



# My Moth-Mode For You

# Preparing for the Next Generation Assessments

#### **Next Generation Assessments**

The primary goal of the Next Generation Assessments is to collect and measure evidence to support claims about student learning. Critical-thinking and problem-solving skills and the ability to communicate clearly are essential elements of these assessments.

Assessments developed by Smarter Balanced and PARRC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) will provide opportunities for students to respond to items written in a range of formats and to complete a series of performance tasks. Students will encounter a variety of items that could be categorized as selected response, constructed response, or extended response. Standards and concepts that cannot be assessed in this manner will be technologically enhanced or enabled, or be developed into performance tasks.

# McGraw-Hill My Math Addresses Next Generation Assessments

The authors of the McGraw-Hill My Math program feel that it is critical to involve students daily in opportunities to gain the required knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary for their success on the Next Generation Assessments and beyond. Although Next Generation Assessments will not be administered until Grade 3, equipping students in the primary years with the foundational skills that are critical for success on these assessments begins in kindergarten.

#### **Daily Preparation**

Grades K-5 McGraw-Hill My Math's daily assessment preparation takes the form of student activities and teacher support to maximize student learning outcomes. The foundational pedagogy and language of Common Core State Standards, Mathematical Practices, and Depths of Knowledge is woven throughout both the student and teacher editions to ensure deeper understanding of concepts and the ability to apply them. Students are asked to respond to questions orally and in written form using clear mathematical language.

Developing Mathematical Language, Critical-Thinking and Problem-Solving Skills My Math Words, My Vocabulary Cards, and Developing Vocabulary activities strengthen students' abilities to acquire, understand, and apply mathematical language. Activities, such as Explore and Explain, See and Show, and Talk Math, allow K-2 students to explore and model with manipulatives and verbally communicate their reasoning. Features, such



as *Talk Math* and *Talk About It* encourage collaborative conversation among students in the older grades as well.

Development of written mathematical language begins with simple writing or drawings and progresses to constructed and extended responses by Grade 2 as students respond to Write About It. Grades 3-5 students are asked to analyze, interpret, explain, reason, and justify conclusions with extended responses through features, such as Write About It, Reflect and Clarify, and Building on the Essential Question.

Independent Practice/On My Own and Problem Solving pages and Problem-Solving Investigations provide daily opportunities for all students to solve real-world problems and then show and write about how they solved it.

*Problem of the Day* and *Higher Order Thinking (HOT)* problems in Grades I-5 help build critical thinking-skills through the application and coalition of mathematical concepts in constructed and extended written responses.

# **English Language Learners**

English language learners are supported through a variety of instructional strategies that provide vocabulary support with a focus on the study of cognates of mathematical terms. Additionally, anchor charts and sentence stems provide the frameworks needed to emphasize the oral and written language needed for English language learners to be successful.

#### **Mathematical Practices and Teacher Support**

The questioning techniques written for the teacher support are infused with Common Core Mathematical Practices which encourage the development of students' mathematical habits of mind. *Problem of the Day, Investigate and Model the Math, Math in My World* examples, *Guided Practice*, and *Problem-Solving* pages allow student-teacher dialogue in which reasoning is continually reflected upon.

### **Daily Informal Formative Assessment**

Two daily *Formative Assessment* prompts used to inform instruction immediately follow each lesson and homework. These informal concept checks reinforce the use of appropriate mathematical language when students are asked to explain to a partner, discuss, Talk Math, Pair Share, Question, Summarize, or Paraphrase, do an Exit Slip, Quick Write, One Minute Essay, or Error Analysis with extended responses. A *Test Practice* selected response question within the Homework, Check My Progress, and Review pages, allows students to recall and make connections to prior knowledge.



#### **eAssessment**

This digital tool allows teachers to customize online and printable assessments that cover all CCS standards and *McGraw-Hill My Math* lessons. With the move to online assessment requirements for the next generation of assessment, students will need to be able to navigate tests online in various formats. Students and teachers can take a step in that directions with eAssessment since all assessments available in print are also accessible online. There are question sets in a variety of formats, such as selected response, constructed response, and multi-step problems, for each chapter. Teachers have the ability to create online assignments and run a variety of reports, such as individual and class reports, for their evaluation needs. Questions are also translated into Spanish.

#### **Performance Tasks**

Four performance tasks designed for each grade level prepare students for the tasks they will be required to complete as part of more rigorous assessments. Students will need to become involved in a real-world situation with multiple parts. They will need to apply their critical-thinking and problem-solving skills to answer the given prompts.

The depth of student understanding will be demonstrated by their ability to solve multi-step problems through the assimilation of mastered concepts. Students will choose learned strategies to plan and execute a solution for each step in the task. They will be required to form conclusions, make decisions, and express the rationale behind their thoughts. Performance tasks may also be used as a summative assessment.

