# MCA-IV Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments-Series IV



**Science Test Book** 

All Grades MCA Paper Student Readiness Tool



### **Symbols on the Test**

You will see the following symbols in your test book:

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This symbol means you can continue answering questions on the next page.



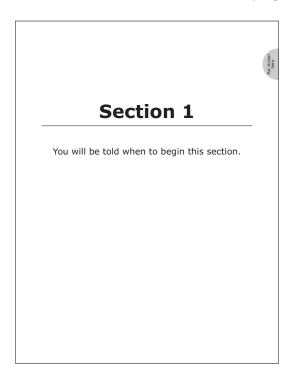
This symbol means you have finished a section of the test. You must wait until you are told to go to the next section.



This symbol indicates where to place the sticker given to you by the Test Monitor to seal a finished section.

### **Science Test Book General Information**

- Your science test will consist of two books: Phenomena Book and Test Book.
   Read the information in the phenomena book to help you answer questions in the test book.
- Your test book contains different sections. Section pages look like this:



- You can write notes in your test book or on scratch paper, but you must answer each question in the test book.
- You may use a handheld calculator for some questions.
- Your test book will include multiple choice, constructed response, multiple response, and fill-in-the-blank questions.

# Sample Questions: Pond Ecosystem

Use the information in the SRT phenomena book to review the following sample questions.

For multiple choice questions, circle the answer in your test book. The sample below shows you how to do this.

### **Sample Question**

Based on the information in Tab A, which organisms from the pond ecosystem have shells?



- A. Fish
- **B.**) Snails
- **C.** Leeches
- D. Ducks

For constructed response questions, write your answer on the lines provided in your test book. The sample below shows you how to do this.

### **Sample Question**

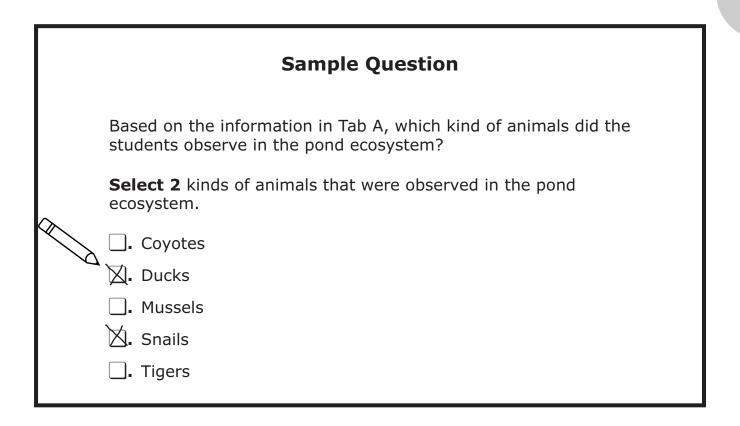
Using the information in Tab B, explain how the water cycle affects the pond.

In your response, be sure to do the following:

- Describe each part of the water cycle
- Describe how the water cycle affects the pond

The water cycle consists of evaporation.
The water cycle consists of condensation.
The water cycle consists of precipitation.
The water cycle affects the pond.
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For multiple response questions, select your answers by marking the boxes provided. The sample below shows you how to do this.

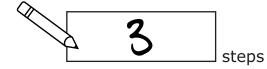


For fill-in-the-blank questions, you will need to write the answer in the box provided. The sample below shows you how to do this.

### **Sample Question**

Based on the information in Tab B, how many steps are included in the water cycle picture made by the student?

Enter your answer in the box.



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# **Practice Questions: Pet Species**

Use the information in the SRT phenomena book to practice answering the following questions.

### **Practice**

Using Tab A of the SRT phenomena book, practice answering this multiple response question by marking the boxes next to Sphynx, Siamese, and American Shorthair.

1.	Based on the information in Tab A, which breeds belong to the cat species?
	Select 3 kinds of breeds that belong to the cat species.
	□. Sphynx
	■. Beta
	□. Siamese
	□. Dalmatian
	. American Shorthair

### **Practice**

Using Tab A and Tab B of the SRT phenomena book, practice answering this constructed response question by writing your answer on the lines.

2.	Using the information in Tab A and Tab B, identify your favorite pet species and explain why.
	In your response, be sure to do the following:
	<ul><li>Identify your favorite pet species</li><li>Explain why this species is your favorite</li></ul>

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# **Pet Species**

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### **Practice**

Using Tab B of the SRT phenomena book, practice answering this multiple choice question by circling option A.

- **3.** Based on the information in Tab B, which species of pet is most popular among the students?
  - A. Dogs
  - **B.** Fish
  - C. Cats
  - **D.** Birds

### **Practice**

Using Tab B of the SRT phenomena book, practice answering this fill-in-the-blank question by writing the sum 15 into the box provided.

4.	Based on the information in Tab B, how many students own both dog	JS
	and fish?	

Enter your answer in the box.





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