

PCR Writing Checklist for ELA

Beginning with the 2027 administration (operational and field test)

Students are encouraged to use the writing checklists that adhere to their grade and task model. Checklists are a way for students to ensure they have reviewed their work and have included essentials for success in their prose-constructed response. Checklists will accompany each PCR (the final item of the section).

Grades 3-4 LAT and RST Writing Checklist

- I addressed each part of the prompt using complete sentences.
- I organized my ideas clearly using multiple paragraphs.
- I showed understanding using text-based evidence.
- I read over my completed response and checked for correct spelling, punctuation, and capitalization.

Grades 3-4 NWT Writing Checklist

- I wrote a multiple paragraph story according to the prompt.
- I used details from the original story to write my story.
- I included a logically sequenced beginning, middle, and end in my story.
- I read over my completed story and checked for correct spelling, punctuation, and capitalization.

Grades 5-8 LAT and RST Writing Checklist

- I addressed each part of the prompt in my response.
- I clearly organized my ideas, used transitions, and effectively developed the topic in multiple paragraphs.
- I developed strong support for my ideas with accurate and relevant evidence from the texts.
- I read over my completed response and checked for correct grammar and mechanics.

Grades 5-8 NWT Writing Checklist

- I wrote a multiple paragraph story according to the prompt.
- I used details from the original story and incorporated narrative techniques (such as dialogue) to write my story.
- I included a logically sequenced beginning, middle, and end in my story.