

Mississippi Assessment Program Eighth Grade Blueprint

Strand	Performance Task (PT)	Closed-ended	Open-ended	Total #Items	Total #Pts.
Reading Literature	0	15-16	4-5	20	22
RL.8.1- Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.	0	3-4	0-1	3-4	
RL.8.2 - Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an accurate summary of the text based upon this analysis.	0	3-4	0-1	3-4	

RL.8.3 - Analyze how incidents in a story or drama develop as they are related to each other; how characters react to and interact with incidents; and how the plot or major events in a story or drama contribute to the development of the characters or to the themes or central ideas of the text. 7

as well as figurative and connotative meanings; analyze how major characters, settings, and other elements work together in the text to develop the themes or central ideas, including how and why elements change over the course of the text. 7

RL.8.4 - Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts and analyze how the differing organizational forms and styles contribute to their development of the themes or central ideas. 0 m 2-3

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