



### Grade 3 Level C - *Emerging*

Third grade students performing at the **Emerging** level demonstrate limited understanding of the knowledge and skills assessed on the Level C PASA. Based on a paragraph of informational and/or narrative text (written below grade level readability) read aloud to them, they may be able to:

- ✓ identify the meaning of simple words and phrases, and
- ✓ answer basic literal questions.

### Grade 3 Level C - *Novice*

Third grade students performing at the **Novice** level are generally able to do the following based on a paragraph of informational and/or narrative text (written below grade level readability) read aloud to them:

- ✓ identify the central message or main idea,
- ✓ identify the meaning of simple words using prefixes, suffixes, and roots,
- ✓ identify the literal and non-literal meaning of simple phrases, and
- ✓ answer basic literal questions.

### Grade 3 Level C - *Proficient*

Third grade students performing at the **Proficient** level are able to perform almost all of the knowledge and skills that define Novice performance. In addition, based on a paragraph of informational and/or narrative text (written below grade level readability) read aloud to them, they are generally able to:

- ✓ order and retell two events,
- ✓ identify one or two key ideas,
- ✓ identify one action of a stated character,
- ✓ identify the literal and non-literal meaning of words and phrases using context, and
- ✓ answer literal questions.

### Grade 3 Level C - *Advanced*

Third grade students performing at the **Advanced** level are able to perform almost all of the knowledge and skills that define Proficient and Novice performance. In addition, based on a paragraph of informational and/or narrative text (written below grade level readability) read aloud to them, they are generally able to:

- ✓ order and retell three or more details and events,
- ✓ identify two or more key ideas,
- ✓ identify the meaning of multiple-meaning words using context, and
- ✓ answer non-literal questions.