

Understanding Your Student's Report

Maine Through Year Assessment Scale Score

The colored, horizontal bars on pages 1 and 2 of your student's report show your student's scale score. This score measures your student's performance on this assessment based on the important skills in reading and math for their grade level based on the Common Core State Standards

The Grade 7 reading assessment measures skills such as:

- Using details from the text to answer questions about stories, plays, poems, and informational text.
- Analyzing how plot, setting, and characters work together in stories.
- Judging if the reasons and evidence in an article support the author's points.
- Comparing and contrasting two texts on the same topic.
- Using context clues and word parts to figure out word meanings.

The Grade 7 math assessment measures skills such as:

- Understanding proportional relationships (how amounts change in relation to each other).
- Using positive and negative numbers in math expressions.
- Solving problems using scale drawings and building shapes.
- Finding the area, surface area, and volume of shapes.
- Using data to make conclusions.

Instructional Area Scores

The Instructional Area scores on page 2 of your student's Individual Student Report allow you to see relative areas of strength and relative areas of need for your student in that content area. They do not add up to the overall content area score.

For example, if your student has the highest score in Literary Text, that would be an area of strength. If the Informational Text score is low, that would be an area of need.

Please reach out to your student's teacher for more information on how you can support your student's learning in these Instructional Areas.