



Grade 4 Mathematics and Science

Answer Key



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NAEP GRADE 4 ANSWER KEY

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Mathematics Common Core (MACC) State Standards (CCSS) Domains

NBT = Number and Operations in Base Ten

NF = Number and Operations Fractions

OA = Operations and Algebraic Thinking

MD = Measurement and Data

Florida's Science Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS)

L = Life Science

P = Physical Science

E = Earth and Space Science

N = Nature of Science

GRADE 4 MATHEMATICS

Alignment to Mathematics Common Core (MACC) State Standards (CCSS) and Answers to NAEP Sample Questions

Question 1, MACC.4.NBT.2.5 and MACC.4.NBT.2.6

Description: Compute value using multiplication and division

Content Area: Number Properties and Operations

Difficulty: Easy

Complexity: Low

Correct answer is **A**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*A	84%
B	3%
C	11%
D	1%
Omitted	1%

Question 2, MACC.4.NBT.2.6

Description: Solve a story problem involving division

Content Area: Number Properties and Operations

Difficulty: Easy

Complexity: Low

Correct answer is **A**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*A	65%
B	4%
C	7%
D	23%
Omitted	1%

Question 3, MACC.4.NBT.2.5

Description: Solve a story problem involving multiplication

Content Area: Number Properties and Operations

Difficulty: Medium

Complexity: Low

Correct answer is **D**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*D	55%
A	29%
B	6%
C	9%
Omitted	1%

Question 4, MACC.4.NBT.2.4, MACC.4.NBT.2.5, MACC.4.OA.1.1, and MACC.4.OA.1.2

Description: Compare numbers of cubes in two solids

Content Area: Measurement

Difficulty: Medium

Complexity: Low

Correct answer is **D**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*B	55%
A	11%
C	14%
D	19%
Omitted	1%

Question 5, MACC.4.NBT.2.4

Description: Create a pictograph of a set of data

Content Area: Data Analysis and Probability

Difficulty: Medium

Complexity: Moderate

Solution:

Sample Correct Response:

Number who chose vanilla: 3 faces (30)

Number who chose chocolate: 5 faces (50)

Any adequate graph. In order for the graph to be counted as correct, each category must have the correct number of faces (but the eyes and mouth do not have to be drawn.) The use of numbers rather than faces is an incorrect response.

Score & Description

Correct

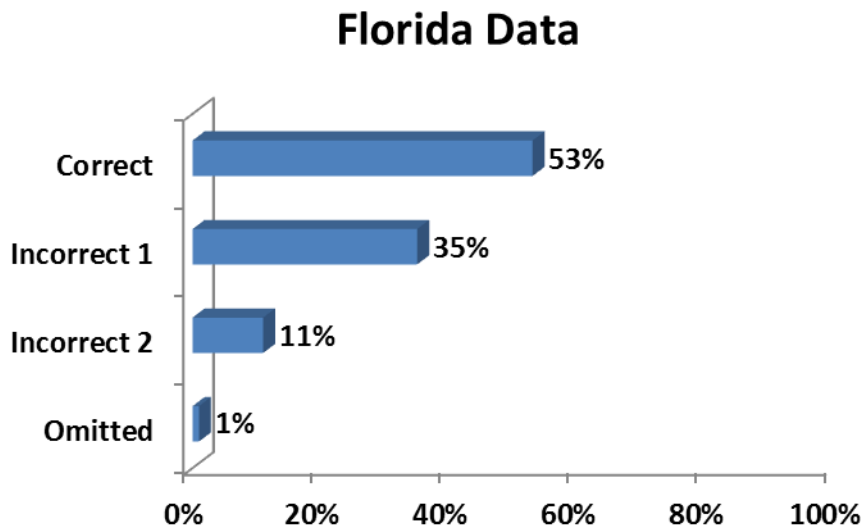
Correct response

Incorrect 1

Only one row correct (except if both rows have 3 faces, or both rows have 5 faces)

Incorrect 2

Any incorrect response other than the response described in Incorrect 1



Question 6, MACC.4.NBT.2.4

Description: Perform computations with data from table

Content Area: Data Analysis and Probability

Difficulty: Low

Complexity: Moderate

Correct answer is **C**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*C	82%
A	4%
B	2%
D	12%

