## Special Instructions for the Braille Edition of the Grade 3 English Language Arts/Literary Practice Test Booklet

## **General Comments**

- 1. Braille pages are numbered sequentially in the lower right-hand corner. The corresponding print page numbers are in the upper right-hand corner.
- 2. Some visual cues within a display, which are not necessary to interpret the meaning of the question, are omitted.
- 3. A Special Symbols page is included to provide the student with information about the dot formation of special braille characters. A Transcriber's Note page is included within the test to explain special format and layout of information.
- 4. Paragraphs are numbered in braille as they are shown in print.
- 5. The footers "Go on" are deleted in braille.
- 6. All references to the answer sheet are omitted in braille. The Answer Sheet is not reproduced in braille.

## **Specific Comments:**

Page 3

Directions revised to read as follows:

## **Directions:**

Today, you will take Unit 1 of the Grade 3 English Language Arts/Literacy Practice Test.

Read each passage and question. Then, follow the directions to answer each question. Write your answer. If you need to change an answer, erase it, cross it out or start a new line.

One of the questions will ask you to write a response. Write your response on the braille paper provided. You may plan your response using scratch paper. Work done on scratch paper will <u>not</u> be scored.

If you do not know the answer to a question, you may go on to the next question. If you finish early, you may review your answers and any questions you did not answer in this unit ONLY. Do not go past the word STOP.

- Page 15, #5 A picture description is inserted as a Transcriber's Note—Picture: Pinkerton Pig and his scout troop getting on a school bus to go to the beach. Pinkerton is the first one on the bus. The other pigs are following him on the bus. One pig is carrying a picnic basket, one is carrying a large umbrella and one pig is laying on the ground because Pinkerton has pushed him aside in order to be the first one on the bus.
- Page 17-18, #7 Box and writing lines are omitted in braille.
- Page 21 Directions revised to read as follows: Directions: Today, you will take Unit 2 of the Grade 3 English Language Arts/Literacy Practice Test.

Read each passage and question. Then, follow the directions to answer each question. Write your answer. If you need to change an answer, erase it, cross it out or start a new line.

One of the questions will ask you to write a response. Write your response on the braille paper provided. You may plan your response using scratch paper. Work done on scratch paper will <u>not</u> be scored.

If you do not know the answer to a question, you may go on to the next question. If you finish early, you may review your answers and any questions you did not answer in this unit ONLY. Do not go past the word STOP.

- Page 29, #11 Item reworded, "Read the photograph caption (page 24). What additional information about wolves is learned from the photograph?"
- Page 33-34, #13 Box and writing lines are omitted in braille.