

**Grade 5 English Language Arts Sample Items (Reading)
Answer Key**

Item #	Item Type	Point(s)	Standard	Rubric / Key	Scoring															
1	Multiple Choice	1	RL.5.5	D	The correct response receives 1 point															
2	Multiple Choice	1	RL.5.5	D	The correct response receives 1 point															
3	Multiple Choice	1	RL.5.4	B	The correct response receives 1 point															
4	Evidence-Based Selected Response	1	RL.5.3	Part A: A Part B: B	The correct response receives 1 points															
5	Multiple Choice	1	RL.5.2	C	The correct response receives 1 point															
6	Matching	1	RL.5.3	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Prince</th> <th>King</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Studies the statues carefully</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Curious about solving the mystery</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Known for his cleverness</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Asks for help from others</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Prince	King	Studies the statues carefully	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Curious about solving the mystery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Known for his cleverness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Asks for help from others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The correct response receives 1 point
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**Grade 5 English Language Arts Sample Item (Writing)
Sample Responses**

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7	Writing Prompt	W.5.2	<p>Writing prompts are scored using the 10-point rubrics posted on the Portal. Each rubric has three domains:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose, Focus, and Organization (0-4 points) • Evidence and Elaboration (0-4 points) • Conventions of Standard English (0-2 points) <p>Sample responses and scores are included on the pages that follow.</p>

10-point Student Sample Response

Purpose, Focus, and Organization (4-point Rubric)	Evidence and Elaboration (4-point Rubric)	Conventions of Standard English (2-point Rubric)
4	4	2

.There is a big, serious problem going on. That problem is light polution. There are three main reasons this is a big and serious problem. First, light polution can harm the animals. Second, light polution prevents us from seeing the night sky and stars. Last, light polution can harm wild life by preventing plants from growing.

.The first main reason light polution is a problem in the United States is, because light polution can harm many of the animals. Light polution harms animals by not letting the animals see completely where they are going at night. Animals that light polution mostly harm are birds and sea turtles. An example is when a sea turtle hatchlings just hatches it will go in the way of lights. Acording to the text, "Conley saw sea turtle hatchlings crawling toward the front door." (pg. 17 p. 22) That shows that sea turtles were going to go inside of resort. That would have really harmed them. Another example is, "birds blinded by lights glowing in the high-rise office buildings have become disoriented and flown into the buildings (pg. 14, P.6) I really think that light polution is a big problem to the animals.

.The second main reason light polution is a problem is, because light polution does not let us see the night sky and stars. To me that is a problem, because first it would be nice to see the night sky and stars. Second because if you ever get lost you can use a constelation to guide you through the night. Though, if you can not see the stars or constellations you can not get guided and Find you way. An example is on (page 16, paragraph, 15) it says, "Kids can't see the stars like I did." I thought that ment a lot. It showed that now a days kids really can't get a good look at the night sky and stars. I believe that could be a big problem, since maybe you have a project at school on that and then you can't see the night sky and stars. You probably couldn't do your project. Light polution is a big problem.

.The last main reason light polution is a big problem is because light polution prevents plants from growing. I think that is a major problem because with no plants we would not get oxygen that we need to survive. Also if a plant can not produce food and the plant does not grow that means we won't be able to get that food. An example on (page 14, paragraph 16) it says, "studies of light polution show environmental impacts, with changes in animal behavior and plant growth." The part about plant growth is bad like I said. I think plants need to grow the right way, so let's try to stop the bad plant growth by preventing light polution.

.Help prevent light polution. It is becoming a big and and serious problem in the United States, because it harms animals, doesn't let us see the night sky, and it prevents plant growth. We should really try to stop light polution by redusing the use of big lights.

7-point Student Sample Response

Purpose, Focus, and Organization (4-point Rubric)	Evidence and Elaboration (4-point Rubric)	Conventions of Standard English (2-point Rubric)
3	2	2

What's the problem with light pollution in America? Well, the problem is that the buildings in the United States use light to be able to see but one thing your not gunna see is most likely the night sky. The reason you can't see the sky is because of light pollution.

What's light pollution? Light pollution is what happens when there's too much light going up. In source number 2, paragraph 5, sentences 3-5, it says "The light shines upward and sideways, which causes light pollution. The bottom shows an example of good outdoor lighting. The light shines downwards. This minimizes light pollution."

One cause and effect about light pollution is that baby sea turtles were hatching and they always go for the light. So the baby sea turtles were heading towards the hotel like it says in source number 4 last paragraph "According to marine biologist, sea turtle hatchlings are born with instinct to move toward the brightest direction – on a natural beach, this direction is the light of the open horizon – which could be why Sarasota turtles were headed toward the hotel's front door."

Light pollution is also terrible because we can't see as much as we used to. Then in the future if we get more light pollution we won't be able to tell the weather, if there's a storm comeing, or maybe even an astroied hurtaling to Earth. If we can minimize light pollution this would not happen to use in the Future. In Source 3, paragraph 4 it says "Normally about 2,500 individual stars are visible to the human eye without any special equipment. But because of light pollution, you can actually see just 200 to 300 from today's suburbs, and fewer than a dozen in a typical city."

Now come on everyone! Let's help minimize light pollution to see the amazing and beautiful stars again. Just tell your freinds and tell them to pass the message on to other people. We can do this. We can change the world little by little and make it a beautiful and wonderful world. What are you waiting for? Let's go minimize light pollution!

3-point Student Sample Response

Purpose, Focus, and Organization (4-point Rubric)	Evidence and Elaboration (4-point Rubric)	Conventions of Standard English (2-point Rubric)
1	1	1

“One of the Problems of light Pollution is that many of the Birds and the turtles are getting confused of where they need to go and sometimes they even get hurt also it is just not good for the infirm or the skys or the animals.

“Another reason light Pollution is a Problem is because when there’s too much light the light can hurt animals, humans, and Plants, The stars will start to fade because there is too much light.

“The worst Problem of all is that the light Pollution can hurt, confuse and make things fade like, animals, Plants, humans, stars.

“Those are the Problems that light Pollution does to important things that hurt the environment.