

# OLC40 – Literacy Skills Assessment

## Lessons 1–12 Review Test

**Time Allowed:** 2 Hours

**Total Marks:** 100

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### PART A – SPEAKING (20 marks)

🕒 Time: Completed individually with the teacher

You will speak for **2–3 minutes** on **ONE** topic below.

After you finish, the teacher may ask **one simple follow-up question**.

**Choose ONE topic:**

1. A challenge you faced and what you learned from it  
what/when/how/why?
2. A habit or rule that helps you succeed in school or life  
what/when/how/why?

#### Speaking Tips

- You may prepare short notes.
  - Speak clearly and stay on topic.
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### PART B – READING (30 marks)

🕒 Time: 40 minutes

#### Reading Passage

##### How Literacy Skills Help Us Succeed

Literacy is more than reading and writing. It includes understanding information, communicating ideas clearly, and thinking critically. These skills are used every day, both in school and in real life.

Strong readers do not only read words. They focus on main ideas and key details, and they ask questions while reading. This helps them understand texts more clearly and efficiently.

Writing is also an important literacy skill. Good writing is not about perfect grammar or long words. It is about organizing ideas clearly and choosing words carefully so the message is easy to understand.

Speaking and listening are equally important. Being able to express ideas clearly and listen to others helps people work together, share ideas, and solve problems.

Literacy skills continue to develop throughout life. By practicing reading, writing, speaking, and listening, students prepare themselves for future learning, work, and communication.

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## Questions

1. What is the **main idea** of the passage? (5 marks)
  2. According to the passage, what do strong readers focus on? (5 marks)
  3. Name **two literacy skills** mentioned in the passage. (10 marks)
  4. Why are literacy skills important for life outside of school? (10 marks)
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## PART C – LITERACY QUIZ

Giving Your Opinion · News Article · Informational Text

⌚ Time: 20 minutes  
(20 marks total)

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### Section 1: Giving Your Opinion (6 marks)

Write **ONE opinion sentence + explanation sentence + example** about the following topic:

**School uniforms**

You may start with:

- I think...
- In my opinion...
- I believe...

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### Section 2: News Article (6 marks)

List **TWO features** of a news article.

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### Section 3: Informational Text (8 marks)

What is the **main purpose** of an informational text?

Write your answer in **1–2 clear sentences**.

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## PART D – WRITING (30 marks)

🕒 Time: 40–45 minutes

### Argument Essay

Write an **argument essay (250–300 words)** on the topic below:

**Some people believe that students should focus more on practical life skills at school rather than academic subjects.**

**To what extent do you agree or disagree?**

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### (Writing Instructions)

1. Clearly state your opinion
2. Give **at least two reasons**
3. Support your ideas with examples
4. Organize your ideas clearly
5. Write in paragraphs

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### Writing Checklist (Before You Finish)

- ✓ I clearly stated my opinion
- ✓ I gave reasons and examples
- ✓ My ideas are organized
- ✓ My writing is easy to understand

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**End of Test** Please review your answers before submitting.

