

TEXT DEPENDENT ANALYSIS (TDA) QUICK GUIDE

[TDA Toolkit: Research - SAS](#)

RESEARCH		NOTES
TDA prompts move students beyond basic reading comprehension.	The Need for a Shift in Instruction and Curriculum	
BASIC UNDERSTANDING– TDA 101		NOTES
What is a TDA prompt?	Understanding TDA	
How are TDA prompts constructed? (Examples are grades 6 and 7)	Anatomy of a TDA	
RESOURCES		NOTES
TDA prompts utilize complex texts.	Selecting Complex Texts for Text Dependent Analysis	
PSSA ELA Glossary (Relevant vocabulary used in TDA prompts) and Eligible Content (skills/concepts assessed on the PSSA)	PSSA ELA Glossary and Download PSSA and PASA Anchors and Eligible Content - SAS	
INSTRUCTION		NOTES
How to go beyond comprehension questions and encourage deeper analysis and reflection.	TDA Collective Discussions	
How to identify literary elements and structures.	Text Dependent Analysis: Reading Texts and Structures	
How to start to read a text and prepare to answer a TDA.	Close Reading Questions Leading to Text Dependent Analysis	
How to annotate reading.	Purposeful Annotations for Text Dependent Analysis (TDA)	
How to provide <u>evidence</u> , draw <u>inferences</u> , and support an <u>analysis</u> .	Recognizing the Difference between Inference and Analysis	
How to construct a TDA response step-by-step.	Modeling a Text Dependent Analysis Response	

<u>ANAYLZING STUDENT WORK</u>		NOTES
Learning progressions of student responses.	TDA Student Work Analysis	
<u>INSTRUCTION GUIDES, RESOURCES, and SAMPLES by GRADE LEVEL</u>		NOTES
Grades K-2	Grades K-2 Annotated Student Work	
Grades 3-8	TDA Toolkit: Instructional Prompt Guides with Annotated Student Responses, Close Reading Lessons, and Replacement Units - SAS	

PCS-based PSSA ELA Blueprint: Percent of the Core by Reporting Category by Grade

Cluster	Reporting Category	Grade					
		3	4	5	6	7	8
Reading	A	33%–47%	24%–37%	24%–37%	24%–37%	24%–37%	24%–37%
	B	33%–47%	24%–37%	24%–37%	24%–37%	24%–37%	24%–37%
Conventions of Standard English (Writing)	D	20%	14%	14%	14%	14%	14%
TDA (Reading/ Writing)	E*		25%	25%	25%	25%	25%
All Areas Total		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

* Reflects the impact of weighted values for TDA items

PCS-based PSSA ELA Blueprint: Points by Reporting Category by Grade

Cluster	Reporting Category	Grade					
		3	4	5	6	7	8
Reading	A	15–21 pts	15–23 pts	15–23 pts	15–23 pts	15–23 pts	15–23 pts
	B	15–21 pts	15–23 pts	15–23 pts	15–23 pts	15–23 pts	15–23 pts
Conventions of Standard English (Writing)	D	9 pts	9 pts	9 pts	9 pts	9 pts	9 pts
TDA (Reading/ Writing)	E*		16 pts	16 pts	16 pts	16 pts	16 pts
All Areas Total Core		45 pts	63 pts	63 pts	63 pts	63 pts	63 pts

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