

1. Information About EQAO Tests

The EQAO Assessment: Primary and Junior

Tests are composed of three booklets:

- 1) Reading Selections:
 - narrative text, non-narrative informational text, poetry, poster/brochure/recipe
- 2) Language Questions and answers:
 - containing reading and writing
 - open response and multiple choice questions
- 3) Mathematics
 - open response and multiple choice questions

Types of Questions: Language

The EQAO language tests use three types of questions:

- 1) Explicit:** The exact answer(s) can be found in the story or text that the student has just read. These are the easiest questions.
- 2) Implicit:** The correct answer(s) can be found by using information that is given in the text, but these questions require a thinking process, more than just retrieval of information.

Note: For both explicit and implicit multiple-choice questions, the test will provide for the student a choice of four possible answers. Only one is correct.

- 3) Inference:** These questions may be multiple-choice or open-ended: Students must develop an answer by using information in the text, and forming conclusions or interpretations on the basis of this information.

For Example:

Here's a very short story:

Poor Logan! On Saturday, he fell off his bicycle and hurt his knee.
The next day he lost his favourite Harry Potter book.

Explicit question: When did Logan hurt his knee?

- Friday
- Saturday
- Sunday
- Monday

This is an example of an explicit question and answer: the right answer can be found in the text.

