

Anderson Literacy Tips

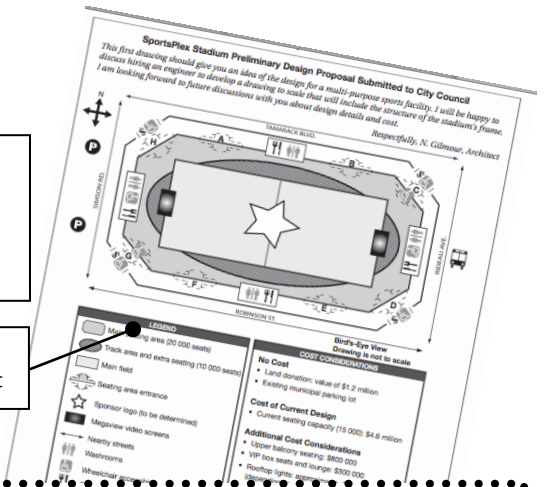
Reading Graphic Text

Question:

“ **Multiple-Choice** (Record the best or most correct answer on the Student Answer Sheet.)
 Example:
 On which side of the stadium is the parking located? ”

- Choose the **BEST/MOST CORRECT** answer.
 - NEVER LEAVE A QUESTION BLANK. Always guess at an answer.

All questions are related to information in the graphic text



Strategy:

Before Reading	Examine the titles, headings, captions and images. Start with the title. It tells you what the graphic is about.
	Recall what you already know about the topic or subject.
During Reading	Read all labels. The most important labels may be in capital letters, bold type, or a larger font.
	Follow the arrows and lines. They may be used to show direction, movement, or connections.
	Identify the relationships between the visuals and information presented.
	Look for use of symbols. Some graphics have a legend or key to explain specific symbols.
Answering	Read the question carefully. Look at all related areas in the graphic that can't help you answer.
	Always select an answer. If you do not know, guess.

Tips:

- SCAN the text for answers - your eyes move **all over the page** up, down, across - rather than just left to right.
- Read the question carefully before going back to the graphic text to find the answer. Know what information you are looking for.
- Keep the specific question in mind when scanning so you do not get overwhelmed by all the other information.
- Block out sections of the graphic text when attempting to answer a question so you are not distracted by the rest of the images and words on the page.
- Read one question at a time.

Example Graphic Text and Questions:

QUESTION – Asks about a symbol, first look in the legend.	What does the ☆ indicate? a A star is the city's trademark. b A company can advertise here. c The roof has a star-shaped opening. d "The Stars" is the name of the sports team.
ANSWER – Stated directly in the legend	b
Q - Look at all arrows in graphic. Determine which are being questioned.	The arrows surrounding the building a indicate the visitor parking area. b direct spectators to the entrances. c show the streets next to the stadium. d designate the roofline of the stadium.
A - Street names ('Rd., BLVD., AVE., ST.) show arrows' purpose.	c
Q - What does bird's-eye' mean? What would a bird see?	In this selection, "Bird's-Eye View" means a a scale view. b a detailed view. c a structural view. d an overhead view.
A - Answer not directly in graphic text – based on knowledge and thought	d
Q - Determine who is N. Gilmour. This information is not in the graphic/legend.	Which of the following details does N. Gilmour expect to be a topic for future discussions with city council? a the purchase of land b the availability of parking c the number of video screens d the cost of including VIP box seats
A - Use elimination. Under 'cost considerations', land is donated, there is existing parking, no video screens mentioned. Only VIP seats are correct	d

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The detailed graphic includes a site plan with a star in the center, surrounded by seating areas and entrances. It shows streets like Tamarack Blvd, Robinson St, Simson Rd, and Rideau Ave. A legend defines symbols for seating, entrances, logos, video screens, streets, and washrooms. A 'Bird's-Eye View' section shows the stadium's footprint. A 'COST CONSIDERATIONS' section lists land donation, current design costs, and additional considerations like balcony seating and rooftop lights.

