Everett Public Schools Assessment of Student Learning

Supplemental Teacher Guide



Reading Selections for Grade 6 Mid-Year Benchmark

"The Come-Back Coffeehouse"

"Flying Coast to Coast"

"Dakota Dugout"

"One Inch Tall"

"Recipe-Fall Apple Cranberry Pie" (Functional Document)

"Kingsnakes" (Stand Alone Question)

"Dog Shows" (Stand Alone Question)

"Microscope" (Stand Alone Question)

Benchmark Reading Assessment Supplemental Scoring Guide

Grade 6 – Mid-Year

1. Short Answer – 2 points Strand: Critical Thinking

Learning Target: LT11 Extend Beyond Text

One conclusion that a reader can draw from the selection is that sometimes creativity is required to solve a problem. Provide **two** details from the selection to support this conclusion.

A 2-point response provides **two** text-based details to support the conclusion that sometimes creativity is required to solve a problem.

Example: Hallie was creative in solving the problem of the restaurant's lack of money. She

realized that the customers they needed to serve were different than those her

Grandpa Carl had served. She also asked for and received donations of dishes from friends.

A **1-point response** provides **one** text-based detail to support the conclusion that sometimes creativity is required to solve a problem.

Text-based details may include, but are not limited to:

Hallie used several examples creativity in the way she solved the restaurant's problem.

- "The table coverings are only pieces of oilcloth that we stapled underneath the tables."
- "I brought board games and puzzles from home."
- "...the bookstore down the street donated the posters."
- Hallie asked for donation of dishes from friends.
- Hallie used different kinds of dishes to add charm.
- "Hallie ... wondered how many times she had suggested an alternative." (for the restaurant's name)
- Hallie changed the name of the restaurant to attract more customers.
- Hallie realized that the customers they needed to serve were different than those her Grandpa Carl had served.
- Hallie realized that they were catering to customers of Grandpa Carl's generation and that they needed a "fresh approach and a new look."

2. Short Answer – 2 points

Strand: Critical Thinking

Learning Target: IT10 Evaluate Reasoning

Is the following statement a reasonable conclusion that the reader can draw from the selection?

Rodgers should have given up his flight from New York to California when he began to experience difficulties.

Provide **two** details from the selection to support your answer.

- A 2-point response provides two text-based details to determine whether or not the statement is a reasonable conclusion that may be drawn from the selection.

 Example: No, Rodgers should not have given up this flight when he began to experience difficulties. He was still the first person to fly from coast to coast in one sustained effort. He also enjoyed performing for those who wished him well at each stop.
- A 1-point response provides one text-based detail to determine whether or not the statement is a reasonable conclusion that may be drawn from the selection.

Text-based details may include, but are not limited to:

<u>Yes,</u> Rodgers should have given up his flight from New York to California when he began to experience difficulties.

- He realized that he would not make it in time for the cash reward.
- He was injured by the hot oil and steel splinters in his right arm.
- He flew into a barbed-wire fence, causing three days of repair.
- He ran into a thunderstorm, causing him to be miles off of his heading.
- Souvenir hunters raided his plane.
- His plane was almost a total wreck when he ran into a fence while avoiding well-wishers.
- Nearly his entire plane needed to be rebuilt by the end of his journey.

<u>No.</u> Rodgers should not have given up his flight from New York to California when he began to experience difficulties.

- Rodgers was the first to fly from coast to coast.
- He made the trip in only 103 air hours.
- Well-wishers cheered him on at each stop.
- He accomplished his goal of flying coast to coast.

Yes and no

(An answer is provided for both sides)

- One text-based detail for yes
- One text-based detail for no

3. Extended Response- 4 points

Strand: Analysis

Learning Target: IA07 Cause and Effect

What problem does Calbraith Perry Rodgers experience in the selection? What are three events that happen as a result of the problem? Include information from the selection in you answer.