Question 7, MACC.3.OA.4.9 and MACC.4.OA.3.5

Description: Recognize and extend a growing pattern

Content Area: Algebra

Difficulty: Hard

Complexity: Moderate

Correct answer is **D**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*D	23%
A	54%
B	12%
C	10%
Omitted	2%

Question 8, MACC.4.OA.3.5

Description: Identify the growth relationship from a table

Content Area: Algebra

Difficulty: Hard

Complexity: Moderate

Correct answer is **C**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*C	35%
A	31%
B	18%
D	14%
Omitted	2%

Question 9, MACC.4.MD.1.2

Description: Determine distance between centers of adjacent squares

Content Area: Geometry

Difficulty: Medium

Complexity: Moderate

Correct answer is **B**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*B	47%
A	34%
C	5%
D	12%
Omitted	2%

Question 10, MACC.4.MD.1.1**Description:** Identify appropriate unit for measuring length**Content Area:** Measurement**Difficulty:** Easy**Complexity:** LowCorrect answer is **A**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*A	84%
B	3%
C	11%
D	1%
Omitted	1%

Question 11, MACC.4.NF.1.2, MACC.4.NF.2.3a, MACC.4.NF.2.3b, MACC.4.NF.2.3c, and MACC.4.NF.2.3d**Description:** Determine spinner with greater probability of an outcome**Content Area:** Data Analysis and Probability**Difficulty:** Hard**Complexity:** Moderate**Solution:****Sample Correct Response:**

Correct answer: Spinner A

Explanation:

On Spinner A, 3 out of the 6 regions are blue, giving a probability of $\frac{3}{6}$, which equals $\frac{1}{2}$.

On Spinner B, 1 out of the 3 regions is blue, giving a probability of $\frac{1}{3}$.

An acceptable explanation must address either:

- probability or area for both spinners, or
- the probability or area for one spinner with a comparison to the other spinner (the comparison cannot be to the number of sections in the spinner).

Note(s):

An explanation based only on the number of sections is incorrect.

Question 11, continued

Score & Description

Correct

Correct oval filled in with acceptable explanation

Partial 1

Correct oval filled in with incomplete explanation

Partial 2

Neither oval filled in with acceptable explanation

Partial 3

Incorrect oval filled in with acceptable explanation that supports the choice of Spinner A

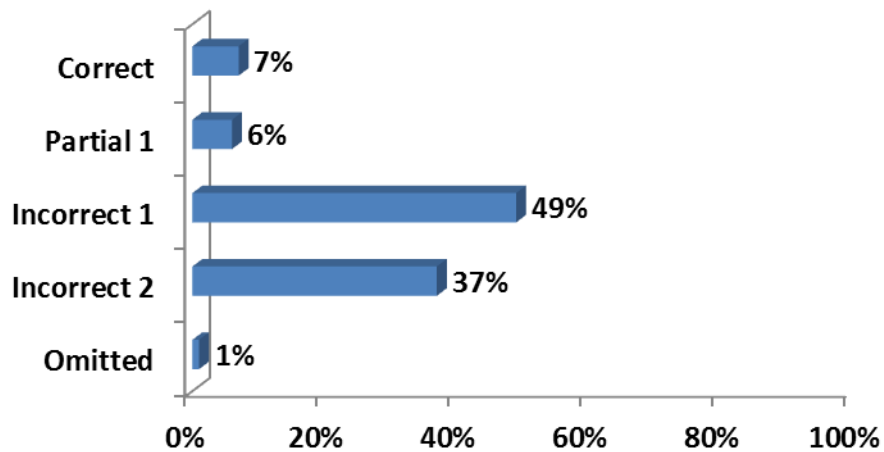
Incorrect 1

Correct oval filled in with no explanation or incorrect explanation

Incorrect 2

Other incorrect responses

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Question 12, MACC.4.G.1.1 and MACC.4.G.1.2

Description: Divide a square into various shapes

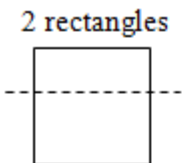
Content Area: Geometry

Difficulty: Medium

Complexity: High

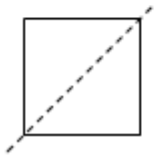
Solution:

Sample Correct Response:

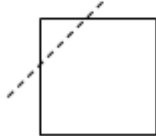


Any three of the following:

