

Student Checklist for Prose Constructed Responses

Third Grade Research Simulation Task

First, figure out the task.

The research simulation task will ask you to write about two different texts.

They may be about the same topic or idea.

Read the directions carefully, then start by making sure you know what you need to do.

I need to figure out _____

<p>Reading Comprehension <i>What are the important ideas in each text? What information supports them?</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> I figured out what the important ideas in each text are. <input type="checkbox"/> I identified information that supports the ideas in each text. <input type="checkbox"/> I used those ideas and facts in my response to the task. <input type="checkbox"/> If the task asked me to combine information, then I chose the most important information from each source to use. <input type="checkbox"/> If the task asked me to compare information from two texts, I identified the ideas and information that are alike in the texts. <input type="checkbox"/> If the task asked me to contrast two texts, I identified ideas and information that are different between them.
<p>Writing to Explain <i>I organized my response to stay focused on important ideas and information. I included good examples.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> I organized an essay that responds to the task. <input type="checkbox"/> I wrote a clear introduction that told what I would explain in my essay. <input type="checkbox"/> I focused each paragraph on one part of my response. <input type="checkbox"/> I included examples and details to support each point I made. <input type="checkbox"/> I used linking words to connect ideas and parts. <input type="checkbox"/> I wrote a clear conclusion.
<p>Conventions <i>My spelling and punctuation help keep my ideas clear.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> I capitalized the first word in a sentence and any proper noun. <input type="checkbox"/> I used quotation marks if I included a quote. <input type="checkbox"/> I spelled most words correctly.