# NAPLAN ONLINE

# Byte #2

Spotlighting a key topic, for your school community

## What's changing?

**NAPLAN is moving from paper-based to online assessment.**

NAPLAN Online will provide better assessment, more precise results and faster turnaround of information.

Significant planning, development and research is now underway. An Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Skills Guide, a Technical Readiness Tool, OneChannel programs and training, and student activities and learning resources support school readiness for online assessment.

### Five key changes

> Students will be presented with sets of questions based on their performance during the test. Many of these questions are of mid-range complexity for each year level, but some are of higher or lower complexity.

> OneSchool reporting will be modified to present detailed test results.

> An ICT Skills Guide, related resources and learning activities will support digital capability.

| Paper-based tests | Online tests |
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| **Same test for each student cohort** | **Tailored test for each student** |
| 1 **Tailored testing** delivers sets of questions (testlets) to students that are more suited to their ability, enabling a broader range of skills to be assessed and more precise results. | |
| **Standard results** | **Precise results** |
| 2 **Precise results** better reflect the unique capabilities of each student. | |
| **Three-day test period** | **Nine-day test period** |
| 3 **An extended test period** offers schools a nine-day timeframe to schedule tests. | |
| **Hand-writing skills** | **ICT skills** |
| 4 **Students need ICT skills** such as reading online, and planning and composing digital text. | |
| **Minimal impact on ICT infrastructure** | **Adequate ICT infrastructure is critical** |
| 5 **Adequate ICT infrastructure** (including bandwidth, devices and network access) will help schools to become technically ready for NAPLAN Online by 2019. | |

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This cartoon is a cube grenade, designed to foster discussion. It's ideal for meetings, workshops and presentations.

**Discussion starter**: How can we make sure our students are ready for online assessment?

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