2022 Kentucky Summative Assessment (KSA) Released Test Items

Pearson, test vendor for the Kentucky Summative Assessment (KSA), began releasing subsets of 2022 KSA operational test items in November 2022. These test items, including associated state level performance statistics, were posted to the Kentucky Portal, organized by content area and grade level.

Released test items are drawn from previously administered assessments and are provided for instructional planning purposes. They are not a definitive representation of what will be included on future assessments. Once a test item is released publicly, it is no longer eligible to be included in the state administration of the KSA.

Detailed information about what is posted to the Kentucky Portal is explained in the Kentucky Item Release Information document.

These KSA data provide evidence of student learning that helps to inform decision-making related to teaching and learning. Along with other data at the school level, these data can provide insight into student outcomes and provide a clearer picture of school performance.

District, School and Student Test Item Reports
As required by KRS 158.6453, *assessment reports provided to the school districts and schools shall include an electronic copy of an operational subset of test items from each assessment administered to their students and the results for each of those test items by student and by school.*

In compliance with statute, statistical information by student and by school is being provided directly to District Assessment Coordinators (DACs) through a secure file transfer to share with school/district staff. Although not statutorily required, district level data are also included.

Data Details
The information provided to DACs includes a district and school level data file and a student level data file with information on each released item.

District and School Files
The information provided to the districts and schools includes the district/school code and name, grade, subject, unique question ID for each released item, item standard (KAS), standard objective, item type, number of students, maximum points possible, and performance data (percentage of students answering correctly, average item score and performance within the item).

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
Code	DISTNO	District Name	School Name	Grade	Subject	Question ID	KAS Alignment	Objective	Item Type	Number of Students	Possible Points	Percent Correct	Average Item Score

Information in columns A through N will be consistent throughout the spreadsheets. Additional columns are included to report performance data.

Each spreadsheet contains two tabs. Data for multiple choice items are located on the first tab, "MC." Data for all other item types (Extended Response, Multiple Select, Short Answer, Technology Enhanced) are located on the second tab, "ER, MS, SA, TE."

Performance Percentages

Statistics are provided for each item showing performance for all students tested. The performance of students within each item is also shown and varies by the test item type. Examples are provided below.

Tab MC

For Multiple Choice items worth 1 point, percentages of students responding to A, B, C or D are provided.

Figure 1 Multiple Choice

O	P	Q	R
A (%)	B (%)	C (%)	D (%)
14%	61%	17%	9%

Tab ER, MS, SA, TE

Multiple Select, Technology Enhanced and Short Answer responses are worth up to two points, therefore data will include percentages of students scoring 0, 1 or 2 points.

Figure 2 Multiple Select, Technology Enhanced and Short Answer

O	P	Q
Score 0 (%)	Score 1 (%)	Score 2 (%)
16%	53%	32%

Extended Response items are worth up to four points; performance data will be displayed accordingly.

Figure 3 Extended Response

O	P	Q	R	S
Score 0 (%)	Score 1 (%)	Score 2 (%)	Score 3 (%)	Score 4 (%)
18%	35%	35%	13%	0%

On Demand Writing responses are evaluated on traits as described in the KSA writing rubrics. For each trait, students can score up to eight points for their performance on that trait. Performance data will appear as shown for each trait assessed in the ODW item response.

Figure 4 On Demand Writing

O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W
Score 0 (%)	Score 1 (%)	Score 2 (%)	Score 3 (%)	Score 4 (%)	Score 5 (%)	Score 6 (%)	Score 7 (%)	Score 8 (%)
0%	0%	21%	18%	39%	9%	9%	0%	3%

Student Level Files

The student detail files provide information on individual students and include the school code, district and school name, SSID, student name and student grade level. These spreadsheets contain only one tab, "Student Results."

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For each question ID and each student who responded to that question, information is provided for the maximum number of points available, number of points the student scored and student response choice for multiple choice and multiple select items (e.g., A or A, B).

