

The tables that follow are designed to provide information about the content of each benchmark modular assessment **by grade and subject**. In the table you will find the name of the braille benchmark module, a brief description of the skills the module assesses, the names of each test form (e.g., 1, 2, 3, etc.), and the number of test items on each form.

Note: The benchmark modules are aligned to the 2012-2023 ELA standards that will be assessed in 2023-2024. The ELA standards approved by USBE in April 2023 will be assessed in 2024-2025. The benchmark modules will be updated to reflect the new standards in 2024.

Braille Benchmark Modules: ELA Grade 3

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 3 – Informational	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate informational passages.	1	10	L.3.4c RI.3.1 RI.3.2 RI.3.3 RI.3.4 RI.3.5 RI.3.6
		2	8	RI.3.1 RI.3.3 RI.3.4 RI.3.6
		3	7	RI.3.1 RI.3.2 RI.3.4 RI.3.5 RI.3.6 RI.3.9
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 3 – Literature	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate literature passages.	1	11	L.3.4a RL.3.1 RL.3.2 RL.3.3 RL.3.4 RL.3.5 RL.3.6 RL.3.9
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 3 – Editing*	This test measures a student's ability to demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English in grade-appropriate writing.	1	6	L.3.1c L.3.1g L.3.2a L.3.2f
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 3 – Listening	This test measures a student's ability to integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse, grade-appropriate media and formats and evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence/rhetoric.	1	11	SL.3.1c SL.3.1d SL.3.2 SL.3.3

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 3 – Informative	This test measures a student's ability to write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.3.2a
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 3 – Opinion	This test measures a student's ability to write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.3.1a

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Braille Benchmark Modules: ELA Grade 4

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 4 – Informational	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate informational passages.	1	7	L.4.4a RI.4.1 RI.4.2 RI.4.3 RI.4.5 RI.4.8
		2	8	L.4.4a RI.4.1 RI.4.3 RI.4.4 RI.4.5 RI.4.8 RI.4.9
		3	9	RI.4.1 RI.4.2 RI.4.4 RI.4.5 RI.4.7 RI.4.8
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 4 – Literature	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate literature passages.	1	12	L.4.4a L.4.5b RL.4.1 RL.4.2 RL.4.3 RL.4.4
		2	11	L.4.4a L.4.5a RL.4.1 RL.4.2 RL.4.3 RL.4.4 RL.4.5 RL.4.6 RL.4.9
		3	9	L.4.5a RL.4.1 RL.4.2 RL.4.3 RL.4.5 RL.4.6

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 4 – Editing*	This test measures a student's ability to demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English in grade-appropriate writing.	1	8	L.4.1c L.4.1d L.4.1h L.4.2a L.4.2b
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 4 – Listening	This test measures a student's ability to integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse, grade-appropriate media and formats and evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence/rhetoric.	1	8	SL.4.2 SL.4.3
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 4 – Informative	This test measures a student's ability to write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.4.2a
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 4 – Opinion	This test measures a student's ability to write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.4.1a

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Braille Benchmark Modules: ELA Grade 5

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 5 – Informational	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate informational passages.	1	8	RI.5.1 RI.5.2 RI.5.3 RI.5.4 RI.5.8
		2	11	L.5.4a RI.5.1 RI.5.2 RI.5.3 RI.5.5 RI.5.6 RI.5.8 RI.5.9
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 5 – Literature	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate literature passages.	1	10	L.5.5b RL.5.1 RL.5.2 RL.5.3 RL.5.4 RL.5.5 RL.5.6
		2	11	L.5.4c L.5.5c RL.5.1 RL.5.4 RL.5.5 RL.5.6
		3	11	RL.5.1 RL.5.2 RL.5.3 RL.5.4 RL.5.5 RL.5.6 RL.5.9
		4	10	L.5.4a L.5.5a RL.5.1 RL.5.2 RL.5.3 RL.5.4 RL.5.5 RL.5.6

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 5 – Editing*	This test measures a student's ability to demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English in grade-appropriate writing.	1	6	L.5.1b L.5.1c L.5.2a L.5.2b
		2	7	L.5.1b L.5.1d L.5.2b L.5.2e
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 5 – Listening	This test measures a student's ability to integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse, grade-appropriate media and formats and evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence/rhetoric.	1	10	SL.5.2 SL.5.3
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 5 – Informative	This test measures a student's ability to write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.5.2a
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 5 – Opinion	This test measures a student's ability to write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.5.1a

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Braille Benchmark Modules: ELA Grade 6

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 6 – Informational	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate informational passages.	1	9	L.6.4a RI.6.1 RI.6.3 RI.6.4 RI.6.6 RI.6.8 RI.6.9
		2	12	RI.6.1 RI.6.3 RI.6.4 RI.6.5 RI.6.6 RI.6.8
		3	9	L.6.4c RI.6.1 RI.6.2 RI.6.4 RI.6.5 RI.6.6 RI.6.9
		4	11	L.6.4b RI.6.1 RI.6.3 RI.6.4 RI.6.5 RI.6.6 RI.6.7 RI.6.8
		5	14	L.6.4a RI.6.1 RI.6.2 RI.6.3 RI.6.4 RI.6.5 RI.6.6 RI.6.8
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 6 – Literature	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate literature passages.	1	10	L.6.4a L.6.5a RL.6.1 RL.6.3 RL.6.4 RL.6.5 RL.6.6