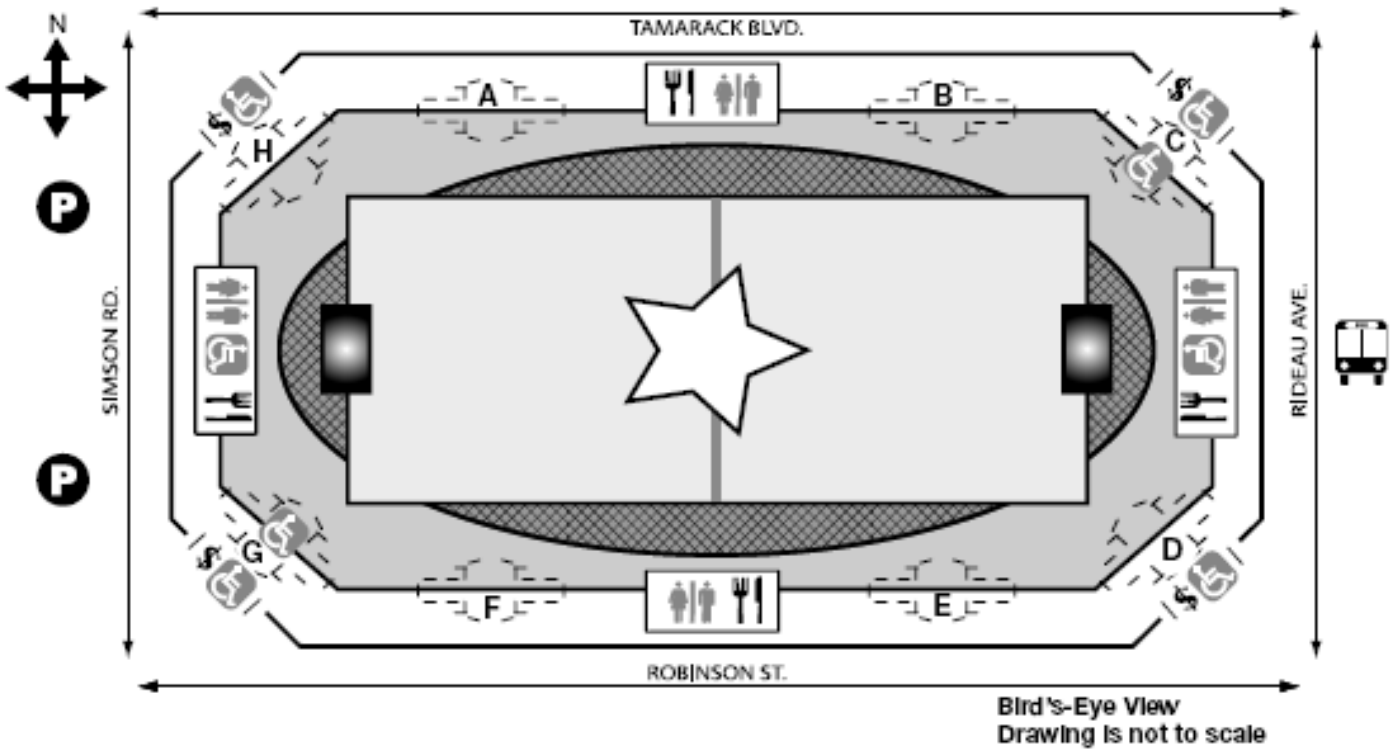
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LEGEND	
	Main seating area (20 000 seats)
	Track area and extra seating (10 000 seats)
	Main field
	Seating area entrance
	Sponsor logo (to be determined)
	Megaview video screens
	Nearby streets
	Washrooms
	Wheelchair accessible
	Concessions
	Ticket booth and stadium entrance/exit
	Parking
	Bus transportation

COST CONSIDERATIONS	
No Cost	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land donation: value of \$1.2 million • Existing municipal parking lot 	
Cost of Current Design	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current seating capacity (15 000): \$4.6 million 	
Additional Cost Considerations	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upper balcony seating: \$800 000 • VIP box seats and lounge: \$300 000 • Rooftop lights: approximately \$100 000 (depending on roof materials) 	