

Provincial Reading and Mathematics Assessment

The Provincial Reading and Mathematics Assessment (PRMA) is a provincial assessment conducted annually by the Department of Education.

Who?

PRMA is administered by teachers to students in grades 3, 6 and 9.

Grade 3 French Immersion students do not participate in the reading assessment.

What?

Each student does a subset of the assessment (i.e, no student will complete the entire assessment). PRMA is comprised of multiple-choice and constructed response items. The assessment alternates yearly between math and reading.

Why?

PRMA is conducted to determine achievement in reading and mathematics. Results will be reported at the provincial level only. PRMA trend data, along with national and international assessment data, is analyzed by educators from the department and school districts to identify where action is needed to improve student learning. PRMA is not a measure of individual student progress, teacher performance or school quality. There is no preparation required for PRMA.

When?

The assessment period for PRMA is between the last week of May and the first week of June, each year. PRMA is administered during a one hour period, the time to be chosen by the school within the two-week period.

