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2. Click on the “M-Step Practice Test Site” link and follow the log in directions on the post
3. **Print out the page (or take a picture/screen shot and email it to your teacher)** that says “Congratulations! You have completed Grade 6 ELA”

The practice test is similar to what you should expect on the actual M-Step test and should be taken seriously. Practice using the tools provided, following the directions given, and doing your best to answer the various types of questions you will be seeing on the actual test. This will be worth 10 points summative in the grade-book for merely attempting the practice test. This will need to be completed by Monday, April 10, 2017 so we have time to go over it as a class. Let me know if you have any questions and, as always, check out our blogs for more information!

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