

### **Literacy Prep: Session #1**

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March 31st, 2020

### **OSSLT** Format

The test includes two 75-minute sessions which contain reading and writing activities.

In total, there are **five** reading passages, **41 multiple choice questions**, and
8 written response activities, including
6 short answer questions and 2 long
writing tasks.



See the Literacy @ Markville Google Classroom "Classwork" section for more examples and practice activities.



### Semester 1: Literacy Preparation Activities

**September 18 (Period 2) - TODAY** 

October 16th (Period 3) - Reading Strategies, Inferencing, Open Responses

**November 20th (Period 5) - Paragraph Writing, Finding the Main Idea** 

December 11th (Period 1) - Diagnostic Assessment - Practice Test
(Based on prep activities)

After School Literacy Program - VOLUNTARY November 13th - December 13th (Tuesdays and Thursdays)



### Semester 2: Literacy Preparation Activities

After School Literacy Program - VOLUNTARY February 12th - March 26th (Tues/Thurs)

February 19th (Period 2) - Newspaper Report Writing (Introduction)

February 26th (Period 1) - Newspaper Report Writing (Practice and Assessment)

March 4th (Period 3) - Writing an Opinion Piece: The Essay (Introduction)

March 11th (Period 5) - Writing an Opinion Piece: The Essay (Practice and Assessment)

March 25th (Period 2) - OSSLT Information Assembly

March 312t (all-day) - OSSLT



### Join the Literacy @ Markville Secondary School Google Classroom

Google Classroom Join Code:

anc9xz

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## Objective: Review key terms for OSSLT and use them in your own words and context.

## Terms & Question **Types**



# Key Terms & Questions Types for OSSLT

It is important to understand what you are being asked when responding to a question.

This applies to the OSSLT, but also for questions on assessments and evaluations in your courses.

List of Key Terms & Question Examples for OSSLT

"Use information from the reading selection to support your answer."

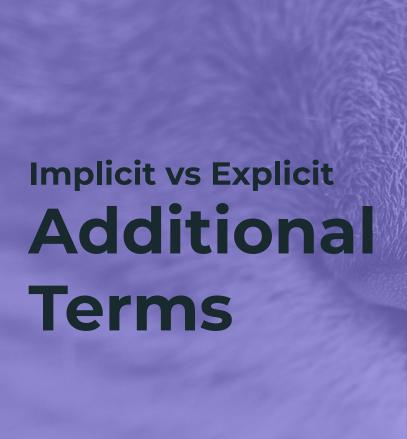
and...

"Use your own ideas to support your answer."

### **Discussion:**

How will the answers you provide be different when given each of these directions?





**Explicit** - stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt. In other words, the answer will come directly from the reading selection.

<u>HINT</u>: GO BACK and read over the text to find or support your answer.

<u>Implicit</u> - implied though not plainly expressed. In other words, the answer will require you to provide information that is suggested or not directly said in the reading selection.

Sometimes called "reading between the lines."

## **Making Connections** Relevant Specific Additional Terms

Making Connections - your answer will show a "cause and effect." In other words, you will need to show that you understand WHY something happened based on evidence provided in the reading selection.

Relevant - closely connected or appropriate to what is being done or considered. In other words, the ideas or evidence that you provide in your response must directly relate to the the topic in the question being asked.

**Specific** - clearly defined or identified. In other words, your response should use detailed examples and avoid general terms or ideas.

# Judge The Best activity...

Read the following question & answer examples from a previous test. Discuss and decide which response best answered the question and why?

\*Go through the first example as a class and the second set of questions as a small group. Share your thoughts with the class.

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Irrelevant or generic or underdeveloped support

A vague explanation and/or vague supporting detail

A specific and relevant supporting detail

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A historical figure that I would like to meet is

Anne Frank Tive chosen this person because I

have read her published diary and I think

that she's a very strong, generous, and
independent person she is an inspiration to
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The historical figure that I would like to meet is, thetin Trudeau

There are many reasons to why I wont to meet him, he

was the first frime Minister to take part in the LGBT

parade, he has welcomed many Syrian refugees to

our country, and he has a diverse cabinet. These are

some of the few reasons to wary I want to meet him.

## Who wrote it best?

Discuss this example as a class.

Which response got a better mark? How do you know?

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Annotation: The response identifies a historical figure (Justin Trudeau) and uses specific and relevant details (the first Prime Minister to take part in the LGBT parade; welcomed Syrian refugees; has a diverse cabinet) to explain clearly why this person was chosen.