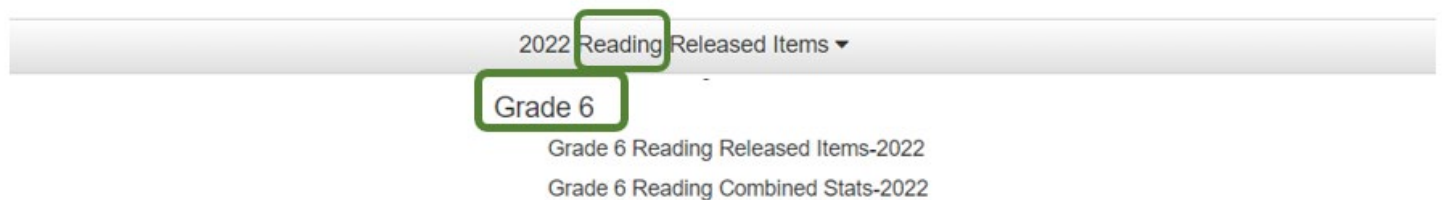|	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
	Code	District Name	School Name	SSID	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Grade	Question ID	Max Points	Student Scored	Student Response

Locating the Test Items Linked to Data Files

1. In column G in the district/school files or column I in the student files, a unique question ID is given for each specific test item. Staff can use this ID to connect spreadsheet data to the released test items provided on the Kentucky Portal.
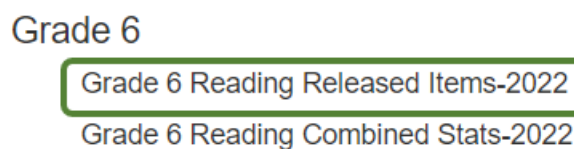
For example, in the spreadsheet for a middle school, a row for grade 6 reading lists statistical information for Question ID RE012233152.

	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
	Grade	Subject	Question ID	KAS Alignment	Objective	Item Type	Number of Students	Possible Points	Percent Correct	Average Item Score	A (%)	B (%)	C (%)	D (%)
	06	Reading	RE012233152	RL.6, RL.6.1	Key Ideas and Details	MC	1527	1	64%	0.64	13%	64%	15%	8%

2. To find this test item, visit the Kentucky Portal Released Items page and locate Reading, Grade 6, in the dropdown menu:

2022 Reading Released Items ▾

Grade 6
    Grade 6 Reading Released Items-2022
    Grade 6 Reading Combined Stats-2022

3. Clicking the Grade 6 Released Items-2022 link will open a test booklet containing released test items.

Grade 6
    Grade 6 Reading Released Items-2022
    Grade 6 Reading Combined Stats-2022

4. Within the test booklet, search for the unique Question ID provided in the spreadsheet:

Question ID

1 RE012233152_2

Which evidence **best** supports the idea that the narrator has received a rejection letter before?

A "Got the letter today . . ." (paragraph 1)

B ". . . still not a superhero." (paragraph 1)

C "I scan the list of people who did make it." (paragraph 3)

D "A couple of brutes, a shape-shifter, a few big brains." (paragraph 3)

Note: Answer Keys to test items are added as an appendix on the question IDs (see Kentucky Item Release Information document), and are also located within the "Combined Stats" areas for each grade level/content area.

Grade 6

    Grade 6 Reading Released Items-2022

    Grade 6 Reading Combined Stats-2022

The key is at the top of the page for each item:

Item: RE012233152 **Standard:** RL.6, RL.6.1 **Key: B**
Passage Type: Literary

The answer key for released test items that required a constructed response (i.e., short answer, extended response, on demand writing). a set of representative, annotated anchor papers that are used to score these items are included on the Kentucky Portal. More details are explained in the Kentucky Item Release Information document.

Grade 7

    Grade 7 Reading Released Items-2022

    Grade 7 Reading Anchor Sets-2022

    Grade 7 Reading Annotation Form-2022

    Grade 7 Reading Combined Stats-2022

    Grade 7 Reading Practice Sets-2022

    Grade 7 Reading Qualification Sets-2022

Contact Pearson with any questions about these released items data files.

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