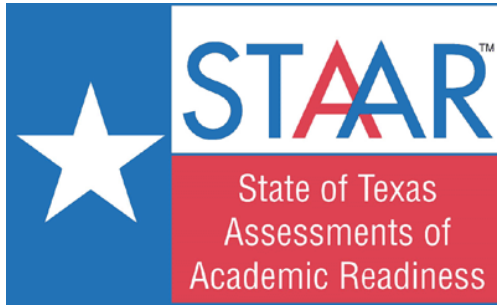


**New Test – New Opportunities**



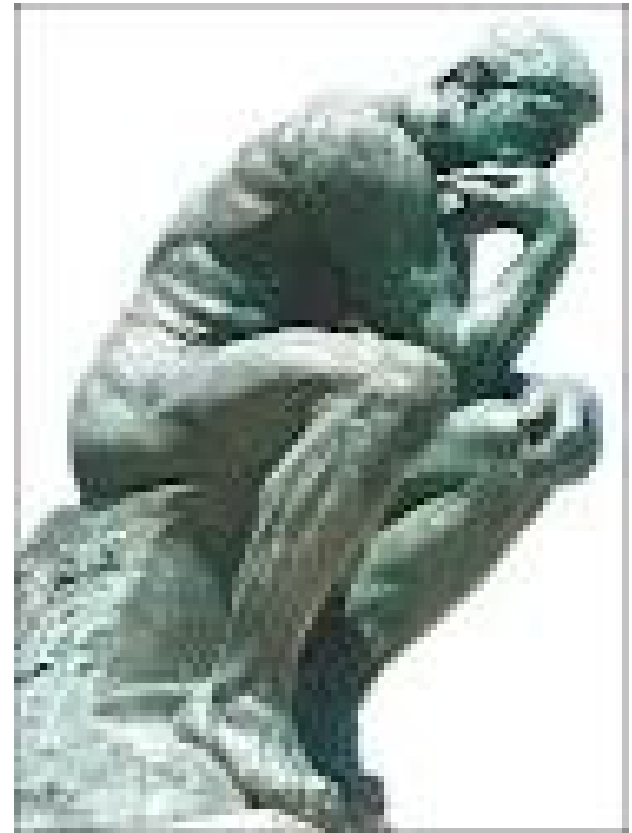
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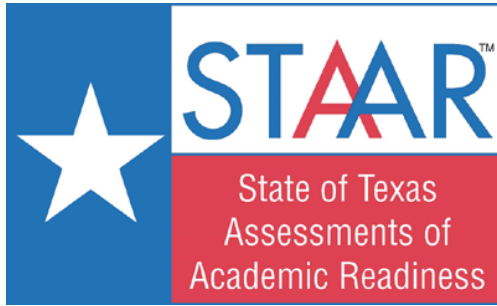
- 4 hours
- Two testing days
- No Accommodated test booklet
- More rigorous than previous test.
- Fewer multiple choice questions.
- Focus more on current year.
- Measuring readiness for college and career success.

**STAAAR requires**

**more**

**THINKING!**





# Student Performance

Level I	Level II	Level III
Advanced Academic Performance	Satisfactory Academic Performance	Unsatisfactory Academic Performance

More information about student performance and scoring will be available as we transition to the STAAR assessment program.

# Example of the Math STAAR Test (3<sup>rd</sup>. Grade)

7 Mrs. Borden wrote the following statements to describe two geometric figures.

- Figure A has 5 vertices.
- Figure B has 5 faces.

Which two figures fit these descriptions?

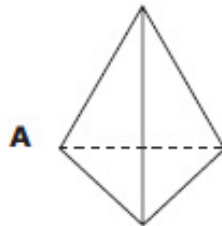


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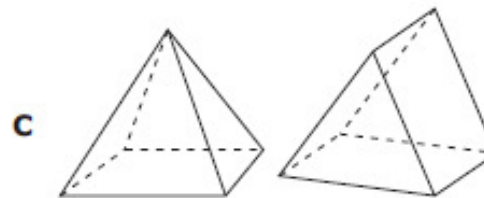


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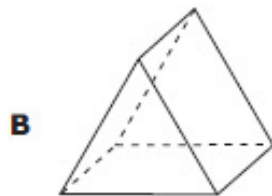


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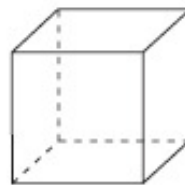


