

## **Provincial Assessment at Grade 4 Assessment Results 2017 - 2018**

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The Provincial Assessment at Grade 4 includes mathematics, scientific literacy, and English Reading and French second language reading.

In keeping with the Department's assessment development protocol, test items were developed and selected in 2014-15 by groups of experienced New Brunswick educators, including Grade 4 classroom teachers and subject matter experts. Field testing of assessment items was completed in the spring of 2016. Development was delayed in 2016-17 due to staffing shortages. In 2017-18, items from the field test were analyzed and selected for inclusion in the provincial pilot, conducted in May 2017-18.

Pilot data are not released as the assessment is considered to be in a draft stage. The information obtained is used to select and refine the assessment items and set initial cut points. These may be adjusted after the implementation year if needed.