

# NUMERACY EXAM FAQ 2018/2019

## What is the Numeracy Exam?

The numeracy exam is one of three new exams that were brought in with the new curriculum replacing the previous provincial exams. The other two proposed exams are the literacy 10 and 12 exams that will come into effect next year. The numeracy assessment asks critical thinking and problem-solving questions within relevant contexts and scenarios.

## Who writes the exam?

**All grade 10 students taking mathematics in the fall semester** write the exam in January. The remaining grade 10 students will write in June. Every Student can write the exam twice more if they are not satisfied with the result.

## What is the format of the exam?

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 in this section follow from the information and work the student will have completed in the Common 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 school-based math mark. The final mark is recorded on the student's transcript as a separate line item.

The exam is marked on a proficiency scale with 4 categories. ([link](#))

## How does one study for this exam?

If you are wanting to review at home the ministry of education has created a website with some helpful videos and sample exams.

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

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