

**Virginia Standards of Learning Assessment  
Algebra 1 (2023 SOL) Performance Level Descriptors**

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<p>A student performing at this level should be able to:</p> <p><i>Reporting Category 1: Expressions and Operations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Translate verbal phrases into algebraic expressions</li> <li>● Simplify and/or evaluate:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ expressions with integer replacement values</li> <li>○ square roots of whole numbers</li> <li>○ perfect cube roots</li> <li>○ sums and differences of polynomials</li> <li>○ sums and differences of two radicals with like radicands</li> <li>○ expressions with whole number exponents</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Model polynomial expressions using concrete and pictorial representations</li> </ul>	<p>A student performing at this level should be able to:</p> <p><i>Reporting Category 1: Expressions and Operations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Translate between verbal and algebraic expressions</li> <li>● Simplify and evaluate:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ expressions for rational replacement values</li> <li>○ cube roots of integers</li> <li>○ sums, differences, and products of:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ two monomial radical expressions</li> <li>▪ polynomial expressions</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ quotients using a monomial, binomial, or factored divisor</li> <li>○ expressions with integer exponents</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>A student performing at this level should be able to:</p> <p><i>Reporting Category 1: Expressions and Operations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Translate/evaluate contextual situations verbally and algebraically</li> <li>● Simplify and evaluate:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ monomial and polynomial expressions, including monomial expressions that contain square or cube roots with leading coefficients</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Derive and apply the laws of exponents</li> <li>● Justify equivalencies for radicals using rational exponents</li> <li>● Factor:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ polynomial expressions with rational leading coefficients.</li> <li>○ verify algebraic factorizations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Factor:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ greatest common factor from polynomial expressions</li> <li>○ polynomial expressions with a leading coefficient of 1</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Reporting Category 2: Equations and Inequalities</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Identify solution(s) given a graph of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ systems of linear equations</li> <li>○ systems of linear inequalities</li> <li>○ a quadratic equation</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Solve:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ multi-step linear equations (having only integers), with and without context</li> <li>○ multi-step linear inequalities (having only integers), with and without context</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Recognize the relationship between a radical and its rational exponent.</li> <li>● Factor polynomial expressions with integer leading coefficients</li> <li>● Represent equality in different forms of quadratic expressions</li> </ul> <p><i>Reporting Category 2: Equations and Inequalities</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Represent, solve and verify solutions for:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ multistep linear equations and inequalities</li> <li>○ systems of linear equations</li> <li>○ systems of linear inequalities</li> <li>○ literal equations</li> <li>○ quadratic equations</li> <li>○ problems in context</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Represent solutions graphically for:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ linear inequalities</li> <li>○ systems of equations</li> <li>○ systems of inequalities</li> <li>○ quadratic functions</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Determine the number of solutions for:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ linear equations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Justify equality in different forms of quadratic expressions</li> </ul> <p><i>Reporting Category 2: Equations and Inequalities</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Interpret and describe solutions to contextual problems involving:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ multistep linear equations and inequalities</li> <li>○ literal equations</li> <li>○ systems of linear equations</li> <li>○ systems of linear inequalities</li> <li>○ quadratic equations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<p><i>Reporting Category 3: Functions and Statistics</i></p> <p><i>Functions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Determine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ if a relation is a function</li> <li>○ domain and range of a set of discrete values</li> <li>○ the value of <math>f(x)</math> given an <math>x</math> value</li> <li>○ the slope of a linear function</li> <li>○ y-intercept of a linear function</li> <li>○ solutions to a quadratic function given a graph</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Graph a line given the equation in slope-intercept form</li> <li>● Write the equation of a line in slope-intercept form</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ systems of equations</li> <li>○ system of inequalities</li> <li>○ quadratic equations</li> </ul> <p><i>Reporting Category 3: Functions and Statistics</i></p> <p><i>Functions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Determine key characteristics of linear and quadratic functions including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ domain and range</li> <li>▪ slope</li> <li>▪ zeros</li> <li>▪ x and y intercepts</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Determine a value of <math>x</math> given the value of <math>f(x)</math></li> <li>● Write equations (linear functions): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ in slope-intercept form,</li> <li>○ in standard form</li> <li>○ in point-slope form</li> <li>○ parallel and perpendicular to a given line</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Graph: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ linear, quadratic, and exponential functions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><i>Reporting Category 3: Functions and Statistics</i></p> <p><i>Functions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze and interpret: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ key characteristics of linear and quadratic functions</li> <li>○ equations of parallel and perpendicular lines represented in different formats</li> <li>○ information from linear, quadratic, and exponential functions</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Explain how transformations to linear, quadratic, and exponential functions affect the key characteristics of the function</li> </ul>

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<p><i>Statistics</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Formulate investigative questions that require the collection or acquisition of data</li> <li>● Determine if a linear or quadratic function would best represent the relationship from a given set of data</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ a transformation of a given function</li> <li>○ parallel and perpendicular lines</li> <li>● Make connections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ between the algebraic and graphical representations of quadratic functions</li> <li>○ among multiple representations of linear and quadratic functions</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Statistics</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Write the equation of the curve of best fit that best models a set of data and describe the strengths and weaknesses of that model</li> <li>● Investigate and explain the meaning of the rate of change and y-intercept of a linear model in context</li> </ul>	<p><i>Statistics</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Use a linear curve of best fit model to make and evaluate the validity of predictions and communicate the results</li> </ul>