



Sirius Online Matches the STAAR Redesign

Essential TEKS with Authentic STAAR Practice

Sirius helps schools **better align** their curriculum with *how* the TEKS are tested in STAAR. *Sirius Online* provides **scaffolded TEKS instruction** and **authentic STAAR practice** so students learn *exactly* what they need to know and do on test day.



















Sirius closely matches the STAAR-tested **rigor**. STAAR requires students *apply* TEKS—skills and concepts—to cognitively complex tasks. *Sirius Online* provides **Hints** and **actionable feedback** so students can master the rigorous STAAR-tested thinking.

Matches STAAR 2.0 in Rigor & Format

Sirius Online includes 25%+ **new question types** in all 20 STAAR-tested courses. And all RLA courses include **writing** which makes up 50% of the STAAR redesign tests.

Sirius Online includes the same **tools** and **features** as the STAAR testing platform. With a similar user experience, students will **perform confidently** on test day!

The screenshot displays the Sirius Online interface for a reading comprehension practice. On the left, a passage titled "from The Open Boat" by Stephen Crane is shown. A yellow callout "Same Tools and Features" points to the top toolbar which includes icons for Translate, Speak, Line Reader, Strikethrough, Highlight, Sticky Notes, Notepad, Mark for Review, Help, Settings, and Exit. Another yellow callout "Highlights" points to a highlighted sentence in the passage. A "Progress Bar" at the bottom left shows "Progress 7 of 15". On the right, a multiple-choice question asks for two correct answers based on paragraphs 21 and 22. A yellow callout "Scaffolded Instruction" points to the question text. A "Hint" box is open, providing a "REMEMBER" tip. A yellow callout "Feedback" points to a "Show Hint" button. Below the question, an "Incorrect" message is displayed, advising the user to review paragraphs and try again. A vertical sidebar on the right contains question numbers 2 through 13.

ONLINE ACCOMMODATION FEATURES		STAAR	Sirius Online	Others
	Text-to-speech allows the computer to read aloud the words on the screen to students.	✓	✓	?
TOOLS AND ACCESSIBILITY FEATURES				
	Line Reader helps students focus on specific lines of text.	✓	✓	?
	Strikethrough lets students cross out wrong answer choices.	✓	✓	?
	Highlighter lets students highlight text for later reference.	✓	✓	?
	Sticky Notes allow students to make notes for future use.	✓	✓	?
	Notepad lets students write text that can saved and copied	✓	✓	?
	Mark for Review lets students flag items for future review.	✓	✓	?
	Dictionary gives definitions with examples.	✓	✓	?
	References includes formulas and conversions	✓	✓	?
	Calculators includes Basic, Scientific, and Graphing calculators	✓	✓	?
	Rulers includes customary and metric rulers	✓	✓	?
	Graph Paper to plot points and draw lines on a grid space	✓	✓	?
	Help gives instructions for using all tools and buttons.	✓	✓	?
	Color lets students select from different color schemes.	✓	✓	?
ADDITIONAL SIRIUS ONLINE FEATURES				
	Translation gives text translations in 100+ languages.		✓	?
	Hints provides strategic supports for students		✓	?
	Answer Explanations give students actionable feedback.		✓	?
	Instructions provides special information from teachers to students		✓	?