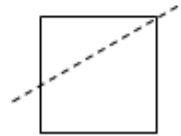
2 triangles



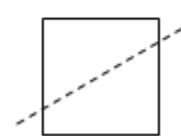
A triangle and a pentagon



A triangle and a quadrilateral



2 quadrilaterals



Score & Description

Extended

Correct response

Satisfactory

Shows 3 different possibilities

Partial

Shows 2 different possibilities

Minimal

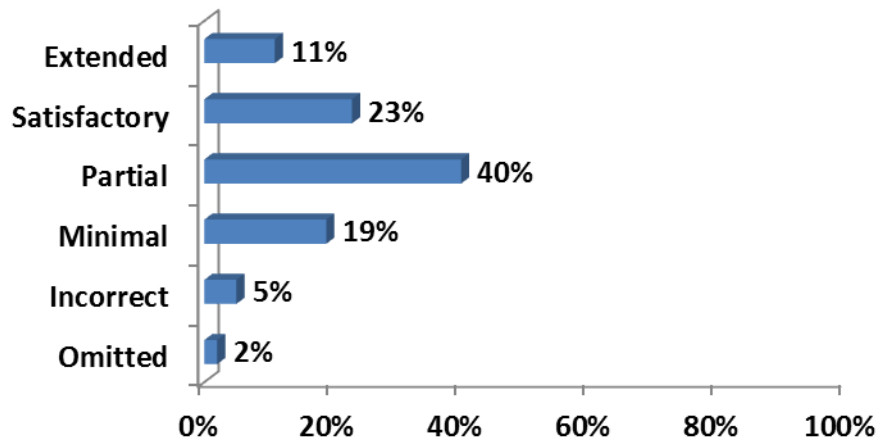
Shows 1 possibility

Incorrect

Incorrect response

Question 12, continued

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GRADE 4 SCIENCE

Alignment to Florida's Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS) and Answers to NAEP Sample Questions

Question 1, NGSSS.SC.4.L.16.4

Description: Identify the organism with a change in habitat from young to adult

Difficulty: Easy

Content Area/Science Practices: Life Science, Identifying Science Principles

Correct answer is **C**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*C	85%
A	4%
B	3%
D	7%
Omitted	1%

Question 2, NGSSS.SC.3.L.15.1

Description: Identify the organism with the type of life cycle

Difficulty: Easy

Content Area: Life Science, Identifying Science Principles

Correct answer is **B**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*B	75%
A	8%
C	9%
D	7%
Omitted	1%

Question 3, NGSSS.SC.4.L.17.4 and NGSSS.SC.4.E.6.3

Description: Explain change in volume due to evaporation

Difficulty: Easy

Content Area/Sciences Practices: Physical Science, Using Science Principles

Score & Description

Complete

Student response indicates that the water evaporated or boiled. Response also indicates that the water went into the atmosphere.

Partial

Student response indicates that the water evaporated or boiled.

OR

Student response indicates that the water went into the atmosphere.

Unsatisfactory/Incorrect

Student response is inadequate or incorrect.

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*Complete	53%
Partial	25%
Unsatisfactory/Incorrect	18%
Omitted	4%

Question 4, NGSSS.SC.4.E.6.5

Description: Identify the best tool to measure rainfall

Difficulty: Easy

Content Area/Science Practices: Earth and Space Sciences, Identifying Science Principles

Correct answer is **B**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*B	89%
A	4%
C	1%
D	5%
Omitted	1%

Question 5, NGSSS.SC.5.E.7.3**Description:** Explain example of heat (thermal energy) transfer**Difficulty:** Easy**Content Area:** Physical Science, Using Science PrinciplesCorrect answer is **D**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*D	67%
A	15%
B	11%
C	7%

Question 6, NGSSS.SC.3.E.5.2 and NGSSS.SC.3.E.6.1**Description:** Recognize that light is a form of energy**Difficulty:** Medium**Content Area:** Physical Science, Identifying Science PrinciplesCorrect answer is **D**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*D	57%
A	14%
B	6%
C	22%

Question 7, NGSSS.SC.4.E.6.4**Description:** Design an investigation to find the volume of a container**Difficulty:** Hard**Content Area:** Physical Science, Using Scientific InquiryCorrect answer is **C**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*C	32%
A	16%
B	25%
D	24%
Omitted	3%

