

NUMERACY EXAM FAQ

What is the Numeracy Exam?

The numeracy exam is one of two new exams that were brought in with the new curriculum replacing the previous provincial exams. The second exam is the literacy exam that will come into effect in two years. The numeracy assessment will ask critical thinking and problem-solving questions within relevant contexts and scenarios.

Who must write the exam?

We are asking that **all grade 10 and 11 students taking mathematics in this semester** write the exam in January. **Jan 24th for grade 10's , Jan 25th for grade 11's**. The remaining grade 10 and 11 students will write in June. Every student will have multiple opportunities to write the exam again in later years if they are not satisfied with their progress.

What is the format?

The assessment is divided into three sections:

- **Common Component:** 24 questions answered online by all students
- **Student Choice Component:** 2 paper based long answer questions. The questions stem out of the information and work the student will have completed in the core component. Students get to pick 2 of 4 possible questions, based on their interest, and take their analysis deeper.
- **Self-Reflection component:** Answered online (not marked)

Does this exam affect your student's math mark?

The Numeracy assessment will not affect your student's math mark. The exam is marked out of 5 and this mark is recorded on their transcript.

How does one study for this exam?

The math department has been working with its students to help review and explain this new means of assessment. If you are wanting to review at home the ministry of education has created a sample exam with some helpful videos on their website.

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial-assessment/graduation/numeracy>

Additionally the math department is running a quick review with support on Monday January 22nd in the afternoon in the library.

If you have additional questions, feel free to email Mr. Ben King @ bking@sd43.bc.ca

