

## 2004 North Carolina Writing Grade 7

Tardies to class are disrupting instruction, leaving unfinished class work to be completed at home. Although rules and consequences were set at the beginning of the year, students are still arriving late.

Write an essay for your teacher in which you suggest a solution to the problem of tardies to class.

*As you write your essay for your teacher, be sure to:*

- Focus on a solution to the problem of tardies to class.
- Consider the purpose, audience, and context of your essay.
- Organize your essay so that your ideas progress logically.
- Include relevant details that clearly develop your essay.
- Edit your essay for standard grammar and language usage.

Use the blank sheet of paper given to you by your teacher to plan your essay. Anything you write on the blank sheet will not be scored. You must write the final copy of your essay in your test booklet.