

Grade 4 ELA C3 T3

Sample Item ID:	ELA.04.PT.3.03.136
Title:	Eating Locally-Grown, In-Season Foods
Grade:	4/2
Claim(s):	Primary Claim 3. Students can employ effective speaking and listening skills for a range of purposes and audiences. 4. Students can engage in research/inquiry to investigate topics and to analyze, integrate, and present information.
Assessment Target(s):	These claims and targets will be measured by scorable evidence collected. CLAIM 3 1. LANGUAGE & VOCABULARY USE: Strategically use precise language (including academic and domain-specific vocabulary), syntax, grammar, and discourse appropriate to the purpose and audience when speaking 3. PLAN/SPEAK/PRESENT: Gather and organize information, compose, and orally deliver short (e.g., summarize, paraphrase) and longer presentations for different purposes and audiences, adding visual/graphics/audio/enhancements when appropriate for clarifying the message 4. LISTEN/INTERPRET: Interpret and use information delivered orally or visually CLAIM 4 2. INTERPRET & INTEGRATE INFORMATION: Locate information to support central ideas and subtopics; Select and integrate information from data or print and non-print text sources 3. ANALYZE INFORMATION/SOURCES: Distinguish relevant-irrelevant information (e.g., fact/opinion) 4. USE EVIDENCE: Generate conjectures or opinions and cite evidence to support them based on prior knowledge and evidence collected and analyzed
Secondary Target(s):	n/a
Standards:	L-1, L-3a, L-6, SL-2, SL-3, SL-4, SL-5, SL-6, W-8, RI-9, W-9, W-1a, W-1b
DOK:	4
Difficulty:	Medium/Hard
Item Type:	Performance Task
Score Points:	TBD
Task Source:	Testing Contractor
How this task contributes the sufficient evidence for this claim:	 In order to complete the performance task, students Gather information from a series of sources and analyze the relationships among these sources Analyze information sources and evaluate evidence in order to generate a thesis or controlling idea Plan and deliver an oral presentation effectively demonstrating a clearly-established position about the various



	 sources presentation of relevant supporting evidence, details, and elaboration consistent with the position, sources, purpose, and audience effective organization of ideas control of language for purpose and audience
Target-specific attributes (e.g., accessibility issues):	Students with hearing and visual impairment will need to be provided with transcript of the video material, and may need an alternative format for which to present their presentation.
	Sources (2 articles, 1 video; presented in the order in which they are used)
	 Source 1: Article "The Benefits of Eating Local" This informational article will describe the many benefits of eating food that is locally-grown and in season. The article will focus mainly on the following advantages: Locally-grown foods get to the store quicker, so they are fresher and contain more nutrients than food that is shipped long distances. Locally-grown foods do not have to be transported long distances, which cuts down on pollution from ships and trucks.
	Source 2: Video This video will show the journey of a tropical fruit grown in South America to its ultimate destination on the East Coast of North America. The video will show and explain the journey by sea, and then by land, giving the viewer a concrete idea of just how much is involved in transporting fruits and vegetables.
Stimulus:	 Source 3: Article "The Downsides of Eating Local" This short article will be written in the form of a newspaper opinion piece. The article will be written from a first-person point of view and describe the author's objections to the rising popularity ("trend") of eating locally-grown, in-season foods. The author's main complaints will be: It is not easy to get locally-grown foods unless you live in an area where they are produced. Even health food stores often carry imported fruits and vegetables. Locally-grown foods are expensive, and the price is not worth the difference in quality compared to imported fruits and vegetables. Eating locally-grown foods can be boring because sometimes the variety of foods that can be grown in an area is smallyou might end up eating only two or three types of fruits and vegetables all year, and if you live in the United States, you would never get to eat many different types of tropical fruits that can be imported from other countries.

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Stimuli/Text	
Complexity:	
Acknowledgments:	n/a
Task Notes:	Videos and articles will be produced by testing contractors or independent consultants. Video should be no longer than 5 minutes.

Task Overview (105 total minutes):

Title: Eating Locally-Grown, In-Season Foods

Part1 (35 minutes): Ultimately tasked with giving a speech about eating locally-grown foods, students will read two articles and watch a video, taking notes on these sources. They will then respond to several questions addressing the research skills of analyzing and evaluating information.

Part 2 (70 minutes): Students will work individually to compose and orally deliver a short speech about eating locally grown foods, referring to details from the video or the texts. Students will present the speech aloud. Students may also present supplemental materials they create to enhance their presentation.

