



Supporting the growth of *each* and *every* Gwinnett writer.

2023-24 Middle School Census Field Test Content Domains

The purpose of this document is to provide guidance to teachers in planning instruction to prepare students for the **Census Field Test** for the 2023-2024 school year. Middle school writing prompts are developed to allow students to demonstrate mastery of the Gwinnett County AKS. The 6th grade **Gwinnett Writes Assessment** will include **ONE** of the **POSSIBLE** options from **EACH** of the content **domains** and **AKS** provided below.

The student will select **ONE** topic from the choice board. The choice is made **prior** to seeing the full prompt and may not be changed once the choice is submitted and the assessment has begun.

	Option 1	Option 2
Language Arts Domains	Argumentative Writing	Expository Writing
Foundational Concepts related to the domain.	<p>HMH Theme: Discovering Your Voice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence. <p>Introduce claim(s) and organize the reasons and evidence clearly. Support claim(s) with clear reasons and relevant evidence, using credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text. Use words, phrases, and clauses to clarify the relationships among claim(s) and reasons. Establish and maintain a formal style. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from the argument presented.</p>	<p>HMH Theme: Discovering Your Voice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content. <p>Introduce a topic, develop the topic with relevant facts, details, quotations, or other information and examples. Use appropriate transitions, domain-specific vocabulary, and documents to clarify details or support claims. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from the information or explanation presented.</p>
Science Domains	Hydrology	Meteorology
Foundational Concepts related to the domain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information to recognize the significant role of water in Earth processes. Construct an argument weighing the benefits and drawbacks of water conservation practices and issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information about how the sun, land, and water affect climate and weather. Construct an explanation that analyzes and interprets data to compare and contrast the composition of Earth's atmospheric layers and greenhouse gasses.
Social Studies Domains	Canada	Latin America
Foundational Concepts related to the domain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the relationship between investment in capital goods (factories, machinery, and technology) and gross domestic product (including GDP per capita). Describe the role of natural resources in Canada's economy. Describe the role of entrepreneurship. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the causes, effects and solutions of air pollution in Mexico City, Mexico by identifying and explaining the issues and/or problems and alternative solutions. Explain the causes, effects and solutions of the destruction/ deforestation of the rain forest in Brazil by identifying and explaining the issues and/or problems and alternative solutions.