## Teacher Checklist for the Nova Scotia Assessment: Reading and Writing in Grade 6

(to be administered over 2 days between October 3–18, 2023)

The School Assessment Coordinator has provided you with the Nova Scotia Assessment: Information Guide. English language arts teachers will receive the Guide de déroulement for RW6 on October 3, 2023 and student booklets on the morning of your school's Reading and Writing: Day 1 administration.

## **Before the Assessment**

RW6	Task
	Familiarize yourself with the Nova Scotia Assessments: Information Guide, particularly the section on
	adaptations.
	Review the procedures and teacher script outlined in the Guide de déroulement (also available online at
	http://plans.ednet.ns.ca/grade6/documents).
	Distribute the Information for Parents and Guardians pamphlets to your students to take home one
	week prior to the assessment administration.
	Distribute and complete the sample questions with students during the weeks prior to the assessment
	to familiarize students with the format and types of questions on the assessment. The sample questions
	are also available online at http://plans.ednet.ns.ca/grade6/documents
	Prepare the classroom:
	Gather erasers, sharpened pencils or pens.
	<ul> <li>Arrange seating so students can have privacy during the assessment.</li> </ul>
	Ensure students have access to dictionaries. Paper or electronic dictionaries and/or thesauri may be
	used; personal electronic devices may not be used. Students may take turns using a teacher-
	monitored device (computer, Chromebook, iPad, etc.) to access an electronic dictionary and/or
	thesaurus. The computer monitor must be large enough to be visible by the teacher.
	Reading, Writing, and Mathematics/Mathématiques materials (posters and charts) presently on walls
	and desks, may remain with the exception of addition, subtraction, and multiplication tables. Please
	do not put previous mathematics support material back up on classroom walls.
	Confirm that there is a student assessment booklet for every student in your class. Use a non-
	personalized booklet for any student for whom there is no personalized booklet. (Do not use a
	personalized booklet for a different student.) Write the student's full legal name, date of birth, and
	provincial student ID# on the non-personalized booklet cover.
	Confirm the participation status of students with an Individual Program Plan (IPP) in the subject area
	being assessed as of the date of the assessment as they may or may not be eligible to participate per
	the Student Planning Team's decision. Complete the back cover IPP section for these students. (See the Information Guide for more detail.)
	Make arrangements for students who need to use acceptable documented adaptations during the
	assessment. (See the Information Guide for more detail.)
	Ensure there are a range of options for quiet activities (e.g. silent reading, word search, fidget toys,
	colouring pages) for students once they have completed the assessment. Use of electronic devices are
	not considered to be an acceptable quiet activity.
	Ensure that the Principal and/or School Assessment Coordinator has made arrangements for students
	who are not participating in the assessment (e.g., students not in the grade being assessed, students
	with an IPP who are not participating in the assessment).
	Keep the assessment booklets secure at all times.

## **During the Assessment**

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	Administer the assessment according to the procedures and teacher script outlined in the Administration Guide: Students will have a 5–15 minute stretch break in the middle of the assessment session as outlined in the Administration Guide.
	Take note of student participation/attendance for each day of the assessment. Upon return, previously absent students will write the same part of the assessment as the rest of the class. Previous day(s) missed can be made up during a make-up session(s).

## After the Assessment

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	If applicable, complete the back cover of the student booklet for the following students:
	<ul> <li>Section 1: Participation of a student on an Individual Program Plan (IPP)</li> </ul>
	Section 2: Student used adaptations as documented in TIENET during the assessment (record only
	those adaptations that the student used during the assessment)
	• Section 3: Student did not participate in the assessment (for reasons other than an IPP)
	Print student writing for students who have used assistive technology and confirm that the student's
	name and provincial student ID# are included on each piece of writing. Place the printed copies of
	student writing inside the front cover of the student's assessment booklet. Ensure that copies of student
	work written using assistive technology are deleted from all locations once printed.
	With the School Assessment Coordinator, arrange make-up sessions for absent students to complete the
	RWM6 assessment on or before October 18, 2023. Students should complete only one section of the
	assessment per day. All days of the assessment are to be completed.
	Return the following materials to the School Assessment Coordinator on or before
	October 18, 2023: All student assessment booklets (all completed, unused, and alternate format
	booklets). Be sure to complete the information on the back cover for students who did not complete
	some or all of the assessment, students with an IPP, and students who used adaptations as documented
	in TIENET during the assessment.

Thank you for taking the time to oversee the administration of Reading and Writing in Grade 6 and for returning all requested materials to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.