#### Diagnostic, Formative, and Summative Assessments

The chart below details the various formal assessments available in the *McGraw-Hill My Math* program. Information provided in the chart outlines the purpose and format of each assessment, as well as the test-taking skills being developed.

Assessment	Purpose	What is Included	Format Print Digital eAssessment	Test Taking Skills
Chapter Diagnostic Test (Assessment Masters) Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Formative To assess students' prior knowledge required before beginning a chapter To provide a starting point for the teacher in presenting the CCS Standard(s) addressed	Short constructed response questions assessing prerequisite skills	Print Assessment Masters  Digital Assessment Masters  eAssessment Available online for customization with print option	Provides students with:  opportunities to communicate knowledge through written responses  practice of listening skills and following auditory or written directions, as well as written response such as: simple drawings, symbols, and numerals for younger students.



Chapter Pretest (Assessment Masters) Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5  Am I Ready? (Student Edition and Assessment Masters)	Formative To assess students' knowledge of the concepts in the chapter in order to inform instruction for those students who are proficient with the concepts about to be taught.  Formative To assess readiness to begin a new chapter To assist teachers in	Short constructed response questions assessing the skills that will be taught in the chapter  • Short constructed response questions on pre-requisite	Print Assessment Masters  Digital Assessment Masters  eAssessment Available online for customization with print option  Print -Student Edition and -Assessment Masters Worksheets	Provides students with:  opportunities to communicate knowledge through written responses practice in navigating test items practice of listening skills and following auditory or written directions for younger students.  Provides students with: opportunities to communicate knowledge through written responses
Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	diagnosing and prescribing instruction (see Teacher Edition) to increase students' success in obtaining skills and knowledge set forth in the CCSS	skills from the previous grade and/or from prior chapters.  • Assessment Masters for Review, Practice, and Apply (Extended Response Problem Solving) dependent upon SE assessment results.	-Student eBook -Worksheets from Assessment Masters  eAssessment -PDF for Grade K -Question set for Grades 1-5	<ul> <li>practice in navigating test items</li> <li>practice of listening skills and following auditory or written directions for younger students.</li> </ul>
Common	Formative	Questions	Digital	Provides students with:
Core Quick Check (connectED) Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	To allow students to express their knowledge of previous lesson's content and skills in order to assess mastery and guide teacher instruction	assessing skills from previous lesson • Selected response question labeled "Test Practice". • It does not reflect any particular test.	-Lesson Presentation -Printable PDF	<ul> <li>practice following written directions</li> <li>opportunities to recall and communicate the CCSS content</li> <li>exposure to and familiarity with "TEST PRACTICE" items</li> <li>practice in considering all information presented in order to answer the problem</li> </ul>
Formative Assessment Prompts (Teacher Edition) Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Formative To allow students to verbalize, write, or otherwise physically demonstrate their understanding of lesson content To assess progress at different points in the lesson to inform instruction	A variety of questions or extended response questions, tasks, and/or activities, used to demonstrate student performance, e.g. Think-Pair-Share, Talk Math, Ticket Out the Door/Exit	Print Teacher Edition in each lesson  Digital Plan and Present Tab of Teacher Center	Provides students with:  opportunities to recall and communicate the content learned in the lesson  opportunities to demonstrate their knowledge through a variety of modalities and expressions  opportunities to practice collaboration skills to solve a problem and deliver an answer  opportunities to sharpen vocabulary





Check My	Formative or Summative	Slip, Journal Writing, Thumbs Up, Interviews, Self- Assessment, Quick Draw, Line Up, Quick Write, Response Cards, 3- 2-1 Strategy Form, Observation, Active Response)  Short constructed	Print -Student Edition	usage and understanding  • practice using critical thinking skills needed to solve problems  • opportunities to explain their answers and justify thinking  Provides students with:  • opportunities to recall and express
Progress (Student Edition and Assessment Masters) Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	To allow students to draw, match, circle, or write answers to show their understanding of lesson content  To assess mastery at a midpoint in the chapter which informs teachers' instruction	response questions assess Skill and Problem Solving exercises Parallel assessment in Assessment Masters Vocabulary	-Assessment Masters  Digital -Assessment Masters  eAssessment -Available online for customization with print option -Online test available for reporting	content learned in the lesson  opportunities to communicate knowledge through written responses  practice in navigating test items  vocabulary reinforcement when justifying reasoning
My Review & Reflect (Student Edition) Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Formative To self-assess what students have learned in the chapter To assist teachers in determining the progression of content to be taught	<ul> <li>Selected         response and/or         constructed         response         questions on         chapter         vocabulary</li> <li>Skills and         problem solving         questions</li> <li>Graphic         organizer to         summarize         learning in the         form of extended         responses</li> </ul>	Print Student Edition  eAssessment Available online for customization with print option	Provides students with:  opportunities to recall and communicate the content learned in the lesson  opportunities for integration and implementation of several concepts or strategies  practice in navigating test items and recording answers in multiple ways  practice in listening skills and following auditory or written directions for younger students
Fluency Practice (Student Edition and connectED) Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Formative To gauge student fluency in the basic operations through student performance on recall of basic facts outline in the CCSS fluency standards	Fluency Assessments  Grade K: 36 assessments  Grade 1: 40 assessments  Grade 2: 71 assessments  Grade 3: 47 assessments	Print Fluency Practice pages  Digital Program Resources	Affords students the opportunity to quickly recall facts and become comfortable with operations that lead to accurate calculations when solving problems



