STAAR®
Grade 3 Reading Test Design
(English and Spanish)

**BASE TEST**
- 4-5 SINGLE SELECTIONS
  (DEPENDENT UPON LENGTH)
- 34 TOTAL MC ITEMS

**FIELD TEST**
- SINGLE SELECTION
- 6 MC ITEMS EMBEDDED

**GENRES ASSESSED:**
LITERARY
- FICTION
- LITERARY NONFICTION
- POETRY
- MEDIA LITERACY (EMBEDDED)

INFORMATIONAL
- EXPOSITORY
- PROCEDURAL (EMBEDDED)
- MEDIA LITERACY (EMBEDDED)

**TOTAL READING LOAD:**
BASE TEST  APPROX. 2,700 WORDS MAXIMUM
FIELD TEST  APPROX. 700 WORDS MAXIMUM

(LENGTH OF SELECTIONS MAY VARY;
READING LOAD IS CONSTANT)