Scorable Products: Student responses to the research questions and the speech will be scored.

Teacher preparation / Resource requirements

The teacher should assure that sufficient blank paper and writing utensils are available for student note taking. Teacher should conduct standard preparation, registration, etc., for computer-based testing. The testing software will include access to spell check.

Teacher Directions:

Students are given the text, research, and any additional information about the speech.

Part 1 (35 minutes)

- Initiate the online testing session.
- Alert the students when 15 minutes have elapsed.
- Alert students when there are 5 minutes remaining in the session.

Stretch Break

Part 2 (70 minutes)

- Initiate the testing part 2.
- Allow students to access the sources and their answers to the constructed response questions presented in part 1. They will not be allowed to change their answers.
- Alert the students when 20 minutes have elapsed.
- After students have been working for 60 minutes, alert them that there are 10 minutes left.
- Close the testing session.
- Direct students to deliver their presentations.

Pre-Task Activity:

There are no specific pre-task activities to be conducted.

Time Requirements:

The performance task will take 105 minutes in one session.



Student Directions:

Part 1 (30 minutes)

Your assignment:

You will watch one video and read two articles, taking notes on these sources and answering three questions about the sources. You will then prepare and deliver an oral presentation about eating locally-grown, in-season foods.

Steps you will be following:

In order to plan, compose, and give your speech, you will do all of the following:

- 1. Read two articles and watch a video.
- 2. Answer several questions about the sources.
- 3. Plan and deliver your presentation.

Directions for beginning:

You will now read two articles and watch one video. Take notes because you may want to refer back to your notes while writing your speech. You can refer back to any of the sources as often as you like.

(Source 1)

(Source 2)

(Source 3)

Questions

Use your remaining time to answer the questions below. Your answers to these questions will be scored. Also, they will help you think about the sources you've read and viewed, which should help you write your presentation. You may click on the appropriate buttons to refer back to the sources when you think it would be helpful. You may also refer to your notes. Answer the questions in the spaces provided below them.



- 1. What is one major advantage of eating locally-grown foods that is agreed upon by the authors of both the articles? Support your answer with details from both articles.
- 2. Explain why the author of "The Downsides of Eating Local" would probably not change his opinion of eating imported foods after watching the video. Support your answer with information from both the article and the video.
- 3. The author of "The Downsides of Eating Local" says that the advantages of eating local, in-season foods is not worth the higher price. After reading "The Benefits of Eating Local" and watching the video, do you agree with this opinion? Support your answer with evidence from both articles and the video.

Part 2 (75 minutes)

You will now have 70 minutes to review your notes and sources, plan, draft, and deliver your speech. While you may use your notes and refer to the sources, you must work on your own. You may also refer to the answers you wrote to earlier questions, but you cannot change those answers. Now read your assignment and the information about how your speech will be scored, and then begin your work.

Your assignment

Plan, write, and deliver a presentation in which you talk about both the advantages and disadvantages (plusses and minuses) of eating locally-grown, in-season foods. You will begin by writing a draft of the speech and creating any supplementary materials you may need for your presentation. Support your ideas with details from the sources you have read and viewed.

How your speech will be scored: The people scoring your speech will be assigning scores for

1. Focus – how well your speech clearly introduces and communicates your ideas



- **2. Organization** how well your ideas flow from the opening to the conclusion and how well you stay on topic throughout the speech
- **3. Elaboration of Evidence** how well you use sources, facts, and details as evidence
- **4. Language and Vocabulary** how well you effectively express ideas using precise language that is appropriate for your audience and purpose
- **5. Presentation** how well your speech is presented, including eye contact, pronunciation, and awareness of audience and the use of visual/graphics/audio enhancements appropriate to your message

Now begin work on your speech. Manage your time carefully so that you can:

- plan your speech
- write your speech
- present your speech

Word-processing tools are available to you.

Key and Scoring information for questions:

1. C4T2

	Sample Generic 2-point Research (Grades 3-5): Interpret & Integrate Information Rubric (Claim 4, Target 2)
2	 The response gives sufficient evidence of the ability to locate, select, interpret and integrate information within and among sources of information.
1	 The response gives limited evidence of the ability to locate, select, interpret and integrate information within and among sources of information.
0	A response gets no credit if it provides no evidence of the ability to locate, select, interpret and integrate information within and among sources of information.

