

Writing Assessment to Support Learning Grades 1, 3, 6 & 9

On the Same Page

On the Same Page is a book of student writing samples and standards published by SD40. The standards are based on the Performance Standards and are extended to a 5 point scale. They also have a wealth of exemplars. If your school does not have these and you're interested in obtaining a copy, please contact Wendy West at the Resource Center.

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Assessment Materials Online

The Writing Assessment Protocol can be downloaded from the SD8 Literacy and Learning website. On the assessment page, click on: **Common District Assessments** at the bottom of the page, and use the password, AFL.

<http://literacy.sd8.bc.ca/assessment.htm>



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Fall and Spring Writing Assessments (2010/2011)

Audience:

Grades 1, 3, 6 & 9 teachers and students

Structure:

Fall 2010: Teachers conduct a writing assessment with their class, collaboratively mark assessments to identify trends, and then use those trends to plan at the school, classroom and district levels. District Literacy support for those areas may be in the form of workshops in the new year

Spring 2011: This assessment is more summative in nature than the fall assessment. While the assessment process is the same, the data that is collected is also used to inform the *District Growth Plan*. Your school may also use the information for their *School Plans to Strengthen Learning*.

Assessment Tools:

The Writing Assessment Protocol (produced by SD40) and the BC Performance Standards for Writing. Both resources are available at school sites.

Collaborative Marking:

To minimize the number of days out of the classroom, collaborative marking in the fall is encouraged at school sites.

Trends:

A template for identifying trends (strengths/needs) can be accessed on the Literacy and Learning website.