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
		2	10	L.6.5a RL.6.1 RL.6.2 RL.6.3 RL.6.4 RL.6.5 RL.6.6
		3	10	RL.6.1 RL.6.2 RL.6.3 RL.6.4 RL.6.5 RL.6.6
		4	12	L.6.4a RL.6.1 RL.6.2 RL.6.3 RL.6.4 RL.6.5 RL.6.6 RL.6.9
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 6 – Editing*	This test measures a student's ability to demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English in grade-appropriate writing.	1	6	L.6.1a L.6.1c L.6.2a L.6.2b
		2	7	L.6.1a L.6.2a L.6.2b
		3	8	L.6.1c L.6.1d L.6.1e L.6.2a L.6.2b
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 6 – Listening	This test measures a student's ability to integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse, grade-appropriate media and formats and evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence/rhetoric.	1	10	SL.6.1a SL.6.1c SL.6.2 SL.6.3
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 6 – Informative	This test measures a student's ability to write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.6.2a
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 6 – Argumentative	This test measures a student's ability to write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.6.1a

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Braille Benchmark Modules: ELA Grade 7

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 7 – Informational	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate informational passages.	1	12	L.7.4a L.7.4c RI.7.1 RI.7.2 RI.7.3 RI.7.4 RI.7.5 RI.7.6 RI.7.8
		2	11	L.7.4a RI.7.1 RI.7.2 RI.7.4 RI.7.5 RI.7.6 RI.7.8
		3	11	L.7.4c RI.7.1 RI.7.2 RI.7.3 RI.7.4 RI.7.6 RI.7.8 RI.7.9
		4	11	L.7.4a RI.7.1 RI.7.2 RI.7.3 RI.7.4 RI.7.5 RI.7.6 RI.7.8
		5	15	L.7.4a RI.7.1 RI.7.2 RI.7.3 RI.7.4 RI.7.5 RI.7.8

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 7 – Literature	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate literature passages.	1	8	L.7.5a RL.7.1 RL.7.2 RL.7.3 RL.7.4
		2	14	L.7.4b L.7.4c L.7.5a RL.7.1 RL.7.2 RL.7.3 RL.7.4 RL.7.6
		3	10	L.7.4a L.7.5a RL.7.1 RL.7.2 RL.7.4 RL.7.5
		4	11	L.7.4a RL.7.1 RL.7.2 RL.7.3 RL.7.4 RL.7.6 RL.7.7 RL.7.9
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 7 – Editing*	This test measures a student's ability to demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English in grade-appropriate writing.	1	8	L.7.1a L.7.2a L.7.2b
		2	7	L.7.1b L.7.2a L.7.2b
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 7 – Listening	This test measures a student's ability to integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse, grade-appropriate media and formats and evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence/rhetoric.	1	9	SL.7.1c SL.7.2 SL.7.3
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 7 – Informative	This test measures a student's ability to write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.7.2a
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 7 – Argumentative	This test measures a student's ability to write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.7.1a

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Braille Benchmark Modules: ELA Grade 8

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 8 – Informational	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate informational passages.	1	12	RI.8.1 RI.8.2 RI.8.3 RI.8.4 RI.8.5 RI.8.6 RI.8.8 RI.8.9
		2	7	RI.8.1 RI.8.2 RI.8.3 RI.8.5 RI.8.6
		3	10	L.8.4a RI.8.1 RI.8.3 RI.8.4 RI.8.5 RI.8.6
		4	12	L.8.4a L.8.5c RI.8.1 RI.8.2 RI.8.3 RI.8.4 RI.8.5 RI.8.6
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 8 – Literature	This test measures a student's ability to determine key ideas and details, examine craft and structure, and integrate knowledge and ideas in grade-appropriate literature passages.	1	9	L.8.5a RL.8.2 RL.8.3 RL.8.4 RL.8.6
		2	11	L.8.4a L.8.5a RL.8.2 RL.8.3 RL.8.4 RL.8.6
		3	13	RL.8.1 RL.8.2 RL.8.3 RL.8.4 RL.8.5 RL.8.6

Test Name	What This Test Measures	Form	Number of Items	Standards
		4	8	RL.8.1 RL.8.2 RL.8.3 RL.8.4
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 8 – Editing*	This test measures a student's ability to demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English in grade-appropriate writing.	1	7	L.8.1a L.8.2a L.8.2c
		2	8	L.8.1a L.8.1b L.8.1c L.8.1d L.8.2a L.8.2c
Braille Benchmark Module: ELA Grade 8 – Listening	This test measures a student's ability to integrate and evaluate information presented in diverse, grade-appropriate media and formats and evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence/rhetoric.	1	7	SL.8.1c SL.8.1d SL.8.2 SL.8.3
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 8 – Informative	This test measures a student's ability to write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.8.2a
Braille Benchmark Module: Writing Grade 8 – Argumentative	This test measures a student's ability to write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	1 & 2	1 prompt per form	W.8.1a

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