

GRADE

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English Language Arts

Assesslet

Informational/
Explanatory Genre

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Directions

- Read all the directions for each question carefully and think about the answer.
- This Assesslet contains five items. Questions 1-3 are selected-response items where you choose the one **BEST** answer. Answer each question by filling in the circle **on your answer document**.
- Question 4 is a constructed-response item. Write your answer on the lines provided **on your answer document**.
- Question 5 is an extended-response item. Use the scratch paper provided to plan your writing. Then, write your essay on the lines provided **on your answer document**.
- Be sure to write your answers in the spaces provided **on the answer document**.

Read Passages A and B.
Then, respond to the questions that follow.

Passage A: Franklin Delano Roosevelt – An Amazing Man

¹ Franklin Delano Roosevelt was born in Hyde Park, New York, on January 30, 1882. Franklin was a good student. He went to Harvard College and Columbia Law School.

² In 1905, Franklin married Anna Eleanor Roosevelt. They had six children. When Franklin was only 39 years old, he became ill from polio, which left him unable to walk. Franklin used much of his money to develop a spa in Warm Springs, Georgia. He later built a home to help treat his paralysis. The home in Warm Springs was named, 'Little White House.'



³ Franklin became the 32nd president of the United States in 1933. He was the only president who was elected to serve four terms in office. He was also the only president who used a wheelchair. However, Franklin was very determined and worked hard to learn to stand using leg braces. When he became president, Franklin knew that he would have to work very hard to solve the problems the country was facing.

⁴ Franklin Roosevelt is remembered as a president who helped guide America through the Great Depression. He helped people find work and helped the farmers. He led our country to victory in World War II. Some of his work with other countries helped America recover and become strong again.

⁵ Franklin's nickname was "FDR". He was the first president to have his own airplane.

⁶ FDR passed away at the age of 63 in his home in Warm Springs. He was buried in the rose garden at his New York home.

Passage B: Warm Springs, Georgia – Little White House

¹ I am studying Franklin Delano Roosevelt in my social studies class. When my mom said that we were taking a trip, I was excited. She said she wanted it to be a surprise, so she didn't tell me where we were going. My mom knows I love history, so I couldn't wait to see where she had picked for us to visit. We left our house in Atlanta around 9:00. I kept asking questions, but she didn't give me any clues. After a couple of hours, I saw a sign that said 'Warm Springs' and I knew where we were headed! She knew what I had been studying in school.



² The first thing I saw was a big sign. I read every word. I learned that Roosevelt came here to recover from polio. He continued his presidential duties while he was here in Warm Springs.

³ We were able to tour the house and the grounds. I listened carefully to the guides. In 1924, Roosevelt first visited a resort in Warm Springs because a friend told him that the water in the pools would help his polio treatment. He began swimming in the pools and his condition improved. The news spread, and other people began visiting the resort, hoping to find a cure. In 1926, Roosevelt bought Warm Springs. He turned it into a hospital to treat patients of polio. The people who supported the hospital became the group that started what we know as the 'March of Dimes.'

⁴ Roosevelt built his own home in Warm Springs in 1932. It is a small six-room cottage. His favorite place was on the sundeck. The guide showed us the flat window sills and the bathroom fixtures that were specially installed for Roosevelt. I was sad when I heard that he died in Warm Springs as he was planning a speech for the United Nations.

⁵ Many of our presidents honored Roosevelt by visiting Warm Springs. John F. Kennedy made a speech here, and Jimmy Carter began his campaign here. The property was given to the State of Georgia and is now a State Park and Historic Site. I'm so glad I visited. Now I feel like I know FDR just a little better.

Selected-Response Questions

For questions 1-3, answer each question by filling in the circle on your answer document.

- 1 Which sentence **BEST** describes a central idea of Passages A and B?
- A Franklin Delano Roosevelt was a great senator.
 - B Franklin Delano Roosevelt built a home in Warm Springs in 1932.
 - C Franklin Delano Roosevelt, despite having polio, helped many people.
 - D Franklin Delano Roosevelt attended Harvard College and Columbia Law School.
- 2 Which sentence describes 'Warm Springs'?
- A Warm Springs is a school in Georgia.
 - B Warm Springs is the name of the house where FDR went for vacations.
 - C Warm Springs is the place where FDR went for treatment for his paralysis.
 - D Warm Springs is a resort in New York where people can swim and play tennis.
- 3 Which word or phrase in paragraph 2 of Passage A means the same thing as the word **paralysis**?
- A treat
 - B polio
 - C became ill
 - D unable to walk

Constructed-Response Question

- 4** Franklin Delano Roosevelt helped people. Cite one piece of evidence from Passage A and one piece of evidence from Passage B that tells you how he helped other people.

Write your answer on the lines provided **on your answer document**.

Extended-Response Question

- 5** Franklin Roosevelt was a hard-working and caring man. Write an informational essay comparing how the authors show this about Roosevelt. In your essay be sure to:
- Give 1 example from Passage A that shows how Roosevelt was hard-working or caring.
 - Give 1 example from Passage B that shows how Roosevelt was hard-working or caring.
 - Explain how these examples help you see how FDR was hard-working or caring.

Use the scratch paper provided to plan your writing. Then, write your essay on the lines provided **on your answer document**.