Mifflin - Invitations to Literacy
Student Evaluation Portfolio
Grade 4

Student _____ Teacher _____

Date _____

	Possible Score	Criterion Score	Student Score
Noting Details	5	4	
Problem Solving/Decision Making	5	4	
Drawing Conclusions	5	4	
Total	15	12	
Integrated Theme Test (Reading Strategies and Comprehension)	38	25 (65%)	

Additional Comments _____

Test taken independently

Test taken with partial support

Test taken with full support

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AMERICAN SNAPSHOTS
Theme Test 4
Houghton Mifflin - Invitations to Literacy
Student Evaluation Portfolio
Grade 4

Student _____ Teacher _____

Date _____

	Possible Score	Criterion Score	Student Score
Cause and Effect	5	4	
Making Inferences	5	4	
Compare and Contrast	5	4	
Topic/Main Idea and Text Organization	5	4	
Using Context	5	4	
Total	25	20	
Integrated Theme Test (Reading Strategies and Comprehension)	38	25 (65%)	

Additional Comments _____

Test taken independently

Test taken with partial support

Test taken with full support

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MEET THE CHALLENGE
Theme Test 5
Houghton Mifflin - Invitations to Literacy
Student Evaluation Portfolio
Grade 4

Student _____ Teacher _____

Date _____

	Possible Score	Criterion Score	Student Score
Sequence of Events	5	4	
Author's Viewpoint	5	4	
Making Judgments	5	4	
Story Structure	5	4	
Total	20	16	
Integrated Theme Test (Reading Strategies and Comprehension)	38	25 (65%)	

Additional Comments _____

Test taken independently

Test taken with partial support

Test taken with full support

If your child scores less than 80% in specific area(s), he/she will receive remedial help in those skills.

COULD IT REALLY HAPPEN?

Theme Test 6

Houghton Mifflin - Invitations to Literacy

Student Evaluation Portfolio

Grade 4

Student _____ Teacher _____

Date _____

	Possible Score	Criterion Score	Student Score
Following Directions	5	4	
Drawing Conclusions	5	4	
Fantasy Realism	5	4	
Cause and Effect	5	4	
Total	20	16	
Integrated Theme Test (Reading Strategies and Comprehension)	38	25 (65%)	

Additional Comments _____

Test taken independently

Test taken with partial support

Test taken with full support

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