



# ***New York State Testing Program***

**English**

**Language Arts Test**

**Book 2**

Grade

**7**

**April 26–28, 2010**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_**

## TIPS FOR TAKING THE TEST

Here are some suggestions to help you do your best:

- Be sure to read carefully all the directions in the test book.
- Plan your time.
- Read each question carefully and think about the answer before choosing or writing your response.

## Part 1: Listening

### *D*irections

In this part of the test, you will listen to an article called “Cooking with the Sun.” Then you will answer questions 29 through 34 to show how well you understood what was read.

You will listen to the article twice. As you listen carefully, you may take notes on the article anytime you wish during the readings. You may use these notes to answer the questions that follow. Use the space on Pages 2 and 3 for your notes.

***Go On***

**Notes**

# Notes

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- 29** What fact about Dr. Metcalf **best** explains why he understands the importance of food safety?
- A** He is a scientist who studies germs.
  - B** He teaches how to cook with the sun.
  - C** He knows that billions of people use wood for cooking.
  - D** He helps people around the world to use new technologies.

- 30** Which conclusion about solar cookers is supported by the article?
- A** They are simple to use.
  - B** They are expensive to make.
  - C** They are less effective than traditional firewood.
  - D** They are more popular than electrical appliances.

- 31** If the women in Nyakach, Kenya, wanted to make a solar cooker, what would they need?
- A** open fire
  - B** drinking water
  - C** an open box and aluminum foil
  - D** a bundle of wood and light energy

- 32** The **main** way Dr. Metcalf's organization helps women and children in Africa is by
- A** lecturing on food safety
  - B** introducing solar cookers
  - C** teaching how to bundle wood
  - D** demonstrating how to follow recipes

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Using one detail from the article for each box, complete the chart below to describe how Dr. Metcalf helps both people and the environment.

How Dr. Metcalf Helps People	How Dr. Metcalf Helps the Environment

**34**

What does Dr. Metcalf mean when he says that “sunshine can be an alternative to fire”? How does he introduce this idea to the people in Africa? Use details from the article to support your answer.

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## Part 2: Writing

### Sample

In this paragraph, there are some mistakes in grammar, usage, capitalization, and punctuation. Some sentences may have more than one mistake, and other sentences may contain no mistakes at all. There are no mistakes in spelling.

Let's correct the mistakes together. Draw a line through each part that has a mistake, and if a correction needs to be written, write the correction above the mistake.

I like to go to the movies on weekends. I try to get to the theater early so I could buy snacks. My favoritest movies are comedies. They are fun to watch with friends because they make you laugh we are going to see a new movie this Saturday.

# STOP



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Here is a paragraph a student wrote. There are some mistakes in the paragraph. Some sentences may have more than one mistake, and other sentences may contain no mistakes at all. There are no mistakes in spelling.

Read the paragraph and find the mistakes. Draw a line through each mistake in the paragraph. Then write the correction above it.

This summer, I have been working at the local newspaper, *The Daily tribune*. It is an interesting place to work, and it is busy almost all the time. The paper have to be printed every night for distribution the next morning, so everyone is always hurrying to meet deadlines. I work as an assistant at the paper, which means I do many small tasks. To help the other workers. For example, I might photocopy materials, delivered messages, or research information. This experience has taught me the importance of working good with other people to meet deadlines. I always feel proud when I see the newspaper on my driveway the next morning.

**STOP**





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