



## EOG Tips

Third graders will have two sessions of EOG tests; one day of reading and one day of math. Please note that your child's math EOG is broken up into two sections (calculator inactive and calculator active). During both days, students will have about 180 minutes to test in their classroom. Up to one more hour can be provided if your child needs it, but this would occur in a separate classroom. The testing dates for Track 1 are not known at this time but will most likely be sometime in May. Updates will come as soon as we know more.

The students have been working hard all year long and will continue to do so in class up until EOG. However, we know that several of you would like to know what to do at home to help prepare. Below are some ways for you to help your child at home:

- Look through your child's Friday Binder each week. Take note of the questions your child missed on their classwork, homework, and assessments. Create similar practice questions at home to help sharpen their skills.
- Visit this link to find released test items from the state that you can review for practice with your child:  
<http://www.dpi.state.nc.us/accountability/testing/releasedforms>
- Visit Mrs. Hinton's website (Resources – EOG Prep) to see the released Read to Achieve Passages (great for reading review)
- Have your child get on Prodigy to practice math prep. It covers all content areas and is super fun review.
- Practice basic math facts (multi-digit addition & subtraction, multiplication & division)
- Review these test taking strategies with your child:
  - Take your time during the test and CHECK over your work.
  - Slash the Trash: Usually there are 2 “bad” answers and 2 “good” answers. Cross out the 2 “bad” answers and then debate between the 2 “good” answers—one is always better than the other!
  - Be Slick and Predict: Similar concept as the one right above, but this one is for reading questions. Predict the answer before you look at the answer choices.
  - Be Smart with Charts: Look at the information on charts, maps, and graphs, especially in reading passages. Analyze the information contained before reading the question.

- o Give Your Brain a Break: Feel free to put your head down and take a short break. These tests can be long and it is better to take a break than to rush through it to just get it over.
- o Use the Key to Unlock the Meaning: Look for keywords in the questions. Underline them and think about what is being asked.
- o Plug It In, Plug It In: If you have no idea, try each answer choice and see how it fits (especially for vocabulary questions!).
- o Find Your Proof!: Don't just assume that you know the answer. Go back and find support in the passage and underline it to make sure you really understood the text.
- o You Snooze, You Lose: Don't leave any questions unanswered!
- o Check it Out!: Double check your bubbling after each page. Then, do it again at the end of the test. Then, triple-check!
- o Push to the Finish: You have been training for this all year, so don't give up!
- And, as a wise woman once said, "Get your rest and eat a good breakfast every day, but especially on test taking days. And, don't leave home without hugs and words of encouragement!"

## Weight Distributions on Math and Reading EOGs

### Math

Operations and Algebraic Thinking	30-35%
Number and Operations in Base Ten	5-10%
Number and Operations—Fractions	20-25%
Measurement and Data	22-27%
Geometry	10-15%

### Reading

Reading for Literature	32-37%
Reading for Information	41-45%
Language	20-24%