Question 8, NGSSS.SC.4.P.11.2**Description:** Recognize the best conductor of electricity**Difficulty:** Medium**Content Area:** Physical Science, Identifying Science PrinciplesCorrect answer is **B**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*B	84%
A	5%
C	3%
D	8%
Omitted	1%

Question 9, NGSSS.SC.5.P.9.1

Description: Recognize an example of a change of state

Difficulty: Easy

Content Area: Physical Science, Identifying Science Principles

Correct answer is **D**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*D	82%
A	5%
B	8%
C	6%

Question 10, NGSSS.SC.5.P.10.1, NGSSS.SC.5.P.10.4, and NGSSS.SC.5.P.11.1

Description: Classify an observation as an example of erosion

Difficulty: Hard

Content Area/Sciences Practices: Earth and Space Sciences, Identifying Science Principles

Correct answer is **B**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*B	30%
A	24%
C	10%
D	36%
Omitted	1%

Question 11, NGSSS.SC.3.P.9.1

Description: Decide how to make a closed circuit

Difficulty: Hard

Content Area/Sciences Practices: Physical Science, Using Science Principles

Correct answer is **D**

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*D	30%
A	32%
B	13%
C	24%
Omitted	1%

Question 12, NGSSS.SC.3.P.9.1

Description: Explain choice of material based on protection of the environment

Difficulty: Medium

Content Area/Sciences Practices: Earth and Space Science, Using Technological Design

Score & Description

Complete

Student response indicates one type of grocery bag and correctly explains why using this type of bag helps protect the environment. Response indicates reusing, recycling, or biodegradation of the bags, as appropriate.

OR

Student response indicates one type of grocery bag and correctly explains why not using bags made of one of the other materials helps protect the environment.

Unsatisfactory/Incorrect

Student response is inadequate or incorrect.

Answers	Percent chosen by Florida's participating students
*Complete	59%
Unsatisfactory/Incorrect	40%
Omitted	1%

Question 13, NGSSS.SC.3.N.1.7, NGSSS.SC.3.P.8.2, and NGSSS.SC.4.P.8.1

Description: Predict and explain the phenomenon based on evaporation

Difficulty: Medium

Content Area/Sciences Practices: Physical Science, Using Science Principles

Score & Description

Complete

Student response selects (A) Cup A and either indicates that the water in Cup A evaporated less because the temperature in the room is warmer than in the refrigerator, or indicates that the water in Cup A expands as it freezes.

OR

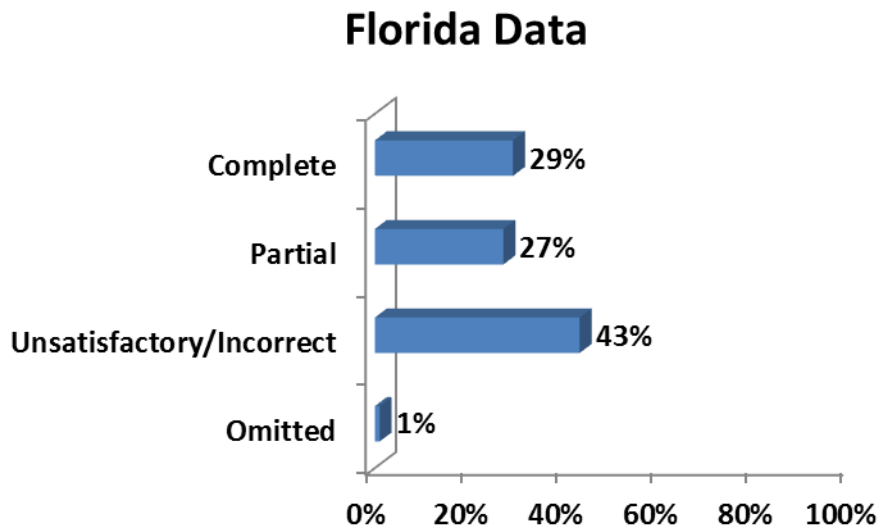
Student response selects (B) Cup B and indicates that the water in Cup B evaporated more because the air in the refrigerator is drier than in the room.

Partial

Student response is partially correct.

Unsatisfactory/Incorrect

Student response is inadequate or incorrect.