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2. C4T2

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3. C4T4

Sample Generic 2-point Research (Grades 3-5):						
	Use Evidence Rubric (Claim 4, Target 4)					
	The response gives sufficient evidence of the ability to cite evidence to					
2	support opinions and ideas.					
	The response gives limited evidence of the ability to cite evidence to					
1	1 support opinions and ideas.					
0	• A response gets no credit if it provides no evidence of the ability to cite					
	evidence to support opinions and ideas.					



	Sample Generic 4-point Speech Rubric (Grades 3-11)						
Score	Establishment of Focus and Organization			Development: Language and Elaboration of Evidence			
	Focus	Organization	Elaboration of Evidence	Language and Vocabulary	Presentation		
4	The speech is consistently and purposefully focused: • controlling idea, opinion, or claim is clearly stated and strongly maintained • controlling idea, opinion or claim is introduced and communicated clearly within the context	The speech has a clear and effective organizational structure helping create unity and completeness: • employs a strong opening and logical progression of ideas • effective introduction and conclusion for audience and purpose	The speech provides thorough and convincing support/evidence for the writer's controlling idea, opinion, or claim that includes the effective use of sources, facts, and details: • use of evidence from sources is smoothly integrated and relevant	The speech clearly and effectively expresses ideas: • use of precise language (including academic and domain-specific language) • consistent use of syntax and discourse appropriate to the audience and purpose	The speech is clearly and smoothly presented: • use of effective eye contact and volume with clear pronunciation • understandable pace adapted to the audience • consistently aware of audience's engagement • use of strong visual/graphics/ audio enhancements, when appropriate, the effectively clarify message.		



	The speech is adequately and generally focused: • controlling idea, opinion, or claim is clear and for the most part maintained though some loosely related material may be present • some context for the controlling idea, opinion, or claim	The speech has an evident organizational structure and a sense of completeness, though some ideas may be loosely connected: • adequate use of transitional strategies with some variety • ideas progress from beginning to end • introduction and conclusion are adequate • adequate, if slightly inconsistent, connection among ideas	The speech provides adequate support/evidence for the writer's controlling idea, opinion, or claim that includes the use of sources, facts, and details: • some evidence from sources is smoothly integrated though may be general or imprecise	The speech adequately expresses ideas employing a mix of precise with more general language: use of academic and domain- specific language is adequate use of syntax and discourse generally appropriate to the audience and purpose;	The speech is adequately presented with minor flaws: • appropriate use of eye contact, volume, and pronunciation • generally understandable pace adapted to the audience • sufficiently aware of audience's engagement • sufficient use of visual/graphics/ audio enhancements, when appropriate, to clarify message
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2	The speech is somewhat unclear and unfocused: • controlling idea, opinion, or claim is for the most part maintained though there may be a minor drift • controlling idea, opinion, or claim may be lacking an appropriate context	The speech has an inconsistent organizational structure: • inconsistent use of transitional strategies with little variety • ideas progress unevenly from beginning to end • introduction and conclusion, if present, may be weak • weak connection among ideas	The speech provides uneven, cursory support/evidence for the writer's controlling idea, opinion, or claim that includes partial or superficial use of sources, facts, and details: • evidence from sources is weakly integrated	The speech inconsistently expresses ideas employing simplistic language: • insufficient use of academic and domain-specific language • use of syntax and discourse may at times be inappropriate to the audience and purpose	The speech is unevenly presented with evident flaws: • inconsistent use of eye contact, volume, and pronunciation • pace partially adapted to the audience • partially aware of audience's engagement • sufficient use of visual/graphics/ audio enhancements,

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1	The speech is unclear and unfocused: controlling idea, opinion, or claim may have a major drift controlling idea, opinion, or claim may be confusing or ambiguous	The speech has little or no discernible organizational structure: • few or no transitional strategies are evident • frequent extraneous ideas may intrude	The speech provides minimal support/evidence for the writer's controlling idea, opinion, or claim that includes little or no use of sources, facts, or details: • evidence from sources is minimal, absent, in error, or irrelevant	The speech expresses vague ideas, lacks clarity, or is confusing: uses limited language or domain-specific vocabulary rudimentary use of syntax and discourse inappropriate for the audience and purpose	The speech is presented with serious flaws that obscure meaning: • infrequent eye contact, and inappropriat e volume and pronunciation • pace not adapted to the audience • little or no sense of audience's engagement • little or no visual/grap hics/ audio enhancements to clarify message
0	A speech gets no credit if it provides no evidence of the ability to Gather and organize information, compose, and orally deliver short speech.				