

Information Competency Outcomes Mapped to Test Items: Standard 1

Test Items	Outcome(s) Assessed	Combined Points	Test Sect/Item
We need information when we want to: (MC) 1 pt.	1.1.1 Identifies a research topic or other information need.	1 pt.	A. 1.
You need to research an aspect of the topic "education in public schools"? Which one of the following would be an appropriate research question? (MC) 1 pt. Next, take your narrowed topic and pose it as a research question you might address in this 3-5 page paper. 6 pts.	1.1.2 Formulates appropriate question(s) based on information need or research topic.	7 pts.	A. 2. B. 2.
You are writing a paper for your ecology class. You first need information defining the term "watershed." What is your best choice for getting some brief background information? (MC) 1pt. In 2 or 3 sentences, describe the steps you took to develop your narrowed topic. 6 pts.	1.1.3 Effectively uses background information sources to increase familiarity with the topic.	7 pts.	A. 3. B. 1.b.
Your research question is: "Do elementary school students receive adequate science instruction in California public schools?" How could you broaden this question? Write an example of a broader research question: (short answer) 2 pts. Your instructor has given you the broad subject civil rights in American and an assignment to write a 3-5 page research paper on some aspect of this topic. Narrow this subject to a manageable topic for the assignment. 6 pts	1.1.4 Modifies the information need or research question to achieve a manageable focus	8 pts.	A. 45. B. 1.a.
Which group of keywords best describes the information need for the following assignment: "Prepare a presentation about the gains achieved by women in the 1980s"? (MC) 1pt. You've been given the assignment to write a 3-5 page research paper on the following topic: Should colleges be allowed to restrict student speech? Name the 3 key concepts represented by the topic. 6 pts.	1.1.5 Identifies key concepts and terms that represent the information need or research topic question.	7 pts.	A. 4. B. 3. a.1- c.1
You are training to become a dental hygienist. Which source might offer you the best first-hand introduction into a new method of cleaning teeth? (MC) 1 pt.	1.2.1 Identifies the value and differences of potential resources in a variety of formats (e.g., multimedia, database, web site, data set, audio/visual, book).	1 pt.	A. 5.

<p>a. Popular periodicals like <i>Newsweek</i> usually contain many advertisements. What are two other characteristics of popular periodicals?</p> <p>b. Scholarly periodicals like <i>American Sociological Review</i> usually contain very few advertisements. What are two other characteristics of scholarly periodicals? (short answer) 2 pts. each=4 pts.</p> <hr/> <p>Find 3 relevant sources for this topic. Carefully select your sources based on standard evaluation criteria for college research papers. Why did you choose this particular source? In 2 or 3 sentences, explain your reasons? 3 pts. each = 9 pts.</p>	1.2.2 Identifies the purpose and audience of potential resources (e.g., popular vs. scholarly, current vs. historical).	13 pts.	A. 43. and A. 44
<p>Which of the following is NOT a secondary source? (MC) 1 pt.</p> <hr/> <p>What is an example of a primary source of information? 2 pts. (short answer)</p>	1.2.3 Differentiates between primary and secondary sources, recognizing how their use and importance vary with each discipline.	12 pts.	A. 6. & A39
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<p>You need to read the novel <i>Prodigal Summer</i> by Barbara Kingsolver, but the book is checked out from your college library. You don't have the money to buy it from the bookstore, so how can you get a library copy of the book? (short answer) 2 pts.</p> <hr/> <p>In addition to the three sources above describe in two or three sentences what additional research steps you might take to adequately address the research question. (short answer) 7pts</p>	1.3.1.Determines the availability of needed information and makes decisions on broadening the information search beyond local resources	9 pts.	A. 42
<p>Match the activities below to the appropriate step of the research process. Step 1 – preparations; step 2 – collection information; step 3 – creating the final product. (matching) 1 pt. each = 7 pts.</p>	1.3.2. Determines a realistic overall plan and timeline to acquire the needed information	7 pts.	B. 5
			A. 33. a-g.