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		• Grade 4: 26 assessments • Grade 5: 10 assessments		
Chapter Tests (Assessment Masters) Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Summative To monitor comprehension for skills taught in a chapter To assist teachers in assessing students' knowledge through a variety of test items To afford students the opportunity to express their knowledge in a way most conducive to their learning style	Two parallel forms of each chapter test  Forms 1A, 1B selected response  Forms 2A, 2B selected response and short constructed response  Forms 3A, 3B short constructed response  Standardized Test Practice selected response Gr K-5  Oral Assessment Grades K-5  Listening Assessment Grades K-2  Vocabulary Test Grades 1-5	Print Assessment Masters  Digital Assessment Masters  eAssessment Available online for customization with print option Online test available for reporting	Provides students with:  opportunities to communicate knowledge and skills through multiple modalities, methods of delivery, and standardized test taking formats within a given learning style  practice in listening skills and following auditory or written directions  vocabulary attentiveness needed for successful test taking
Extended Response Tests (Assessment Masters) Grades 3, 4, 5	Summative To monitor comprehension for skills taught in a chapter	Extended response questions similar to performance tasks that require explanation and a demonstration of work and comprehension	Print Assessment Masters Digital Assessment Masters eAssessment	Provides students with:  opportunities to communicate knowledge and skills through multiple modalities, methods of delivery, and standardized test taking formats  practice in listening skills and following auditory or written directions  opportunities to recall and communicate the content learned in CCSS  practice in navigating test items and recording answers



Benchmark Tests (Assessment Masters) Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5  Anytime Assessment (eAssessment) Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Formative or Summative To assess cumulative content of several chapters  To provide teachers and students with a record of mastered CCSS content as evidence of growth and to inform instruction  Formative or Summative To assess either in formative or summative format, any amount of knowledge  To provide documentation of student performance  To customize assessments that measure the mastered as well as the challenged areas in students' knowledge	Selected Response format  4 tests per grade level  Print or online assessment Selected response and short constructed response Ability to generate numerous problems of same format Automatic answer keys Online grading of selected response questions Fully customized	Print Assessment Masters Digital Assessment Masters eAssessment Available online for customization with print option  eAssessment Available online for customization with print option Online test available for reporting	Provides students with:  opportunities to communicate knowledge and skills through multiple modalities, methods of delivery, and standardized test taking formats  practice in listening and following auditory or written directions  opportunities to recall and communicate the CCSS content  practice in navigating test items and recording answers  Provides students with:  practice in following written directions  opportunities to recall and communicate CCSS content  opportunities to communicate knowledge and skills through multiple modalities, methods of delivery, and standardized test taking formats
		assessment or worksheets		
McGraw-Hill Diagnostic and Placement Tests (K-Algebra 2)	To assess grade placement in mathematics	Selected response questions and prescribed placement according to performance	<b>Digital</b> PDFs of booklet	Provides students with:  opportunities to communicate knowledge and skills through multiple modalities, methods of delivery, and standardized test taking formats  practice in following auditory or written directions  opportunities to recall and record knowledge  practice in navigating test items and recording answers
Performance Tasks Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	To provide students the experience in solving real-world situations using critical thinking,	<ul><li>Teacher support</li><li>Scoring rubric</li><li>Performance task masters</li></ul>	Print Black line masters Book  Digital PDFs of booklet	Provides students with:  opportunities to recall and communicate the lesson content  opportunities to express their knowledge through a variety of modalities and expressions



communication, and problem solving processes used to answer given prompts.		<ul> <li>opportunities to practice collaboration skills to solve a problem and deliver an answer</li> <li>opportunities to sharpen vocabulary usage and understanding</li> <li>practice using critical thinking skills needed to solve problems</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>opportunities to explain their answers and justify thinking</li> </ul>