Question 14, NGSSS.SC.3.N.1.1, NGSSS.SC.3.N.1.2, NGSSS.SC.3.N.1.3, NGSSS.SC.4.N.1.1, and NGSSS.SC.4.N.1.2

Description: Choose and critique setups for investigating the growth of plants

Difficulty: Hard

Content Area/Sciences Practices: Life Science, Using Scientific Inquiry

Score & Description

Complete

Student response selects (B) and indicates that Carmen varied the amount of sunlight and kept the amount of water added and the temperature of the environment the same. Response also indicates that Michael could learn how temperature affects plant growth.

Essential

Student response selects (B) and indicates that Carmen varied the amount of sunlight and kept the amount of water added and the temperature of the environment the same.

OR

Student response selects (B) and indicates that Carmen varied the amount of sunlight. Response also indicates that Michael could learn how temperature affects plant growth.

OR

Student response selects (B) and indicates that Carmen kept the amount of water added and the temperature of the environment the same. Response also indicates that Michael could learn how temperature affects plant growth.

OR

Student response selects (B) and indicates that Michael could learn how temperature affects plant growth.

Partial

Student response selects (B) and indicates that Carmen varied the amount of sunlight.

OR

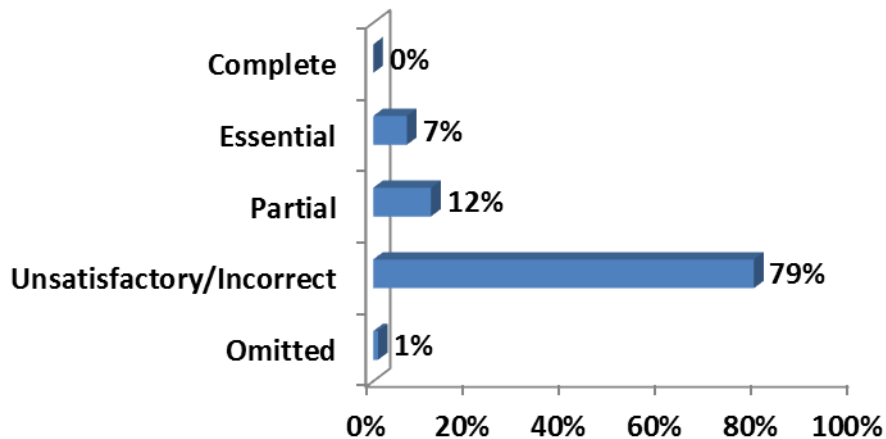
Student response selects (B) and indicates that Carmen kept the amount of water added and the temperature of the environment the same.

Unsatisfactory/Incorrect

Student response is inadequate or incorrect.

Question 14 continued

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Question 15, NGSSS.SC.3.N.1.1, NGSSS.SC.3.N.1.2, NGSSS.SC.4.N.1.1, and NGSSS.SC.4.N.1.2

Description: Design investigation to compare types of bird food

Difficulty: Hard

Content Area/Sciences Practices: Life Science, Using Scientific Inquiry

Score & Description

Complete

Student response describes a complete investigation whose objective is to count the number of birds that go to each type of food in a particular time period. Investigation consists of five components: 1) using two containers that are the same type, 2) testing both types of food, keeping them separate from each other, 3) placing the containers in the same location, 4) counting the number of birds seen eating the seeds, and 5) observing for the same amount of time.

Satisfactory

Student response describes four components of an investigation whose objective is to count the number of birds that go to each type of food in a particular time period.

OR

Student response describes a valid investigation or five components of an investigation whose objective is to compare the amount of each type of bird food that remains after a certain time period. This investigation does not get full credit because some birds may eat more than other birds. Investigation consists of six components: 1) using two containers that are the same type, 2) testing both types of food, keeping them separate from each other, 3) placing containers in the same location, 4) using the same amount of each type of seed, 5) measuring the amount of each type of food remaining, and 6) observing for the same amount of time.

Essential

Student response describes two or three components of an investigation whose objective is to count the number of birds that go to each type of food in a particular time period.

OR

Student response describes three or four components of an investigation whose objective is to compare the amount of each type of bird food that remains after a certain time period.

Partial

Student response describes one component of an investigation whose objective is to count the number of birds that go to each type of food in a particular time period.

OR

Student response describes one or two components of an investigation whose objective is to compare the amount of each type of bird food that remains after a certain time period.

Unsatisfactory/Incorrect

Student response is inadequate or incorrect.

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