

Maine Through Year Assessment Grades 6 – 8

Online Item Type Sampler Answer Key

Reading

Sequence	Grade	Key	Points
1.	7	paragraph 4	1
2.	7	Part A: It takes time for enough pressure to rebuild below ground. Part B: Once that has happened, the waters cool and trickle back underground. The cycle restarts.	2
		Part A Only	1
3.	7	something that is huge and powerful	1
4.	7	Not at all—the author does not develop or support the claim with evidence.	1
5.	7	by explaining that magma from the hotspot heats the water that erupts from geysers and that lava from the hotspot’s volcanic activity has enriched the soil	1
6.	6	Both describe the setting where part of the action takes place.	1
7.	6	formed by hollowing out	1
8.	6	Early mornings are best on the khlongs. / Few people travel to the market / As early as Mae and I do. We make our traditional Thai hats together at home / By weaving the dried leaves of the ola palm / Into a crisscross pattern over a bamboo frame.	2
		One correct and one incorrect	1
9.	6	Mae finds every opportunity to teach me about / Our people, our culture, and Thailand’s history. “Just like my grandmother taught me,” Mae says / As she shows me how to weave. “Someday, far into the future, you’ll tell your children / About our days gliding along the khlong	2
		Two correct and one incorrect	1
10.	6	Part A: He is proud of the work he put into making his birdhouse. Part B: He set it atop a wooden box, up just a little higher than all the other items on the table.	2
		Part A Only	1
11.	6	Jesse is able to negotiate a price for building another birdhouse for Ms. Greene.	1
12.	6	argue over price	1
13.	6	Ms. Greene will likely buy items from Jesse and sell them in her shop.	1
14.	6	Both expect to sell out of the items they brought.	1
15.	6	BOTH To the Market BOTH The Birdhouse	2
		Three correct and one incorrect Two correct and two incorrect	1