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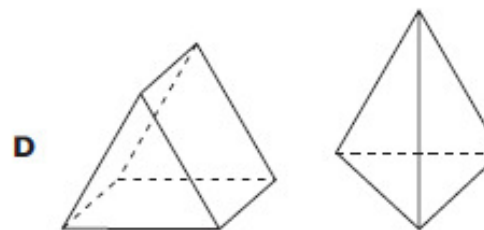
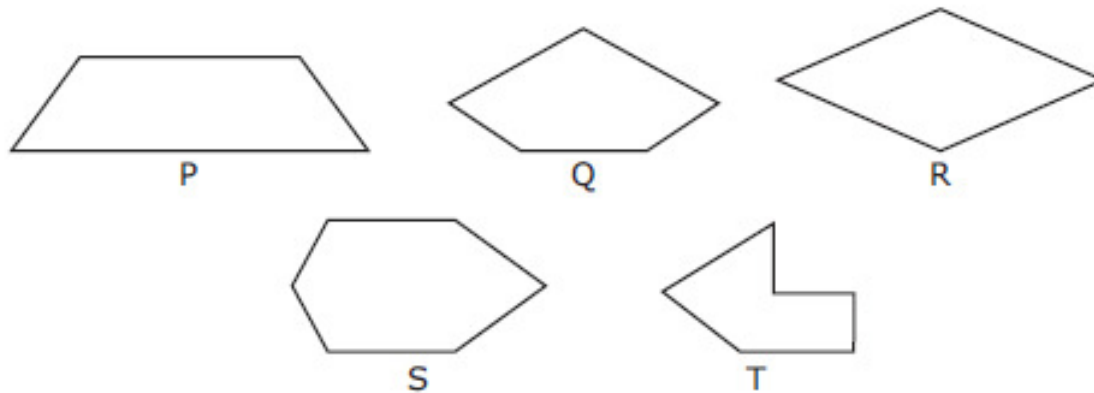


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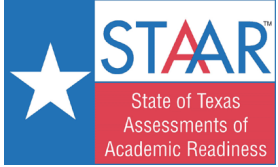
# Example of the Math STAAR Test (4<sup>rd</sup>. Grade)

7 Look at the figures below.



Which of the following lists all the figures that appear to have at least 2 acute angles?

- A** P, Q, and R
- B** P, Q, R, and T
- C** Q, R, S, and T
- D** P, Q, R, S, and T



# Example of the Math STAAR Test (5<sup>th</sup>. Grade)

STAAR Grade 5 Mathematics

Released Test Questions

2011 Release

- 10** Mrs. Evans wants to buy enough dog food to feed her dog for 90 days. Her dog eats 4 ounces of dog food twice a day. How many pounds of dog food should she buy?
- A** 15 lb
  - B** 45 lb
  - C** 23 lb
  - D** 12 lb

# Example of the Writing STAAR Test (4<sup>th</sup>. Grade)

STAAR Grade 4 Writing

Sample Prompt for Personal Narrative

2011 Release

Look at the picture below.



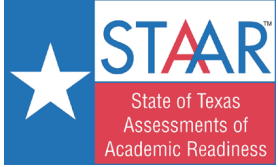
It takes talent to balance a basketball on your finger.

Write about a time when you discovered that you were good at something.

Be sure to —

- write about a personal experience
- organize your writing
- develop your ideas in detail
- choose your words carefully
- use correct spelling, capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and sentences





# Example of the Reading STAAR Test (5<sup>th</sup>. Grade)

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**8** Read these lines from Scene 1 of the play.

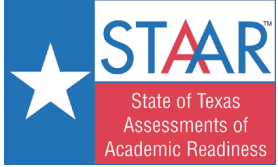
**THE OAK:** I am sorry, but my branches are all occupied by the squirrels gathering acorns before winter comes.

**THE MAPLE:** My house is in perfect order, and I cannot think of disturbing it.

**THE WILLOW:** I do not know your name or anything about you.

What do these lines represent?

- A** The reasons why the trees dislike Little Bird
- B** The ways the trees prepare for the coming winter
- C** The excuses the trees give for not helping Little Bird
- D** The different purposes that the trees serve in the forest



# Test-Taking Tips For Parents

- If you are anxious about your child's test it's ok, but try to keep cool around your child, you don't want them to get anxious about their test.
- Encourage your child to do well, but don't pressure him/her; you may stress him/her out. It is important for your child to stay relaxed on the day of the test.
- Make sure that your child gets enough sleep the night before the test.
- Make sure that your child gets up early enough so that he/she will be on time to school.
- Let your child relax for a few hours before bedtime. It can be stressful for a child to study all night.