MCA-IV Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments-Series IV



Reading Test Book

Grades 3–5 MCA Paper Student Readiness Tool



Symbols on the Test

You will see the following symbols in your test book:

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This symbol means you can continue answering questions on the next page.



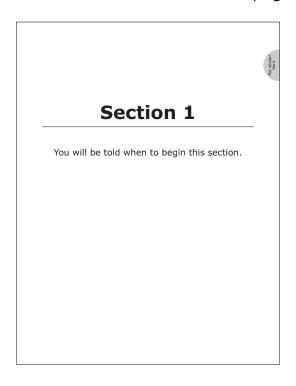
This symbol means you have finished a section of the test. You must wait until you are told to go to the next section.



This symbol indicates where to place the sticker given to you by the Test Monitor to seal a finished section.

Reading Test Book General Information

- Your reading test will consist of two books: Passages Book and Test Book.
 Read the information in the passages book to help you answer questions in the test book.
- Your test book contains different sections. Section pages look like this:



- You can write notes in your test book or on scratch paper, but you must answer each question in the test book.
- Your test book will include multiple-choice and multiple-response questions.

Sample Questions: Creatures of the Night

Use the information in the SRT passages book to review the following sample questions.

Creatures of the Night

For multiple-choice questions, circle the answer in your test book. The sample question shows you how to do this.

Sample Question

Based on the information in paragraph 2, how long do most bats live?

- **A.** Five to nine years
- **B.** Ten to twenty years
- **C.** Thirty to forty years
- **D.** Fifty to one hundred years

Creatures of the Night

For multiple-response questions, select your answers by marking the boxes provided. The sample question shows you how to do this.

	Sample Question
	Which two details from the article show that bats are mammals rather than birds?
	Select the two details.
V	🗓 Bats have fur covering their bodies
	■ Bats have faces like mice
	\boxtimes . Female bats nurse their young
	☐. Bats can fly

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Practice Questions:Out of the Dark

Use the information in the SRT passages book to practice answering the following questions.

Out of the Dark

Practice

Using the "Out of the Dark" passage in the SRT passages book, practice answering this multiple-choice question by circling option B.

- **1.** Who is the narrator of this story?
 - A. Dawn
 - **B.** A person outside the story
 - C. Jason
 - **D.** The tour guide in the story

Practice

Using the "Out of the Dark" passage in the SRT passages book, practice answering this multiple-response question by marking the first and third boxes.

2.	Which two sentences from the story help readers understand that Jason is nervous about the field trip?
	Select the two sentences.
	"Jason hoped that no one would discover how he really felt about this field trip." (paragraph 1)
	"Her eyes darted back and forth, searching the ceiling of the cave." (paragraph 4)
	"Not only was his attention on his own thoughts, but his heartbeat was also drowning out the sound of the guide's voice." (paragraph 5)
	"Jason smiled, but only because of the warm feeling spreading throughout his heart." (paragraph 12)



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