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4	A 4-point response states an appropriate problem Rodgers experiences in the selection and
	provides three text-based events that happen as a result of the problem.
	Example: Rodgers experienced many problems with his plane as he was flying from coast to
	coast. Finding himself caught in the winds of the Catskill Mountains, his plane got caught in
	the treetops. While in Indiana, he nearly wrecked his plane while trying to avoid hitting a
	group of well-wishers. Finally, just outside of Banning, CA the oil tank and radiator both
	leaked.
3	A 3-point response states an appropriate problem Rodgers experiences in the selection and
	provides two text-based events that happen as a result of the problem.
	OR
	Provides three text-based events that would happen as a result of an appropriate problem.
2	A 2-point response states an appropriate problem Rodgers experiences in the selection and
	provides one text-based event that happens as a result of the problem.
	OR
	Provides two text-based events that would happen as a result of an appropriate problem.
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1	A 1-point response states an appropriate problem Rodgers experiences in the selection.

Text-based details may include, but are not limited to:

Possible problems:

• Rogers wished to be the first person to fly from coast to coast and win the prize from William Randolph Hearst and experienced problems along the way.

Provides one text-based event that would happen as a result of an appropriate problem.

- In flying from coast to coast, Rodgers experienced many problems with his plane.
- In attempting to win the William Randolph Hearst prize money, Rodgers experienced many problems and difficulties.

Text-based events for support:

- Caught in the tricky winds of the Catskill Mountains, Rodgers's plane tangled with the treetops.
- He crash-landed into a chicken coop, smashing the landing skid of the plane and cracking a wing. Rodgers suffered cuts and bruises and a wrenched knee.
- It took the mechanics three days to repair the plane.
- While he was gone, souvenir-hunters swarmed all over the *Vin-Fiz Flyer*. They grabbed everything that could be pried loose, especially nuts and bolts in the engine.
- *Vin-Fiz Flyer's* engine began to knock, the propeller to spin more slowly. Rodgers soon saw that the magneto plugs were slipping out.
- Attempting to take off that afternoon, Rodgers misjudged distances and flew into a barbed-wire fence. Another three days were consumed in making repairs.
- On his way to Akron, Rodgers got lost. ...he landed in a cow pasture near Kent, Ohio.
- He ran into a thunderstorm that turned him miles off his heading.
- Finally making it to Huntington, he was met by an enthusiastic and seemingly uncontrollable crowd. People swarmed all over Rodgers and the *Vin-Fiz Flyer*, shaking his hand, holding up their babies to be kissed. When he tried to take off, a mob stood directly in front of his plane. To

avoid hitting (and hurting) his well-wishers, he turned the plane's nose into a fence. The result: an almost total wreck.

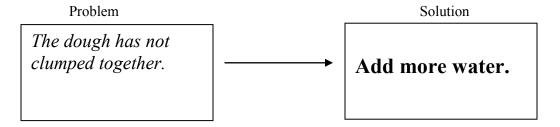
- Over the desert a cylinder exploded. Hot oil covered Rodgers's face and goggled eyes, and countless steel splinters drove themselves into his right arm.
- The oil tank leaked oil; the radiator leaked water; the magneto plugs worked their way out of the sockets; a connecting rod broke. Rodgers's right arm ached badly; his head ached, too.

4. Completion Item-1 point

Strand: Analysis

Learning Target: IA07 Cause and Effect

Read the chart below. Use information from Directions 1 to provide the solution for the given problem. [IA07]



5. Completion Item – 1 point Strand: Comprehension

Learning Target: IC03 Inference/Prediction

What inference can the reader make about a microscope? [IC03]

Correct answers would include, but not limited to:

- Microscopes are delicate and must be handled with care.
- Microscopes are heavy (carry with two hands)

Incorrect answers would include, but not limited to:

- Useful as stated
- Cleanliness is stated
- Has many small parts, that is revealed in the diagram