



Understanding EQAO for Families

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What is EQAO? The [Education Quality and Accountability Office \(EQAO\)](#) is an evidence-based, research-informed organization that operates as an arm's length government agency. It contributes to the quality and accountability of Ontario's publicly funded education system for K-12. The data provided by EQAO is used to inform student, school, and board improvement.

Assessments Conducted by EQAO:

- 1) Primary (Gr.3) and Junior (Gr.6) Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics
- 2) Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics
Worth 20% of student's final grade in their grade 9 math (MTH1W) course.
- 3) Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)
Successful completion of the literacy test is one of the requirements to earn an Ontario Secondary School Diploma

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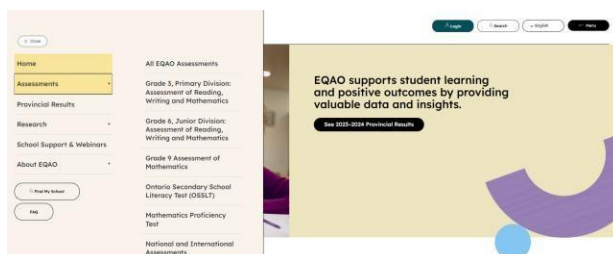
[WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE PRIMARY AND JUNIOR DIVISION ASSESSMENTS](#)

[WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE GR. 9 ASSESSMENT OF MATHEMATICS](#)

[WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL LITERACY TEST \(OSSLT\)](#)

Sample Assessments

On the [EQAO site](#) you can find sample tests for all the assessments by going to the menu in the top right-hand corner and then clicking on the appropriate assessment tab.



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