

Illinois ELA Assessment

Practice Item Answer Key

Grade 5

The following pages include the answer key for all machine-scored items, followed by a sample response for the hand-scored item.

- The rubrics show sample student responses. Student responses other than that shown in the rubric may earn full or partial credit.
- Which responses to hand-scored items receive full or partial credit will be confirmed during range-finding (reviewing sets of real student work)
- If students make a computation error, they can still earn points for reasoning or modeling.

Item	Answer Key
Number	
1.	N/A
2.	Part A: D
	Part B: B
3.	Part A: D
	Part B: D
4.	Part A: C
	Part B: A
5.	In paragraph 9 of the story "The Wheat on the Chessboard," the phrase "quaking in his boots"
	means the treasurer was <u>very scared</u> . The words <u>"began to look worried"</u> help explain the
	meaning of the phrase.
_	Part A: B
	Part B: C,E
7.	Cares about something more than his own gain = Both Characters
	Uses his skills to invent something new = Sessa
	Earns the respect of an important person due to his actions = Both Characters
	Works hard to achieve a goal = Shi
8.	Open Ended
9.	N/A
10.	Part A: B
	Part B: D



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11.	Part A: C
_	Part B: D
12.	Part A: C
	Part B: C,E
13.	Their study provided information about how to find the best places to plant new mangrove
	trees.
	• Their findings showed that mud thickness affects the survival rates of both mangrove trees and
	mudskippers.
	Their experiment featured a robot fish that could be used to avoid bothering real fish or
	damaging burrows.
14.	N/A
15.	 "to see the world in ways in which I never would have ever imagined" (paragraph 2)
	 "I had no clue where it would take me." (paragraph 7)
16.	Part A: A
	Part B: B
17.	Part A: A
	Part B: D
18.	Part A: B
	Part B: C
19.	Part A: B
	Part B: C
20.	Row 1: Maya Warren
	Row 2: Morgan Goodall
	Row 3: Maya Warren
	Row 4: Both
21.	Part A: D
	Part B: B,F
22.	Part A: C
	Part B: A,F
23.	Open Ended

	#8 & 23 Open Ended	
Refer to Grade 5 Scoring Rubric		