

DCAS-Alt1 Released Task

Content Area: ELA	Grade Band: 6-8
Name of task: Task 1: Carla’s New School	Number of Items in Task: 5
<p>Description of task: Student is read a story about Carla’s New School. The student is then asked to respond to a series of questions pertaining to the story. Portions of the text will be reread to the student as needed. The student will use his/her mode of communication to select the answer from an array of options.</p>	
<p>Standards addressed in this task:</p> <p>Reading Standards for Literature (RL)</p> <p>(8.1) Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text. Essence: Use text to support factual and inferential responses E1: Given an inferential question, locate details from text to support the answer. E2: Given a factual question, locate details from text to support the answer. E3: Answer literal questions about text.</p> <p>(8.2) Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot; provide an objective summary of the text. Essence: Determine the theme and summarize text E1: Describe the theme of a text and retell its main events. E2: Identify the theme of a text and sequence its main events. E3: Sequence main events.</p>	
<p>Connections to academic instruction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literacy skills • First/last • Recall • Sequencing 	
<p>Real life application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following a set direction • Telling a story • Reading for pleasure 	