

FCAT Reading Grade 3			2009	2008	2007
Benchmark	New Benchmark Alignment	Content Focus	Number of Points Possible	Number of Points Possible	Number of Points Possible
Cluster 1: Words and Phrases in Context					
A123	LA.3.1.6.9	Analysis/inferences	4		
A123	A169/166	Analyze words/text		3	4
A123	LA.3.1.6.8	Antonyms	1		1
A123	LA.3.1.6.9	Multiple meanings	2	1	1
A123	LA.3.1.6.8	Synonyms	2	4	2
A123		Word relationships			1
Reporting Cluster Point Total			9	8	9
Cluster 2: Main Idea, Plot, and Purpose					
A221	LA.3.1.7.3	Chronological order	3	4	1
A221	LA.3.1.7.3	Details/facts	4	9	9
A221	LA.3.1.7.3	Main idea/essential message	7	4	3
A222	LA.3.1.7.2	Author's purpose	2	2	2
E122 ¹	LA.3.2.1.2	Character development	1		
E122 ¹	LA.3.2.1.2	Conflict/conflict resolution	2		1
E122 ¹	LA.3.2.1.2	Plot development	5	3	1
Reporting Cluster Point Total			24	22	17
Cluster 3: Comparisons and Cause/Effect					
A227	LA.3.1.7.7	Comparison	1	1	2
A227	LA.3.1.7.7	Contrast	1	2	3
E123	LA.3.1.7.7	Similarities/differences (characters)	2		
E123		Similarities/differences (within or among characters)			6
E123	A177	Similarities/differences (within or among events)		1	
E221	LA.3.1.7.4	Cause/effect	5	6	6
Reporting Cluster Point Total			9	10	17
Cluster 4: Reference and Research					
A228	LA.3.6.1.1	Interpret graphical information	1	1	
A228	LA.3.6.1.1	Reference information (synthesizing multiple sources)	2	3	
A228	A611	Reference information (within text)		1	2
Reporting Cluster Point Total			3	5	2