

## Literacy and Mathematics in Grade 3: 2025–2026 Key Dates & Resources

The Nova Scotia Assessment: Literacy and Mathematics in Grade 3 (LM3) will be administered on four mornings in May. French Immersion students complete the *Mathématiques* component of the assessment; they do not write the literacy component.

Resources for administration will be printed and sent to schools and are also available on the Program of Learning Assessments for Nova Scotia website [plans.ednet.ns.ca/grade3/documents](https://plans.ednet.ns.ca/grade3/documents):

- **LM3 Assessment Handbook** – all information needed to prepare for and administer the assessment.
- **LM3 Sample Questions** – to familiarize students with assessment question formats.
- **Parent/Guardian Information Sheets** – to introduce the purpose, timing and content of the assessment.

### Important Dates

<p><b>March 1–April 1</b></p> 	<p>Administrators, Teachers (Classroom, Learning Support, Resource, Learning Centre)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request Alternate Formats in TIENET for eligible students.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Finalize this document in TIENET by April 1.</li> <li>○ User guide: <a href="https://ednet.ns.ca/inschool">ednet.ns.ca/inschool</a>.</li> <li>○ For more information, see LM3 Assessment Handbook, p. 11.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>March 1–May 1</b></p> 	<p>Teacher</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Register eligible students for the Nova Scotia Assessment – Read-aloud (NSA-RA) platform by May 1.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Registration form: <a href="https://plans.ednet.ns.ca/content/school-registration">plans.ednet.ns.ca/content/school-registration</a>.</li> <li>○ For more information, see LM3 Assessment Handbook, p. 32.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>April 13–17</b></p> 	<p>School Assessment Coordinator</p> <p>Teacher, Administrator, School Assessment Coordinator</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receive and verify contents of school packages through Canada Post.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If packages have not arrived by April 17, check with your local Canada Post outlet then contact Student Assessment at 902.424.7746 or <a href="mailto:plans@novascotia.ca">plans@novascotia.ca</a>.</li> <li>○ Canada Post: 1.888.550.6333</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Become familiar with the schedules, procedures, and scripts outlined in the LM3 Assessment Handbook.</li> </ul>
<p><b>April 27–May 8</b></p> 	<p>Teacher</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administer Sample Questions mini-lessons.</li> <li>• Distribute Parent/Guardian Information Sheets to students.</li> </ul>
<p><b>May 1–25</b></p> 	<p>Teachers and Administrators</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If interested, submit an Expression of Interest to participate in the Writing in Grade 3 Scoring Session (online) at <a href="https://plans.ednet.ns.ca/professional-opportunities">plans.ednet.ns.ca/professional-opportunities</a>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>May 11–26</b></p> 	<p>Teacher</p> <p>School Assessment Coordinator</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administer Literacy and Mathematics in Grade 3 (LM3-EN) or <i>Mathématiques</i> in Grade 3 (M3-IM).</li> <li>• Mail packages by May 26 to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (EECD).</li> </ul>
<p><b>July 6–10</b></p> 	<p>Provincial Staff and Teachers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scoring Session: Writing in Grade 3 (online)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Table Leader Training: July 6 &amp; 7</li> <li>○ Scoring: July 8–10</li> </ul> </li> </ul>