How is Hong a role model for other seniors? Use specific details from the selection to support your answer.

Hong is a role model for seniors in the sense that he supports activity and mental health. In the phrases: "...! should do a Sudoku puzzle every day," and "I've been considering joining the Chinese Seniors' Centre again.",

Hong shows his commitment to a healthy lifestyle. This is a display of good role modeling for other seniors.

Or

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Annotation: The response uses specific and relevant support from the reading selection ("I should do a Sudoku puzzle every day", I've been considering joining the Chinese Seniors' Centre again") to show how Hong is a role model (he supports activity and mental health, shows his commitment to a healthy lifestyle).

## Multiple Choice

Objective: Learn strategies that will help when answering multiple choice questions on the OSSLT and in your regular classes.

## Questions

### What it looks like on the OSSLT



Tips for
Answerin
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Choice
Questions

Click the Link & Read Over

1 Choose the option that best combines all the information in the following sentences.

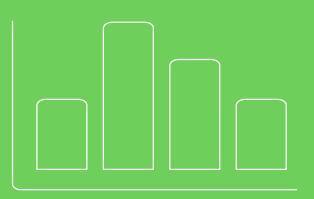
I love basketball.

The Bears are my favourite team.

I hope they win the championship this yeam.

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- b I love basketball and the Bears because I hope they win the championship this year.
- c I love backetball and hope the Bears, my fagurite team, win the championship this yar.
- d I love Vasketball, I love the Bears, my favourte team, I hope they win the championship this year.

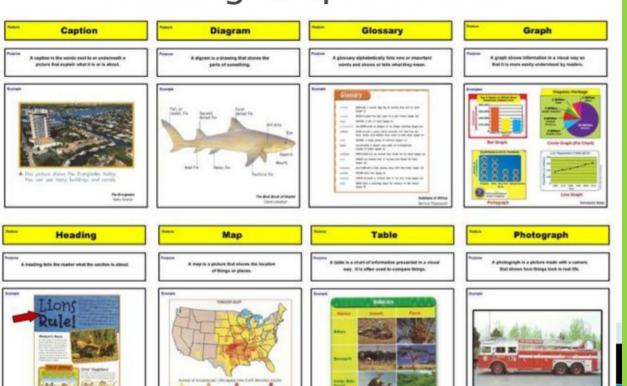
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## Texts

### Reading Graphic Texts



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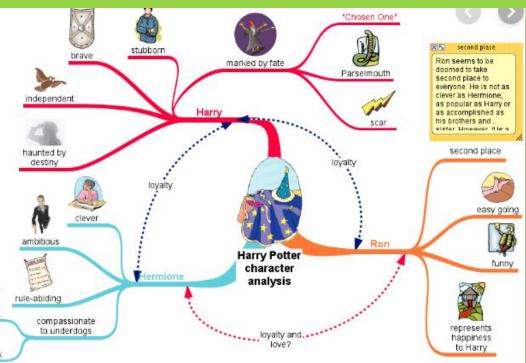
# What are graphic texts?

Graphic texts often include pictures, graphs, diagrams, photos and text intended to organize information in a visually pleasing and easy to understand way.

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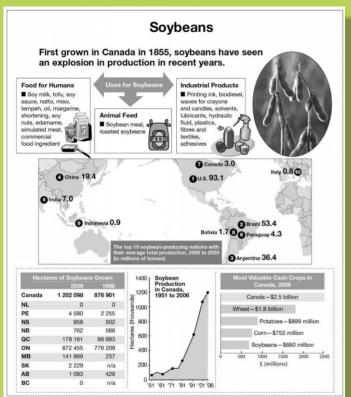
In what courses have you seen graphic texts?





Examples of what graphic text might look like in your classes.





Examples of what graphic text might look like on the OSSLT.



### Tips For Reading Graphic Texts

**Look** - at the title first and then look at all of the different kinds of texts – headings, charts, labels, tables, etc.

**Ask yourself** - What is the general topic of the text?

**Notice** – Which headings / illustrations seem most important? Consider size and placement on the page.

**Consider** – How are the various graphics connected? How is the printed information supported by the graphics?

More Tips Here!

## Practice Practice Practice





# **Key Terms, Multiple Choice and Graphic Text Practice Activity**

https://forms.gle/q6FTjMUWcUQCFmkt7



**Find More Practice Activities & Information** on the Literacy @ Markville SS Google Classroom

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Any questions?
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