



Communicating About CAASPP: Parent Guides

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Overview of Module

- Overview of the Parent Guide
- Content
- Structure/Format
- Potential Uses



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- Provide overview of Smarter Balanced Assessments and student expectations for ELA and mathematics.
- Grade-span specific:
 - Grades 3–5
 - Grades 6–8
 - Grade 11



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- Provide sample test items in ELA and mathematics:
 - Represent various levels of student achievement.
 - Illustrate emphasis on critical thinking and problem solving skills needed for college and the 21st Century job market.



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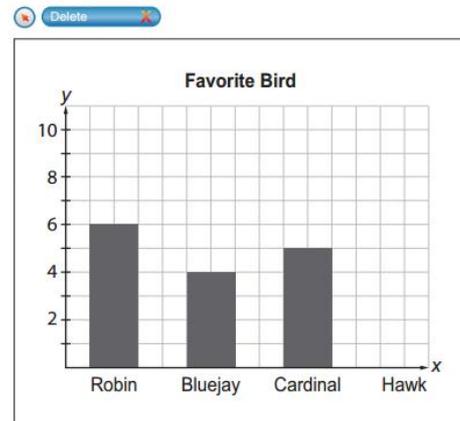
Parent Guides – Excerpt from Grade 3–5

Grade Three Sample Test Item—Problem Solving & Modeling/Data Analysis Achievement Level: Standard Met

Grade Three

Mr. Lowe asked his students to vote for their favorite bird. A total of 22 students voted.

Bird	Votes
Robin	
Bluejay	
Cardinal	
Hawk	



Click above Hawk on the graph to show the number of students who chose it as their favorite bird.

Area

Problem Solving & Modeling/Data Analysis

Using appropriate tools and strategies to solve real world and mathematical problems

Standard(s)

Draw a scaled picture graph and a scaled bar graph to represent a data set with several categories. Solve one- and two-step “how many more” and “how many less” problems using information presented scaled bar graphs.

Answer

“Hawk” constructed to show 7 hawks.



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Parent Guides: Activity

- ***Silently*** read this document for the contents (suggested time is 2-3 minutes).
- Talk with your team about how you could use this document with parents and teachers at your school or school district (suggested time is 5-6 minutes).



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Parent Guides

- Available on CDE's CAASPP Web page
 - Spanish-language Parent Guides are also available
 - <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/sbacparentguides.asp>



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Thank you for watching!