**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 writing your response.

In this test, you will be writing about a text that you will be listening to. Your writing will be scored on

- how clearly you organize your writing and express what you have learned
- how accurately and completely you answer the questions being asked
- how well you support your responses with examples or details from the text
- how correctly you use grammar, spelling, punctuation, capitalization, and paragraphing

Whenever you see this symbol, be sure to plan and check your writing.
Directions

In this part of the test, you are going to listen to a story called “Mr. Hacker.” Then you will answer questions 29 through 31 about the story.

You will listen to the story twice. The first time you hear the story, listen carefully but do not take notes. As you listen to the story the second time, you may want to take notes. Use the space below and on the next page for your notes. You may use these notes to answer the questions that follow. Your notes on these pages will NOT count toward your final score.

Notes
Do NOT turn this page until you are told to do so.
The chart below shows part of what happens in the passage. Complete the chart with events from the passage in the order in which they occur.

### WHAT HAPPENS IN THE PASSAGE

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<td>Mr. Hacker puts up a bird feeder and fills it with seed.</td>
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Mr. Hacker has a problem feeding the cat. What is the problem? How does he solve the problem? Use details from the passage to support your answer.
You may PLAN your writing for question 31 here if you wish, but do NOT write your final answer on this page. Your writing on this Planning Page will NOT count toward your final score. Write your final answer on Pages 7 and 8.
Mr. Hacker tries to feed stray and wild animals in the passage. What does he do at the beginning of the passage? What does he do at the end? Why does he have to try different things? Use details from the passage to support your answer.

In your answer, be sure to include
• what Mr. Hacker does at the beginning of the passage
• what Mr. Hacker does at the end of the passage
• why Mr. Hacker tries different things
• details from the passage to support your answer

Check your writing for correct spelling, grammar, capitalization, and punctuation.